



The Fall Line

"Read it if you can."

May 2006



The ASCNY's tradition of amateur ski racing started way back in 1935, shortly after Roland Palmedo founded our ski club. Since then, club members have been competing in slalom and giant slalom races on the slopes of Mad River Glen. In 2006, the following club members made ski-racing headlines:

Benjamin Albright and Anne Taylor win Billy Ross Award



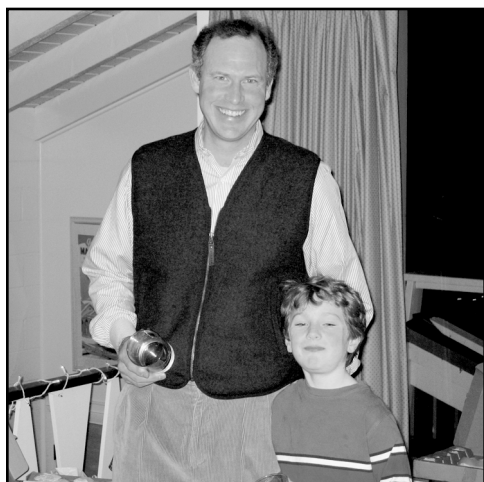
(Front row) Josh Tobin, Grace and Emily Mooney



Amy Mooney, Robin Fisher, Kate Albright
and John Nesbett

BOB NICHOLS WINS HIS RECORD 9TH SKIMEISTER AWARD
AFTER CAPTURING FIRST PLACE IN THE MEN'S GIANT SLALOM,
EDGING BROOKS WALKER BY ONLY .3 OF SECOND

Brooks Walker and Kate Young win Junior Championship



Bear and Benjamin Albright



Sam and Jamie Axelrod

ANN TAYLOR WINS

SEVEN YEARS OLD
& UNDER CROWN
WITH TWO SUPERB
RUNS

GRACE MOONEY, AMY MOONEY AND JOHN TOBIN win Cross Country Race

AMY MOONEY WINS SECOND CONSECUTIVE SKIMEISTERIN AWARD
WITH A STRONG PERFORMANCE IN THE WOMEN'S GIANT SLALOM, BEATING KATE ALBRIGHT & ROBIN FISHER

RACE Results

Mother-Daughter

1 Emily and Amy Mooney	2:59.1
2 Grace and Amy Mooney	3:01.13
3 Morgan and Robin Fisher	3:20.99

Father - Son

1 David and Alex Walker	02:13.4
2 Benjamin and Bear Albright	02:50.4

Husband-Wife

1 Patrick and Amy Mooney	02:43.4
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Sibling Rivalry

1 Sam and Jamie Axelrod	2:31.96
2 Emily and Grace Mooney	3:11.12

Father - Daughter

1 Emily and Patrick Mooney	2:53.33
2 Grace and Patrick Mooney	2:55.36

Family Award

1 Patrick, Amy, Emily and Grace Mooney
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Race Chairman's Award

Willia and Taylor Bodman

Guest

1 Jason Schlundt	1:12.9
2 Soeurette Moorly	1:26.22
3 Alex Strange	1:32.72
4 Charlotte Moorly	1:41.95
5 Josephine Lupa	1:47.88

Billy Ross

10 and under

1 Benjamin Albright	1:26.96
2 Anne Taylor	1:40.59
3 Isabel Taylor	1:42.20

Smallfrymark

14 and under

1 Brooks Walker	1:04.20
2 Kate Albright	1:26.44
3 Benjamin Albright	1:26.96

Junior Boys and Girl

16 and younger

1 Brooks Walker	1 Kate Albright
2 Sam Axelrod	2 Emily Mooney
3 Benjamin Albright	3 Grace Mooney

Gillespie Mighty Meister

Best Overall Junior Skier

	SL	XC	GS	Total
1 Grace Mooney	1.28611	1.01494	1	3.30155
2 Emily Mooney	1.11206	1	1.19785	3.30991

