

# SKI CLUB NEWS

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## Tax free status to benefit ski racers

It certainly goes without saying that the members and friends of the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club are aware of the inflationary spiral of today's economic situation, making the cost of living and likewise the cost of skiing and related activities more and more expensive.

Thus, it became apparent to the Directors of the Ski Club that the continuation of the Junior Race Program was in jeopardy of being reduced or possibly discontinued as being beyond the present ability of the Club's budget, and would obviously become more so in the future.

Therefore, it was decided at the winter Director's meeting to initiate and establish a tax exempt ski educational foundation similar to and in line with the national ski educational foundation.

A committee comprised of William Harrington, President of the Ski Club, Charles Black, and Thomas Amidon, Directors, were appointed to initiate the formation of the new exempt foundation. After numerous meetings by the committee members and other interested parties, the requisite documents to the formation of the exempt foundation are presently in the final stages of preparation relative to filing with the proper authorities and subsequent approval as a tax exempt organization.

The Mt. Mansfield Ski Educational Foundation Inc. will be a Vermont granted under appropriate Internal Revenue code sections by the IRS.

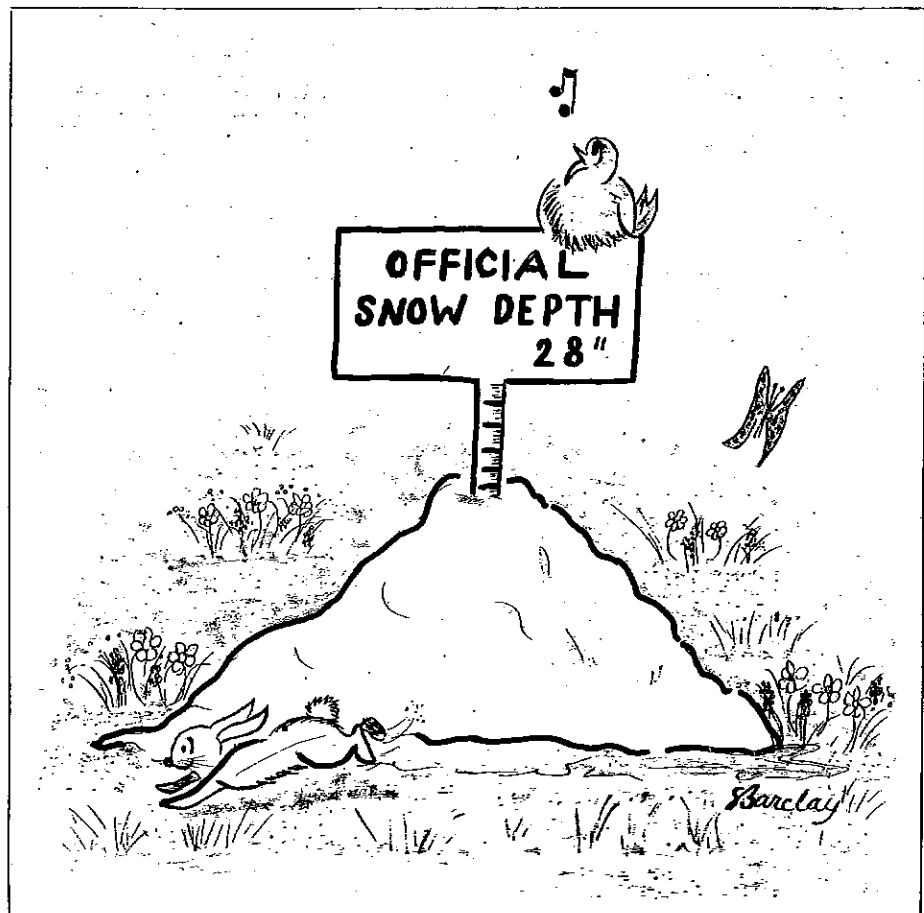
The foundation will be governed by a Board of Trustees numbering at least five persons who will be elected by the members of the foundation. The Trustees primary function will be fund raising activities and solicitations. As a tax exempt foundation, all contributions and donations to the

treasury coffers will be tax deductible to the individuals making the same, thereby hopefully creating greater incentives to contribute to a racing program designed to offer young skiers the opportunity to engage in competitive skiing.

