

Short Swings

Amateur Ski Instructors Association Newsletter

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Fall 2011

Our 32nd Season Is Around The Corner!

We'll start the ASIA Rally fun at Belleayre Ski Center on December 10-11, 2011

■ Belleayre's still going strong and it's almost ASIA Rally time again. Come experience some of the best early season skiing around! Join your old and new friends at Belleayre on December 10-11, 2011 and get a jump on the new season. Ring in the holidays with a weekend of fun, fine dining and great skiing! Belleayre works hard to create the best snow conditions and the most open terrain possible.

A Skiing Best Buy

We've held down prices - only \$220.00! The fee includes two full days of group instruction, lift tickets, two breakfasts, cash bar, banquet dinner, music, tax and gratuity. We'll have awards and a fun raffle during our Saturday nite dinner. This is one fun evening you'll want to be part of. Additional guests are welcome. Don't want to ski in a program, can't attend dinner or already have lift tickets? Call the office for special pricing.

Program Offerings

We're offering Intermediate Skiing Improvement for our blue square skiers and Advanced Skiing for folks comfortable on black diamond terrain. Coaching will include tactics to help you turn up the volume on the early morning groomers, navigate the crud piles that grow during the day,

and get a grip on the slippery stuff that's left in the middle by afternoon. Groups will be divided by skill development.

Bring A Skiing Friend

All they will need to have is intermediate or better skiing skills - comfortable on groomed blue square terrain with some parallel movements. Have them send a membership and program application and we'll sign them up.

Arrange Your Own Lodging

If you need help with lodging, contact Belleayre Region Lodging on the web at www.catskillhighpeaks.com or call 845-254-5600 X1361 to arrange your favorite digs. Plan early as Belleayre is a popular early season place.

Register Early

The cutoff date is Nov. 25, 2011. All applications MUST be received in the office by that date! Classes may fill before the cutoff date, so fill out the program application today, write in your clinic choice, sign the release and include it with your check for \$220.00 to:

ASIA
28 Park Drive
Woodstock, NY 12498
845-679-4609

■ See you at the Rally!

ASIA Dues Are Overdue

We are trying to keep costs down, so we didn't raise dues, however, there is a \$5.00 late fee after July 31, which should be added to your check if your dues are still outstanding. Unpaid memberships expire October 15. To keep your membership and certification active, please send your check today.

ASIA Online Newsletter

This issue, and some past issues, can be found on the website. If you want the latest news from ASIA, send us your email address, bookmark the web site, and we'll keep you informed!

Program Date Changes

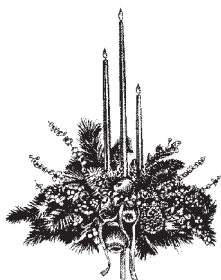
Please note the Bumpfest weekend has been changed to February 4-5, 2012 and the Sno Mtn date has been moved to February 11-12, 2012.

PSIA YouTube Videos

Check out PSIA's Go With A Pro YouTube video tips at <http://www.youtube.com/user/TheSnowPros> for video clips for all snowsports disciplines.

Bring a friend to an ASIA event this season for great camaraderie, fun, and learning. You'll both be glad you did.

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is a nonprofit education organization incorporated in the state of New York in 1980. The ASIA mission has three main objectives:

- Train and certify candidates interested in teaching alpine, nordic and snowboard skiing at the amateur level through ski clubs, schools, youth groups and the like.
- Encourage and facilitate skills development through positive programs designed to contribute to and enhance the safety and enjoyment of skiing and riding.
- Provide a continuing education program for amateur instructors, and provide a first step toward PSIA membership for those wishing to become certified through PSIA.

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- Ski Magazine Encyclopedia of Skiing Copyright 1970

Director's Corner

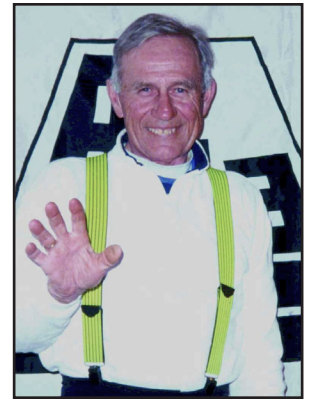
Wow, the summer went fast. First we endured rain, rain, rain, then 100 degree temps for longer than I care to remember. Then came Irene. And Lee. Many towns in the Catskills area have been devastated by the tremendous amount of flooding Irene created, and some folks have lost everything. If you can, make a donation to the Red Cross, Salvation Army, or other relief fund, and help these folks out.

