



## WINTER WORDS



### Newsletter of the Ski Atlantic Seniors' Club (SASC)

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#### President's Message

The autumn season has come upon us quickly and for us winter enthusiasts our thoughts quickly turn to skiing. The SASC Board had its first meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup> to kick start the 2013/2014 ski season. Preparations are well underway for ski trips, membership promotions, as well as, Kell Antof Days. All are enthusiastic and are looking forward to another successful year for the SASC. The SASC continues to grow and on behalf of the Club I would like to welcome all new and returning members.

The main avenue for communicating with our membership is through our website - [www.sasc.chebucto.org](http://www.sasc.chebucto.org) It is designed to provide all relevant information regarding club events such as: Kell Antoft Days, Membership Application Forms, Winter Words (Newsletter), SASC sponsored Ski Trips etc. In the very near future the newly revised Constitution/ By-Laws will also be available on our website.

Every year we have members retiring from the Board of the SASC and their positions are capably filled by other members who volunteer their time to serve you – the members of the SASC. This year is no exception as we welcome three new people to our Board: Ken Cameron – Treasurer (Wentworth/Ben Eoin) Peter Etheridge –Secretary/ Editor of Winter Words (Poley Mountain) and Ray Provencher –Director at large (Mattock).

Our sympathy goes out to the family of the late Pat McCulloch who passed away during the summer. Pat was a founding member of the SASC and in the early beginnings of our Club, Pat hosted the AGM of our organization at her cottage. You will be missed Pat

Our **AGM** was held on June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Hospitality Center in Debert with upwards of 70 people in attendance. The AGM was capably arranged by Judy Hawkins and chaired by Paul Black. At this meeting revisions to the Constitution/By-Laws were adopted and approved. Musical entertainment was provided by fellow SASC members.

The SASC annual **Golf Tournament** was held at Bell Bay on September 10th under excellent weather conditions. The 40 participants thoroughly enjoyed the day and the hospitality of Bell Bay and the Inverary Inn. Kathy Gouthro, Director at Ben Eoin, and her committee deserved a big vote of thanks for a job well done.. The Digby Pines has been suggested as the location for next year's tournament.

I hope that all members enjoy many pleasant days of skiing this winter. Enrich your lives by taking advantage of the many activities offered by the SASC and your local ski hill. See you on the slopes.

Paul Black --- SASC President

## **A New Season has Begun**

Autumn is here in all its maritime splendor. And for those that are interested in winter activities it singles a time to get ready for the upcoming ski season. The SASC Board had its first meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup> to kick start the 2013/2014 ski season. Preparations are underway for the annual membership promotions, communications, ski trips and Kell Antof Days.

Now is the time to download the SASC membership renewal application and check out the planned 2014 New England ski trips (more below). Please ensure to include your email address on your application so we can keep you updated on SASC activities. All information is available on our website [www.sascchebucto.org](http://www.sascchebucto.org) Check it out today.

### **SASC Ski Trips planned for 2014**

We have two ski trips planned for 2014. The first is to Attitash and the second is to Loon Mountain. Both resorts are located in New Hampshire. Attitash is located close to North Conway and Loon Mountain is located close to Lincoln. Both hills feature panoramic views of the White Mountains and are well known for their New England hospitality.

Both trips are being offered in an all inclusive format that includes lodgings, Lift tickets, and Meals. In addition both offer a complimentary hill tour and a 'meet and greet party' complete with snack food, a free drink and a draw for prizes. Both resorts also have complimentary Sunday afternoon skiing for early arrivals.

Each resort has a full complement of amenities such as ski-in and ski-out lodgings

along with health clubs, restaurants and pubs.

This will be the second SASC trip organized to Loon Mountain. The first being in 2011 which was well attended and on which we received very positive feedback, resulting in many members requesting a return trip. This will be SASC's first trip to Attitash, although a significant number of club members have skied this hill on their own. Attitash has offered us a dual hill pass that includes Wildcat, which is about 30 minutes drive away from Attitash. Both resorts are owned and operated by the same company.

The Attitash trip is planned for February 2nd to the 7<sup>th</sup>. The cost per person based on double occupancy will be \$640(US). The Loon trip is from March 2nd to the 7th and the cost per person based on double occupancy for that trip is \$690(US). These are very favourable rates that are only available to the SASC membership. So make your plans and get your applications in before the all the available accommodation is assigned. Further details along with applications will be posted to the SASC website by the end of October.

For a complete description of these trips along with the application forms please go to SKI TRIPS on our web site's home page to access the files for the each trip.

[www.sascchebucto.org](http://www.sascchebucto.org)

Thanks to Jim and Maureen Betts for all their effort in organizing the out of Canada SASC's trips this year; a primary feature to which many of our members look forward.

### **Product of Note for SASC Members**

A Shoe Horne for Ski Boots has been developed by a fellow senior skier, Jim Cobb. Check out this innovative product at his website:

[www.thebootster.com](http://www.thebootster.com)

### **New SASC Poster and Brochure**

The SASC has a new poster and brochure designed to introduce interested persons to our organization and to encourage them to explore the benefits of becoming a member. Look for both at the participating ski hills in the region this coming ski season.

### **Ski Atlantic Seniors Club Board of Directors 2013-14**

Paul Black – President

Judy Hawkins – Vice- President

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Connie Uytterlinde – SASC Communications

Jim & Maureen Betts – Ski Trips

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