The Committee with the Board of Directors of the ski club feels that with this incentive mentioned above, sufficient funds can be raised to finance the present race program, and hopefully an expanded program, to accommodate more young skiers with

proper equipment, adequate coaching and other incidentals such as travel expenditure assistance, and increase interest in competitive skiing proportionally.

It is the hope of the Committee that an announcement can be made at the annual meeting of the Ski Club, to be held Saturday, May 24 at Little Spruce House that approval and authorization has been granted the Mt. Mansfield Ski Educational Foundation Inc. to operate as a tax exempt organization.





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## NOTICE

### ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

at

Little Spruce Cafeteria

May 24 @ 8:30

The following slate of officers has been submitted by Nominating Committee Chairman, Arthur Goodrich:

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Sepp Ruschp, Lanou Hudson, Frank Springer - Miller, Henry Simoneau, Thomas Amidon and Peter Ruschp.

## Letters To The Editor

I would like to personally thank you for the facilities you made available to myself and the New Zealand Junior Racers, during our stay in Stowe in January. The boys have fond memories of their experiences in your area, and enjoyed the very fine Lodge and skiing facilities that were available to them. There is no doubt that you are operating one of the finest Ski Resorts in the U.S.A. and we consider ourselves to have been most fortunate to have been treated so well by you and the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club.

I hope one day that our juniors will be as good as yours, and we will try to continue to give them the opportunities in the future, that you extended so generously to us.

I am enclosing a signed photograph of the boys as an appreciation of your kindnesses. If you have racers or members of your Club coming to New Zealand at any time, please let me know so that I can make myself and our junior racers available to help them.

Eric Kendall, Manager  
Stewart Blakely  
Brett Bradley  
Scott Kendall  
Brett Kendall  
Racers

The Tri-State Jr. Competitions Committee wants to thank the Mt. Mansfield Ski Club for putting on the USEASA Jr. Alpine championships.

We are aware of the great amount of work and organization that go into an endeavor of this nature and as usual your group did its outstanding job in every respect.

It was great to be up there and I know every one of our kids got a great kick out of it.

Thanks ever so much.

Hal Putnam  
Chairman Tri-State

Just a note to tell you how much the Holderness contingent enjoyed the Eastern Junior Alpine Championships. As always, Stowe did a wonderful job of putting on good races.

The boys join me in thanking you for a good weekend.

Don Henderson, Coach

# President's Message

BY BILL HARRINGTON

## FLIGHT INFO. '70

This winter will be remembered for many years to come with its record breaking snow depth, no January thaw, no long stretches of windy or 25 below zero weather, just a good long season of excellent skiing! It seemed just wonderful to be able to hold the Sugar Slalom after two straight years of being washed out. The only Club activity left will be the Annual Spring Meeting on Saturday, May 24th.

I would like to comment briefly on the United States Ski Association's decision to reorganize the National Alpine Program. The Mt. Mansfield Ski Club members and the Mt. Mansfield Company through the years have provided the National program with large sums of money. The State of Vermont through its fine junior race program has contributed many outstanding racers to the U.S. Squad. In the past few years our National Team has gained International recognition and the team members have now earned top F.I.S. seedings and World Cup Points. We cannot help but be deeply concerned when we see the U.S.S.A. Policy Committee shows signs of reverting back to an inter - mural Mickey Mouse college program.

At this time, the tentative European flight dates are as follows:

- A. 2 1/2 weeks dept. 2/19/70 ret/3/9
- B. 3 1/2 weeks dept 2/18/70 ret/3/18
- C. 2 1/2 weeks dept 2/26/70 ret/3/16

Dates may change by 1 or 2 days. Flights A and B will most likely be from New York City to Zurich and return, with Flight C going from Boston to Zurich and return. All flights will be via jet aircraft. Further data will be issued in August or September.

Space is reserved upon receipt of \$100.00 per person (\$95 per person refundable on cancellations BEFORE 1 January 1970 (checks made payable to and sent to: MMSC Flight '70, 106 Deforest Heights, Burlington 05401 Vermont -- please note address.

