



# Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club

# NEWS

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### Sugarloaf Mountain

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 Jim McCormack - SMC  
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#### Club Administrator:

Catherine Nodine

## Celebrating 60 years for the Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club!

### From the President...

As I sit here reflecting on the 60 years since the Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club was formed, I can't help thinking how amazing it was that the visionaries who sat on the first board of directors could look at this mountain, so far from Portland or Bangor, and envision the ski mecca it would become. What a leap of faith.

As we enter our seventh decade and the fourth generation of Sugarloafers comes along, we wonder what the next 60 years will have in store for them.

So far this season has been full of some great memories.

The snowstorm on February 2, (my wife Kathy's birthday) was incredible and it brought with it several days of no wind and great skiing. The no wind deal was certainly a pleasant surprise. And then came the big announcement... a new lift to replace Spilway!!! A fixed grip quad with a rolling carpet to help us on to it. If you have never experienced one of these, you are in for a treat.

The "Event of the Season" on March 19 was a night to remember. Many Sugarloafers friends gathered to view the memorabilia display and to dance to the Tony Boffa Band. As usual, the Centerplate team put on a delicious meal for all 305 people who attended. The night was also a big financial success for our Ski Club scholarship fund. This program is one of the things I am most proud of. With your help, we have been able to help make it possible for hundreds of children to ski and ride on this mountain that we all love so much.

Some progress has been made towards our goal of building a new Competition Center. Architect

and ski club member Rick Goduti is working on a design for us. It will most likely be in the same location. It will be more than twice the size of the existing building. This is an exciting project and we will keep you posted

on it and how you can help. One way you can start now is to purchase raffle tickets that are on sale at the Ski Club office or from the board members. They are 5 for \$20. You could win a 2011-12 Alpine/Nordic Season Pass or a \$500 gift card at the Ski Shop. The drawing will be held April 9 at the McKay/Waddle races.

With spring comes our BBQ season at the Jean Luce Building. The first one will be March 26 during the first MARA Spring Series. They are a lot of fun and a good income producer for the scholarship funds. We will keep you updated on the schedule.

I look forward to seeing many of you on the hill this Spring. Have a great one.



## Coming up soon on our Event Calendar!

For more information on these events and to view our complete calendar of events, check out our web site: [www.sugarloafskiclub.org](http://www.sugarloafskiclub.org)

**March 26 & 27**  
**J 3,4,5 Spring Series**

**April 2 & 3**  
**MARA 1,2 Spring Series**

**April 9**  
**McKay/Waddle Race**

**April 12**  
**Mid Week Social**  
**4:30-6:00 pm at The Rack**

# Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club 60th Annual Meeting January 22, 2011 Minutes

President Bruce Miles welcomed everyone to the 60th Annual Meeting of the Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the 59th Annual meeting and Charlie Brown made the motion, which was seconded by Greg Foster. There being no discussion, a vote was called and the minutes passed as written.



Bruce explained that every year one third of the board members are up for reelection and he turned the meeting over to Lev Steeves. The nominating committee proposed the following names as board members for a three-year term: Bruce Miles, Joe Tutlis, Virginia Bousum, Joyce Tobias, and Greg Foster. There being no further nominations from the floor, the slate of candidates was accepted. The slate of officers for a one year term included Bruce Miles; President, Steve Schaefer; Vice President, Phil Hunter; Treasure, and Nancy Holliday; Secretary. There being no nominations from the floor, the slate of officers passed.

Bruce asked the board members to stand and be recognized. He then turned the meeting over to Phil Hunter, Treasurer.

**Treasurer's Report:** Phil said that last year at the Annual Meeting we had total assets of \$174,000 and tonight we have assets of \$188,948.06. This represents an 8% increase over last year. We have an Operating Fund and a Capital Fund. In the Capital fund, which we try to increase every year because it is where we get monies to finance major projects, we had \$149,747.00 last year and as of now we have \$165,452.00. This is a 9% increase over last year.

