

TCSC Snowplow



November 2021

Greetings!

Winter may be just around the corner, but there's still time to enjoy some fall colors in this scene from the top of the gondola at Gore Mountain taken during the club's Adirondack weekend trip Oct. 8-11.



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October Recap

Adirondack Weekend

For the 7th consecutive year, TCSC spent Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day weekend in the Adirondacks at SUNY Cortland's Antlers Main Lodge. The weather and fall colors didn't disappoint allowing for lots of activities including hiking, paddling, a visit to Gore Mtn. and North Creek for the Fall Festival, a boat cruise on Raquette Lake and just disconnecting in nature for a few days.



Save the date for 2022, Oct. 7-10!

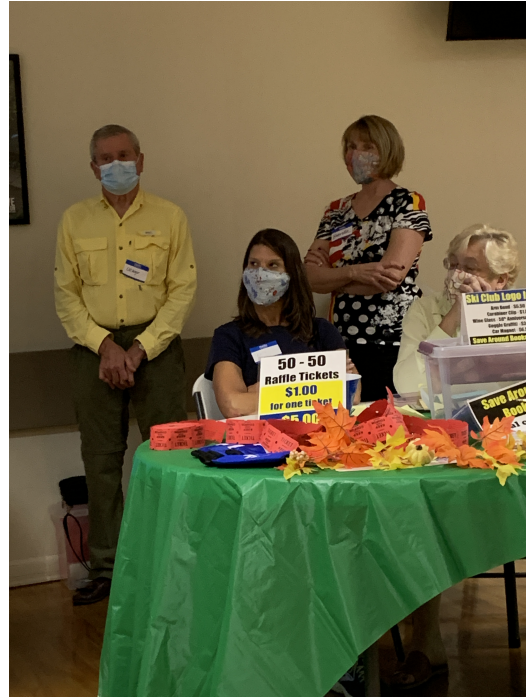


October General Meeting

Members have been happy to see each other at our meetings where they also got updates on the club's activities for the upcoming ski season. To ensure everyone's safety, masks are required along with distancing and signing in when you arrive.



The American Legion on Robinson St. is spacious, clean and comfortable. Hope to see you on Nov. 4.



Looking Ahead

Upcoming Events

Nov. 4 - General Membership Meeting at the American Legion Post 1645, 177 Robinson St., Binghamton. Meeting time has been delayed to 7:45 to 8 p.m. Social time will start at 7:30 p.m. James from Berger's Ski and Snowboard will be our special guest.

Nov. 5 - "Around the Tiers" at 12:15 p.m. on WBNG-TV will have a segment on TCSC.

Nov. 10 - Warren Miller "Winter Starts Now" showing at the Forum at 7:30 p.m. If you're ordering tickets online, you can use code WMENY to get a \$2 discount off the single ticket price of \$21 or the group price of \$18 when ordering 10 or more. Tickets at the Forum box office are \$21 in advance; at the door on the day of the showing they will be \$22, but the coupon code does not apply.

Nov. 18 - Board of Directors Meeting at Cheri Panko's home, 6 Pineview Dr., Johnson City, NY 13790. All members are welcome. Please RSVP.

Dec. 2 - General Membership Meeting at American Legion Post 1645.

TCSC Trips and More

Information and registration for all TCSC trips can be found on our website by clicking on the trip link below. Here is a list of what's planned.

- [Killington Race Camp](#): Dec. 5-10.
- Elk Mountain Senior Tuesdays: Beginning Jan. 4, 2022, skiers 65+ can purchase a lift ticket for \$35 valid from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- [Holiday Valley/Holimont](#): Jan. 20-23.
- [Whitefish, Montana](#): Jan. 29 - Feb. 5 – This trip is sold out; accepting members on the waitlist.
- Bristol Mountain: Feb. 11 – Our (almost) Annual Ski With Heart Day!
- [Gore/Whiteface Mountain](#): Feb. 13-16.
- [Cross Country Ski Trip](#): Feb. 28 - March 2.
- [Killington Midweek, Vermont](#): March 13-16.
- [New Hampshire Midweek](#), New Hampshire: March 21-25.