At 85 I can say I'm still looking forward to the ski season just as excitedly as I did the first season I spent on skis. While I may not be as swift of foot (or mind) as in that season 48 years ago, my heart pounds just as hard when I point my skis down hill on a powder day and the snow engulfs them as they whisper that snow song.

Over the four decades I've been sharing my love of the sport with others through ski teaching, it has been my hope to help people develop the skills and confidence to enjoy the groomers, powder and bumps as much as I have, and thanks to ASIA, I think I've accomplished that desire, and have had a lot of fun and excitement along the way.

So send a bit of money to a flood relief charity of your choice and then come join me and ASIA at a program this season, and we'll share the thrills that only the white, slippery stuff can provide!

Bill Hornbeck
Executive Director



Bill Hornbeck, Executive Director

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Well, the ASIA Board of Directors just wrapped up the Fall BOD meeting. We had a great exchange of ideas and finalized the schedule for the upcoming ASIA year. We're looking forward to a wonderful ski season. Hopefully everyone is getting ready to sign up for their favorite programs.

All of you know the great ski coaches we have at our programs but it never fails when I try to tell a non ASIA member how good these folks really are they just don't seem to get it. If you look at many other ski schools you will see one maybe two coaches that are at the PSIA Examiner level but in addition to our many full certified PSIA folks, we at ASIA have eight! Pass that along to your ski friends that may be on the fence about joining ASIA.



Ray Owens, President

I'm sort of glad that the summer is over, because it seems I've spent all of it in "PT camp," as my wife calls it. First it was a nagging shoulder problem and then it was my left knee, which started to bother me at the end of the ski season. The doctor, (I said doctor...mister MD) said it doesn't seem to be anything structural and PT should help. Things do feel better, so we'll see how it holds up on skis.

So, if you are not already in shape for skiing, it's not too late to start getting ready now. You don't want to be huffing, puffing and limping down the slopes once the season starts.

Best Regards,
Ray

Teaching Skiing The “Right” Way

Once again we're proud to share some good words about ASIA with you. Perhaps they'll convince you to come join us at a program this year!

Dear Bill,

■ Just thought I'd drop you a note to say hello and thank you for all your years of commitment to preparing “civilians” to teach skiing the right way. The organization has come a long way since QASI and it's something you can be proud of. Just as an update, although I was one of the original PSIA Master Teacher class, I continue to take courses as they are introduced. Last December I took the course and passed the test for “Children's Specialist L1.” Another first...I guess it's something in my genes.

I'll always remember your help and encouragement when I was starting out over 25 years ago and I'm grateful to you for that start. Thanks again,
Peter Lucatourto
ASIA, PSIA Level 2 Certified Instructor

■ The other weekend I attended the ASIA Fall Rally for the second time in my skiing history. I made room in my schedule and committed to going. For a total of only about \$400, I had a great weekend of laughs, good conversation, and some really good ski instruction. I'm already signed up for the second of the January classes at Sno Mountain in Scranton, PA. I don't know where I'm staying or how I'll be getting there. I've never even skied Sno Mountain before. But I know I will have fun, and I will learn a little something more about myself and skiing basics.

If you've never done an ASIA clinic, I highly recommend it, regardless of your age or skiing ability. Skiing is a dance down the slopes, and some of the best dancers are from ASIA!
Suzanne Hartley
North Penn Ski Club

Dear Bill,

■ Thank you for all your great work for ASIA. We always enjoy reading your news!
Christina Penningroth
ASIA Certified Instructor
MWR Misawa

Bill,

■ Won't be able to make it again this year but thanks for keeping up the pace that you do. I'm hitting it pretty hard this year in Italy. Managed about a dozen days so far - which for a working stiff is pretty good. The best find so far has been the Sella Ronda. It's not a difficult piece of ski terrain but it has to be one of the coolest ever. About 8 ski areas are part of a consortium that allows you to circumnavigate the Sella Massif in the Dolomites. It's about 22 miles and you never take the same run twice - every run is a first run...all day long! I did it with one of my sons who was home from college - we did it on snowboards & it was a hoot.