Balance of fare has been \$139.00 per person for the past few years, but circumstances augur well for a reduction this year -- more on this later.

Membership in MMSC is required at least six months in advance of departure date; checks made payable to and sent to: MMSC Spruce Peak, Stowe 05672, Vermont \$10 couple; and \$7.50 single.

For further mailings, please send stamped, self-addressed envelope to Mrs. John F. Shearer, 106 Deforest Heights, Burlington 05401, Vermont.

### MT. MANSFIELD SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

May 1, 1969 - April 30, 1970

Please complete application for each person and mail with remittance to  
Mt. Mansfield Ski Club, Little Spruce, Stowe, Vt. 05672

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Last Name	First Name		
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Street	City	State	ZIP CODE
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<b>PLEASE CHECK ONE</b>		<b>New Member</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Renewal</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
Husband and Wife	-----	\$ 10.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior (Male or Female)	-----	7.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Family Juniors	-----	2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single Juniors	-----	5.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>JUNIORS UNDER 18 YEARS MUST GIVE DATE OF BIRTH</b>			
Month	Day	Year	
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Extra Patch	\$ 1.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Please state if you are a member of the U. S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association.
Club Emblem Pin	1.50	<input type="checkbox"/>	
For mailing we MUST have your ZIP NO.			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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**A**t the conclusion of the Eastern Junior Mansfield Ski Club the following: Start glasses on the far in action and close up are of Gregg Bartl cutting a gate. Named to the t Steve Murphy.

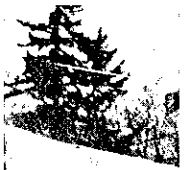
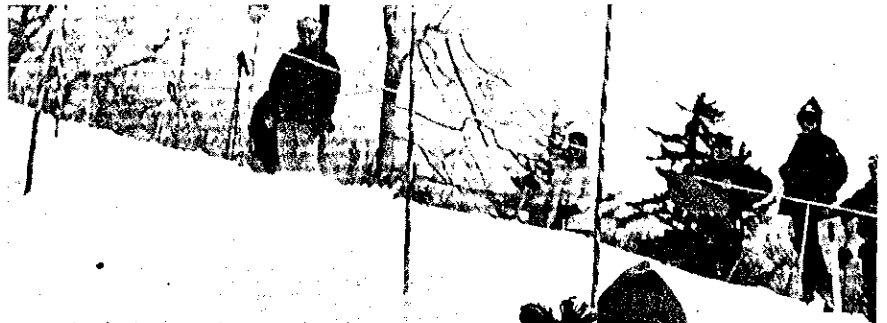


# Eastern Junior Alpine Championships



All Photos by Malcolm Reiss

of 3 days and 8 different races held at Stowe, March 7, 8, 9  
Ski Team (above) was named. Participants from the Mt.  
who had qualified for the Eastern Championships include  
ng clockwise with the young lady seen adjusting her sun  
right, we have Sally Flory. Next in order is Cecil Teague  
o followed by Carol Skinger in action. The next two closeups  
tt and Todd Buik, with Steve Murphy seen above in action  
am from the MMSC wer e Sally Flory, Cecil Teague and



# Bill Harrington,

## Skiing's Mystery Man

He's the mystery man to those who are not involved with junior skiers. He more often than not will be seen scurrying around the finish line at almost every area in the Northeast, checking times, patting racers on the head and helping keep track of the top finishers.

When he isn't hustling to and from the finish of the race, he is seen looking up the hill with the sun or wind beating down on his already weather-beaten face.

He wears a big raccoon coat and a fur hat, which several members of the opposite sex have said they would like for their own.

Often someone will say ...who is he?

Actually its no secret .. he's Bill Harrington of Burlington racing chairman for the state of Vermont junior program. He never misses a race and his interest in the program is unselfish . . . he wants the juniors to get a fair shake, the best-run races possible and a chance to race against the best the East and country have to offer in that age group.

One of his many dreams will become a reality this weekend when the best junior racers, boys and girls, from Eastern and Western Division championships compete in the Eastern Junior Alpine Championships at Stowe.

