

# Newsletter August 2022

**Great News - we are going to be open again from 7pm Monday 5th September. The reception desk is going to stay in the foyer. You do not need to book recreational skiing but we do need you to sign in for recreational skiing.**

## OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 7 till 9pm

Sunday, Juniors beginner lessons 9.30 - 10.30  
Junior Club 10.30 - 11.30 and 11.30 - 12.30  
Lessons and recreational skiing **12.30 to 3.30 in September,**  
from **October 12.30 to 4.30**

Freestyle Fridays 7 - 9pm begin 9th September - further dates page 3

Saturday afternoon sessions starting 15th October 2pm till 5pm



Membership cards must be shown on arrival. If you do not have a membership card please bring a passport sized photo on your first visit so that you can be issued with one. The card should also have details of your ski length, boot size and din setting. If it does not, ask at reception or complete the form on page 2 and bring it to the club.

## OPEN DAY SATURDAY 1st OCTOBER

Encourage your friends and family to  
**GET ACTIVE and RISE TO THE CHALLENGE**

**FREE HALF HOUR TASTER SKI LESSONS**  
10am - 3pm

A good way for them to find out about skiing and have a go if they want to! Support your ski club by telling all your friends and family about this event. Sessions bookable in advance. Just ring the ski club to book.

Refreshments available



## North Staffs Ski Club Annual General Meeting Friday 21 October 2022

See enclosed information.

A draft financial statement will be available at the ski club from 5th October 2022 and at the meeting.



Many thanks to all those who gave their time over the summer particularly those who spent many hours refitting the kitchen and especially to Klara, our youngest volunteer, who amazed us with her enthusiasm and fantastic organisational skills demonstrated as she cheerfully cleaned boots.



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## RECREATIONAL SKIERS - A REMINDER



For the safety and enjoyment of all our members please remember that the ski way code should be adhered to at **ALL** times. Failure to do so will result in you being asked to leave the slope.

**ALL** slope users should be performing linked turns and be in control at **ALL** times.

A copy of the Skiway Code is on display in the clubhouse.

Netting and safety barriers are for your safety and **NOT** as an alternative method of stopping.

### NSSC code of conduct

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all other slope users regardless of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/economic status.
2. Control your speed.
3. Give way to users ahead of you and choose a route that will not endanger or alarm them.
4. Leave plenty of room when overtaking.
5. If you have to stop do so at the side of the slope, the run out at the bottom should be clear at all times. This is not a spectator area or a place to store equipment.
6. Look up and down the slope before setting off.
7. You should not walk on the slope. If you have to do this it should be up or down the sides.
8. In the event of an accident all activity must stop. Everyone is duty bound to assist and witnesses must provide relevant information.
9. North Staffs Ski Club reserves the right to ask you to leave the slope if you are considered by a Club Official/Instructor not to be abiding by the above Code of Conduct or Slope Rules.

### From page 1.

If you have not previously supplied the information below please complete the form below for all members, bring it with you the next time you visit the club.



#### North Staffs Ski Club - Client Equipment Set Up Data

Name	Age	Date of birth
Weight in kgs	Height in cms	UK shoe size

#### Ski ability tick below

<b>Type 1 Beginner</b> Cautious skier on smooth slopes of gentle to moderate pitch	<b>Type 2 intermediate</b> Able to ski on varied terrains including most difficult.	<b>Type 3 Advanced</b> Ski aggressively at high speeds on moderate to steep terrain
Signed		Date
<b>Office use</b> Ski Length	Boot size	Binding setting
Entered on card ex	Label on membership	Technician name



## Freestyle Sessions



Over the summer a new feature has been installed.

Who is going to be the first to come and try it out?

Our dedicated freestyle slope is open at all times that the club is open for recreational skiing. In addition we have three Junior Club sessions on a Sunday morning:

9:30 am to 10:30am

10:30am to 11:30am

11:30am to 12:30pm.

