



## **PRESIDENT'S UPDATE – PLEASE SHARE!**

**October 2021**

As you already know, Fall Conference in Gatlinburg is canceled. The meetings usually held during this event will be scheduled soon. ExComm is meeting Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 pm ET. After this meeting, proposed dates for the Race Committee and Race Workers meetings, Trips Committee Meeting, and the Board meeting will be sent out for scheduling. Where would we be without ZOOM and other electronic means to meet and be able to conduct the business portion of our Conference? But – I am still disappointed and sad by not being able to be together socially, as well as missing seeing the beautiful Fall colors.

Speaking of our Fall meeting, I have a couple of topics that I had planned to discuss during the Administration/Education meeting. One of the topics pertains to lift safety and standards, and the other topic is how do we as clubs continue to meet and be together safely in light of this pandemic? What is your club doing?

So my questions are:

- 1) Would you like to have an Administrative/Educational Meeting?
- 2) Would you like this to be a separate meeting or added to the BOD agenda as New Business?
- 3) Do you have any other topics you would like to discuss?

Please let me know your thoughts.

These cooler temperatures are providing some welcome relief and may have you thinking a bit more about this ski season. While there are still some unknowns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the resorts are planning operations in such a manner as to provide us with the safest environment and experience possible based on governmental regulations. If you would like more information about Crescent's trips to Steamboat and/or Sun Valley, please contact your Club's Trip Leader as soon as possible, as deadlines to register are fast approaching – October 1<sup>st</sup> for Steamboat.

Come join us! If you are interested in getting involved or volunteering with any of the CSC Committees, please contact me. We are always looking for ideas and suggestions and would love for you to join us for a meeting.

Please share this Update with your members by including it in your Club's newsletters and/or placing it on your Club's website. You can also direct your members to Crescent's website, <https://www.crescentskicouncil.org/>, where the President's Update is posted. 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. Keep the ideas coming to keep Crescent the **BEST** Council in the country!

### **TREASURER (Ellen Cortright)**

On September 1, the invoice templates for Crescent Dues were distributed via email to the President and Treasurer of record for each club. Many thanks to the TWO clubs that have already submitted their roster and dues payments.

Please note that the preferred format for the membership list is in Excel (via email). The "Member List" tab in the invoice template shows the required data. All dues payments and membership lists should be sent to arrive on or before November 1. It would be great to be 100% complete and deposited for month end!

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### **CONVENTIONS (Cathie Mulgrew)**

Hopefully everyone has heard by now that CSC Fall Conference will take place via Zoom meetings. We are looking forward to seeing everyone! Happy Fall Y'all! Looking forward to seeing you all for the CSC 2022 Spring Convention.

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### **CRESCENT TRIPS (Lisa Beregi)**

Yes - another month has slipped by, Fall is officially here and we are quickly coming up on final payments for winter trips! As the Delta variant has been running through the South East, things are hopefully slowing down and any impact out west will also have come and gone before we start our travels. Unfortunately things are still questionable, so we will be keeping registrants informed on any changes if they happen.

#### **STEAMBOAT RACE AND LEARN TO SKI/RIDE CAMP**

Everyone is definitely ready to get back to "normal". We currently have 229 registered for this year's camp and there are still 5 days to sign up. October 1st is the deadline this year and we are getting close to totally filling our original allocations. There is room to expand so don't forget to sign up this week if you've just been waiting until the end. SAT is sending a notice out to all participants, that if you haven't paid your final payment, due this Friday October 1st, to WAIT. As we are approaching the trip, we would like to confirm all events will be allowed by the resort, town, etc. If we have to make any cost changes to the package, we'd rather do it before final payment than have SAT have to send out a lot of refunds. Thanks for your patience, and at this time things are all looking positive!

#### **SUN VALLEY SKI WEEK**

This trip is also selling out. We currently have 94 participants and with single supplements it leaves us with only 4 spots left. Adding on space will be based on resorts availability. Don't wait another minute if you want to go to Sun Valley! Registration is open until November 15th, but space is limited. Second payments are due October 1st.

