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NEWSLETTER FROM THE GREAT FALLS SKI CLUB February 2012

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

NEWSLETTER UPDATE

We just got back from a delightful ski trip to Bridger Bowl. We were greeted with plentiful new snow, so had the opportunity for some powder skiing. For those of us who aren't powder hounds, there was lots of packed powder, and sunny skies. If you weren't with us, you missed a good time. Watch for pictures on the Club website. Kudos to Sue Peterson and Ray Robison for facilitating this trip.

Ski Club officer and director nominations are coming up at the February meeting. If you have any desire to run for any of the open positions, please contact the election committee or, nominations may be made at the meeting. (See associated article for more details.) Your help and input is always welcome, so sign up for your turn.

The remaining bulk ski tickets are being discounted. The Big Sky tickets are \$50 each. The "everywhere but Whitefish and Big Sky tickets" are now \$30 each. There are limited quantities, so contact Lorry Wurster **NOW** at 781-5970 or lewurst@yahoo.com. The tickets will also be available at the February meeting.

The Board has approved sponsorship of the Big Brothers-Big Sisters annual ski trip to Showdown on March 31. The Club will be providing funds for this effort. Additionally, BB-BS will need approximately 10 volunteers to assist with the program. Tina Cabbage of BB-BS will attend the February 17 club meeting to give an overview of the program. This year, Carol Boughton will serve as a facilitator between the Ski Club and BB-BS. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Carol at 899-9364 or wlcjb@3riversdbs.net.

The Mannequin Jump is scheduled for April 7. Be sure to volunteer to work on one of these classics. This event has gotten national attention. It's not too early to start planning for the entries. Let's make this yet another outstanding event.

Important

Officer and Board Member Nominations To be made at February Meeting

Your Election Committee: Bob Sechena, Andy Ferrin, and Marv Jordan, have been busily identifying potential nominees for your Officer and Board Member positions. So far, they have determined the following.

All of the incumbent Officers have agreed to run for one more term: Sue Jordan, President; Char-mayne Bell, Secretary; and Judy Ginnaty; Treasurer.

Incumbent Directors Suzanne Peterson and Michelle Dahl have agreed to run for another term.

New Director Nominations currently are Larry Ginnaty and Carol Boughton. Additionally, we need at least two alternate Directors.

This is an incomplete slate of candidates. We will be taking nominations at the February General Membership Meeting. If you are willing to run for any of the positions, let one of the committee members know or **make additional nominations at the February meeting.** Your contributions to the success of the club are encouraged. Stand up and be counted.

Survey Participation Encouraged

Hopefully all members have been notified about the ongoing survey of membership preferences for future ski trips. At last count, only 29 responses had been received. The information will be used to determine priority areas, costs, and lengths of future ski trips. Please provide your input at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SSK3KH8> as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about the survey, contact Marv Jordan.

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Next Board Meeting : March 5, 2012 @ 6:00 P.M.

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. Snacks provided at February 17 membership meeting.

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

2/17/2012 General Membership Meeting
2/20/2012 Showdown Open for President's Day
3/1/2012 Showdown Super Duper Pass on Sale
3/3-4/2012 Throwdown at Showdown Bump Off
3/5/2012 Board Meeting
3/16/2012 Showdown Ultimate Ladies Day
3/16/2012 General Membership Meeting—Elections
3/17/2012 Showdown St. Patty Day Pot of Gold
3/24/2012 Showdown Tacky Attire Day
3/31/2012 Big Brothers Big Sisters Day @ Showdown



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