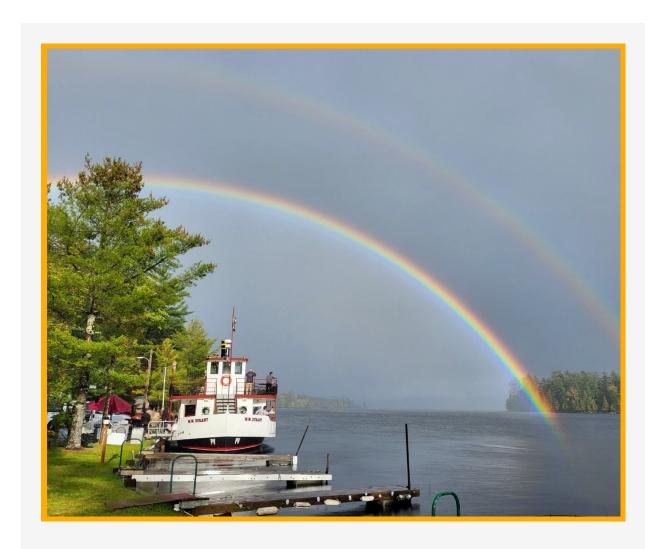
# TCSC Snowplow

November 2023



**From the President** 



It's been a busy month for the ski club and there is a lot more coming up, so please continue reading. As always, check the club's website and the calendar as well as the activities list on the homepage of the website and try to get to our monthly meeting at the American Legion Post 1645 on Robinson Street in Binghamton.

Ingrid

## Member to Member Ski Swap

People have been asking about how to sell ski and sports equipment that they would previously have brought to our annual Ski Swap. Since we are no longer running a Ski Swap, the board decided to dedicate a fall meeting to a swap where members can sell to and buy from members.

Our first attempt at this will be at the November General Membership Meeting on Thursday, Nov. 2. Come at 6:30 p.m. if you have items to sell. We'll set aside time before and after the business meeting for the sale.

For more details go to the <u>November Meeting link</u> and view the <u>PDF</u> of some of the items being sold.

# Free Ikon Pass Drawing at November Meeting

TCSC has sold enough Ikon passes to win a free pass! All club members who purchased an Ikon pass for 2023/24 through TCSC and Sports America will be entered into the drawing for a free full Ikon Pass to be held during the November meeting. Eligible members have been notified via email and are asked to be at the meeting. Contact **Brenda Nichols** if you have questions.

## **Member Benefits**

#### **Greek Peak Lift Tickets**

#### **TCSC Members**

- If you do not have a GP season pass, present your current club membership card and a valid ID at the GP ticket counter to purchase an all-day, adult lift ticket for \$68 with no blackout dates.
- On Wednesdays, TCSC members can purchase a lift ticket for \$49 with blackout dates during Christmas and Presidents weeks.

#### **Non-TCSC Members**

- Tuesdays anyone can ski for \$45, blackout dates Christmas and Presidents weeks.
- Mondays from 3:30 p.m. until close \$24 lift tickets for college students.

All tickets require a one-time purchase of the RFID card at \$5. This card can then be reloaded throughout the season.

Additional lift ticket deals from other resorts will be listed on the Discounts and Deals page as they become available.

#### Save Twice on Save Around Books

The ski club is selling Save Around books at \$20 each, a \$5 savings off the regular price, plus the club also benefits from the sale. You save on the purchase and then you'll save by using the coupons in the book. They make great gifts, too. See **Chris McCloe** at the meeting to buy one or more.



## Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council News

On Sunday, Oct. 22, **Brenda Nichols**, **Susanna Stumpe**, **Jill Darling** and **Tim Hanna** attended the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council Fall

General Meeting at Blue Mountain Ski Resort in Pa. Twenty-one member ski clubs were represented. One of the first items on the agenda was to unanimously accept our application for membership into EPSC.

During a breakout session, groups read various articles about the ski industry, ski clubs, membership, etc. Afterwards, each group shared its "Aha" moment to show that the member clubs had different thoughts on how to face the future but could work together toward the same goal. TCSC stood out among the group for its longevity -- founded in 1965 -- and the number of current active members -- 375!

The most interesting part of this presentation showed that the age group that goes on trips is 60-69. The second and third groups respectively were ages 50-59 and

70-79. Younger generations are more apt to join in spontaneous activities rather have a commitment to a club.

Jim Daly from Blue Mountain gave a presentation on the improvements they've made over the many years he's been with them. Blue Mountain is participating in the Ikon pass for the first time but is not owned by Alterra.

Your membership with TCSC includes membership in EPSC and all of the benefits and discounts it provides. Go to the EPSC website listed on the back of your TCSC membership card to check it out.

## What Not to Miss

#### Order Your Logo Apparel by Nov. 15

Our logo apparel sale is back with a bigger selection of items for men and women. New this fall are jersey polo shirts in six colors. It's a great way to promote our club! The sale is open until Nov. 15. Purchases can be picked up at the December meeting. Order from our online store here.



#### **Logo Stickers for Sale**

Chris also has TCSC logo stickers for sale. They are round stickers with our new logo on them. There are smaller ones for skis or helmets and larger ones that can be put on your car window or anywhere else. Get them at 2 for \$1.