Our stock/bond portfolio investments through mutual funds have risen from \$32,900 to \$37,690, which is a 9% increase over last year. Other investments include certificates of deposit, which at present are only earning 1.25%. This

brings our total investment percentage increase down slightly. In 2001 our total assets were \$84,000 and today they are \$188,000. The club has really grown financially.

Our budget runs about \$54,000 a year for income and expenses and every year we net about \$10,000 more, which is moved into the Capital Fund. This is why the Capital Fund has increased over time. On the expense side, we have had increases, such as the newsletter costs, which directly benefits membership. We support a number of activities, including the Fire-side Chats, through The Ski Museum of Maine and our own Scholarship Program. We purchased race bibs and a wireless timing system for the Competition Center. We also

support the SAD 58 Ski and Skate program, which helps needy kids in the local schools to participate in the Ski/Skate program.

In 2001 our scholarship funding was \$6,000 and this year we spent \$16,000 for grants to students in both SAD 58 and non SAD 58 schools who participate in our Junior Programs. The funds for the Scholarship Program come from the profits made from our social events and fund raising activities. The pig roast, the wine tasting, and the Snow Ball have profits designated to the Scholarship fund. The race BBQ's, which Bruce has been putting on since last year, have brought in over \$2,600. There is also a new source of income, and that is the little box on the membership

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form that one can check to donate at the time of renewing membership. Happily there are many people who have been checking this little box, and we thank you.

Bruce entertained a motion that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Greg Foster made the motion and Joyce Tobias, seconded. The motion passed.

President's Report: Bruce thanked the members of the Cardiac Club, who support the Scholarship Fund in a significant way when they participate in the Cardiac Club each year. He explained that the SAD 58 Ski/Skate Fund was set up last year in memory of Norton Luce and that the Ski Club donated money to it. The Norton Luce Fund has covered the expenses to this date and we have made a 5-year commitment to the Ski/Skate program. Bruce went

on to explain that for \$5.00, children in the local schools come to the mountain one afternoon each week to ski, snowboard, ice skate or cross country ski and that the program includes equipment, a lift ticket, a lesson, hot chocolate and a cookie.

He said it has been a great year. Things are going well and the Club is gaining visibility all the time. The SCVA Program now has a Parent Support Organization and we have let them know we are here to help.

Old Business: Regis Lepage asked for an update on the new Comp Center. Bruce said that after the derailment of the Spillway chair in December he had stopped bugging John Diller about the project. But Rick Goduti, who is the architect, has said that he will contact CNL directly to try to

find out about a time line. We are ready to go, and CVA as well as Maine Handicapped Skiing are partnering with us. It may not be started this summer, but probably will be by next summer.

New Business: Bruce reminded everyone about the Snowball, which will be held in the King Pine Room. There will be a historical display, and we are starting a scrapbook, which will focus on the three and four generation families who ski at Sugarloaf.

There has been a request for money to help put a large flat screen TV in the Comp Center. The SCVA PSO is requesting \$500.00 to be matched by fundraising for a project which will cost around \$2,500 when completed. Huck Wonson moved that the club donate \$500.00 in matching funds for the TV and computer

set up, the remaining funds to be raised by the PSO. Joyce Tobias seconded the motion. Greg Foster asked who would be responsible for the equipment and who would install it. It will be owned by the SCVA program and Jim McCormack will be responsible for the equipment. He has asked the Mountain IT department to install it. Betty Ann Listowich explained that the access to the controls will be upstairs and only run by authorized personnel. There are lots of applications that may be used on this system, some of which can be income generating. After the discussion there was a vote and it passed.

There being no other new business, Carolyn Lepage moved to adjourn and Kathy Miles seconded it. \*

Respectively submitted  
Nancy Holliday, Secretary  
Sugarloaf Mountain Ski Club



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## McKay Waddle Scholarship Races 2011

By Jano Wilkinson

*Don't put away those racing skis just yet! The McKay/Waddle Scholarship Races are slated for April 9, 2011, and this is the 30th year we have held them at Sugarloaf. This important fundraising and fun event has been known to separate the men from the boys (or the women from the girls) with its springtime conditions and costumed clad competitors.*

The scholarships were developed in the 1980's by the families of two Sugarloafers: Dan McKay and Mike Waddle who both died tragically at young ages in different accidents. It was in the 1970's that the beginnings of CVA were held in the form of a tutorial program for 8 weeks in the winter. The kids skied during the days on the mountain and studied in the evenings in a space provided in the basement of the chapel. Dan and Mike were attendees of this program and became friends as well as competing spirits. It was in January of 1980 that Mike perished in a boating accident (a fire), leaving a legacy of ski racing to his son Bobby and his brother



Mike Waddle tending his traps.

