

Dear Members,

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new club season. Our first club night will take place on the last Thursday of the month and we hope to see many of you there. If you have not renewed your annual membership please do not delay as the club year commences September 1st. Only paid-up members will be eligible for the club prize draw and free drink.

Editor



September Club Night

Thursday September 29th is our first club night of the new club year. Club meetings will be held on the last Thursday of each month, until the AGM next Spring, at Abbey Hill Golf Club, Two Mile Ash, Milton Keynes.

We have invited **Mal Sargeant** of **SkiLine** to give a presentation on ski holidays and top ski resorts in Canada. Sam Younan will also present some ideas he has for organising a potential club holiday next March to the twin resorts of Silver Star and Big White in Canada. To kick-off the new season we will be offering a **COMPLIMENTARY** bar drink to all members in possession of their **NEW** membership cards.

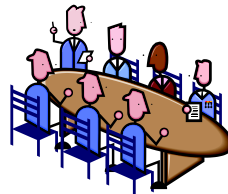
Attendance Draw - £105 !

At club nights we will continue to hold a free draw from our current adult membership. The winner can claim the cash prize only if he / she is present on the night. This is the reason we have named the draw an "attendance draw" to encourage more members to come along to club nights. If the prize is not claimed it is increased by £15 and rolled over to the next draw.

Only paid-up members will be entered so if you are late in renewing your membership you will miss out this draw - which improves the odds of winning to those in attendance on the night.



From Your Committee



New membership cards, valid until August 31st 2012, have been sent to all of you who have returned renewal forms. Later applicants should now allow 2 – 3 weeks for new cards.

Our club secretary is Gillian Reynolds and any member that needs to contact the club on any matter can send an email or telephone Gillian.

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Membership Renewals

All current members will have received a letter mid August inviting membership renewal for a further year. Please check details and return the forms as soon as possible. Cost of membership remains unchanged at **£18.50** for an adult and **£23.50** for an adult including up to 4 children (DoB 02-Sept-1993 or later).

Future Events

MK Theatre - Slava's Snowshow

We have booked tickets for Friday November 4th at the Milton Keynes Theatre.

>> Experience a unique spectacle <<

Slava's Snowshow is a thrilling theatrical event and stunning spectacle for all the family.

Described as an evening of "pure magic, enchantment and fun" by the Daily Express.



Tickets can be reserved from Hilary Higgins. Email < hilary.higgins@tiscali.co.uk >

Tickets are **£29.50** each. Payment must be received before September 27th - 'first come / first served' until sold.

Club Diary

September
SNO!zone - How to Ski Steep Slopes Monday 12 th September
Club Night Thursday 29 th at Abbey Hill Golf Club
October
Charity Event in aid of "In The Pink" Saturday 8 th at Wavendon Gate, MK7 7AX
SNO!zone - How to Ski Slalom Poles Monday 10 th October
Club Night Thursday 27 th at Abbey Hill Golf Club
November
MK Theatre - SLAVA Snowshow Friday 4 th - tickets on sale now
SNO!zone - How to Ski Bumps & Moguls Monday 14 th November
Club Night Thursday 24 th at Abbey Hill Golf Club
Christmas Party Saturday 26 th at Buckingham Golf Club

"In The Pink" Charity Event

In memory of **Pauline Jay**, we are holding a Saturday night party kindly hosted by Terry & Gillian Reynolds on October 8th. Weather permitting, we plan to grill sausages on the BBQ and provide hot home-made soups around an outdoor log fire. Beers, wines and soft drinks with donations going to this specific breast cancer charity. Starts 7:00pm

Soup & Sausage Night

Bring friends and other guests; not restricted to club members. Tickets purchased at the door are £6 per person. Further information will be emailed to all members well in advance. Please help Terry & Gillian plan the catering by indicating whether you are attending and bringing any guests. Respond to Terry or Gillian before October 1st - many thanks.

October Club Night

We are not organising a Halloween Party this year, following the poor attendance last year, so those of you who were scared away or too shy to turn up in costume fear not ! Our plan is to show two short Steven Spielberg films and provide free nibbles and popcorn. We might add a few decorations to the room but that's all.