#### We'll be on TV!

**Jill Darling** and **Chris McCloe** will be interviewed about the ski club on Around the Tiers on WBNG on Wednesday, Nov. 15. Watch from 3-4 p.m.

**December General Membership Meeting:** Our December meeting will be on **Thursday, Dec. 14**, the second Thursday of the month due to Killington Race Camp taking place on the first Thursday. Since our Sweet & Savory pre-holiday party was so much fun last year, we decided to do it again. Wear your best ugly sweater, bring a sweet or savory snack to share and get in the holiday spirit. The Legion will provide a cash bar in the hall where we meet.



# Ski Trips!

If you are reading this newsletter before Halloween, you can still plan to meet up with **Jill Darling** to ski at BIG SNOW on Tuesday, Oct. 31. <u>Details</u>.

Don't wait too long to sign up for the following trips.

- Killington Race Camp, Dec. 3-8 deadline to register is mid-November
- Windham Mountain Day Trip, Jan. 19, 2024
- Killington Midweek Self-Drive Trip, Jan. 28-31, 2024
- Loon Mountain New Hampshire Trip, Jan. 31 Feb. 2, 2024
- Bristol Ski with Heart Day, Feb. 16, 2024
- Stratton Mountain, Feb. 25-28, 2024
- Winter Park, CO, March 3-8, 2024

# **October Recap**

October certainly was a busy month for the club. We kicked it off with two great presentations at our general membership meeting.

**Ironman or Ladies**: **Kristy Dougherty** and **Chris McCloe** gave an inspiring talk at the meeting on their participation in the Lake Placid Ironman competition which they both completed. Congratulations! You can view a PDF of the PowerPoint <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.



Kristy sharing her and Chris' Lake Placid Ironman experience.



The Main Lodge at Antlers, where we stay, now has updated bathrooms and newly finished hardwood floors.



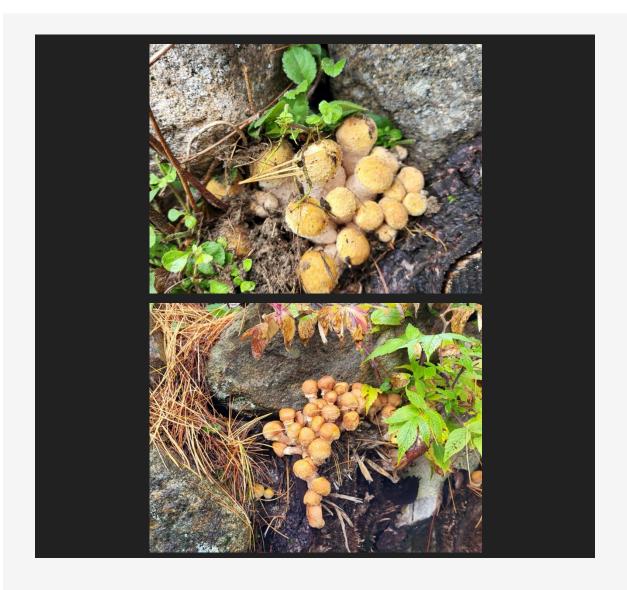
Adopt A Highway: "Who's here?" "You go left ..no, right." "Is that east or west?" "Which side of the road?"



ADK Weekend: We had another successful trip to Raquette Lake in the Adirondacks with Brenda and Pete Nichols, Mirek and Mirka Herzog, Gerry and Ingrid Jordak, Sharon Moss, Leland Cook, Carol Curran, Eric Sandsted, Renee Oliveira, Jill McConnell, Eileen Hanrahan, Marie Monaco and Jill Darling attending.

Mushroom Mystery: Mirek and Mirka, our resident mushroom experts, took us on a mushroom hunt along the DEC land near the lodge. No luck there, but lo and behold we found an abundance of honey mushrooms or stumpies as they are called in upstate New York on the SUNY Cortland property. Mirek and Mirka promised to make a delicious mushroom stew with them the next day. Our mouths were watering in anticipation. The next morning, Ingrid took an early morning walk to the lakefront to catch some sunrise photos. On her way back to the lodge she checked on the mushrooms. They were gone! Did Mirka get up early to harvest them? No. She thought Ingrid was joking with her when Ingrid asked if she had already picked them. Someone knew of the bounty and beat us to them. We'll never know who the culprit was. We hope to get them first next year!





Adopt A Highway: Activities Director and Highway Coordinator Eileen Hanrahan gave a presentation at the general membership meeting that included some history of the highway cleanup as well as recognition of founder and longtime volunteer Carol Brugger and never-missed-a-cleanup in almost 30 decades volunteer Donna Creamer, who is now our highway GOAT! Volunteers for the fall clean up were: Jim Wilcox, Donna Creamer, Beth Tracy, Alisa (Lisa) Brown, Renee Oliveira, Susanna Stumpe, Matt Rose, Rick Day, Sandy Simmons, Mary Clark, Denny Ebert, Carol Aronowitz, Chris McCloe, Ingrid Jordak, and Eileen Hanrahan. Thanks to

everyone for helping with this community service project! Hope to see new faces in May.





Above: Donna with her bag train. Below left: Poor dear.





## Tioga Downs Dinner Dance: Jill Darling and Karl and Peggy

**Krause** enjoyed a delicious meal at P.J. Clarke's and then danced the night away to the sounds of Splash on Friday, Oct. 27.



# Happy Thanksgiving!

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