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PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

June 2018

It's official! Summer is here! Besides the hot temperatures, this is also evident by all the postings you're making on Facebook, showing pictures of outdoor and water activities instead of skiing activities – with the exception of Asheville, who is hosting a training camp in Mt. Hood. It's fun to see your Club's events during the off-season.

Thank you for electing me to serve as your president! I appreciate your confidence in me to lead our council. This next season promises to be one of changes (we already have the Vendor show coming to Fall Conference instead of the Spring Convention) as well as one of excitement as we will celebrate our 50th Anniversary throughout 2019! I would like to give a great big shout-out to Pat Harvey for serving as CSC President for the past 4 years. She has been a great mentor and is continuing her support to me not only through her position as Past President, but also as someone who cares deeply about our council. I look forward to working with the Crescent Officers, Committee chairs, and members of all 19 Crescent Clubs to help continue to make our Council such a great organization.

Following are the Officers and Committee Chairs who comprise the Executive Committee for the 2018-2019 season. We are always looking for ideas and suggestions and would love for you to check us out, participate and/or run for office. Remember – everyone is welcome to attend ExComm meetings. Come by, even for part of the meeting; you just might be amazed at all the work that takes place.

Vice President – Mary Anne Koltowich (Knoxville)
Treasurer – Marge Lafferty (Palmetto)
Secretary – Sandy McQuain (Kanawha)

Conventions Chair - Michelle Shuford (Palmetto)
Trips Chair - Lisa Beregi (East Tennessee)
Member Services Chair - Ken Lumsden (Winston Salem)
Racing Chair - Ron Scott (Raleigh)

The new officers began their terms June 1, 2018. If you are interested in getting involved with any of the Committees, please contact me at cscpresident2018@gmail.com.

Our committee chairs are already hard at work making plans for us as you will read below. Lisa tells us about two great ski trips this season. Make plans to attend one or both – you'll be glad you did! Michelle and Mary Anne have done a great job planning the Fall Conference. Ron has posted the "local" 2018 – 2019 racing schedule. We're all hoping this racing season will be a FULL one! Be sure to download the attached documents for Fall Conference and the Racing schedule, including Race camps and "*READ ALL ABOUT IT!*" These documents are also posted on the CSC website. Begin sharing this information with your clubs now. We would LOVE to have a lot of participation this year!

PAST PRESIDENT (Pat Harvey)

Reminder to update your contact information for me. Now that I've officially moved into the position of Past President, I am using crescentpastpres@gmail.com as my email address for Crescent Ski Council. Thanks.

Pat Harvey
CSC Past President, Social Media Chair
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CRESCENT TREASURER (Marge Lafferty)

On June 1st I officially took over the treasurer position for Crescent Ski Council. I have some big shoes to fill as Mary Anne Koltowich did a fantastic job! I want to thank Mary Anne and Michelle Shuford for the hours spent going over the accounts and procedures. I look forward to meeting and getting to know the members and become more involved in the group activities. I attended the Spring Conference for the first time in April, for those that did not attend you missed a great time, I understand next year's 50th anniversary party will be even better!

Marge Lafferty
CSC Treasurer
Palmetto Ski and Outing Club
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CRESCENT TRIPS (Lisa Beregi)

June is almost over and Crescent trip sign ups have been going on since the 1st!

Steamboat 35th Anniversary Race and Learn to Ski Camp December 1-8, 2018 has sold out its early bird spots. All reservations for two or three bedroom condos are now \$1180. A great price for ALL that is included: 7 nights lodging, 6 day lift ticket, 5 days of lessons, 3 lunches, 2 dinners and much more. Round trip transportation from Denver if needed is \$110. All registration is online at www.sportsamerica.com/csctrips.