FYI - there is a lot of questions being asked of SAT about COVID vaccination policies and sharing of condos. Currently CSC has not made any policies. Throughout the country some clubs/councils are doing nothing, mandating vaccination to participate or something in between. The Race Committee did have a COVID waiver used last season for races. This was basically a Wellness Declaration stating you'd either been vaccinated or had not had any symptoms within 72 hours of the race. The ExComm is meeting this week and I will be bringing up the best way for Trips to handle this.

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### **RACING (Rich Mead)**

As the weather begins to turn cooler, racing activities and preparations for the upcoming season are picking up. The agreement for Crescent to participate as a NASTAR club affiliate has been received and reviewed for approval. All Crescent races are scored both as a Crescent race and as a NASTAR race and the results posted to the NASTAR website, giving Crescent racers the opportunity to compare their performance with NASTAR racers across the country. Ron Scott, in charge of Racer Development, recently sent out a comprehensive list of the racer training events including Steamboat, Sugar Mountain and Appalachian. As a reminder, registration for the 38th annual Steamboat Ski/Ride/Race Camp closes October 1. Information regarding the Developmental Race event at Appalachian has also been emailed. This event is a great opportunity for new racers to get some gate practice, coaching, and a chance to qualify and establish their initial race handicap. Ron also has sent to Race Directors information for racers to purchase Dynastar/Lange/Look equipment from our perennial and loyal Crescent sponsor. The cancellation of the Fall Conference means the Race Director and Race Workers meetings will be held via Zoom; dates to be announced soon.

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## **SOCIAL MEDIA (Pat Harvey)**

As you plan your trips, if you need help filling spots, let Sue Chadwick and I know. Sue will put info on your openings on the website and I'll add them to our Facebook page. As trips and events get going, make sure to tag us @crescentski and we'll post all pics that we see. We follow all the Clubs who have Facebook pages so will share pictures from your trips that are posted. You can also send pics and trip info to me and we'll post them.

Follow Crescent on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Tag us @crescentski on any of your posts. Crescent Racing (@Crescentskiracing) is also on Facebook. Any questions, ideas or suggestions regarding Social Media, please contact me. Keep spreading the word on Crescent's Social Media pages to your Club members and friends.

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## **NATIONAL SKI COUNCIL FEDERATION**

Crescent is a Charter Member of the **National Ski Council Federation (NSCF)**. There are 30 Member Councils in NSCF across the USA. As a member of Crescent Ski Council, you are also a member of the **NSCF**. NSCF has some excellent benefits and discounts. **A new benefit with Groupon is now available to your clubs.** Michael Calderone (NY) has contacted Groupon, and they are willing to work with clubs to help us possibly gain exposure and new members. Groupon can do a 20-25% discount and 78% from the discounted price sent to you for each Groupon customer they send to your club. Groupon also works with many ski resorts as well for lift tickets. Please contact Kalli Huston at [kcavadeas@groupon.com](mailto:kcavadeas@groupon.com) or direct line 623-522-8446 for additional information.

Please visit the website, [www.skifederation.org](http://www.skifederation.org) for member only benefits. The NSCF site allows you to search for all benefits by category so you can find what you are looking for much faster. You must register on NSCF's website but once you're signed up, you can take advantage of all the benefits. Please spread the word to your members so they too can take advantage of the many benefits that are available to all of you through NSCF.

**Remember to post your trips and activities to the NSCF database. It is a great way to get more exposure for your events and trips.** NSCF has a code available to allow Federation Councils and Member Clubs to display their Clubs' trips that have been entered into the database—ON THEIR OWN WEBSITE. It is available to all at the asking. It will be customized for each council and club. This is a key benefit. Each Council should encourage their clubs to enter their trips into the database and request the customize code for their club or council. Contact Joe ([webmaster@skifederation.org](mailto:webmaster@skifederation.org)) to request your customized search code.

Enjoy these cooler temperatures. I'm looking forward to "seeing" you over the next month in at least one of Crescent's meetings.

Please stay safe and healthy, and continue praying for each other, our country, and world.

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