Best Regards from Vicenza,
Stephen Mariano
ASIA Certified Snowboard Instructor
MWR Misawa

■ Even though I'm always tuned into skiing, whether working out at the local athletic club, thinking about powdery trees, steeps and moguls, or dreaming about the many great runs I made last year, the new ASIA ski season is the best tuning for me. I look forward to the early bird weekends and ASIA Rallies. These programs have taken me from being pulled down a novice trail with a rope tied around the instructor's waist and me attached to it, to skiing chutes, untracked powder and off boundary territory in the Canadian Rockies. While I'm not an expert like Andy, I can go where he goes and where no one else wanted to go! OK, Andy, I know I still need to work on those left turns down the chutes, hence this year's ASIA clinics!

See you there,
Toni C. Mullins, ASIA Board of Directors
ASIA Level 2 Certified Instructor

Winter Travel Survival Kit

■ In addition to making sure your car is in good running condition, has been winterized, and has a full tank of gas, winter weather travelers should carry a winter storm survival kit in their vehicle, which should include:

Mobile phone, charger, batteries
Battery-powered radio and batteries
Blankets or sleeping bags
Extra clothing to keep dry
Flashlight with extra batteries
Fire extinguisher (A-B-C type)
First aid kit, knife, water
High-calorie, non-perishable food
Large can for emergency toilet
Tissue and paper towels for sanitary use
Small can and waterproof matches to melt snow for drinking water
Sack of sand or cat litter for traction
Shovel, tool kit, towrope
Windshield scraper and brush
Battery booster cables
Tire repair kit and pump
Compass and road maps

Courtesy of the American Red Cross, the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, and the National Weather Service.

■ So much for getting there alive, now for the other important stuff!

Medicines, durable medical equipment
Money, credit card, ski pass, tickets
Skis, boots, poles, boot bag, or Board, boots, boxers, handkerchief
Fanny pack, hydro pack, water
Helmet, hat, goggles, sunglasses, neckie
Extra goggles, gloves, extra gloves
More money, more water
Thermals, ski pants, ski jacket, socks
Sweater, fleece, vest, turtleneck
Ski lock, sun block, lip gloss
Rain gear, and yep, more water
Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks, or
Lots more money

If you're not exhausted and completely broke yet from packing the Uhaul, that should do it, let's head for the slopes!

Courtesy Betsy Burns; exhausted, broke, organized ski instructor.

Amateur Ski Instructors Association

Leading the way to skiing and riding excitement!

Please note: Classes may fill before the cutoff date, so be sure to sign up early for great fun and learning. Program applications must be received with payment AT LEAST two weeks prior to the program to ensure proper staffing. For more information contact the coordinator listed on the Schedule of Programs on page 7.

ASIA Membership Application

NEW RENEW ALPINE NORDIC SNOWBOARD

NAME _____ DONATION _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ SKI CLUB _____
 EMAIL _____

I have enclosed my check made payable to ASIA in the amount of \$25.00 for membership dues and mailed to: ASIA 28 Park Drive Woodstock NY 12498 USA (845) 679-4609 www.asiaski.com

ASIA Program Application

PROGRAM NAME: _____ DATE: _____
 CLINIC CHOICE: _____

NAME _____ SKI CLUB _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

I have enclosed my check payable to ASIA in the amount of \$_____ and mailed to: ASIA, 28 Park Dr, Woodstock, NY 12498

Refund Fees: Cancellation prior to two week cutoff date, no refund fee. Cancellation one to two weeks prior to event, 50% of program fee, plus nonrefundable tickets and food. Cancellation less than one week prior, no refund. Initial _____

All program applicants must sign the following release form:

Recognizing that skiing and snowboarding are dangerous sports and could result in injury or death, I hereby release ASIA, Inc., the host area, and employees and contractors of each from any and all liability for injuries of whatever nature arising during, or in conjunction with the event for which this application is made.

