

WILLISTOWN 78 VERMONT DOWNHILL AND XC SKI/SNOWBOARD TRIP
FRI, MARCH 7 – SUN, MARCH 9, 2025 MOUNT SNOW, VT/BUCK RIDGE SKI LODGE

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WHAT: Transportation from the Cabin and back; two nights of lodging at Buck Ridge Ski Lodge in West Dover, VT; AND either two days on the slopes (Saturday and Sunday) at Mount Snow; OR (first time ever!) one day of cross-country skiing at Grafton Trails & Outdoor Center and one day of hiking on the Appalachian Trail.

IMPORTANT:

- **ALL DOWNHILL SKI ATTENDEES must** bring equipment (meaning, helmet, snowboard or skis and accompanying boots, and poles if skiing) with them on this trip. **NO RENTALS AT THE MOUNTAIN!** See below for information on local rentals. **This is NOT a ski event for first-time skiers. If you have never skied before and want to come, you must sign up for the cross-country/hiking portion.**

- **FOR CROSS-COUNTRY SKIERS AND HIKERS:** XC equipment will be provided by the outfitter. You do need to bring a small backpack, two Nalgene bottles or a bladder hydration system; hiking boots for both events; good gloves or mittens; and a knit cap that covers your ears and your entire head. **YOU DO NOT NEED RENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE XC EVENT – IT WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU.**

Cost: “EARLY BIRD SPECIAL” DEAL FOR ATTENDEES! (Amounts below are the discounted “early bird” fee amounts). TO GET THESE RATES, YOU MUST REMIT FORMS **AND** PAYMENT BY MONDAY, MARCH 3rd. ADD \$40 IF FORM AND PAYMENT NOT RECEIVED BY MARCH 3rd. **NO RESERVATIONS AFTER MARCH 4TH.**

DOWNHILL SKIING AND BOARDING:

For Scouts (up to and including 18 years old):

- NO CHARGE for Scouts with a “Peak Pass” that is accepted at Mount Snow;
- \$95 for Scouts for two-day lift ticket

For adults who are skiing or boarding (19 and older):

- \$155 with a “Peak Pass”;
- \$295 for a two-day lift ticket

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING AND HIKING:

For Scouts (up to and including 18 years old):

- NO CHARGE

For adults:

- \$185

ADD \$40 IF FORM AND PAYMENT NOT RECEIVED BY March 3rd. NO RESERVATIONS AFTER MARCH 4TH.

SKI/SNOWBOARD RENTALS:

All attendees who will be downhill skiing or boarding must bring equipment on the trip. We are not renting equipment in VT. If you do not already have equipment, you will need to rent locally (that is, in the Chester Count area). See attached list of some locations. CALL your local provider and reserve your equipment for the ski trip NOW. Most providers will have a two-day rental program. You should be able to pick up equipment on Friday before the trip and then bring it with you – but RESERVE AHEAD! Visit your local ski shop NOW and get your sizing done early, then do a two-day rental.

ALL DOWNHILL SKIING/BOARDING PARTICIPANTS MUST USE A HELMET – NO EXCEPTIONS.

NO RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 4th. SPACE IS LIMITED. SCOUTS GET PREFERENCE OVER NON-LEADER ADULTS.

Note: For the Mount Snow crew, the Troop will provide a snack for the hill on Saturday and a packed lunch on Sunday for the trip home. Attendees who are skiing/boarding are responsible for their own lunch at the mountain on Saturday. Please bring money for Saturday lunch! Cross-country skiers will get a packed lunch for Saturday from the Troop.

Departure: Arrive at the cabin no later than 5:30 PM.

Return: 7:30 PM to Cabin (approximate – boys will call when 30 minutes from cabin)

Transport: Bus for Scouts and leaders/accompanying fathers

How to sign up for the Vermont ski trip:

1. Either bring your payment and completed form to the February 28th meeting, or drop your completed form and payment at the Cabin by no later than Tuesday, March 4th (noting that you will be subject to the late fee); or MAIL or bring your completed form and payment to Jim Bennett (see address below) e so that Mr. Bennett receives it by ***no later than March 4th.***

Sign-ups after March 3rd must be accompanied by the \$40 surcharge or they will not be accepted.
NO SIGN-UPS ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 4TH.