Prattfall

Men 40 +

1 Bob Nichols	1:03.90
2 Alex Walker	1:10.15
3 John Rawlings	1:12.97

Sitzmark

Men overall

1 Bob Nichols	1:03.90
2 Brooks Walker	1:04.20
3 Sam Axelrod	1:04.91

Fairsexmark

Women overall

1 Amy Mooney	1:24.57
2 Kate Albright	1:26.44
3 Robin Fisher	1:30.00

Skimeister

1 Bob Nichols
2 Patrick Mooney
3 John Tobin

Skimeisteren

1 Amy Mooney

Kids by age

7 and under

1 Anne Taylor

9 and under

1 Ben Albright
2 Isabel Taylor
3 Morgan Fisher

11 and under

1 Kate Albright
2 Emily Mooney
3 Sarah Tobin

14 and Under

1 Brooks Walker
2 Jamie Axelrod
3 Grace Mooney

XC Race Results

Kids

1 Grace Mooney
2 Josh Tobin
3 Emily Mooney

Women

1 Amy Mooney

Men

1 John Tobin
2 Bob Nichols
3 Patrick Mooney

RACE Results

Men's Giant Slalom

1 Bob Nichols	32.07 (2)	31.83 (1)	1:03.9
2 Brooks Walker	31.53 (1)	32.67 (3)	1:04.2
3 Sam Axelrod	32:67 (3)	32.24 (2)	1:04.91
4 Ry Young	33.40 (4)	34.18 (4)	1:07.58
5 Alex Walker	35.19 (6)	34.96 (6)	1:10.15
6 John Nesbett	37.97 (9)	34.71 (5)	1:12.68
7 John Rawlings	36.82 (7)	36.15 (8)	1:12.97
8 Patrick Mooney	40.94 (12)	37.86 (9)	1:18.80
9 Bear Albright	40.89 (11)	42.57 (11)	1:23.46
10 Benjamin Albright	44.13 (17)	42.83 (13)	1:26.96
11 Jamie Axelrod	43.16 (15)	43.89 (16)	1:27.05
12 John Tobin	34.38 (5)	DNF	

Women's Giant Slalom

1 Amy Mooney	43.15 (14)	41.42 (10)	1:24.57
2 Kate Albright	43.03 (13)	43.61 (15)	1:26.64
3 Robin Fisher	46.58 (18)	43.42 (14)	1:30.00
4 Emily Mooney	47.65 (19)	46.88 (18)	1:34.53
5 Grace Mooney	49.06 (20)	47.50 (19)	1:36.56
6 Anne Taylor	51.65 (21)	48.94 (21)	1:40.59
7 Isabel Taylor	53.56 (22)	48.64 (20)	1:42.20
8 Morgan Fisher	57.76 (25)	53.23 (23)	1:50.99
9 Sarah Tobin	58.82 (26)	55.22 (25)	1:54.04

Rick Moulton *hiking up* *Tuckerman's* *Ravine*

New Hampshire, April 2006



Membership Committee Announcements

Posted for Membership

William and Noel Boland, Chester, CT
Casey and Erin Cammann, Andover, MA
Cortland and Catherine Cammann, Ann Arbor, MI

New Full Members

Robert and Jane Singer, Burlington, VT
Arthur and Rolfien Kuijpers, Brooklyn, NY

Resignations

Julian Deck, Rye, NY
Rachael de Rham, Farmington, CT
Gordon Greacen, Far Hills, NJ

Young Prospective Members' Weekend

Two Feet of Snow Ensures a Powdery Success

Last year the "Next 50 Winters Committee," headed by Newt Merrill, attempted to answer the question, "how do we get more young people to join and use the club?" After much deliberating, the committee decided that part of the answer would be to dedicate a weekend to "young members and guests" to highlight the benefits of our fabulous lodge at Mad River Glen ski area. We also suggested that if Mother Nature could dump General Starks' Mountain. with two feet of the driest powder of the year (while leaving the roads clear

sign reading "no access to ski area," down a narrow packed trail into the wild unknown – to experience the unrivaled beauty and perfect glade skiing of the 20th Hole. Many reading this have undoubtedly skied the 19th & 20th Hole runs, but we hadn't. And the "we" included a lifetime female member, who shall remain unnamed, who twenty years ago charged into the woods off Upper Antelope behind her confident fourteen-year old brother and other young members to seek the fruits of the mysterious 20th hole. Three hours

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south of White River Junction) on an un-crowded non-holiday weekend, that would be a positive recruitment driver as well. The plan worked well.

Nine prospective members, all who've skied Vermont their entire lives, came out of that weekend with a unanimous sentiment: "This is the best terrain and best skiing atmosphere in the East – how can I join the Amateur Ski Club of New York?" Twenty members and guests made it for that weekend, filling the lodge with rampant energy to hit the mountain and hit it hard, followed by singing along in General Starks Pub to the live bluegrass we've all enjoyed for years. Finally, an excellent group meal left us satiated and in bed by 11pm – ready to do it all again on Sunday.

One of the highlights of the weekend was following a prospective member off Upper Antelope past a foreboding



later, they instead found the base of Glen Ellen, having bushwhacked more than skied. Needless to say, she, like the rest of us, was now in Mad River Glen heaven.