Signature _____

ASIA Area Event Offerings

■ Welcome to another exciting season with ASIA! Here's what's available and where. We offer reasonable program fees, discount lift tickets and excellent coaching by hand picked PSIA and CSIA coaches.

■ If you've been thinking about helping others get started in skiing, riding or XC by becoming an ASIA Certified Instructor, this is the season to do it. Mark your calendar, and look forward to learning to be a ski instructor, or learning to ski or ride like one!

If you have friends who would benefit from two days of fun and learning in a great atmosphere at a great price, bring them with you to a program this season. You'll both be glad you did!

■ **ASIA Earlybird** Hey, early birds! Our first Advanced Skiing Improvement/Alpine Refresher will be held Dec 3-4, 2011 at Belleayre Ski Center, NY.

If you're looking to refresh your certification or tune up your turns for that upcoming ski trip, come be a part of this great ASIA season starter in the heart of the Catskills.

■ **Okemo, VT** Okemo offers some of the best early season snow conditions in New England! Ready to start sharing your love of skiing? This season we'll offer the Level 1 Certification on Nov 26-27 and Dec 3-4, 2011, and the Advanced Skiing Improvement/Refresher on Dec 3-4.

Not feeling so graceful early? ASIA coaches will whip you into shape! They bring with them their bag of tricks to help shake out the cobwebs, find your balance and improve the skills you need to learn to teach others, or make that perfect run.

■ **ASIA Fall Rally** This is a great way to kick off the ski season, meet other ASIA members, and have lots of fun. In addition to two days of great early season skiing at Belleayre Ski Center, you'll have fun at breakfast, the Saturday night banquet dinner with music, raffle, and awards presentation. Come join the festivities on Dec 10-11, 2011. We're holding the price at just \$220.00.

Amateur Ski Instructors Association

Your extraordinary PSIA/AASI member school!



■ **West Point, NY** This program is open to all ASIA members. Over MLK weekend, January 13-16, 2012, we will offer Alpine and Snowboard Certification, and refreshers. On snow times will be 4-9 Friday, 9-4 Saturday, Sunday and Monday. See the web for full info and updates.

■ **Nordic XC Certification/Refresher** Yep, we do Nordic too. Last year's group had a fantastic time and came home raving! It's offered at Mtn Meadows, VT on January 21-22, 2012. Sign up early, it's filling up.

■ **Seven Springs, PA** Ernie Fagnelli will be offering a Skiing Improvement clinic on Jan 28-29, 2012 to get you skiing down the slopes to the rhythm and conditions of the day. Don't be surprised if there is singing. If you are a western PA skier, or want to check out Seven Springs, this one's for you!

■ **ASIA February Bumpfest** Yep, we're bumping it up again at Belleayre. We'll be offering Intermediate Skiing Improvement, Intro to Moguls and Advanced Mogul skiing the weekend of Feb 4-5, 2012.

■ **Snö Mtn, PA** Sign up for one of our renowned, fun filled clinics, in the city of Scranton, PA, with Interstate access, fine lodging, great terrain and snowmaking! Pete Ryan is offering Intermediate and Advanced Skiing Improvement, so come join the fun February 11-12, 2012.

■ **Okemo Spring Rally** We'll be there March 9-11, 2012, offering Intermediate and Advanced Skiing Improvement as well as Steeps and Trees clinics, in addition to our Saturday night banquet. It's a great way to wrap up the season!

■ **ASIA February Bumpfest - Bump Skiing, Dinner, and Dancing** - February 4-5, 2012
Would you like to be able to ski more of the mountain? When your ski buddies happen upon a mogul field do you look for an easier way down? Then this is the program for you. With our Intermediate Skiing Improvement, Mogul Intro and Mogul Improvement clinics we will teach you the basic techniques needed to navigate the piles, and if you are already skiing the bumps, our clinics will help improve your skills and make you a better mogul skier. The Bump Festival will provide 2 days of unmatched skiing and learning taught by our hand picked PSIA and CSIA coaches. Ray Owens says, "I have more fun and learn something new every year!"

We'll have breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday, our Saturday night buffet with music and dancing, along with lift tickets and two days of instruction, tax and gratuities. Come join the festivities – it's sure to be a weekend of fun skiing, good food, good friends and dancing, and all for only \$220.00.