Matt. The Waddle family decided to hold a race in Mike's memory and use the monies generated to develop a fund to help offset the escalating costs of race entry fees.

Sadly, 2 1/2 years later Dan died as a result from a fall while climbing the Grand Teton in Wyoming where he was living at the time. The McKays set up a fund to aid young racers with their travel costs, and a telemark race was started in his name in 1982. For the next several years the two scholarship funds remained separate, and over \$6,000.00 was generated from the two events.

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The two families approached the Sugarloaf Regional Ski Educational Foundation (which manages the funds to this day) , with a plan to combine these two races and the monies that they bring in, to form one fund: The McKay/ Waddle Scholarship Fund.

The event became an annual springtime favorite, as it is the final race of the season. It is common to have 3 generations competing against each other and some folks can boast that this was their first racing experience ever! An important favorite part of the day is the stylish tee shirt that each entrant gets when they sign up. The design includes a telemark skier on one side and an alpine racer on the other and the shirts are a different color every year.

I have made 4 tee-shirt quilts using the various logos to give to family members and friends from all the shirts I have acquired over the years, and I still have lots more! There is a barbeque lunch



between the morning telemark race and the afternoon alpine race and a bib draw for prizes following all the runs. All of the prizes are generously donated by local establishments, such as Aardvark Outfitters, Gepettos Restaurant, the Patagonia Outlet of Freeport, Mother's Mountain Mustard, the Rack, Happy Tunes, and KC's Kreativty Center. There are great prizes, lobsters, picnics, and much much more! This year could be the very biggest ever, as it is the 30th annual event!

#### Here are some of the details:

April 9, 2011 on Competition Hill

Telemark Race (2 runs) 10 am start

Alpine Race (2 runs) after the BBQ lunch 11:45 - 12:30

Awards ceremony immediately following the last alpine runs.

All proceeds go to the McKay / Waddle Scholarship Fund and donations are tax deductible under the Sugarloaf Regional Ski Educational Foundation.

Come on out and help the young racers who can benefit from these generous funds to achieve their racing goals. To date, the funds have helped more than 25 people with entry fees and travel expenses and more than \$30,000.00 has been generated over the years with these races being the largest fundraising event. See you on April 9th for a very special time and a good cause to boot! \*



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## "Generations of Sugarloafers" ...we need your help!

To help celebrate Sugarloaf's 60 Anniversary, the Ski Club initiated a project to gather photographs of families who claim three or four generations of Sugarloaf skiers. In just a short time we have gathered pictures for 30 families, 10 of them with four generations of faithful skiers!

This is an ongoing project, with real life and digital albums documenting the loyalty of "Sugarloaf's Skiing Families". Each 3- or 4- generation family (any 5-gen's out there?) will have a page in the album, with one or more photos - on-snow or not, past or present, small groups or large, complete families or not - and text such as identifying photo captions, the names of each generation's Sugarloafers, and dates.

Recently, we received wonderful photos of first generation skiers in the 1950's, and a recent photo of their great-grandchildren on skis. We also have a summer-time portrait of a large Sugarloaf family. Just be creative... and have fun with this!

Send your photos and family information to the Ski Club - by email to sugarloafski-club@roadrunner.com, or by USPS to Sugarloaf Ski Club, Village West #13, Carrabassett Valley, ME 04947, or deliver them to the Ski Club office. For more information about the project, contact Mary Hunter at marlhunter@aol.com.

