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NEWSLETTER FROM THE GREAT FALLS SKI CLUB August 2011 Issue

Club's Mission: Promote skiing in Central Montana by sponsoring special events and fun ski trips locally and abroad.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well believe it or not summer is russssshing by. Hope everyone is enjoying the hot weather and getting some quality fun time !

The club will be sponsoring a table at Alive @ 5 on August 25th. We will be selling snow cones, club pins and new club t- shirts. Anyone wishing to help should call Andy Ferrin at 899-6353, or stop by our table and check in on the fun.

The next highway cleanup is Sept 18th. This is a Sunday for all you Saturday workers. Brunch to follow. RSVP at gfskemail@gmail.com if you can help with this final clean-up .

The first ski club meeting of the year is right around the corner on Sept 16. Ray and Sue will be presenting next year's ski trip to Park City and looking for signups and deposits.

Don't forget the Labor Day Passholder's picnic at Showdown on Sept 5. I will be the point of contact for anyone wishing to help throughout the day. We will need food prep earlier in the morning, then people for the grill and finally cleanup later in the afternoon. I can be contacted at sjordan@gfmt.net or 788-8388. This is an important function for the club to give back and show support for Showdown.

We are looking forward to another great year for the club and have seen a lot of new members. Let's embrace them and continue growing the club membership. And, start thinking about new activities to keep up club interest. We are always looking for people to step up and be involved. Have a Great Summer and we will be looking for you on August 25th.

Sue Jordan

Website Updated

The website at greatfallsskiclub.com has been updated. Check it out. It's very user-friendly and has lots of neat stuff in it. Thanks to Andy Ferrin, the club's web coordinator, and Kari Cann for their work on the improvements. Contact Andy or send a message to sfskemail@gmail.com if you have any comments or suggestions.

Participate in Alive-at-Five Event

Hey Everyone!

The Ski Club will be sponsoring an Alive @ 5 night on the 25th of August from 5 to 9p.m. Alive @ 5 will be at Center Stage Park inside the Expo Park/ fairgrounds and HOUNDOG ROCKIN BLUES will be playing live! The club will be selling our new t-shirts for \$12 (all sizes), new 75th anniversary pins for \$1 and snow cones for \$1 as well as selling new memberships! Alive @ 5 is a great networking event so come on down and meet some of your fellow ski club members! We are also sharing a table with Showdown. Ben and Nate will be down giving out information about the hill. If you have any questions, you can call me at 899-6353 or contact me at andyferrin@hotmail.com. See everybody there!

Andy Ferrin

Park City Trip Reminder— Firm Deadline to Commit

The Park City ski trip is scheduled for February 11-15, 2012. The price is \$745 which includes bus transportation, 4 night's lodging at the Park City Peaks Hotel, and 3 day's skiing at Park City. Prices are less if you elect to ski for fewer days or to ski at Canyon or Deer Valley. It is imperative that we individually commit, e.g. make a deposit, early. The board fronted the initial deposit to reserve the package. However, we must have 30-35 individual reservations secured by no later than November 1, 2011. If the trip is cancelled after that, the deposit is non-refundable. **So, bring your check-book to the September meeting.**

The coordinators for the Park City Trip are Sue Peterson and Ray Robison. Sue's contact numbers are 406-799-0082 (c) and 406-727-3605 (h). Ray's contact numbers are 406-868-7805 (c) and 406-727-6924 (h). Please feel free to contact them if you have any questions.

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Next Board Meeting : September 12, 2011 @ 6:00 P.M.

The summer picnic was cancelled due to effects of high water along the river. Regular Board meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. year around. Please feel free to attend and give your input to the Board. Regular Club meetings are held the third Friday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge. See the schedule below for dates.

Great Falls Ski Club 75th Anniversary Logo'd Items Available

Identity Screen Printing & Embroidery, Black Eagle, gives our members a discount for small quantities of our logo'd items. There is no minimum order required. Any item in *Identity's* catalog can be ordered with the club logo, which, this year, includes celebration of the club's 75th anniversary.

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Activity Calendar at a Glance

8/25/2011 Alive @ Five Booth
9/5/2011 Passholder's Picnic at Showdown
9/12/2011 Board Meeting
9/16/2011 General Membership Meeting
9/18/2011 Highway Cleanup
10/3/2011 Board Meeting
10/21/2011 General Membership Meeting
10/28-29/2011 Ski Swap
11/1/2011 **Reservations for Park City Trip Due!**
11/7/2011 Board Meeting

