

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS  
OF  
CENTRAL CONNECTICUT SNOW SNAKES INC.**

A meeting of the Members of the Central Connecticut Snow Snakes, Inc. (hereinafter the "Club") was held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at Shea's Restaurant in Manchester, CT.

The meeting was called to order by President Ray Irvine at 7:04 pm after the social hour. There were approximately 29 members, including Board members, in attendance.

The minutes of the two previous Board meetings, which took place on August 28 and September 18, 2023 have been posted on our website for review.

1. **Industry News.** Mention was made that Deer Valley is poised to become the 4<sup>th</sup> largest ski area in the US. Deer Valley/Park City is on our trip list for 2025.
2. **Trip Sign-Up Form.** No one reported any problems or concerns with the current trip sign up form.
3. **Treasurer's report.** The Club ended its fiscal year on August 31 with a healthy balance of over \$42,000. The VIP Program was beneficial to the Club and we cut back on day trips and eliminated the scholarship during the past year. We have a good core of people active in the Club.
4. **Meeting Schedule.** Ray announced the meeting schedule for 2023-24. Several dates differ from our usual "third Wednesday" schedule due to holidays or trips. The schedule is posted on our website under Board Meeting minutes (August 28, 2023).
5. **Open House.** Our next meeting on October 18, 2023 will be our annual Open House, to be held in the bar area of Shea's, 7-9 pm. A Flyer will be developed to be handed out to solicit attendance and contributions towards the raffle. Members are needed to help with the event and with solicitation of donations. You do not have to be present to win a raffle prize.
6. **CSC News.** Twelve Clubs have left the CSC in the past year, bringing them down to 30 Clubs. The annual Snowball returns this year and will be held at the Windsor Marriott on November 18<sup>th</sup>, with music by "Juice Box". Tickets are \$30 in advance and we will be sharing a hospitality room with Meriden. The CSC will host an online silent auction this year from October 22<sup>nd</sup> to November 10<sup>th</sup>. The CSC continues its racing programs and Awareness Days, when available. A by-laws change has been proposed that will be voted on in October. For mor information on all CSC programs and activities go to [www.skiclub.com](http://www.skiclub.com).
7. **Membership.** We have 138 members to date, 77 of which are "new" meaning they were not members last year.
8. **VIP Program.** The Club has bought the maximum of 6 books of tickets this year. An email went out to all on our mailing list on how to bid to purchase tickets through the program, and orders are due by October 4<sup>th</sup>. Only club members may use the tickets. Each area has blackout days and a redemption procedure, and members should read that information before purchasing. Oder forms are online and were distributed.

9. **Trips.**

- **Crested Butte.** 4 slots left, one double room and 1 male and 1 female roommate needed.
- **Winter Park.** Chris Warren was announced as the trip leader. 24 of 30 spots are taken.
- **Andorra** is full, and there is a waiting list.
- **Sugarloaf.** 15 have signed up so far. Deposits must be received by October 15<sup>th</sup> or the price increases by \$25.
- **Jay Peak.** No new report.
- **Sunday River.** 6 signed up so far.
- **Mont Tremblant.** 22 signed up to date. The Club price has been extended through Saturday night. Contact Jim Ouelette to sign up and get the Club code, then contact the hotel directly.
- **Bromley.** Bus trip tentatively planned for Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Club will use the Bromley VIP tickets to subsidize. Expected to be about \$50 per person.
- More information on trips on our website at [ctsnovsnakes.org](http://ctsnovsnakes.org).

10. **Locators.** The Club has purchased neon “locator” tags that will be provided to each member on a Club trip. They can be placed either on a pole, or on a goggle strap, and will be used so that Club members can easily identify each other. Distinctive baggage tags will be provided by our tour operator as well.

The next membership meeting will be the Open House at Shea’s on Wednesday, October 18, 2023.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Duffy Wallace, Secretary