CSC January Ski Week is to Crested Butte Colorado January 12-19, 2019. This is the only Ski Week during Crescent's 50th Anniversary celebration year, so come out and join us! As with any ski week you will get: 7 nights lodging, 5 day lift ticket, Round trip transfers from Gunnison, Welcome reception, Farwell dinner and all CSC activities and souvenir! See your club trip leader for more pricing information or registration at the same SAT website. I've been getting confirmation of registrations nightly, so people are signing up for Crescent fun!

If you have any questions regarding trips, please contact Lisa Beregi, CSC Trip Chair, at drlab88@aol.com

CONVENTIONS (Michelle Shuford)

2018 Fall Conference – New Events for this Year! October 26 – 28, 2018

Once again we are in beautiful Gatlinburg and the Smoky Mountains for our 2018 Fall Conference. The Glenstone Lodge (with remodeled rooms) is welcoming us back at the very affordable rate of \$92 (excluding taxes). You will need to make your own hotel reservations either online or by telephone. The Knoxville Ski & Outing Club (KSOC) is your host club and is inviting all the CSC clubs to bring a lot of

people so we can have an even greater fall event. You can extend your stay for a few days at this same low hotel rate.

There will be the normal meetings for Trips, Racing, and Administration where it is important for your club's representatives to attend to make those all important decisions on where to go and how to race, plus learn more about club operations. Many clubs make this a club event/trip and bring along club members who love the outdoors to hike and see the Smokies, plus have an autumn vacation to see the Fall colors and maybe do a little shopping and bar hopping. You are all encouraged to do the same.

The conference is offering a couple of new events this year. First and foremost is that your traditional Vendor Trade Show is moving from the Spring Convention to the Fall Conference. This allows the vendors a much more affordable location and significantly improves your club's time to plan ahead for trips in upcoming seasons. As many of you know, lodging to resorts must be secured early, and our new Vendor Meet & Greet will allow you to do just that. Plus, some adult beverages will be available to help create that social atmosphere.

Our usual Saturday night party is moving to a new venue! Ober Gatlinburg is offering us a special group rate to enjoy a beautiful tram ride up to the top and have a fantastic Oktoberfest dinner and participate in the oompah program with music and dancing. Yes, you too can do the chicken dance! This is a great value and I hope all of you will take advantage of this new and exciting event.

All the Fall Conference information and the Registration Form are attached as well as posted on the CSC website so you can see all the details. Don't delay! Make your hotel and tram/dinner event reservations now and be ready for a fun and informative time! Please remember that ALL attendees, regardless of whether or not you are attending meetings and events, must complete the paperwork and register so appropriate plans can be made and you are appropriately accommodated.

Important Deadlines:

Conference & Tram/dinner Oktoberfest registrations are due Friday, September 21, 2018
Hotel Reservations are due 5 pm, Thursday, September 27, 2018

Crescent Ski Council's 50th Anniversary!

This upcoming season marks Crescent Ski Council's 50th Anniversary so plan on some fun trips down memory lane! We want to commemorate this landmark year with as many memories as possible at the 2018 Spring Convention. We want memorabilia and ideas to make this anniversary a very special one. Please contact Pat Harvey or Carol and Mark McCall from Spartanburg (mmccall1@windstream.net) with your ideas! The McCall's have been members of Crescent since its beginning in 1969! The theme for the Saturday night party will be Black Tie/Cocktail Dress Formal so get your bling on and prepare to dress up for the party.

Let's make this a year to remember...before we all get too old and forget!

Michelle Shuford
CSC Convention Chair
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RACING (Ron Scott)

The dates for the 2018-2019 Crescent Racing program have been set! I have attached the complete information – including all the race camps - for you. In addition, the full schedule is posted on the Crescent website. Following is the "local" racing schedule:

December 15 & 16, 2018	Appalachian Mt, NC Race
January 5 & 6, 2019	Sugar Mt, NC Race
January 26 & 27, 2019	Appalachian Mt, NC Race
February 4, 2019	Cup Run Challenge at Snowshoe, WV
February 9 & 10, 2019	Beech Mt, NC Race
February 23 & 24, 2019	Sugar Mt, NC Race
March 8-10, 2019	Crescent Cup, SilverCreek, WV

As a racing program for the Crescent Ski Council, we strive to promote youth development, friendships, friendly competition, team unity and sportsmanship. The Crescent Racing program is for all Crescent members: young, old, single, married. All are welcome to help us continue to keep Crescent Racing the top club racing program in the nation.

