



PRESIDENT

As promised, this update is a combination of March and April. There is lots going on so please read carefully.

VICE PRESIDENT

We are currently now up to 177 "likes" on the Crescent Facebook Page. We still are hoping to reach 200 so spread the word that we're on Facebook and have them "like" the Crescent Ski Council page. We run updates and pictures from our trips and other information - don't miss out, become our fan. We are also on Instagram so tag @crescentskicouncil on your Instagram photos.

TREASURER

From: Alice Taylor:

Thanks to Crescent's authorized clubs for the timely payment of their FY2014 dues. As of today, only two clubs have not submitted their payment and membership listing; a third club still needs to submit its membership listing. I will be sending those clubs a reminder shortly.

Please remember that annual membership dues were due by December 31st. Alice Taylor, CSC's treasurer, issued the invoices via email to each club's treasurer and president prior to the CSC Fall Conference. If any club has not received the email, please contact Alice at luvs2ski@frontier.com. Don't forget that your club's membership listing that was used to calculate the dues payment must be sent also. That can be sent to Alice with either the completed invoice and dues payment or electronically via an email attachment. Only the members' names and adult/child status are to be included.

PAST PRESIDENT

From Margaret Jordan: Now is the time to send Margaret Jordan your nominations. A separate email will be going out with qualification bios in a few weeks.

CONVENTIONS

From Michelle:

The theme for the 2014 Spring Convention will be "Neon". Think florescent colors, black lights, psychedelic, etc. We'll come up with a fun title before it's all over...unless you can help come up with one.

Beach Convention rooming list deadlines are upon us. Please send them to me per the deadline of **March 17th** if possible. I will work with you if they are late due to the Banff Trip as Betty and I won't be able to do anything with the data after the 15th or before the 23rd. Please email all lists if possible as electronic format is much easier for us to work with.

ALL tourney applications are attached and online at www.crescentskicouncil.org/conventions. Please forward to your participants in time for them to meet the sign-up deadlines.

A brief note regarding a change in the Early Bird this year: It will be a dessert and wine function later in the evening on Thursday night at the Kingston Plantation in the Brighton Towers Building. Details will be in your packets upon check in.

April 7, 2014: Rooming List Changes

TRIPS

January 2014 Ski Week Lake Tahoe was a great time even with 50 degree temps! Vail resorts (Heavenly and Northstar) and Squaw/Alpine Meadows have done an amazing job with keeping their snowmaking areas fully open and well groomed. So even though not much of the entire mountain was open, what was, was in good shape and offered better skiing than expected. Being in South Shore Tahoe offered all the nightlife activities one would want, and provided many winners during the week. CSC activities: Boat Cruise and Farewell dinner/After Party were enjoyed by all. Many thanks to the Forest Suites for hosting a nice breakfast and daily wine and cheese!

The **March 2014 Ski Week to Banff** is scheduled for **March 15th - 22nd**. Michelle Shuford and Alice Taylor will be co-trip leaders for this trip. Deadline for booking was January 29th. Look forward to hearing about a great time in Canada!

Put next years Ski Trips on your calendar now:

Steamboat Race and Learn to Ski Camp December 6-13, 2014
Snowmass January 17-24, 2015.

RACING

The fifth race of the Crescent Race Series was held at Sugar Mountain. This race was the end of the Regular season with the Crescent Cup at Silver Creek, WV (this coming weekend [3/7 – 3/9]) being the only remaining race. Listed below are the Team results for the Regular season.

Eastern Division	Western Division
1st Place – Raleigh	1st Place – Asheville
2nd Place – Greensboro	2nd Place - Palmetto
3rd Place – Charlotte	3rd Place – Chattanooga

Here are the top three **Club** standings for the **Crescent Cup**:

1st Place Charlotte
2nd Place Winston-Salem
3rd Place Asheville

We all congratulate Charlotte on their first place finish at the Crescent Cup Race.

Individual winners of the three memorial awards awarded for the Crescent Cup Race are:

Ralph Tate Award for the fastest male – Grant McAllister – WSSOC

Shelly Lassiter Award for the fastest female – Sara Dockery Bliss – GSOC

Tom Broughton Award for the male or female with the overall most points for the season – Carson Oswald – Asheville

The Crescent Racing program would like to thank each of the Crescent clubs for the support they have extended to their race teams and the Crescent Racing program. Each race team has represented their club with extraordinary character and pride.

The Crescent Racing program sets the standards for all other council racing programs!
MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

From Ken:

Judging for this year's Web Site Competition and the new Video Competition will be done in advance. Clubs will need to have their web sites and videos ready for judging by **March 3, 2014** (ONLY A LITTLE OVER A MONTH FROM NOW!!)

Procedures will follow, soon, regarding uploading their videos to the central YouTube site.

Video Competition at the Spring'14 Convention will be in addition to, not instead of, the paper Scrapbook Competition.

For Video Competition:

Attached are Entry and Judging Procedures for the competitions (Scrapbook, Web Site, Video) at the Spring'14 Convention.

Please note the following:

1. Entry date for the Web Site Competition and Video Competition, previously announced as March 3, 2014, is extended to Friday, March 21, 2014. Entry procedures for the Scrapbook Competition are unchanged: bring your scrapbook to the CSC Office at the Spring Convention by 10 AM Saturday.
2. In the past, for the Web Site Competition, we reviewed every club web site unless you asked us not to. Now, you must ask to enter the competition in order for your web site to be reviewed.

3. For the new Video(s) Competition, note, in particular, that videos must be no longer than 4 minutes running time and each video must be submitted for a particular category: "Video Scrapbook", "Member Recruitment", "Skiing Activity or Activities" or "Non-Skiing Activity or Activities". The same video may not be submitted in multiple categories.

4. In the past, judging for the Web Site was conducted at the Spring Convention on Saturday afternoon. Now, for Web Site Competition and the new Video Competition, judging will be done in advance and off-site.

Please let me know if you have questions or anything is unclear, especially in the new Video Competition.

ADMINISTRATIVE

An update on the NSCF website is that the committee hopes to have the website operational by December. Ten (10) new benefits have been added so be sure and check the old website which has been updated.

<http://www.skicouncil.org>
ID-skiclub
PW: member

Please distribute these updates to your members, via email, your newsletters or by placing them on your web site. If you received this update and are not the current officer, please forward to the appropriate person. Let's keep our members informed!

Everyone, including the committee chairs, is hard at work. Crescent is fortunate to have an excellent group of people who have volunteered to serve in many capacities. Be sure to thank them and remember that we are always looking for more volunteers.

Margaret P. Crum
President
Crescent Ski Council