More details in the next newsletter.

Holiday Organiser Incentives

One of the main attractions of being a member of Keyneskiers is to be able to join fellow club members on group ski holidays. Holidays require organisers to take care of all the bookings and collection of payments etc. New greatly enhanced organiser incentives are shown in the following table –

Group size	Organiser Discount	Group size	Organiser Discount
10-15	75%	26-30	150%
16-19	100%	31-35	175%
20-25	125%	36+	TBA

Note – organiser(s) discounts are subject to group discounts provided by tour operators and similar. If a tour operator does not provide sufficient group discounts then the organiser may receive less.

SNO!zone Club Nights

As the ski season approaches many of us will want to brush away the cobwebs and have a session or two in Xscape in preparation for our winter holidays. Dy Bullard & Rachel Edwards have kindly offered to provide some coaching on our monthly Monday meets and the new programme is as follows –

12th September

Ski the steps

How to cope with the first run of the holiday when the run seems too steep. Also coping with the really steep slopes.

10th October

Round the poles

Find out what is involved with ski racing. Just how do you get round the poles and not straddle them?

14th November

Ski the bumps

When the pistes haven't been groomed and you face the moguls. Find out ways of enjoying the challenge.

Dy will assist all abilities so you don't have to be an expert skier. Boarders also welcome to join in. Kids should arrive for 7:00pm and adults around 8:00 – 8:15. If planning to attend please let Dy know in advance – Email dybullard@btinternet.com

Members' Retail Discounts*

Retail outlets currently offering KS members a 10% discount on most merchandise.

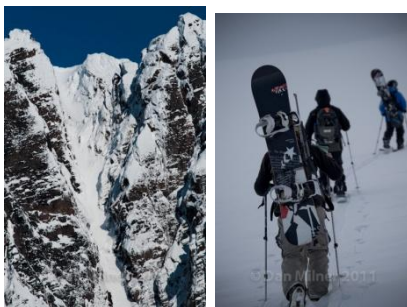
- 🚩 The Outdoor Shop, Stony Stratford
- 🚩 Blacks at Kingston, MK
- 🚩 Lockwoods, Leamington Spa
- 🚩 Bean's, Bicester

Don't forget the valuable **25% discount** on recreational skiing at the **Snozone**.

* Please always check before purchasing that discounts will be honoured as we may not have been advised by retailers of any changes or restrictions.

Polar Exploration

We have secured a guest speaker for our November club night – **Dan Milner** – who will share some of his experiences and dramatic photographs taken on various recent polar expeditions to Alaska and the Arctic Circle. Several samples of Dan's dramatic photographs are shown below –



Keyneskiers Christmas Party

This year our Christmas party will be at –

Buckingham Golf Club
Saturday November 26th

We will have the private use of BGC's club house lounge and members bar. Also we will be the **only** party on the night, including our own disco. A two course dinner will be served with wine on the table, followed by coffee and mints. We have secured a fantastic price of **only £20 per head** and we hope at least 40 turn up to make this a fun night to look forward to.

Our organisers are Sam Younan and Hilary Higgins. Please let Sam or Hilary know if you are likely to attend. Look out for the emailed invitation soon.

Friends and family of KS club members are also welcome to join our Christmas party.

Past Events

On July 16th a number of Keyneskiers' ladies participated in a 10 mile charity walk in central Milton Keynes, setting off at midnight, in aid of Willen Hospice. This "Moo Walk" was originally organised by Pauline Jay.



Pictured left to right - Jenny Burn, Maria Brock, Mary Stent & Shelagh Muir (in the cow outfit)

Pauline's sponsorship raised £140; Jenny's £50; Maria's £120; and Shelagh's £180. Mary Stent substituted for Pauline and all the monies raised duly went to the Willen Hospice Moo Walk Fund. Many thanks to the Keyneskiers' members who supported this event.

/ contributed by Jenny Burn

August Pub Night

About 25 members turned up at the Black Horse Pub in Great Linford. Nice to see so many make it. Pity the kitchen was overwhelmed but hope everyone had fun despite the staggered food service !