Other Trips

The NJSSC organizes and runs several ski trips each year. The trips are open to all members of ski clubs who are part of the NJSSC, which we are.

Go to Trip Listing at njssc.org for more details.

- Jay Peak, Vermont: Jan. 30 - Feb. 4
- Big Sky, Montana: Feb. 5-12
- Sunday River, Maine: March 6-11

Onondaga Ski Club

- Valle Nevado-Santiago, Chile: Aug. 4-15, 2022. You must be an active OSC member. More information available [here](#).

How to Take Care of Your Goggles

Dan Sevaldson, senior hardware designer for Sweet Protection, shared a few tips on how protect your goggles and make them last. Summarized from a recent Ski magazine article.

Fog Prevention and Care

Newer goggle models have extensive ventilation and an inner lens coating to prevent fogging. Once they are on, keep them on. A trick for tram or gondola riders is to take them off and hang them from a window or tip of your skis to help keep them dry and shed some moisture. If you just put the goggles up on

your helmet, they will not air out sufficiently, and the vents on your helmet could also pump additional moisture inside the goggle. Resting your goggles on your helmet or your beanie is seldom a good idea in foul weather. Goggles should always be on your face.

As soon as your lens does get wet or foggy, pull over for a beer and swap lenses. If you don't have an extra lens, stuff your shammy into the inside of the goggle while on the lift and put them inside your jacket, next to your heart, to keep them warm and dry the moisture before it freezes.

Cleaning

Never use paper towels, your sleeve, or a neck tube to clean or dry your goggle lenses. Use only a microfiber cloth/bag on the outside of the lens to clean fingerprints and water marks. Do not clean the inner lens the same way you polish the outer lens, as there is a risk of creating permanent scratches and damaging it. The inner lens will often be coated with a sensitive anti-fog material that you'll want to avoid touching with your fingers or other items.

If cleaning the inner lens is necessary, dab it carefully with a clean, dry soft microfiber cloth. If this is not enough, carefully and with minimal pressure wipe the inner lens with the microfiber cloth. If you crash and find your goggles full of snow, turn them upside down and try to shake it out, and make sure the vents are clear of snow. Avoid rubbing the inner lens. It is better in the long run to ski a couple of laps with some droplets inside the goggles than to take a microfiber cloth to it. The goggles will clear out once you take a break in the lodge later, and the lens will last longer.

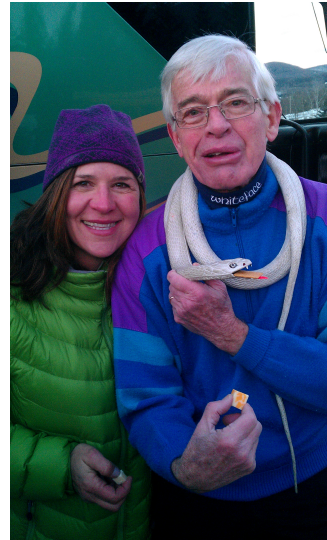
Après Care/Storage

When your day on the hill is over, a good way of storing your goggles is in the supplied microfiber bag inside the helmet for extra protection. Avoid leaving them on your helmet over longer periods of time, as this will degrade the elastic in the strap. Bring them inside, remove them from the damp microfiber bag, and let both dry out at room temperature. Avoid heat sources like the fireplace or hair dryer. In the off season, store your goggles in the supplied microfiber bag in a dry and cool environment.



Remembering Bob deVente

On Oct. 12, longtime and active ski club member Bob deVente passed away "to a new life not on this earth" according to his obituary. There will be a short tribute to Bob and all he's done for the club at the Nov. meeting.



Happy Thanksgiving!

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