Booking is advised to avoid disappointment.

## Freestyle Fridays

7pm to 9pm

Free for members



**Non Members : Juniors £10, Adults, £15  
Annual membership; Junior £54, Adult  
£108 Family £180**

These sessions are for anyone who enjoys freestyle regardless of age or ability.  
(Subject to minimum requirements. Please ask if you are unsure).

### Dates for Freestyle Fridays

7pm to 9pm

Friday 9th September 2022

Friday 23rd September 2022

Friday 7th October 2022

Friday 4th November 2022

Friday 18th November 2022

Friday 2nd December 2022

Friday 16th December 2022

## \*\*\* CONGRATULATIONS \*\*\*



While we were busy sunning ourselves in the heatwave, Junior Club member, Robert Savage, was busy training and competing in Indoor Alpine Championships. He came 2nd in the Welsh

Championships and 3rd in the English Indoor Championships. Well done!

## \*\*\* UPDATE \*\*\*

### Young Instructors Project

After the club had closed at the end of June our enthusiastic Young Instructors completed two days of training with Ryan Grewcock from SSE.

Ryan put them through their paces, challenging and developing their personal skiing ability and teaching skills. They are now ready to begin shadowing our experienced Instructors and those who are over 16 years old will complete a Safeguarding Course, First Aid and a DBS check. When they have gained more experience they will then complete an external assessment and if they are successful they will be issued with a License. As you can see the process of becoming an instructor is a challenging one.

We wish them good luck and hope you will all encourage them.

## Ski Wear Bring and Buy



**13th - 27th November**

**Sell unwanted ski items or grab a bargain**

Clearly label sale items with price, name and telephone number (the club cannot accept responsibility for items left for sale).

Money received will be kept at the club until collected. Unsold goods must be collected by **December 4th** or they will be donated to charity.

## 2023 Club Holiday to Tignes Val Claret

**Advance notice**

Invoices for your holiday will be coming out during the second week of September with payment due by the 24th October

**Please look out for the email.**

**It is the 8th and it's on the 8th**

# **OATCAKE v8.0 Jam 2022**

**Kidsgrove Ski Centre - 8th Oct 22**  
**[www.ski-kidsgrove.co.uk](http://www.ski-kidsgrove.co.uk)**

## **Timings:**

**9-10 Registration**  
**10-12 Open Practice**  
**13-15 Judging**  
**16-17 Prize Giving**

## **Entry Fees:**

**Advance £25**  
**On the Day £30**  
**A 50 Bib Max Event**



## **Rules:**

**Helmets**  
**Long Sleeves**  
**Gloves**  
**are compulsory**

**Refreshments available**

Our annual event which draws competitors from across the country is open to all those who enjoy freestyle, all ages and abilities are welcome.

Bookings are now being taken. You can book in person at the club, just ask for a form, alternatively you can book online by clicking the link on the website.

Last year we had a record number of members taking part. Let's see if we can beat this.

### **Can you help?**

As the date of our **8th Annual Oatcake Jam** approaches we have already begun to make preparations, including seeking sponsorship.

If you, or anyone you know, is in a position to offer sponsorship for **The 8th Oatcake Jam** please leave a message for Gareth Bott, Diane Watts or Chris Watts at the club. In the past, ski equipment, ski clothing, vouchers for trampoline parks, cash for spot prizes etc. have all been appreciated by the competitors in the past.

Help on the day, for example: marshalling or helping in the kitchen would also be appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October**.





# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** **NORTH STAFFS SKI CLUB LTD** **FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER 2022**



**7.30 p.m. Venue - The Ski Club**

**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.**

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 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

The remainder of the committee consists of: Terry Boulton, Gerald Loton, Eric Hartley, Paul Knapper, Ian Shakespeare, Cameron Stewart, Diane Watts, Gareth Bott, Suzanne Barnett.

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 Secunder must all be **full members** of the club (not associate members).

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED by 1st October 2022**



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