And yes, the members who were present reluctantly disclosed that the conditions weren't always like that, but this new group was as good at board games for crummy days as the rest of us – and can't wait to return next year. Thank you to the ASCNY Board of Governors for helping to make this weekend a reality. Now if we could just guarantee those conditions for next year...

by Doug Stowe



Three ladies ski *steep & deep* at Jackson Hole

Do I want to make sure that I can still ski those steep gullies and enjoy off-piste adventures with the same spirit and confidence I once had? The answer is "Yes".

I am just back from a four-day women's ski camp at Jackson Hole with my two good skiing buddies and fellow ASCNY members, Betsy Jondro and Alyson Walker. We stayed at the Snake River Lodge located right at the base of the mountain and convenient for getting to the spa as quickly as possible after a long day on the steeps and deeps!

Jackson Hole's Mountain Sports School has been offering Steep and Deep Ski Camps for more than a decade. A few years ago they began a four-day women's ski camp for advanced skiers that wanted a less competitive atmosphere than the men's groups. The women's camp offers comprehensive coaching by an all female staff in small groups with skiers matched by ability level and aggressiveness.

Our group met each morning at 8:15 am to catch the first tram ride, skied all morning on thigh-burning descents, were served a lovely lunch at the Solitude Cabin, and then right back out again for more skiing. With about 40 women at the camp we enjoyed a few après ski activities where we could meet some of the other

women in the camp who came to Jackson Hole from all over. On the last evening the camp hosted an awards dinner at the Mangy Moose Restaurant, where each instructor told some interesting stories about their

particular group and campers won all sorts of prizes donated by local ski shops. Our instructor, Martha, gave us each a Jackson Hole sticker to rival the famous "Ski It If You Can" sticker. I was very lucky and won a new pair of ski gloves, which was much needed as I was still sporting my old gloves with gray duck tape!

One afternoon we ventured "Out of Bounds" with our instructor and an "Out of Bounds" guide, Kevin. It was most scenic and we found some lovely snow. On the final climb to the peak, Betsy and I were huffing and puffing trailing the group while Alyson was leading the way. Being in both physical and skiing

shape is important to take on the altitude of the higher elevation, the challenges of the mountain and the pace of the camp. All the weight training I had done to prepare for the trip was not quite enough, although by the fourth and last day, I seemed to hit my stride.

I highly recommend these camps for anyone who wants to challenge him or herself, update and develop better skills, ski the nooks and crannies and out-of-bounds terrain of Jackson

Hole, as well as enjoy a group of like-minded skiers from all over the country. It was fabulous trip!

by Hilary Hotchkiss, President



NEW MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

In recognition of the changing demographic profile of the club's membership, the Board of Governors has created two new classes of membership.

First, in order to attract a younger generation of members, we have created a "Provisional" Membership category which will allow anyone 21 and over to join the Club on a one-year trial basis before deciding to become a Full Member. Candidates for Provisional Membership will go through an abbreviated application process, pay full yearly dues, but will not need to pay initiation fees until they become a Full Member, presumably the following year. Provisional Members will be entitled to full Club privileges, but will have no voting rights.

Second, for all of their devoted years of membership, we have

awarded those members age 70 and over a "Senior" Membership category. A Senior Member will pay one-half the dues of Full Members. All new dues categories will take affect June 1st.

Please be aware that there are now five categories of membership in the Club: Intermediate, Provisional, Distant, Senior and Full. With the hard work expended by your Board of Governors in creating these new categories, I would urge every current member to recruit at least one new member. The club should always be adding new members to maintain its prosperity and longevity.

A reminder: Annual dues are due and payable every year on time. Failure to pay annual dues can result in termination from the Club. Termination from the Club will require a full application and initiation fee to be reinstated. In other words, starting all over again.

by Rob Young, Membership Chairman

Sun Valley, Idaho

SKI TRIP

ASCNY members and guests gathered in Sun Valley, Idaho in March for a fun-filled week planned by our able trip leaders, Belinda Shepard and Rick Stowe. We were extremely fortunate to be under the wing of Peter Pettibone's law school roommate, Ed Cutter, and his wife Susan, for the duration of the trip. Ed publishes "Cutter's Guide to Sun Valley", which is an invaluable resource for any visitor looking for up-to-date information on restaurants, shopping, and services in the Sun Valley region.

Sun Valley, which opened in 1936, was America's first destination ski resort. We stayed at the famous Sun Valley Lodge; its photograph-lined hallways are a passage through the history of American winter sports. Baldy Mountain was the site of the first chairlift in the U.S., built in 1939 that, coincidentally, was a single chair like Mad River Glen's single chair lift.

