



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE –February 2018

Lots of Crescent members have been hitting the slopes on their Club trips! From the posts I've been seeing on Facebook, you are all have been having a great time and hitting resorts like Telluride, Steamboat, Big Sky, Beaver Creek, Park City, Lake Tahoe, Taos, Snowmass, and traveling to Italy. There are still a few more trips coming up including Crescent's trip to Killington in March!! Looks like it's been a great year on the slopes!!

In case you haven't seen the info., the new Ikon pass goes on sale on March 6th. It's the new pass being offered by Alterra Mountain Company (Aspen resorts), and 14 premier destination partners. It's one pass for 26 destinations. The Ikon Base Pass is \$599 and the Ikon Pass is \$899. The link for info is at www.ikonpass.com.

Vail Resorts' Epic Pass includes unlimited access to the 14 Vail Resorts across the US, Canada, and Australia, plus Arapahoe Basin, 7-days at Telluride and more. Early season pricing for the top shelf Epic pass was \$879. We haven't seen a report that the Epic Pass has a date that it goes on sale. Check www.epicpass.com for more info.

CRESCENT TRIPS (Lisa Beregi)

SilverCreek - Crescent Cup Race Weekend has been cancelled for next week. Linda Redd will send all undeposited checks back to clubs.

Killington - Crescent's March Ski Week is set for the 18th-25th with four ski destinations - Killington, Pico, Okemo and Mt. Snow - possible in six days! Check with Sara at Sports America (sara@sportsamerica.com) for any last minute add-ons - as the snow is also falling in the Northeast.

2018-2019 Crescent 50th Anniversary Season:

Crescent's 50th Anniversary season will start off with their 35th Anniversary Race and Learn to Ski Camp in Steamboat! Dates are December 1-8, 2018. The January Ski Week will be to Crested Butte. Dates are January 12-19, 2019. Keep these dates open as you plan your club trips!

Check out the club trip listing for other offerings (on and off the snow) this season.

Any questions regarding Crescent trips, contact **Lisa Beregi, Crescent Trip Chair**, at drlab88@aol.com

RECIPROCAL MEMBERSHIPS FOR TRIPS

As previously advised, Crescent doesn't mandate that member Clubs offer reciprocity on Club trips, but we do recommend that our member Clubs allow members of other Crescent Clubs to participate in their trips and offer a reciprocal membership to the member of another Crescent Club to participate on trips offered by member Clubs. The suggested wording is as follows:

Reciprocal membership is available to persons twenty-one (21) years of age and older who are currently a member in good standing in a Crescent Ski Council Club other than [name of Club]. The reciprocal member shall not be entitled to vote. If a Crescent member in good standing participates in a [name of Club] hosted activity, that person will be charged a \$1.00 membership fee and become a [name of Club] guest member during the activity.

We hope that Clubs will open their trips to other Crescent Club members without the necessity for the member to become a full member of that Club. If you have any questions, please let me know.

CONVENTIONS (Michelle Shuford)

The Spring Convention will be held April 26-29, 2018 at Kingston Plantation in Myrtle Beach. **The theme for the Saturday night party has been picked – “Sci Fi” is it!! Start planning your “Sci Fi” costumes.**

All forms were sent out previously and are posted on Crescent's website. **The Club Confirmation Forms and deposits were due February 26th**. Reminder to all Clubs that you need to have **ONE** Rooming coordinator per club. Please direct your members to your Club's Rooming Coordinator for sign-ups

If any clubs have single spots they need filled if they could go ahead and send those requests in. We would need the following information: # of males or females, number of nights, willing to pay a single supplement or not. We are getting random requests about whether or not we know if there are any spots available.

Reminder to keep checking the website for tournament sign up information. All tournaments should be out shortly. Golf is already posted on the website.

DEADLINES REMINDER: The following are the remaining deadlines for the Spring Convention. THERE WILL BE A \$20 LATE FEE ASSESSED FOR EACH MISSED DEADLINE (3 total) BASED ON POSTMARKS. *Any info not included will constitute a missed deadline so please note what is required for each deadline...Esp. March 12th!

March 12, 2018: Balance & Condo Drops. Rooming List: (Should include full properly spelled names, location choice, # Nights, # People/Unit, & Total Amount /Person...as well as who is representing your club in the capacities of: President, 2 CSC Reps, & Trips)

April 2, 2018: Rooming List Changes

Any questions on what is still available or any other questions regarding the Convention, contact Michelle Shuford, Conventions Committee Chair, at skibumlong@aol.com.