Can't stay for dinner? Already have lift tickets? Call or email coordinator Ray Owens for special pricing. Lodging is NOT included, so call your favorite digs or Belleayre Lodging & Tourism at 845-254-5600 X 1361 or on the web at www.catskillhighpeaks.com. Be sure to make your lodging arrangements early! Check the web for updated information on this and all programs.

■ **Okemo Spring Rally** - March 9-11, 2012
We'll be there March 9-11, 2012. The two day program cost is \$TBA and includes two days of instruction, lifts, Saturday banquet, tax and gratuities. If you'd like to free ski with the ASIA group or on your own on Friday, the cost is \$TBA.

We'll offer Intermediate Skiing Improvement for blue square skiers wanting to develop their parallel skiing skills, Advanced Skiing Improvement for those comfortable on black diamond terrain and Steeps, Deeps and Trees for folks wanting to challenge all the mountain has to offer.

We'll be dining at the Bella Luna Ristorante just around the corner from the Jackson Gore area, where we've been enjoying great food, friendly service and pleasant atmosphere. So come wrap up the season at the Okemo Spring Rally!

■ **ASIA Snowboard Programs** - January 13-16, 2012
We've certified over 280 riders since adding Snowboard Certification to our menu. Several folks are certified in both alpine and snowboard and volunteering for their clubs or recreation programs, as well as working for ski schools.

In addition to our Alpine offerings, we will hold a Snowboard Certification and Snowboard Refresher at West Point, open to all ASIA members. Program dates are 13-16 January 2012, with on snow times 4pm to 9pm Friday, and 9am to 4pm Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Updates and refresher times will be announced on the web.

■ **Please Note:** *Certification clinics must have at least 6 sign ups and some are limited to the first 8 folks to sign up.* Classes may be full before the cutoff date, so be sure to sign up early for great fun and learning.

■ To sign up for a program, fill out the program application, write in your clinic choice, and sign the release. ASIA membership is required to attend any program. Mail your completed membership and program with your payment to the ASIA office. Check the web at <http://www.asiaski.com> for up to date details on all our programs and happenings.



Member Donations

■ Once again, member donations are keeping costs down for everyone in ASIA, and help keep us going. We appreciate your generous support. These are the donations we've received through October 15, 2011. Thank you!



Freedom Isn't Free

■ Many of our young alpine and snowboard certified folks are cadets and officers serving in the military across the world, keeping us safe and free while we go about our business at home. Please keep them in your thoughts as you enjoy your freedom. Thanks folks, our thoughts and prayers are with you!

Ski Areas Donate Tickets

■ As of October 15, the following ski areas have donated pairs of lift tickets or other mdse for our upcoming Rallies. Come join our celebration at the Rallies! Thank you.

Ski Areas:

Bear Creek Mountain Resort
 Bolton Valley
 Bromley
 Camelback Ski Area
 Catamount
 Elk Mountain
 Gore Mountain
 Jiminy Peak
 Killington Resort
 Labrador Mountain
 Okemo Mountain Resort
 Pico Mountain
 Shawnee Mountain Ski Area
 Ski Plattekill
 Ski Sawmill Family Resort
 Ski Sundown
 Sno Mountain
 Snow Ridge Ski Resort
 Toggenburg Mountain
 Wintergreen Resort

Many thanks to New York Directors Ray and Laurie Owens for hosting the ASIA Fall BOD meeting at their home and providing beverages, snacks and lunch! Thanks again to all our Board members, coordinators and volunteers and members for their continuous support. See you at the mountain.

