



July 2006 Calendar of Events

July 6 - General Meeting
Beer Hunt - signup 6:30PM
Mountain Biking

July 28 - Reading Phillies
Ball Game

August 3 - General Meeting
Members Appreciation Picnic

Sept. 7 - General Meeting
Trip Night

Sept. 29-Oct. 1 -
Wildwood Weekend

Membership Meetings
begin at 8PM
at the LIEDERKRANZ
Hill Road and Spook Lane
Reading, PA

**THE Deadline for the
August issue of *Ski Trails*
is July 1.**



Ski Trails

The Flying Dutchmen Ski Club

Having Fun For Over 46 Years!



President

*Karen
Youngwirth*

Hello Dutchmen!!

Well, the Flying Dutchman Ski Club 2006-2007 term is under way. If you were not at the June General Meeting, you missed a lot!! We had great representation for our Summer Sports night. It's not too late to get on a list for running, tennis, kayaking, hiking, sailing, biking and skating. Please contact any board member and we'll get you on a list. The more the merrier!

Also, I had the privilege to present President's Awards to deserving recipients. Although, I wish I could have presented plaques to over a hundred members, unfortunately, I had to narrow it down. Please congratulate Scott Boyer and Debbie Pasquale for receiving the President's Award - and thank them for their many contributions to the club.

The Bob Bubb Award was presented to Bill Creadon. Bill has been active in the club for about 30 years. If you have spent any time with Bill, you have learned something - any sport, any subject! Bill is an active and committed member of the club. We appreciate the many hours he has donated for the benefit of our club members. I am lucky to have him as a good friend! Congratulations Bill, for receiving the club's most prestigious award!

The board is welcoming back Bob Bechtel to finish his commitment to the club. When he was president years ago, his job required him to transfer to Canada for five years and he never had the opportunity to

serve as Past President. When the position became open, he volunteered! The board approved my appointment and he was installed at the June meeting. Thanks, Bob!

The next few meetings will be outside in the Biergarten at the Reading Liederkrantz. The grove can hold over 800 people so bring your friends - there's plenty of room. With our new sound system, everybody can hear what's going on, too!

In honor of our great country, please wear red, white and blue to the July meeting. Of course there will be a fun drawing for everyone who participates. There will be a special award for the best display of stars or stripes. Let's see some creativity!

August will be our Members Appreciation Picnic. We will be handing out invitations at the July meeting to those members who have volunteered time and talent for the benefit of FDSC and the members. We try not to miss anyone, but if you have helped out in any way and do not receive an invitation by the middle of July please contact Patti Spitler or myself. Did I mention to wear a toga? Any old toga will do. There will be a drawing for all who participate. All members are welcome to attend for the price of \$10.00. This includes beer, wine, soda, full dinner and dessert.

Hope to see you soon!!!

Dutchmen have fun in the sun, too!!!

Always having fun!!

Karen

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Membership
Holly Trout

July! It's not too early to start thinking about renewing your membership.

Just complete a renewal form... there is usually one in Ski Trails or you can get one under the Membership section on our website (www.fdsc.org). The cost is \$25 to renew which is due by September 30. I will send renewal notices the beginning of August.

I can't believe it's been a year since I took over the Membership position! It has been a great year and I have enjoyed the job very much! It's amazing to see that our membership has grown to 779 with 190 new members this year! I enjoyed getting to meet a lot of you!! It's exciting to see everyone talking about the club and spreading the excitement to their friends and family. But then, what is there not to be excited about... we are a GREAT club!

Life is good... have fun :)

Holly

"Berks County Bicycle Club" and "A Running Start" were just two of the many representatives at the Summer Sports Night.



Lodge
Neal Kline

Hello from the lodge. I'm sure you got a lot of good ideas from the Summer Sports Night of things to do in the summer. Why not do them in the beautiful Pocono Mountains at our lodge? You can visit www.PoconoMountains.com for more information about things going on near the lodge. You can also order brochures and get a coupon book from this website. Or you can take your own bike or blades along for a weekend trip away from the rat race. The lodge is a very affordable way to get away.

