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CLAM BAKE AND BEACH PARTY

Hinckley Lake State Park

DATE: AUGUST 7TH TIME: 11:00

LOCATION: PAVILION CLOSEST TO THE BEACH

COST: \$15.00



The club will provide chicken, steak, beer, wine, soda and condiments and of course clams. Please bring a dish to pass.

Call Virna at 725-0166.

Deadline for sign ups is August 1st.

There is a \$5 cost for cars so car pool if you can!

Indian Lake Islands Kayak Trip

Saturday, Sept 11th

We'll Kayak on Indian Lake From the State Boat Launch to one or many Islands and find some Sunny Spot for our Picnic Lunch, as well! There are some Sandy Beaches and a great View of Snowy Mtn From the Lake. Take Rte 365 & Rte 8 North to Speculator , then Rte 30 North to the Indian Lake Islands Campground. Meet 8:45AM at the HSBC Bank In Barneveld. Drive time is about 1 ½ Hrs. Call Ron Geiskopf at 732-5926 or Chuck Balser at 797-3069.

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General membership meeting

Are held at the American Legion Post # 1113 in Whitesboro at 7:30 P.M. Meetings are Usually the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, (see calendar). Guests are always welcome.

HAPPY HOURS:

(Begin after work, although, many arrive after 6)

Aug 13th, Tombstones, Rt. 5 Vernon
Aug 27th, the COVE Rt. 46 Delta Dam
Sept. 10th, West Side Saloon, Newport
Sept. 17th, Piggy Pat's, Washington Mills

!!! MARK YOUR CALENDAR !!!

Aug 7th, Clambake & beach Party
Aug 21st, Tubing on the Esopus Creek
Aug 25th, Golf, Driving and Miniature @ Cerri's
Sept. 11th, Kayaking Indian Lake
Sept. 18th, Hiking Blue Mt.
Sept. 19th, Golf Outing Oriskany Hills G.C.
Sept. 27th, Camping Weekend Golden Beach

NOTES FROM THE PREZ:

On July 11th, those present (we had a record number) at our Boilermaker Water Station celebrated the debut of our new "AWESOME" banner, thanks to Mike Hardiman. Great job Mike!! Those who were unable to volunteer this year can check the banner out at our next event. Congrats to all GE Ski Club 5k and 15 k Boilermaker runners and a hearty THANK YOU to Andy Reath, Tom O'Hara and all the helpers that supplied thousands of runners with water, ice, and lots and lots of cheers.

Although our TRIPS and SOCIAL people are very busy planning for the upcoming winter season, don't forget to join in the bike, hike, kayak, and golf events that are already scheduled for August and September. Keep an EYE on your newsletter and e-mails and SKI you later.

Pat OH

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING @ 6:00 PM
AM LEGION POST 1113 WHITESBORO
DOOR ON RIGHT, RING BELL
MEETING DOWNSTAIRS

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION / APPLICATION:

CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS:

**HEATHER (337-2818) or
CATHYDESTITO (334-9372**

ACTIVITIES OPEN TO ALL 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

CHECK OUT THE CLUB WEB PAGE

UPDATED BY GUY Y AT

www.geskiclub.org

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MEMBERSHIP/GE SKI CLUB
PO BOX 327

NEW HARTFORD NY 13413

SEND ARTICLES TO **BPHDUMKA@AOL.COM**

Kayak Trip

Sunday, August 15th, at Piseco Lake outlet. We will meet at the HSBC parking lot in Mapledale on Rt 12 at 9:30 AM to carpool (Limited parking at outlet). We will launch at the bridge about 1 mile down Rt. 10, from the Rt. 8 and Rt. 10 interchange. Paddling west on the Big Bay for 2 miles we will come to a shallow area with some boulders to wiggle our way through.

The water level should be high enough to continue up the outlet to the lake. We will cross the lake bearing left to the State campsites on the far shore for lunch. (Bring a Lunch and plenty of liquids to stay hydrated especially if it is a hot day.) After lunch we will head back down the outlet back to the lunch area.

Any Questions and or suggestions please contact Russ @ 725-5555

Thank You

I would like to thank all the members who volunteered for the water station this year. You did a great job and all went well. We need your support each year to keep the runners supplied, especially as our partner club, the Rainbow sportsmen, numbers are getting smaller.

Any club member that did not get a volunteer pin at the post race party call me, as I have a few extra I got when they got resupplied. 735-0349

Hope to see you all again next year July 10, 05.