Guidelines: Digital photos should be sent in the original



Back: Karen Hunter Korn, her husband Charlie, First generation Sugarloafers Phil and Mary Hunter Front: Karen & Charlie's daughters Giselle, Christina and Allison Korn

file when possible, the larger file size the better; jpeg is preferred. Send the file as an attachment to an email. Printed photos can be scanned (at high resolution) and sent, or

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## Sugarloaf Locker Room

Emily Listowich

The 'locker room under The Bag', as locals would call it; this was the original place to get dressed each morning at Sugarloaf. This was where local ski bums and the old time Sugarloafers met every day to boot up, grab their skis, and get out on the hill. I've been lucky enough to have a locker in there my whole life, in spite of a waiting list for locker rentals each year. I've had an 'in' thanks to my parents, who have had our locker since long before I came along.

What makes this locker room so special? Probably not the tipsy, ancient blue benches that have been sitting in the same place for as long as I've been living; warped and rounded from all the use they've seen.

Nor is it the dim lighting and cold damp smell of skiers passing through, leaving melting snow in their wake as it falls from their boot treads. The harsh whistle of wind finding its way through the cracks under the door doesn't give a warm feeling as you sit, waiting. The heater up on the wall cannot possibly keep up as the double doors open and close hundreds of times with the traffic coming and going. The rows and rows of pale blue dented lockers; each one coated in stickers of countless destinations around the world, brag silently of their owner's travels. The locker room has been my safe haven for cold days, my back-up lunch room, and the go-to spot whenever I meet friends after training. No

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# 60th Anniversary Celebration



Left: Ski Club President Bruce Miles

Right: CVA board member Kevin Burns



Above: Left to right, Laura Schaefer, Anne Hanson and Diane Sturzenberger



Above: Ski Board member Steve Schaefer with sister and brother-in law, Laura and Glenn Leisey from TX!



Left: After 25 years, Sugarloafers say so long to CVA Headmaster John Ritzo and wife Patty



Above: Charlie Copeland, Phil Hunter and Jon Hellstedt



New CVA Headmaster Left: master Kate Webber



Left: Sugarloaf General Manager John Diller



Right: Peter Roy, Richie Garrett and Bob Garrett

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Above: Rich "Crusher" Wilkinson, Bagpiper Marco Stivaletta and Kip Files



Above: The dance floor was packed the whole night - can't keep those skiers sitting down!



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## 2011 SCVA Re-cap

From Chip Cochrane – Alpine Junior Development Program Director SCVA and CVA Head J3 Coach

SCVA had one of its most successful seasons in a long time! During our season of MARA Cup races and Qualifiers, between SCVA and CVA, J3's, J4's and J5's have taken the overwhelming majority of podium spots in every age group and both genders. Though the season isn't over yet, here a few highlights:

### Qualifying for J3 Junior Olympics @ Okemo, VT from SCVA / CVA:

**Guys:** Sam Morse, Briggs Williams, TJ Welch

**Girls:** Czari Cochrane, Elly Bengtsson, Lee Foden, Meghan McCormack

### Qualifying for J3 Finals @ Sunday River:

**Guys:** Charlie Thompson, Andrew West, Kyle Farrington, RJ Sarka, Blake Enrico, Liam O'Rourke, Kevin Goldberg.

**Girls:** Leika Scott, Emily Listowich, Anna Mulhearn, Emma Landes, Abby Mills

### Qualifying for J4 Future stars (called J4 Eastern Regionals this year):

**Guys:** Carter Kendig, Devereux Thomas, Hunter Kendig, Henry Kearing, Geoffrey West, Thomas Lesniak, Will Thompson, Jack Joyce, Nick Cushman.

**Girls:** Erica Jenson, Sophia Morris, Natalie Gray, Shelby Battistelli

### Qualifying for J5 Piche Championships:

**Guys:** Kelsey Kubota, Gibson Scott, Sam Thompson, Devon Lathrop

**Girls:** Rylee McCormick, Emma Kearing, Madison Sarka



Erica Jenson

**J4 Male State Champion – Carter Kendig**

**J4 Female State Champion – Erica Jenson**

**3 Male State Champion – Sam Morse,**

**J3 Female State Champion – Elly Bengtsson**

## SCVA & CVA take ALL 4 SPOTS!



### Results from J3 Finals at Sunday River 3/3 – 3/6:

**Girls:** Leika Scott: 1st place in the Super G, 1st place in GS, and 3rd place in Slalom!

**Boys:** Liam O'Rourke: 20th in GS, and Charlie Thompson: 12th in GS. Drew West: 7th in Slalom!

*Carter Kendig*

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Much of this year's SCVA success can be attributed to the fantastic coaching staff, which put forth huge efforts to assist the athletes. Their contribution of hard work and expertise should not go without recognition.