And we'll leave the light on for you. Be safe,

Neal



Member Appreciation Picnic

(previously known as Workers Picnic)

August 3 at 6:30 PM

at the Liederkrantz

(before the General Meeting)

EVERYONE is invited to a picnic dedicated to those who volunteered their time to the club in the past year.

The Board says "Thank You" to all the volunteers and welcomes ALL to join us.

The Board of Directors prepares the food.

Come to thank those who have helped the club.

Come to find an area where you may want to help.

Come to hear a preview of upcoming trips.

Come to eat.

Cost: \$10

\$3 for all those who have volunteered over the past year.

Any questions, contact Patti at 610-478-1718

The Bob Bubb Memorial Award 2006

The Bob Bubb Memorial Award was established in 1985 to honor the memory of Bob Bubb. Bob was president of the Flying Dutchmen Ski club when he died suddenly from complications related to surgery. Up until his death, he was a driving force in this club, always striving to promote and advance the sport of skiing. Even after his death, his accomplishments continue to inspire us to advance the sport and the club.

Due to Bob's enthusiasm and dedication to the FDSC, it was decided that an award should be given annually, in his honor, to a recipient who exhibits similar enthusiasm and dedication to the sport and the club. Former award recipients have formed the foundation of the club as we know it today and many continue to work tirelessly to make sure it prospers.

According to the guidelines for the Bob Bubb Memorial Award, "The Bob Bubb Memorial Award should be presented to an individual who has been extensively active in the ski club for many years in all facets of the club and especially taken part in some skiing activity. The person should show leadership and initiative and be dedicated to the club."

A list of the former recipients reflects the recent evolution and history of the club. The former recipients are:

Dave McFarland (1985)

Paul Prutzman (1987)

Maddi Dondore (1988)

Sue Kraus (1990)

Ed Schappell (1992)

Nic Cohen (1993)

Tom Dondore (1995)

Terry Cooper (1996)

Stacy Kramer (1998)

Rick Yoder (2000)

Rick Auchenbach (2002)

Jim Dolan and Alice Dolan (2004)

Scott Webber (1986)

Rod McGrath (1987)

Sue McMullen (1989)

Bruce Smith (1991)

Alice Schappell (1992)

Bob Smith (1994)

Scott Cooper (1996)

Henry Drasher (1997)

Jim Purcell (1999)

Brian Gallagher (2001)

Nat and Michelle LeGrande (2003)

We would like to thank all of the former Bob Bubb Memorial Award winners who participated in the selection process of this year's recipient.

This year's recipient is an immigrant from out of Pennsylvania. As best we can narrow it down, this person joined the Club in the late 70's or early 80's, already having been a skier.

This year's recipient personifies enthusiasm and dedication to the sport of skiing as well as to the Flying Dutchmen Ski Club. This person is well known for personal skiing ability, technical knowledge, as well the ability to pass on this knowledge to others. This person started teaching locally at Heidelberg Ski Area. We know of at least one student who did a face plant on a rock while learning to ski. However, all was not lost - they still made it to a party at Maddie Dondore's later that evening. He even went on to marry the student in question. Most Club members who have been involved in the instructional program have probably had him as an instructor. This person is a very dedicated instructor. Nat LeGrande relayed to me how on one ugly winter night, filled with sleet, rain and thunder, this year's recipient and he were the only two Dutchmen to show up for lessons. They got in their gear and went out. That was the night that Nat remembers breaking through to his next level of skiing ability. The recipient of this year's award is not someone who is always at the center of attention - however, if you want to learn or just have a great skiing experience - ski with him.

This past season was a good example of this person's willingness to help. When the position of Ski School Director became available, he rose to the occasion and kept the program intact, while doing a fine job of adding his own touches to the program.

No sport seems to be a problem for this person. In addition to his ski instruction, he has also been a roller blade instructor. This skill for a time, found him guiding roller blade tours. Of course many of us also know him for his prowess on the high seas - most recently at the helm of the Good Ship "Water Racket". He has also been an active member of the Blue Marsh Sailing Association.

Please join me in congratulating this year's recipient of the Bob Bubb award - Bill Creadon.

Stan Miller

(2005 Recipient)



Bill Creadon receives the Bob Bubb Award



**Publicity
Director**
Kim Wittich

Hi everyone!