Block Party for Volunteers

Wednesday Aug. 11 at the Elks club on Champlain Ave. is this years block party for volunteers. It's from 5 to 8 pm and it's free. All invited.

Andy



Editor's Apology

I would like to extend my apology to the DORNS and to *Marci* for not getting their article in the newsletter. I received the article in plenty of time but along with the Summer Membership form it got misplaced and subsequently omitted from the newsletter. I have revamped my filing system for G E news to prevent (Hopefully) this from happening again. Once again please accept my apology. Bill

Golf “*Fore*” Everyone

Driving Range & Mini Golf

Wed. Aug 25th, at 6:00 PM

Marcy Driving Range Rt. 49 , Marcy

*Open to anyone, hit a bucket of balls.
Hints will be given to anyone rookie*

*Paid lessons available any time,
with appointment*

contact Tom O’Hara at 525.1858 after 5 pm

Mid-September Golf Outing

Golf Outing – September 19th

Oriskany Hills Golf Course

Rt. 69, Oriskany

Scramble/ Best-ball format

Start practicing now !!!

All details and application form in September newsletter

Contact Tom O’Hara

Oharatom@dreamscape.com



Tube the Esopus Creek with the Town Tinker

On Saturday, August 21st, we'll be white water tubing with the "Town Tinker" down the Esopus Creek in Phoenicia, NY in the heart of the Catskills. This trip is new to us, but based on comments of those who've been there, it's a great deal and lots of fun!

We'll be meeting at **8:30 A.M.** in the North Utica Shopping Center to carpool the 2½ hour drive. Both the novice and expert tubing courses down the Esopus are about 2 ½ miles long and take about 2 hours. Exciting rapids, fun flumes and calmer stretches mark the novice course, while white water rapids mark the expert course. [Other activities available include camping, hiking, horseback riding, and touring the historic and rustic town of Phoenicia.]

Inner tubes with seats rent for \$12 each, and the open boxcar train ride back to the starting point is \$5.00. Optional gear – helmets, creek sneakers, life jackets, etc. – are available at an additional cost. **(A better deal is the rental package @ \$20.00/person, which includes inner tube, life vest, and transportation back to the starting point.)**

If this outing appeals to you and you'd like more information, by Wednesday, **August 11th**, contact either Karen McBride @ 724-2359, skiesprit@aol.com, or Diane Palmer @ 732-8574. Complete information on white water tubing is available at: www.TownTinker.com and at www.CatskillPark.com.

JAZZ NITE

Every WED. during the months of July & August there will be a Jazz Fest located on Bank Place in Utica. For more information you can call the Chatterbox Restaurant



Cascade Lake Hike and Dinner

We are hiking around Cascade Lake Located just off The Big Moose Rd near Eagle Bay on Sunday, Oct 3rd. We are Meeting at the Bank in Barneveld departing at 11:30AM. . This is an Easier hike with no steeps. We'll stop for a mid-afternoon Dinner somewhere (the Lantern's or Daiker's ?) to be determined later . Ron 732-5926

GOOD TIME HAD BY ALL

Once again The Dorn's were the perfect hosts. I know I can speak for everyone who attended the cookout at their home had a great time. Good food, good drinks, good people, and lots to talk about what else could you ask for. Thanks so very much for inviting the membership for this special night.

LAKE PLACID /HIGH PEAKS WEEKEND

HIKE IN THE HIGH PEAKS OF THE ADIRONDACKS NEAR LAKE PLACID WHERE YOU'LL FIND MANY FINE RESTAURANTS, SHOPS, THE OLYMPIC SKI JUMPS, MT VAN HOEVENBERG AND MORE.

WE'RE STAYING AT THE JACK RABBIT INN ABOUT 2 MILES FROM THE SKI JUMPS ON RTE 73 NEAR LAKE PLACID ON FRIDAY, SEPT 24TH THRU SUNDAY, SEPT 26TH. THE INN HAS A LARGE KITCHEN AND MANY BUNK BEDS! THE COST FOR THE WEEKEND IS \$60 WHICH INCLUDES 2 BREAKFASTS AND LUNCH FOOD.

