

# Ski Trip - Vermont

Friday February 8 - Sunday February 10, 2019

## **Skiing is Believing - in Vermont! NEW EVENT ON THE TROOP CALENDAR!**

Given the success of last year's trip, we have tentatively booked ANOTHER trip to Mount Snow, Vermont and the Buck Ridge Ski Lodge for the weekend of February 8 – 10, 2019. If you went on last year's trip, you know that this was one of the best Troop events of the year. And if you missed it, here's your chance to join us for another great winter weekend!

For those not familiar with the venue, Mount Snow is in southern Vermont. The summit elevation is 3,600 feet and the hill has a vertical drop of 1,700 feet. Mount Snow gets over 13 feet of natural snowfall each year, and has some of the best snowmaking capability on the East Coast. 15% of the runs at Mount Snow are "green circles" for beginners, and roughly the same percentage – mostly on the North Face – are "black diamonds" that will test experts. Most of Mount Snow is comprised of challenging "blue squares," with long runs and fun for intermediates and above.

Please visit their website at: <https://www.mountsnow.com>

Once again, we have teamed up with the Buck Ridge Ski Club to stay at their lodge, which is just over 2 miles from the base of Mount Snow. The Lodge has 28 bunks and four couches, as well as ample "floor space"; propane heat with a propane fireplace; two dining areas; two kitchens; and multiple bathrooms. There are indoor cubbies for ski boots; a large vestibule for stowing skis and snowboards; and many board games in the spacious living area for après-ski relaxation.

We are able to offer the Troop great prices for two days of skiing (yes, we're skiing on both Saturday AND Sunday), transportation, and Troop-provided meals, as follows:

- For Scouts who both have a "Peak Pass" that is accepted at Mount Snow AND who have their own equipment (meaning skis or board, boots and helmet), there's no charge to go on this trip!
- The cost for Scouts (that is, those up to and including 18 years of age) with their own equipment (meaning skis or board, boots and helmet) is only \$60.
- The cost for Scouts who need a lift ticket AND who need equipment (see above) is only \$85.
- The cost for an adult with a "Peak Pass" that is accepted at Mount Snow AND who have their own equipment (meaning skis or board, boots and helmet) is \$135\*.
- The cost for an adult who has his own equipment but who needs a lift ticket is \$180\*.
- The cost for an adult who needs to rent equipment and who needs a lift ticket is \$275\*.

\*An adult who is already a member of Buck Ridge Ski Club as of January 1, 2019 gets a \$35 reduction in these fees. As an example: an adult with his own equipment who needs lift tickets AND who is a member of Buck Ridge Ski Club already pays only \$145 instead of \$180. You must provide a copy of your BRSC membership card to get the discount. Fees for adults with helmets will also be reduced by \$20. So, if an adult needs skis and boots but owns his own helmet, his fee would instead be \$255. If that same adult also already has a BRSC membership, his fee would be further reduced to \$220.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST USE A HELMET – NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The adult charges include a family membership in the Buck Ridge Ski Club. The Club membership entitles the member and all family members up to age 21 to use the Lodge anytime between now and October 31, 2019 for only \$25 per person. The nightly fee for guests of members is only \$35 a person. Membership also provides discounts on lift tickets at many ski resorts, including Mount Snow.

Ski and board lessons are available at Mount Snow. If you are interested in a lesson package, please contact Mr. Bennett directly at [skibennett@comcast.net](mailto:skibennett@comcast.net), or call him on his mobile number at 267 615 4236.

**The fees outline above are the discounted “early bird” charges for those who sign up for the trip and remit payment by Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. Sign-ups and payments after that date are subject to an additional fee of \$35 per person (including late Scout sign-ups). Save money and sign up early! Don’t delay – see the form and equipment packing list on the Troop’s website. The flyer/sign-up form will be distributed at Winter Camp and at the Troop’s meeting on January 11th.**

**NOTE:** This trip will take the place of the one day ski trip that is currently on the calendar for Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. That trip is cancelled. If we do not have adequate sign-ups for the Vermont trip, we will instead have a one day ski trip to the Poconos on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.