Wow, this edition of Ski Trails is packed with information! Congratulations to Scott and Debbie on their President's Awards and to Bill on receiving the Bob Bubb Award!

And how about all the great activities to get us through the lazy, hazy days of summer? I hope to see you out and about. Thanks again to Diane for helping me get this information out to you.

Kim

Mountain Biking

Some members are meeting on Tuesday evenings for Mountain Biking. See the Bulletin Board section of the website for more information, or contact Jeff Rapp, 610-488-7772.



Trippin'
Dave Coffey

Hi summer skiers or golfers, Not too much to write about except that we are just around the corner from trip night. The trips are progressing nicely and we will have some great choices for you to pick from at the September meeting.

We still have room on the calendar for a weekend trip. It's a good way to get your feet wet in running a trip and there are always people willing to help out. Interested? Have a destination in mind? Give me a call.

See you on the links,

Dave



Competition
Ed Soja

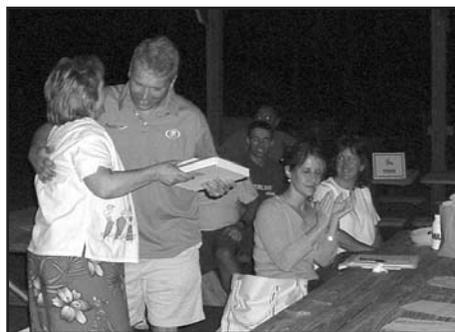
Hello Dutchmen. Here we are in the heat of the summer and the last thing

you are probably thinking about is skiing. It may not be time to ski, but it's a perfect time to condition your self for the next ski season. It'll be here before you know it. There are so many ways to stay active. Last month's General Meeting we had tables setup showing some great ways to have fun and stay in shape. Some of the activities represented were: tennis, kayaking, running, skating, sailing, hiking, and biking. So why not pick one of these activities you've never done, and go out and give it a try. Better yet, organize a group activity. The bulletin board on www.fdsc.org is a great place to post a message to get people together. It's always a lot more fun with a group. And remember, have fun and stay healthy.

Ski fast, ski safe,

Ed

Scott Boyer and Debbie Pasquale receive President's Awards



2006 Regatta

On the weekend of May 19 - 21, some of the Flying Dutchmen got together on the Chesapeake Bay. We didn't have as many boats as we would like - however we had a great time. We each started our voyages from various ports on Friday afternoon and converged on St. Michaels, Maryland on Saturday evening. We tied the boats together (rafting up) and proceeded to have a typical evening in the tradition of the Flying Dutchmen. You know - lots of good food, fun, and what else? Oh yeah - that's right - a few "boat drinks." A few people actually made it ashore into St. Michaels for a little bit. Sunday, we returned to our respective ports-of-call under some great sailing conditions.

While this is not a true Dutchmen event, we'd love to see more of you involved next year. I know there are more than 4 captains in the Club. I'll be looking for volunteers in February of 2007. Let's get some early commitments from captains next year so we can make this an even better "non-Dutchmen" event.

Captain Bill and crew



INLINE SKATING

**Tuesday Evenings
6:30 p.m.
For Location
Check the Bulletin Board
or call Karen at
610-775-8708**



Social Director

Patti Spitler

July is a GREAT month for FDSC activities. We start off with the Annual Beer Hunt. This is held BEFORE the general meeting on July 7th. Sign ups start at 6:30pm. There is a cost of \$7.00 per hunter. Jen Woods is our reigning champion and we all hope she returns to take on this year's challenge. It's a lot of fun hunting cans of beer and "goodies" in the grove at Leiderkranz. Come and give Jen a run for the title!

Next we move on to the "river" for the Wine Rally Tour. For this event, all tasters and designated drivers will need to sign up in advance. We will start at 9:30am and the tour will end later in the evening. Each vehicle should have a team of 4 or 5 people and must have a designated driver. The cost for this event is \$15.00 per person. After the tour has ended you are invited to stay at the river and enjoy food, beverages and music. Make the day of it!!! (Directions to the "River" are available from Neal Kline or myself).