**SEND PAYMENTS ALONG WITH A TRIP APPLICATION TO:
GE/ LAKE PLACID WEEKEND, PO BOX 327, NEW HARTFORD NY 13413.
DEADLINE DATE IS 9/8.**

**INFO CALL ED CAMPBELL 336-3510 OR VISIT THE JACK RABBIT INN WEBSITE
at <http://www.jackrabbitinn.com>**

**NAME _____ ADDRESS: _____
CAR MAKE _____ LICENSE PLATE # - _____
PHONE # - _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____**

Room mates: _____, _____, _____>>

1. Participants are completely and individually responsible for their own actions on all trips and activities and bear the burden of liabilities thereof.
2. Participants by signing this agreement, agree to hold 'The Club' harmless and waive all right of regress for any injuries sustained, and for any other liability whatsoever that may arise during the course of the trip.
3. This policy applies to all trips without exception and to other Club activities at the discretion of the activity leader and the Board of Directors. **I have read the G.E. Ski Club Inc. trip policy. I understand and agree to abide by them fully.**

SIGNED : _____ DATE: _____

After Work Bike Ride-August 4th

Meet at 6pm in crushed stone parking lot across from Mr. Frosty's Ice Cream in Clark Mill's almost the corner of Westmoreland Rd. and Clark Mills Rd. We will ride 10-12 miles around the Clark Mills/Westmoreland area and refresh ourselves with ice cream afterwards. They serve hamburgers and hot dogs too for anyone extra hungry.



This is an easy to moderate ride with a couple of short hills.

Let me know if you are going at
853-6728 or prettypatoh@yahoo.com Pat O'Hara

Bike Ride

Spend a part of a sunny afternoon pedaling around Lake Delta on Sunday, August 22nd. We will meet at the Cove parking lot (near Delta Dam on Rt. 46) at 1 pm. This is a moderate ride with a few hills, but beautiful scenery and will take about 2 hours or so. It will end back at the Cove. We may be able to catch a bite there or maybe down the road. We can decide that day. Contact Pat O'Hara for more info at 853-6728

Kayak/Barbeque Day-August 29th.



Meet in Mapledale at 10:30 am and caravan to Bernie and Mary's place in Remsen near Kayuta Lake. Spend the day kayaking, bring a lunch, but save room for a bonfire/barbeque later. Please bring a dish to share while Bernie and Mary cook up something on the grill. Contact Bernie or Mary at 831-8476 for more details or to let them know you will be joining in the fun.

BLUE MT. HIKE - SEPTEMBER 18, 2004

Get in shape for the Lake Placid/High Peaks weekend with a hike up Blue Mt. This popular trail climbs 1550 ft. in elevation with moderate to steep grades, ending at a fire tower. Good views are possible from the flat-topped summit. A trail guide describing 14 interpretive stops is available at the trailhead. Meet at 9:00 AM at the HSBC bank parking lot in Mapledale on Route 12. Info call Ed Campbell at 336-3510.

August

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 Camping	2 GOLF Hamilton College 5 PM	3	4 Biking	5	6	7 Beach Party & Clambake 11 AM Hinckley
8	9 GOLF	10	11 Roller blading	12	13 Tombstone's Rt 5 Vernon Next to Utica Rome Speedway	14
15	16 GOLF	17	18 Roller Blading	19	20	21 Tubing Esopus Creek Meet @ 8:30 AM North Utica Shopping center
22 Bike Ride Delta lake	23 GOLF	24 Board Meeting 6PM @ Whitestown Am Legion	25 GOLF Driving Range & Minigolf 6 PM Marcy Driving Range	26	27 Social Hour The Cove Delta Dam	28
29 Mary & Bernie's Kayaking	30 GOLF	31				

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September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1	2	3 Holiday	4 Weekend
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Kayak Indian Lake with Tramp n Trail
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Hike Blue Mt.
19 Golf Outing @ Oriskany Hills	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Board Meeting 6 PM	29	30		

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FOR SALE

Nearly new –long sleeve GE Tee shirts just in time for our NEW YORK summer.

Limited time offer at these low prices.

2 Small navy blue, 1 small white, 1 med. White, 2 x-large lake blue.

Call Russ @ 725-5555

INTERCLUB COUNCIL NEWS

Events and ski trips sponsored by Clubs in Central New York State.

We Have Joined The NY Capital District Ski Council. This Gives Us The Opportunity To Ski Mainly During The Week When It Is Less Crowded And Very Affordable With The Albany Area Ski Clubs. Check Out The “Council Days” On The Out Of Control (OC) Ski Club’s Website At Ocskiclub.Org , Then Click On CDSC Council Days For A Schedule Of Trips . Their Trips Are To Eastern NY And Vermont.