2. **CHECKS ONLY – NO CASH! Make checks payable to “Willistown Troop 78.**
3. Patrol Leaders – Send Mr. Bennett a list of your attendees by e-mail, by no later than Tuesday, March 4th. Please e-mail Mr. Bennett at skibennett@comcast.net. Mr. Bennett’s address is 1116 Signal Hill Lane, Berwyn, PA 19312.

QUESTIONS? CALL YOUR PATROL LEADER or Mr. Bennett (267-615-4236)

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Troop 78 Vermont Ski Trip Packing List

DOWNHILL SKI/BOARD GEAR:

- HELMET
- Skis/poles or snowboard
- Ski boots/snowboard boots
- Ski bib or pants
- Ski jacket
- Ski gloves
- Ski socks (wool or synthetic – NOT cotton) – two pairs
- Hand warmers
- Long underwear (top and bottom)
- Neck warmer or “turtle” for under helmet
- Goggles or sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm

XC AND HIKING GEAR:

- HIKING BOOTS
- Hiking pants
- Ski pants (optional)
- Gloves
- Hiking socks (wool or synthetic)
- Knit hat that covers ears
- Sunglasses
- Long underwear (top and bottom)
- Sunscreen
- Neck warmer
- Lip balm
- 2 Nalgens or water bladder
- Small backpack

OTHER PERSONAL GEAR:

- Bath towel
- Shampoo and soap
- Deodorant
- Sleeping bag (note – cabin is heated but winter bag is recommended)
- Sweatpants or shorts for sleeping
- Jeans or other pants for after skiing; ride home on Sunday
- Change of shirt, underwear for after skiing/XC/hiking
- Another shirt to wear home on Sunday (to pack in small bag – see below)
- Other toiletries (e.g., comb, toothbrush and toothpaste, floss, contact lenses and fluid)
- TROOP MUG (make sure your name is on it)
- Earplugs (for adults)
- Medications (adults: Recommend you bring ibuprofen)
- Book
- Cell phone and charger
- Small backpack or “string sack” for storing change of clothes for Sunday ride home
- Money for Mt. Snow lunch on Saturday; stops on way up and back (\$25 - \$35)
- Small flashlight

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IMPORTANT FACTS – PLEASE READ AND TAKE ACTION!

Mt. Snow crew: You MUST rent downhill equipment at home and bring it on the trip:

You MUST rent your equipment (downhill skis/board, boots, poles, helmet) at home and bring it on the bus. NOTE THAT INVENTORY IS LIMITED – CALL AHEAD! **No rentals at the resort! For those who are cross-country skiing, do NOT get equipment. You will be provided with equipment at the XC ski facility.**

Here are some local ski rental shops – note that Buckman’s locations all maintain their own inventory, and you must contact each shop separately:

Buckman’s – King of Prussia: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/king-of-prussia>

Buckman’s – Ardmore: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/ardmore>

Buckman’s – Montgomeryville: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/montgomeryville>

Buckman’s Exton: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/exton>

Buckman’s – Whitehall: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/whitehall>

Buckman’s – Reading: <https://buckmans.com/retail-store/reading>

Media Ski and Snowboard: <https://mediaski.net/>

LowRiders Bike and Boards – Downingtown: <https://www.loweriders.com/>

The Ski Bum – Glen Mills: <https://www.theskibum.com/store-locations/glen-mills-pa>

ALL EQUIPMENT MUST HAVE YOUR NAME ON IT! Use masking tape. Put your name on each piece of your rental equipment with “78” after it (so, Scout Fred Smith would write “Smith – 78” on a piece of masking tape and affix it to each ski or board, each boot, each pole and your helmet). **Skis and poles MUST be rubber-banded together.** You will hand your skis or board to those packing the bus. Keep your boots and helmet with your personal gear.