<p>Sponsors Donations of \$500 or more <i>James M Wilson</i></p> <p>Benefactors Donations of \$100 or more <i>Stanley C Bairfield</i> <i>A Bruce Bassett</i> <i>Joel Blank</i> <i>James N Gahn</i> <i>Ken Heller</i> <i>Stephen Lutz</i> <i>Richard S Mailman</i> <i>Henry Mazzucca</i> <i>Toni C Mullins</i> <i>Nancy Nolan</i> <i>Brian J Nuss</i> <i>Stephen Sabados</i> <i>Hudson Valley Ski Club</i> <i>New Jersey Ski Council</i> <i>Adel Teplitz-Carpenter</i></p> <p>President's Club Donations of \$50 or more <i>Howard Baker</i> <i>Tom & Jane Chambers</i> <i>Ron Dombroski</i> <i>Mark H Erich</i> <i>Herb Eschbach</i> <i>Adrienne Geffen</i> <i>Liduvina & Rei Gonzalez</i> <i>Myles Gordon</i> <i>Pat Gottshalk</i> <i>Nelson B Gray</i> <i>Constance & Joe Greene</i> <i>Roger W Harper</i> <i>Althea & Joe Langer</i> <i>Frank A Magnotta</i> <i>Bob Obermeier</i> <i>Steve Ostien</i> <i>Ray & Laurie Owens</i> <i>Thomas Persil</i> <i>Neal H Schuster</i> <i>Steve Shyne</i> <i>David Silber</i> <i>George & Joan Titzell</i> <i>Lori Yamashita</i></p>	<p>Director's Club Donations of \$25 or more <i>Stephen Brault</i> <i>Roger Brubaker</i> <i>Michael Calderone</i> <i>John Cholin</i> <i>Mary Ellen Curry</i> <i>Ingrid Dodard</i> <i>Betsy Gaudian</i> <i>Paul N Goodwin</i> <i>Edward B Grimaldi</i> <i>Sarah R Hopkins</i> <i>Graham Howgate</i> <i>Greg Jones</i> <i>John K Kennedy Jr</i> <i>Thomas A Kiewlicz</i> <i>Larry Kirschner</i> <i>Rosemarie Koch</i> <i>William E Kramer</i> <i>Scott Landis</i> <i>Dr James H Lee Jr</i> <i>Athula Mandanayake</i> <i>Michael A McKenna</i> <i>Dr Carolyn J Merry</i> <i>Cynthia Miklos</i> <i>Bettyjane Moyer</i> <i>Anne Marie O'Herron</i> <i>Victoria Perity</i> <i>Donald Phyl</i> <i>Diane Rama</i> <i>Alex Ryan</i> <i>Jeannette Schlegel</i> <i>Rodger T Spear</i> <i>Charles Stelljes</i> <i>Leo C Stevens Jr</i> <i>Bryce F Swanker</i> <i>Scott Symons</i> <i>Lumo Tsungu</i> <i>Anthony E Vieira</i> <i>Fred Voss</i></p>	<p>Boosters <i>Jeffrey Barcus</i> <i>Marsha M Baretta</i> <i>Ernie Bieser</i> <i>Thomas Bryson</i> <i>Ronald R Corda</i> <i>Phebe Davol</i> <i>David E England Jr</i> <i>Seymour Evans</i> <i>Susi Fecht-Poliseo</i> <i>Peter O Fiore</i> <i>Ken Foster</i> <i>Bud Foucher</i> <i>James R Geiger</i> <i>Donald Green</i> <i>Karen B Grossman</i> <i>Lydia M Hill</i> <i>Carol Iannace</i> <i>Matthew Kane</i> <i>Madelene M Knaggs</i> <i>Robert J Makem</i> <i>Stephen Mariano</i> <i>Anthony Marmo</i> <i>Daniel Mrozinski</i> <i>Sue Poirier</i> <i>Patricia Revoir</i> <i>Richard M Robinson</i> <i>Jim Rosa</i> <i>Andy Ryan</i> <i>Daniel Van Gelder</i> <i>Robert Zawacki</i></p>
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AMATEUR SKI INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION ~ 2011 - 2012 Schedule of Programs & Fees**

Membership Dues:

INDIVIDUAL: \$25.00
 FAMILY: \$50.00 first two members
 \$10.00 each additional

Certification Fees:

*LEVEL 1 (4) DAYS \$220.00+
 *LEVEL 2 (6) DAYS \$330.00+

Program Fees:

*REGULAR (2) DAYS \$110.00+

*Lift tickets and manuals are additional.
 These items are paid for at sign in.

