



Newsletter August 2014

NEW SEASON OPENING MONDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 7pm

We're almost there but we need to delay the new season's opening by 2 weeks, the ski club should be open again on **Monday 15th September**, a great achievement after all the construction work required.

Just to make sure your journey is not wasted check out the latest news on www.ski-kidsgrove.co.uk

Or call 01782 784908.



Kidsgrove ski centre

40th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

11th and 12th October

Official Opening Event Saturday 2-5pm

Calling all members, join in the celebration, come and see your fabulous new slope. An official opening event will be held where Rowan Cheshire (member of Sochi 2014 Freestyle team) will cut the ribbon on our new slope. Rowan has kindly donated some skis and a team GB T-shirt for raffle prizes. Demonstration skiing by our instructors showing how the new surface can be used. Refreshments available.



1st OATCAKE FREESTYLE JAM on SUNDAY from 10am

This will be open to everyone, both ski and snowboarders. Prizes for top 3 male/female in each category and spot prizes.

Top MC and Judges.

Tickets ...at £15 on the day or £10 in advance for competitors.

Spectators free of charge.

OATCAKES + BBQ available



Team GB Sochi 2014 T-Shirt donated and signed by Rowan Cheshire



Nordica Velvet Ace Freeride Women's Skis size 163

Skis donated by Rowan Cheshire.

Bindings donated by Nordica and Glide and Stride.

There will be more prizes

£5 a ticket available from the club beforehand and on the day.

Winners to be drawn at the Oatcake JAM



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ALL CHANGE.....**Club Holiday 2015**.....now to Alpe D'Huez
17th to 24th January 2015

Many members will already know that unfortunately because we were unable to take the whole group from Manchester, the holiday to Les Menuires had to be cancelled. . Whilst we were offered a courtesy coach to take us to Gatwick it was felt that this option was unworkable and that we had no choice but to cancel.

We have however found an alternative holiday for the same week with Rocket Ski to their Chalet Hotel Beau Soleil in Alpe D'Huez. Thank you to everyone who had already made a booking for their understanding and to Rocket Ski for their help.



Most of the places have been taken by those transferring from the other holiday but **THERE ARE A FEW LEFT**. We have been able to negotiate an option on these until the **12th September**.

The Beau Soleil is their flagship hotel of which we have heard good reports in the past. Check out the details on the web link below.

<http://www.rocket ski.com/ski-resorts/france/alpedhuez/clubhotel-beausoleil>

We will be sharing the hotel with a group from a school who have often travelled with Rocket Ski. They would dine at different times and have a programme of evening activities organised.

This large ski area offers a wide variety of skiing for all abilities...see.... <http://www.alpedhueznet.com>

The price including Manchester flights, transfers, Chalet half board- Buffet breakfast, afternoon tea/ cake and three course dinners 6 nights (wine not included).....**is £559**.... per adult (2 sharing).

In addition, they are offering either **free hire of Standard skis and boots**, or **Ski Carriage for just £20**.

If you are interested in coming on the holiday or have already booked and know someone who would like to join us, please email Jo Stackhouse on nsscholiday2015@outlook.com.



Great news for existing club members.

Although the cost of membership is being increased in September, existing full members will not have to pay the new rate for at least the next year. The committee unanimously agreed that existing full members should enjoy the improved ski slope facilities at no extra cost. The membership fee has not changed for the last 10 years, from September an annual membership will cost £180 for a family. £108 for an adult. £72 for a student and £54 for a junior.

It is still very good value where a family can ski for £4.50 per week and an adult for £2.70 per week.

Existing full members will need to renew their membership within 30 of expiry to qualify for renewing at the old rate i.e.£140 per family etc.

It will be more important than ever to make sure you have a membership card so if you do not already have one please bring a photo (passport size but needn't be a special one just an ordinary photo of your face). If you have a family membership each person should have a membership card.

If you are receiving this newsletter by snail mail and would like to receive it in full colour electronically just drop an email to ann.loton@ntlworld.com



Many thanks must go to all those who have been helping at the ski club during the summer closure. There has been a regular band of people on Wednesday evenings and some Saturdays keeping the equipment in good order and doing what was needed to speed along the construction of the new slope. Special thanks must go to all those who have given a tremendous amount of their time building the new control room and pump houses, installing electrical and mechanical equipment, dealing with contractors and managing the budget. Without you the ski club would not exist!



NORTH STAFFS SKI CLUB LTD

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NORTH STAFFS SKI CLUB LTD
MONDAY 27th OCTOBER 2014



7.30 p.m. for an 8.00 p.m. start.

**NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE:- THE RIFLEMAN INN
ACRES NOOK, KIDSGROVE, STOKE ON TRENT ST6 4QL
The ski club will be closed on this evening to allow volunteers
to attend.**

The Business of the Evening will be as follows:

- To accept apologies.**
- Minutes of the previous AGM.**
- Chairman's report.**
- Treasurer's report.**
- Any other business.**
- To elect the committee.**

After the meeting there will be a small buffet. We anticipate this to start at approximately 8.45p.m. All members are welcome. Voting can only be carried out by full members (not associate members).

Should you wish to stand for the committee; at the bottom of the page you will find a nomination slip. Please fill this in and post to:-

Jo Stackhouse at the ski club to be received no less than 21 days before the AGM.

Your present committee is made up of the following:

Chair - Ann Loton. Vice Chair - Simon Jones. Secretary - Jo Stackhouse
Treasurer - John Daines / Craig Timmis Hon. President - Dave Dick
The remainder of the committee consists of: Terry Boulton, Gerald Loton,
Eric Hartley, Paul Knapper, Ian Shakespeare and Nigel Dick.

A **Committee Member** will be expected to commit his / her time to the club for at least **two hours a week** on one of the days we are open. The committee meets once every 2 months between September and July, committee members are expected to attend **at least 5 out of the 6** scheduled meetings.

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We hereby nominate as a Committee Member of North Staffs Ski Club Ltd.

Proposed by
Seconded by
Date

Note: Nominee, Proposer and Seconder must all be **full members** of the club (not associate members).

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED by 6th October 2014.