The new SCVA Parent Support Organization has been fantastic in assisting the program with a new wireless timing system (with a very generous gift from the Sugarloaf Ski Club as well!) which has been put to use on more than a dozen training sessions throughout the ski season.

The SCVA PSO has helped provide a big flat screen monitor for the Comp center, which can be used for viewing of "live-timing". In the future, a video cam will be mounted on hill, so it will also be possible to watch the athletes from the comp center while they race. They have supported by making lodging and logistic arrangements for post-season championships, organized team sweat shirts, and much more!



Jeremy Veilleux

This, along with improved communication, has allowed the coaching staff to be more efficient in coaching their



Adam Hohmeyer

athletes, and providing top-notch training and fundamental skiing skills.

Other factors for success: CVA "Winter Training Camps" and "Bonus Friday" training sessions were well attended by many SCVA athletes who benefited in training above and beyond the regular SCVA program. Sugarloaf deserves kudos as well for providing the best gate training venues possible this winter for SCVA on weekends and holidays despite a bumpy season!

Most importantly, success has come from the athletes themselves, who have shown dedication and perseverance beyond what I have witnessed in my 20 years involved at CVA. They have shown unmatched commitment to improving their basic fundamentals, training harder and smarter, and ultimately skiing faster!

Although it's not over yet, thank you all for an outstanding year, and once we have cleared the end of the season, look forward to stepping it up again NEXT season! \*



Whitney Kulich

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## SMSC Skating Party Held February 22 at the Touring Center



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Left: Phil Hunter, Steve Schaefer and Gary Brown, who was laced up and on the ice that night.

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Left: Two Ski Club members having lots of fun.



Above: Kyle Farrington on his way out to the rink.



Below: Karen Hunter Korn getting one of her daughters ready to get out on the ice.

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### Locker Room

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matter how crazy busy the restaurants or base lodge would be, the locker room would always have a spot open for me to sit, amongst folks who knew me long before I could know who they were. It isn't pretty, or fancy, or even warm, but its inhabitants surely are. Folks that have known this mountain many years, they are its inner core, its heart and soul. They've watched me grow up, along with many other locals kids; starting out arriving on my mom's back in a carrier; to toddling in with my snowsuit for my first few runs; and now racing in with a cocoa from Java Joe's as I laugh with friends about our training.

Growing up as a Sugarloafer, the locker room influenced the way I viewed the mountain. I saw things from all of the locals' and employees' points of view, instead of just the ski coaches I trained with and wealthy parents who drove me home. I learned to appreciate the mountain for all of its uniqueness. The locker room has made me more respectful and humble because of what it has shown me. Within its walls are people who've known it in simpler times. The folks who use this

space don't own condos nearby. Their places are off-mountain. They are here for the skiing, not the fancy condos and restaurants. And I think of them as my extended family. We always make small talk as we get ready. They are quick to smile and greet me as I come in the door; wish me luck in my race on race days. This place is the first thing that comes to mind when I think of Sugarloaf. Not my friends, nor the harsh howling wind, not the classic picture from Oh My Gosh Corner, not even the open white trails. Over the years that I have been skiing, the resort has continued to change. The base lodge has been remodeled, new stores have been opened, different people and coaches have come and gone; but the locker room has stayed the same. This simple on mountain hub, without all the frills of the modern resort that surrounds it has made me understand truly what a Sugarloafer is. It has made me a more humble and respectful person, teaching me to appreciate all the work that goes into making something successful. The locker room has affected my childhood, making Sugarloaf a huge part of who I am today and is ingrained in my mind as a happy place. \*

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