Special Events:

FALL RALLY: Belleayre, NY Dec 10-11, 2011
 Includes 2 day program fee, lift tickets, 2 breakfasts,
 dinner, music, tax & gratuities. Per Person - \$220

BUMPFEST: Belleayre, NY Feb 4-5, 2012
 Includes 2 day program fee, lift tickets, 2 breakfasts,
 dinner, music, tax, gratuities. Per Person - \$220

SPRING RALLY: Okemo, VT Mar 9-11, 2012
 Includes 2 day program fee, 2 or 3 day lift tickets, dinner, tax and
 gratuities. Per Person 2 day - \$TBA 3 day \$TBA

AREA PROGRAM	COORDINATOR	AREA PROGRAM	COORDINATOR
OKEMO, VT November 26-27, 2011 Level 1 Alpine Certification Part 1 December 3-4, 2011 Level 1 Alpine Certification Part 2 Advanced Skiing Improvement	Nancy Nolan (203) 272-4681 nancynolan@snet.net Registration deadline: November 11, 2011	MTN MEADOWS, VT NORDIC EVENT January 21-22, 2012 X-C Certification/Refresher	Sue Poirier (802) 228-3308 spcolby@gmail.com Registration deadline: January 6, 2012
BELLEAYRE EARLYBIRD Highmount, NY December 3-4, 2011 Advanced Skiing Improvement	Bill Hornbeck (845) 679-4609 asiadesk@asiaski.com Registration deadline: November 18, 2011	SEVEN SPRINGS, PA January 28-29, 2012 Skiing Improvement	Ernie Fagnelli (412) 996-8242 bgaylepub@verizon.net Registration deadline: January 13, 2012
BELLEAYRE FALL RALLY December 10-11, 2011 Intermediate Skiing Improvement Advanced Skiing improvement	Bill Hornbeck (845) 679-4609 asiadesk@asiaski.com Registration deadline: November 25, 2011	BELLEAYRE BUMP FESTIVAL February 4-5, 2012 Mogul Introduction Mogul Improvement Intermediate Skiing Improvement	Ray Owens (845) 369-3961 rayowens89@hotmail.com Registration deadline: January 20, 2012
USMA WEST POINT, NY January 13-16, 2012 Level 1 Snowboard Certification Level 1 Snowboard Refresher Level 1 Alpine Certification Level 1 Alpine Refresher	For West Point Personnel: Madelene Knaggs mknaggs@hvc.rr.com For all other ASIA folks: ASIA Office (845) 679-4609 Registration deadline: December 16, 2011	SNO MTN, PA February 11-12, 2012 Intermediate Skiing Improvement Advanced Skiing Improvement	Pete Ryan (215) 657-8792 peteski3@juno.com Registration Deadline: January 27, 2012
		OKEMO SPRING RALLY March 9-11, 2012 Intermediate Skiing Improvement Advanced Skiing Improvement Steeps, Deeps and Trees Great end of season fun!	Nancy Nolan (203) 272-4681 nancynolan@snet.net Registration deadline: Feb 24, 2012

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**This schedule is subject to change without notice.

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Colorado Notes

Hey Bill,

■ I look forward to getting the Short Swings newsletter and keeping up with what's going on. As usual, it appears things for ASIA are still going great guns, thanks a lot to you.

Since coming home to Colorado in 1987, I taught full time at Keystone for a year then 2 years at Vail, then retired. Had a Baskin-Robbins franchise for year and went broke - economy was in the dumps in Denver at that time. Retired in 1995.

Had an invitation from Eldora in 2002 to teach and stayed there full-time for 4 years but they cut the pay too much and I went to Loveland full-time for 2 years until my knees gave out (was in/on skis and boots 6 hours a day 5 days a week!!) Have only skied 2-3 days in the past 3 years.

I had a full knee transplant on Feb 10th and am looking forward to skiing this winter.

I'm already back on the tennis courts 3-4 days a week. The other knee needs replacing but am trying to put it off until next spring or so.

Jean is doing fine, is now retired and just turned 65. She quit skiing some years ago due to the beginning of osteoporosis and was afraid if she broke something it would never heal.

I hope everything is going well for you and yours. If you get out this way, be sure to holler.

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Editor's Note:
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■ Come ski and ride with ASIA!

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Notice of Annual Membership Meeting

Our Annual Membership Meeting is at Belleayre on December 10, 2011 at 4:00 PM. Sign up for the Fall Rally, and we'll have fun skiing too.

Happy Holidays!