If you have any questions concerning Crescent Racing, please contact Ron Scott, CSC Race Director, at rscott013@nc.rr.com.

CSC MEMBER PERK – POINT 6 SOCKS

Please share the 25% off Point 6 sock, Crescent Ski Council discount with all your club members and friends. Point 6 Sock Company donated one pair of Point 6 socks to each Race Camp participant this year at Steamboat. Now, Point 6 socks is offering all Crescent members and their friends a 25% discount on Point 6 socks. All you need to do is use the code “CSC” and receive a 25% discount off internet orders, www.point6.com. Free shipping is offered on all internet orders over \$50. This offer is extended to all CSC members and their friends, so spread the word! Point 6 Sock Company was started by Peter Duke who founded Smartwool Sock Company. The quality, comfort, and fit of Point 6 socks are better than what people reported from other wool socks.

MEMBER SERVICES (Ken Lumsden)

SOCIAL MEDIA (Pat Harvey)

Crescent is on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. If you’re following us, you know we regularly post lots of information from resorts and report ski industry news from all over the country as well as post pictures from all of the Crescent trips and events. We’re following the Club Facebook pages and sharing all the fun we see them having during the summer months.

We also can help you sell your trips and events. If you have a trip you’re trying to fill or an event that you’d like to promote to the other Clubs, please let me know. Remember to tag us at “Crescentski” on any posts on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Spread the word to your members!

Crescent Racing (“Crescentskiracing”) is also on Facebook. Thanks to everyone who posts information and pictures on the CSC Racing page. We are still looking for volunteer racers who would like to help us set up Twitter and Instagram for Racing. If interested, please contact me.

Any questions, ideas or suggestions regarding Social Media, please contact me. Be sure to spread the word on Crescent’s Social Media pages to your Club members and friends.

Pat Harvey
 CSC Social Media Chair
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NATIONAL SKI COUNCIL FEDERATION

Crescent is a Charter Member of the **National Ski Council Federation (“NSCF”)**. There are 29 Member Councils in NSCF across the US. As a member of Crescent Ski Council, you are also a member of the **NSCF**. Lisa Beregi, CSC Trips Chair, is the current President of NSCF. Pat Harvey, CSC Past President, is NSCF’s Social Media Chair. NSCF has some excellent benefits and discounts available and more are being added regularly. Please visit the website, www.skifederation.org for member only benefits.

The NSCF site allows you to search for all benefits by category allowing you to find what you’re looking for much faster. You’ll need to register on NSCF’s website but once you’re signed up, you can take advantage of all the benefits that are available. Please spread the word to your Club members. Check it out – you’ll want to take advantage of the many benefits that are available through NSCF.

Make sure also to like and follow the National Ski Council Federation on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Spread the word on NSCF’s Social Media pages to your Club members. Tag NSCF @natlskifed and spread the word on the Federation and its Facebook page.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

Please share the monthly President’s Updates with your members, include them in your Club newsletters and/or place them on your Club’s web site. Let’s keep our communication going to our members so they can be informed! If you don’t publish a newsletter, direct your members to Crescent’s website, www.crescentcouncil.org. The CSC President’s Updates are posted on the website monthly. If your Club sends electronic newsletters and emails to your members, please add me to your e-list (cscpresident2018@gmail.com) and also be sure to send them to Pat Harvey, Social Media Chair.

Keep the ideas coming to keep Crescent the **BEST** Council in the country! New volunteers are always welcome! I would love to hear your suggestions and/or recommendations. Feel free to contact me with your interests or to learn more about your Council.

I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe July 4th holiday!

Diane

Diane Andrews, President

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