

# Newsletter June 2013

Summer closing for maintenance -  
9pm Thursday 27th June.  
Reopening - 7pm Monday 2nd September

Annual General Meeting - 28th October 2013



NORTH STAFFS



SKI CLUB LTD

## Volunteers.

**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!**  
**to all those who have helped to keep the club**  
**running over the last year.**

The work still goes on and more volunteers are needed for:-

- the boot/ski room,
- the kitchen, particularly on Sunday mornings when the filled oatcakes are so popular.
- maintaining the tow and slope
- trainee instructors.

No experience is necessary, willing hands will be able to access training on the job. If you volunteer to work at the ski club for a regular session each week you will qualify for half price membership. If you are unable to commit to every week then you may qualify for free lessons. You can volunteer to be part of the team once a week, once a fortnight or even monthly, just let us know what you can manage.

### Wednesday Nights from 7pm

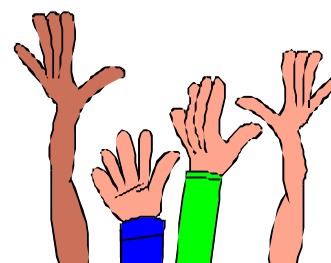
In the short term during the closed period from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 1st September there are lots of jobs which need doing. You don't have to have specific skills as there are many uncomplicated jobs which need just a willing pair of hands.

At the same time there are jobs which do need specific skills where your expertise would be valued. The more people the better then we can all enjoy the summer and have a club which runs smoothly next season.

Have a look at the list below, there must be something you can help with for a couple of hours. Even if you can only manage one 2 hour session it is better than nothing.

### Jobs to be done

Cleaning spray jets - Remove creases in matting - maintain boots and skis  
Hedge and grass cutting, plus anything else which needs doing.



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**



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## Club Holiday 19 - 26 January 2014 - Sestriere

We are pleased to say that the Hotel Du Col in Sestriere is proving to be a popular choice. The Club prepaid deposits for 60 places and these are almost sold out, with just a couple of places left.

There are currently further rooms available at the hotel and if there are more people interested we will go back to Thomsons to see if we can extend the booking.

### **Slope development update.**

Not much has changed visually since the last newsletter but things have been going on in the background.

A request went in to Newcastle Borough Council to extend the licence to use the park road as access, I am pleased to say they have agreed to the extension to cover the completion of Phase 1. Meetings have been held to discuss possible variations in terrain on the slope to provide added challenges for intermediate skiers.

Nothing has yet been decided and you will have the opportunity to discuss proposals before those decisions are made.

Currently we are waiting for companies to tender for the completion of Phase 1.

Work has continued towards securing additional funding for the project with an "Expression of Interest" Application for a grant being submitted to BIFFA.



As was mentioned in April's newsletter something which will act in our favour when applying for extra funding is if we can show

that the club members are supporting the project by giving a donation specifically towards the project fund.

So, can you help your club by donating a small or large amount to go directly into the project fund? If you feel you would like to donate please give it to someone behind the ski counter. If all our adult members donated £10 we would raise £5,000. If you are a tax payer then it can be gift aided to mean more. Remember the club is run entirely by volunteers which is why it is the cheapest skiing in the country. We need your support to improve your skiing experience at Kidsgrove!

If anyone knows of a company who would like to sponsor a particular aspect of the project then that can easily be arranged. Just contact Ann Loton at the club.

*Thank You!*

**Very much to all those who have already given a donation to the project fund.**

### **Coming up soon:**

From October 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> at the NEC there's In The Snow Live, the ski show brought to you by the major Snowsports magazine. Keep in touch via the link on the club's home page.

2014 is Winter Olympics year and they will be held at Sochi in Russia. Olympics from February 7<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> and Paralympics from March 7<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>. Great Britain will have several Snowsport competitors to follow. There's a link from the club's home page."

*Congratulations*



To Dave Murphy, Steve Cottam, Rob Finney and Peter Skirvin on gaining your Snowsport England Level 2 Instructors Award.