The end of July goes out with a BANG! with Friday Night July 28th at

the Reading Phillies. This is the scheduled Happy Hour for this week and is sure to be a load of FUN! Ed Soja has reserved the pool area for this event. The Classic Cafe will have entertainment before the game, during Happy Hour and again after the game. The cost of this event is \$23.50 which includes the game, a great selection of food, (buffet style) and swimming. Yes, swimming! We will be on the poolside of the picnic area. Contact Ed Soja or myself for any questions. Please make all payments by check to FDSC. The final date to sign up is July 14th. Hurry!

In August we quiet down a little. The Annual Member's Appreciation Picnic will be on August 3rd before the General Meeting in the picnic grove area at the Leiderkranz. Those who have helped with club activities in any way during the past year with their unique services are "invited" to come and have a dinner with those of us who have appreciated all their hard work and commitment to the club. Those who have volunteered and are invited to the picnic are asked to pay \$3.00 for this dinner. All other members are invited to the dinner as well. Please come out and say "Thanks" to those who have helped our club grow. The charge for the dinner for those members

who are joining in to thank the volunteers is \$10.00 per person. Choices of entrée for the dinner are steak or chicken. Please see a board member to reserve your spot and choose your entrée.

We still are not done for the summer! Erick and Stan are running the Wildwood Trip again this year from Friday, September 29th through Sunday, October 1st. This weekend is one of the best for non-stop fun, great food and drink, dancing and volleyball with great friends. See one of the guys and make arrangements QUICK. Time is running out!

Hope your summer is filled with Dutchman fun!!

Keep on Talking,

Patti

Donations Requested for Lesson Program

Bull Horn

**Walkie Talkies/
Chargers**



A volunteer to make signs for the lesson program

Wildwood 2006

Aah - the traditions of summer - sun, sand and of course, the Flying Dutchmen in Wildwood. September may seem a long ways off, however you need to plan now if you want to be a part of this great annual event. This year we are going for the weekend of September 29th to October 1st. As usual we are staying at the American Inn in North Wildwood. The hotel is on the beach just off the north end of the boardwalk.

On Saturday, we will be continuing the tradition of the Third Annual Flying Dutchmen Volleyball Tournament. On Sunday, there will be a Sand Sculpture contest as well as our "soon to be world famous" brunch. If this sounds like way too much energy for the beach, then just hang out on the boardwalk, beach or by the pool. Saturday night we have a great dinner and entertainment by the Cabana Boys well into the night. New this year will be a room window decorating contest. We'll be announcing more details, however start thinking of a theme for your room's window.

The cost \$155 per person for a double, \$140 per person for a triple, and \$130 per person for a quad. The incredibly cheap price includes:

Lodging Friday night and Saturday night • Breakfast on Saturday • Dinner on Saturday
Brunch on Sunday • Endless munchies • Beer, Wine, Soda and Water all weekend

As of the time I am writing this article, we have 3 rooms left. However, I will look for another nearby hotel to handle the overflow if we fill this one. Your deposit of \$50 per person is due to Stan Miller or Erick Confer. If you have not made a deposit then you do not have a reservation. Final payment is due September 1, 2006. Payments (made payable to FDSC) can be mailed to us at 66 Glenview Drive, Fleetwood, PA 19522. Give us a call at 610-944-3617 for more information.



Tentative Happy Hour Schedule for July

7/7 Inn at Reading

7/14 Anthony's
900 Byram St. Pennside

7/21 Bertie's Inn
Old Friedensburg Road

7/28 Reading Phillies
Baseball Game

8/4 Crab Barn

Meet around 6:30ish for food,
spirits and conversation.

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Rentals are normally from 5 P.M. until 5 P.M. the next day.	<i>Whole Lodge - Midweek (Sunday to Friday)</i>	\$250.00	\$500.00
* You must rent at least two bedrooms.	<i>Whole Lodge - One night midweek</i>	\$60.00	\$125.00
** You must rent at least two bedrooms and are subject to being bumped by a whole lodge rental.	<i>Per bedroom - One night midweek</i>	\$15.00*	\$30.00**
WINTER RATES DEC. 16 - MAR. 15	<i>Whole Lodge - Friday and Saturday nights</i>	\$275.00	\$500.00
	<i>Per bedroom - Friday and Saturday nights</i>	\$50.00**	N/A
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