The format which was followed in both events last weekend, eight races over a two-day period with each race counting as a separate event, was proposed by Bill in 1965. It took four years for the proposal to be realized, but according to "Mr. Racing" it was worth it.

"I sold myself on a regional championship setup many years ago and proposed it to several groups. It took until 1968 to be accepted and the big reception came in Wilburham, Mass. They bought the idea," Bill said.

Last weekend at Greek Peak in Cortland, N.Y. each competitor ran eight different races, two slaloms, and two giant slaloms.

The kids were ecstatic over the way the race was run.

"As soon as they had raced one giant slalom course, another one was ready within a half hour. They ran that course and this was followed by two more giant slaloms, on two dif-

ferent courses. The same format was applied to the slalom runs," Bill declared.

"Each race is counted as a separate race thus giving all skiers a better-than-even chance of performing well. If a racer bombs out on his first run he can still come back in the next one and it won't hurt his chances," Bill said.

The youngsters loved it. They could go all out in all races, there was no coasting or one fall and their chances to make the team is out. No one was telling them to coast or just stand up...it was 100 per cent in every event," Bill said.

The best two of four races in each event were used as the basis for picking the Western team. The same format was used in the Easterns.

And the same rules will apply this weekend at Stowe .. two GS, two slalom and two downhill runs, with the best runs considered for the Eastern Alpine Team to compete in the Junior Nationals.

"It worked like a charm and Greek Peak did a tremendous job in making it go," said Harrington.

The next proposal, which Bill hopes won't take as long to catch on, is to split Vermont in the middle with the dividing line Middlebury.

Each section would hold five qualifying races.

Following the five races the best 25 boys in the North and South, along with the best 12 or 13 girls from each section, would meet in more races to determine the team for the regionals.

Jay Peak, Lyndon, Burke, Madonna, Stowe and Middlebury would be one section with Mt. Snow, Stratton, Big Bromley, Killington, Pico, Okemo, and Woodstock the southern section.

Following the selection of the 50 boys and 16 girls, six races of top caliber .. on big mountains .. with only electric timing would be used for the six races. Then 15 boys and seven girls would be picked for the regionals.

The regional setup and format for running the races has been accepted. Bill hopes it continues this way.

Bill -- and there are others -- feels the Eastern association should

be allowed more representatives in the Nationals because the Eastern Association is the largest in the country . . . 36 to 40,000 members.

Other associations, which have much smaller membership, should be able to retain the eight-boys-and-five-girls setup. The East should be allowed 16 boys and 10 girls. This proposal is in the offing, also.

Bill said, "I am not interested in whether people know who I am or whether they know if I had anything to do with the changes. My main concern in the kids."

A sincere approach by a man who is sincere about ski racing.

Harrington is a "World Cup Man." He likes the idea of points for victories, rather than just FIS points. He believes in the FIS system, but figures the point system adds incentive.

This weekend at Burke Mountain the state's finest 13-year-old-and under skiers will compete for the right to enter a New England-wide meet at the Middlebury Snow Bowl March 15 and 16.

At Burke there will be two runs of giant slalom Saturday and two runs of slalom Sunday.

The 15th and 6th the East's best 13-and-under skiers will invade Middlebury. There will be no entry fee and no prizes "just two days of racing under the best conditions possible," Harrington said.

Maine will be represented by 15 boys and five girls, New Hampshire 15 boys and eight girls; New York, 15-8; Vermont 15-8; Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, 10-5 and Pennsylvania and New York, 8-4.

Harrington set up this unique event.

He is the first to admit he has had help and he couldn't have done it alone. But ... in almost every aspect of our everyday life there has to be a driving force.

Harrington is a dedicated "skiing nut" whose contributions to the state racing programs may never be measured until long after he has hung up the raccoon coat and the big fur hat.

Editor's note: The above article by Don Fillion appeared in the Burlington Free Press on March 6, just prior to the Eastern Junior Alpine Championships held in Stowe on March 7, 8, and 9 (See center fold pictures)

We have reprinted this article with the kind permission of the Burlington Free Press so that MMS'ers might appreciate the role that our Club President plays on a State level.



# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 1969

## Girls Course A

GROUP 41-59	
Betty McGill	52:34
Pearl McLeod	52:52
Lari Beck	73:67
Joanne Crane	88:13

GROUP 26-40	
Claudia Elliman	40:84
M.J. Shaw	45:67
Grace MacLellan	48:60
Nancy Carlson	50:03
Joyce Lewis	53:58
Cynthia Barnett	55:77
Phyllis Bell	56:49
Elizabeth Miller	64:79
Barbara Fey	DISQ
Elizabeth Sutton	DISQ

GROUP 18-25	
Anne Tracy	47:31
Sandy Peterson	55:29
Gwendi Beck	55:92

## Girls Course B

GROUP 14-17	
Mary Ellen Rathbone	42:10
Karen Miller	45:73
Patricia Peterson	48:22

GROUP 10-13	
Mary Beth Bryan	40:41
Dia Elliman	43:94
Jennifer Black	46:38
Mary Beth Quinn	51:03
Carol Hillman	51:98
Barbara Cobb	54:25
Lyndall Heyer	54:64
Alison Bell	54:71
Carol Sutton	56:41
Shirley Buchanan	56:43
Darleen Slayton	57:04
Wendy Miller	62:06
Deborah Cobb	64:68
Gene Ann Whitley	72:41
Leslie Hartigan	DISQ

## Girls Course C

GROUP - Under 10	
Nancy Bell	24:58
Elizabeth McMahon	25:30
Hesterly Black	26:58
Julia Wu	27:85
Firkins Reed	28:42
Danielle Shaw	29:03
Kimberly Tomlinson	29:70
Judy Stone	29:80
Hillary Hartigan	30:50
Kimberly Adams	32:80
Anne Brown	33:51
Julia Bell	34:70
Gretchen Smith	37:30
Ann Wilhelm	DISQ

## Boys Course A

GROUP 60 and Over	
Art Goodrich	49:72
Charles Lord	64:63
Willis Smarup	68:96

GROUP 41-59	
Allan Beck	43:17
Richard Comey	43:20
Ed Crane	43:37
Phil Haloff	45:22
William Fine	45:92
Bish McGill	47:04
Rock King	48:37
Frank Jones	48:54
Paul Sutton	49:24
Lawrence McGinnis	49:69
Steve Moore	51:07
Marc Hall	51:54
John Haugh	62:52
Lewis Bell	64:69
Valentine Miller	91:75
Bish McGill	DISQ

GROUP 26-40	
Barry Gordinier	37:56
Bob McKee	38:59
Thomas Brennan	43:62
Arthur Williams	49:02
Wright Lewis	64:87
Thomas Amidon	DNF
Richard Carlson	DNF

## GROUP 18-25

Bill Sandri	41:01
Craig Echo	42:14
Chuck Phillips	45:07

## Boys Course B

GROUP 14-17	
Todd Buik	40:23
Robert McGill	40:27
Ron Biedermann	41:50
Bill Johnstone	41:63
Wright Clark	41:82
William Fine	45:01
Melvin McLeod	45:13
Grahame Hodgson	46:58
Greg Bartlett	47:15
Philip Straus Jr.	47:45
Billy Rathbone	48:48
Ken Biedermann	48:83
Jeff Peterson	50:01
David Scheuer	52:71
Lee Stern	64:13
Charlie Cristie	DISQ
Bobby Parker	DISQ

## GROUP - 10-13

Whit Hartt	43:09
Toby Elliman	44:19
Jesse Beckl	47:76
Jeff Haloff	50:58
Eben Sutton	50:75
Doug Parker	52:00
Mike Parker	54:52
Ric Dworshak	54:79
Alex Sparks	55:06
Rick Eisenbiegler	55:62
Jeffrey Malumed	56:29
Charles Barnett	59:47
Westy Bennett	DISQ

## Boys Course C

GROUP - Under 10	
Brian Smith	26:10
James Quinn	29:96
Bruce Miller	31:82
Andrew Shaw	32:45
Robert Quinn	36:67

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