

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT??? **ELECTION DAY IS NOT FAR AWAY.....** **OC SKI CLUB ELECTIONS that is!!!!**

Nominations to be held March 12 & 19 Election Night is April 2nd

Our Club is led by a group of volunteers who work very hard for you. Some of the leaders are voted in by the membership while others (Committee Chairs) are appointed by those elected officials (Officers and Board Members). Our process is quite simple but it all begins with YOU!!!!!! **Nominations** are open at two (2) consecutive business Meetings (Thursday nights) from 7pm - 8pm on both March 12th and March 19th. The nominations are done by the members in an open meeting forum. This is your opportunity to promote a person you think would be an excellent leader for the Club. Once you nominate the individual that person has the option to accept the nomination or decline it.

Election night is another Thursday night meeting after the second (2nd) night of nominations – April 2nd.

Each year the club offices open up for election; these offices are President, VP Administration, VP Organized Skiing, Treasurer, Secretary and the Board of Directors (9 or 10 seats will be elected).

We are in a predicament that we've not seen in quite a while... 4 of the 5 officers have hit their term limits (3 consecutive years) mandated by our current Constitution and we must do 1 of 2 things: vote to elect 4 new people to keep Steve Ford (VP for Admin) company OR override the term limits clause.

Why would you want to be an Officer or Board Member of the Club? 1st let me assure you that most of our roles in the Club are not difficult work for the most part. Of course, there are days when any one of our current officers and committee chairs could tell you a different story but thankfully those times are not frequent. **SO**

- ❖ Have you enjoyed the activities that the Club provides? Would you like to see them continue? Would you like to see some new ones or the return of some old favorites?
- ❖ Do you have an hour, or two, a month that you can give to the club (Board members)?
- ❖ Do you have a few hours a week that you can give to the club (Officers)?
- ❖ Do you have some ideas for keeping the Club strong, yet fresh?

This is your opportunity to jump on board and get involved. The Club has survived these many years by combining the skills and knowledge of both people who have been dedicated for years & “new” people with the energy, enthusiasm, and ideas to keep the Club moving forward in the pursuit of skiing and fun. The Club thrives on the energy and skills that our diversity of membership provides. Don't just think about running for an office but explore it more by coming forward and finding out more about each position.

Is your interest at least a little piqued? I am including the “official” descriptions of the positions below but feel free to contact me if you would like more information!

The **President** of the CLUB is also the Chair of the Board of Directors and shall preside at all meetings. The President shall call all meetings of the CLUB and of the Board of Directors as provided in this Constitution and By-Laws. The President shall be a member ex officio of all committees. The President shall represent the CLUB to all other ski organizations. The President shall have the authority to sign legal documents and make disbursements on behalf of the CLUB as provided in this Constitution and By-Laws. The President shall submit a written report assessing the year's activities. This report shall be made part of the permanent records of the CLUB.

The **Vice President for Administration** shall assume all duties of the President of the CLUB in the event of the President's absence. The Vice President for Administration shall be a member of the Board of Directors and shall act as an ex officio member of all committees in administration's functional area.

The **Vice President for Organized Skiing** shall assume all duties of the President and the Vice President for Administration in the event of their absence. The Vice President for Organized Skiing shall be a member of the Board of Directors and shall act as an ex officio member of all committees in organized skiing's functional area.

The **Treasurer** shall be the Financial Officer of the CLUB, a member of the Board of Directors, and a member of the Finance Committee. The Treasurer shall make all disbursements as provided by this Constitution and By-Laws. The Treasurer shall receive all monies due to the CLUB, and shall receipt same. The Treasurer shall make an accounting of the receipts, expenditures, and financial condition of the CLUB at each regular meeting, and also at other times as may be required by the President or Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain, as a permanent record, all tax records of the CLUB. The Treasurer shall make a financial report and provide the new treasurer with said report within six (6) weeks after the end of the CLUB year.

The **Secretary** shall be a member of the Board of Directors and shall keep and maintain, as a permanent record, minutes of all meetings of the CLUB and of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall maintain a permanent file of all correspondence with ski areas and other clubs within the New York Capital District Ski Council. The Secretary shall keep all corporate records, except those pertaining to the office of the Treasurer, which shall be open to the inspection of members at all reasonable times. Copies of the Constitution and By-Laws shall be kept by the Secretary to be distributed to any member upon request.

A **Board of Director** shall serve to assure that the activities of the CLUB are within the scope of this Constitution and By-Laws and are consistent with the NOT-FOR-PROFIT Corporation Law of the State of New York. The Board of Directors shall act as an Advisory Committee to the CLUB.

Call or email me if you would like to discuss the concept of running for an Officer or a Board Member position ...

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