RACING (Ron Scott)

The 2017/2018 Crescent Race season is now history. We had to cancel the last three races of the season. The fourth race of the season which was scheduled at Beech was cancelled due to weather and lift problems. The fifth scheduled race was scheduled at Appalachian Mountain. Warm weather, rain and lack of snow resulted in us cancelling the Appalachian race. The Crescent Cup race was scheduled for March 9-11, 2018 at Silver Creek, WV. The Competition Department called and cancelled the Crescent Cup due to lack of snow and warm weather. This is the same situation we experience last race season. Rich Mead will be tabulating the results of our abbreviated season and we will announce the results at a later date.

The support each club gives to its race team and the individual members of the team is immensely appreciated. I would like to recognize the Asheville Ski Club for their time and efforts in developing a very successful youth racing program. Doug MacMillan and other adult members of the Asheville Race Team have recruited interested youth in the Asheville area to participate in the training sessions they have at Wolf Ridge Resort. Parents have become excited and involved in the youth ski race movement in their area. The parents assist with training, fund raising and post-race and training activities. Because of Asheville's dedication to ski racing, Crescent Racing has seen an influx of youth and enthusiasm in our racing program. This is what Crescent Racing is all about, our youth, sportsmanship, family involvement, character development, and friendly competition.

If you have a question concerning Crescent Racing, please contact Ron Scott, Crescent Race Director, at rscott013@nc.rr.com.

CSC MEMBER PERK – POINT 6 SOCKS

Please share the 25% off Point 6 sock, Crescent Ski Council discount with all your club members and friends. Point 6 Sock Company donated one pair of Point 6 socks to each Race Camp participant this year at Steamboat. Now, Point 6 socks is offering all Crescent members and their friends a 25% discount on Point 6 socks. All one needs to do is use the code "CSC" and receive a 25% discount off internet orders, www.point6.com. For all internet orders over \$50 free shipping is offered. This offer is extended to all CSC members and their friends, so spread the word. Point 6 Sock Company was started by Peter Duke who founded Smartwool Sock Company. The quality, comfort, and fit of Point 6 socks are better than what one experienced from other wool socks.

SOCIAL MEDIA (Pat Harvey)

Crescent is on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. If you're following us, you know we regularly post lots of information from resorts and report ski industry news from all over the country. You can tag us at "Crescentski" on any posts on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Spread the word to your members!!

Crescent Racing ("Crescentskiracing") is also on Facebook. We have added some racers who will be posting pictures and racing updates. We are still looking for volunteer racers who would like to help us set up Twitter and Instagram for Racing. If interested, please contact Pat Harvey.

Any questions, ideas or suggestions regarding Social Media, please contact Crescent's Social Media Chair, Pat Harvey, at crescentskipresident@gmail.com. Make sure to spread the word on Crescent's Social Media pages to your Club members and friends.

NATIONAL SKI COUNCIL FEDERATION

Reminder, as a member of Crescent Ski Council, you are also a member of the **National Ski Council Federation (“NSCF”)**. NSCF has some excellent benefits and discounts available and more are being added regularly. Please visit the website, www.skifederation.org, for member only benefits. There are some fabulous products and offers so check them out. Car rental discounts part of the discounts that are available to NSCF members. Hertz Car Rental offers a nationwide and international discount to NSCF members. The link is at: <http://www.hertz.com> and the provider number for the discount is 1467605. Advantage Rent a Car also offers discounts for NSCF’s members. The link for the Advantage Rent a Car discount is at: <https://www.advantage.com/?rc=CD07E8612E>.

The NSCF site allows you to search for all benefits by category allowing you to find what you’re looking for much faster. You’ll need to register on NSCF’s website but once you’re signed up, you can take advantage of all the benefits that are available. Please spread the word to your Club members. Make sure to take advantage of the many benefits that are available to all of you through NSCF.

Make sure also to like and follow the National Ski Council Federation on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Spread the word on NSCF’s Social Media pages to your Club members. Tag NSCF @natlskifed and spread the word on the Federation and its Facebook page.

MEMBER SERVICES (Ken Lumsden)

Reminder to make sure to send your Officer/Director/BOD/Rep updates to Bruce McMurray, Database Coordinator, at snowdawgasoc@bellsouth.net. Please help us keep the Club database up-to-date. Include name, mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, mobile), email address and Board position(s). Thanks.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST

Please pass along the monthly President’s Updates to your members, include them in your Club newsletters and/or place them on your Club’s web site. Let’s keep our members informed! If you don’t publish a newsletter, direct your members to Crescent’s website, www.crescentskicouncil.org. The President’s Updates are posted there each month. If your Club sends electronic newsletters and emails to your members, please copy me!! I again want to give a super big thanks to all the Clubs who send me their newsletters and updates and share our social media posts!!

Keep the ideas coming to keep Crescent the **BEST** Council in the country!! New volunteers are always welcome!! Please send me your suggestions and recommendations. Thanks.

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