BOOTS AND HELMETS GO ON AT THE LODGE AND ARE WORN OVER TO THE RIDE TO THE HILL.

Please be on-time for our departure. Be at the Cabin by 5:30 PM on Friday evening, March 7th. . Please follow these directions. Looking forward to a great time!

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Please complete and return this page and the accompanying permission slip, with payment by check, per terms of handout.

Scout name and patrol: _____

Adult attendee name: _____

E-mail address and phone number: _____

Allergies or dietary restrictions? List here: _____

INSERT # OF EACH ITEM IN APPROPRIATE BOX, ADD TOTAL AND INCLUDE PAYMENT IN FORM OF A CHECK. MULTIPLY EACH AMOUNT BY NUMBER INSERTED IN BOX IN FROM OF ITEM COST:

DOWNHILL SKIERS/BOARDERS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout with Peak Pass (no fee) | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult with Peak Pass or non-skier (\$155) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout – two-day lift ticket (\$95) | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult two-day lift ticket (\$295) |

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIERS/HIKERS:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scout (no fee) | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult (\$185) |
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\$_____ TOTAL **Make checks made payable to “Willistown Troop 78”**

Complete and check box if appropriate: I am using the following amount in Camping Account funds \$_____ and have verified that I have sufficient Camping Account funds to cover the fees specified above []

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Troop 78 – March 7 – 9, 2025 Vermont Ski Trip (the “Trip”) Permission Form

If I am signing for a Scout: I am the parent/legal guardian of the Scout/guest named above, and my signature below constitutes my permission for my son to attend the Trip. This permission slip also authorizes any registered Willistown Troop 78 leader in attendance to execute any additional forms, releases or permission slips that the ski area in question may require to be signed by a parent or guardian to allow my child to ski or board at this event. By signing this form, I represent that I have read the Troop 78 COVID-19 guidelines found [at this link](#), and commit that the person for whom I am signing this permission slip has also read, understands and will abide by those guidelines. My signature below also: (a) authorizes any registered Willistown Troop 78 leader in attendance to obtain medical treatment for my son if, in the discretion of such registered leader, such treatment is warranted; and (b) serves as my agreement, on behalf of myself, my son, his other parent/guardian, and our respective legal successors and assigns, to hold Friends of Troop 78, Inc., Willistown Troop 78, and the directors, officers, leaders and their respective successors and assigns harmless of and from any and all claims, demands and/or causes of action whatsoever, occurring on and/or in connection with the Trip. If my child cannot attend the trip for *any reason*, I promise that my son will call both his Patrol Leader and Mr. Bennett (267 615 4236) no later than 2 hours before the scheduled departure time. “No shows” will be charged the greater of: (a) fees for participation and (b) \$75, notwithstanding the reason. I authorize such funds to be deducted from my son’s Troop account and I promise to pay any unpaid portion of such fee ASAP, with the understanding that my son may be precluded from attending other Troop trips unless such amount is paid in full.

If I am an adult attendee: By signing this form, I represent that I have read the Troop 78 COVID-19 guidelines found [at this link](#), and commit that I understand and will abide by those guidelines. My signature below also: (a) authorizes any registered Willistown Troop 78 leader in attendance to obtain medical treatment for my son if, in the discretion of such registered leader, such treatment is warranted; and (b) serves as my agreement, on behalf of myself, my representative/delegates/agents, and our respective legal successors and assigns, to hold Friends of Troop 78, Inc., Willistown Troop 78, and the directors, officers, leaders and their respective successors and assigns harmless of and from any and all claims, demands and/or causes of action whatsoever, occurring on and/or in connection with the Trip. If I cannot attend the trip for *any reason*, I promise that I will call Jim Bennett (267 615 4236) no later than 2 hours before the scheduled departure time. “No shows” will be charged the greater of: (a) fees for participation and (b) \$75, notwithstanding the reason. I promise to pay any unpaid portion of such fee ASAP, with the understanding that I may be precluded from attending other Troop trips unless such amount is paid in full.

_____ Date of signature: _____

(parent signature, or signature of adult attendee if submitted by attending adult)