Our first day on the mountain was a bluebird day, complete with moderate temperatures and superb snow conditions. Ed Cutter met us at the base of Baldy and escorted us up and down the mountain, from River Run to Seattle Ridge to Warm Springs and back, until our legs were burning. We enjoyed new-to-us trails with unfamiliar names: Limelight, Greyhawk, Blue Grouse, Hemingway, Picabo's Street and Can-Can. For some reason, I associate "Flying Squirrel" with Charlie Peet! Ed and Susan generously hosted all of us for drinks at their new home in Ketchum, a western lodge-style house with beautiful exposed woodwork and a hidden wine cellar.

The lovely home was furnished with, among other interesting things, stuffed specimens of fauna indigenous to the region.

The weather turned on us Monday and Tuesday, with a warm storm approaching from the South. It rained, it sleeted, it snowed. Baldy opened, closed and reopened. With more unstable weather predicted, we lost the Johnsons and Landon Storrs. Wednesday proved to be a winner, at least at the top of the mountain. Rick Stowe earned his new title of "Powder Puppy" while thoroughly enjoying the Mayday and Sigi's bowls. Lower elevations proved to be more of a challenge; I don't think we'll forget pushing through the concrete of Janss Pass or searching for lost skis in the glop (my powder cords were back at the lodge). Wednesday evening brought us to Vuarnettes, a local après-ski comedy show described as "high heels, high camp and 4-part harmony" — thoroughly delightful.

The skiing for the rest of the week was excellent. Bernie Gustin enjoyed the Nordic trails while the rest of us pursued vertical on Baldy. We were amused by the sights of Peter Pettibone in snowboard boots (it's true, but only because he was having new skis mounted and they needed his boots) and Rick Stowe pouring wine on the sleigh ride with the cork firmly engaged. We had an easy time finding David Storrs, with his electric green fanny pack. All in all, we had a wonderful time. Hats off to Belinda and Rick!

Planning for next year's trip is underway, and, at press time, Cortina, Italy is currently leading over Val D'Isere, France and St. Anton, Austria.

by Penny Parsons



The new **ASCNY's** WEBSITE has been launched



Room Availability

View the week of...

Housekeeping will be closing the Lodge this week. For reservations from April 10th forward, off-season policies will apply. Minimum billing will be \$250, to cover opening and closing the Lodge.

Week of May 8, 2006							
Room	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
A							
B							
C							
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Bunk Room	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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The Lodge
Room Availability
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Reservation Policies & Fees

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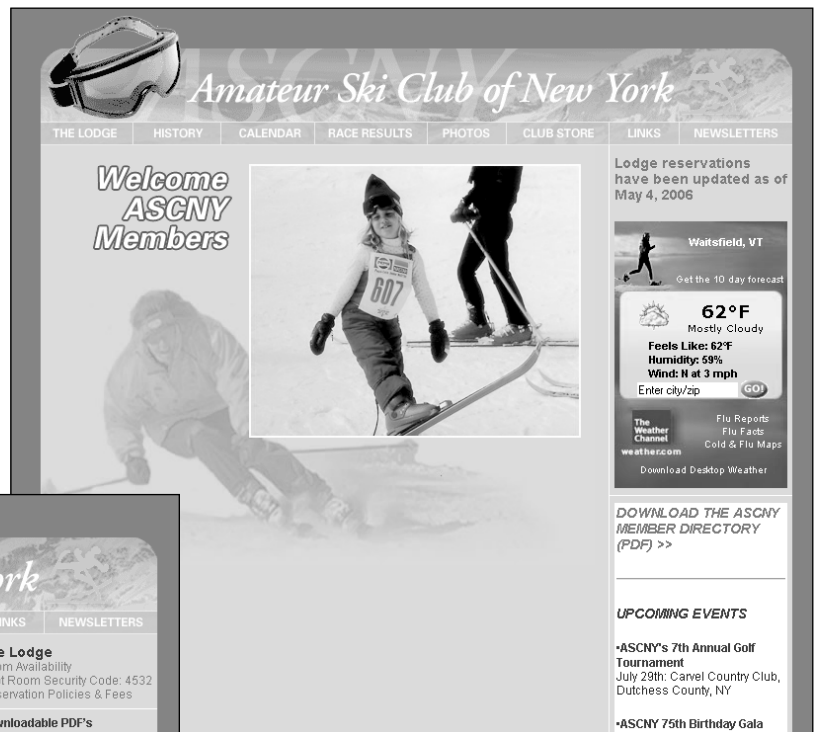
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- Lodge Etiquette
- Reservation Request Form

Weather
Waitsfield, VT
Get the 10 day forecast
62°F
Mostly Cloudy
Feels Like: 62°F
Humidity: 59%
Wind: N at 3 mph
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ASCNY's 7th Annual Golf Tournament
July 29th, Carvel Country Club, Dutchess County, NY
- ASCNY 75th Birthday Gala



Welcome ASCNY Members

Lodge reservations
have been updated as of May 4, 2006

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The site's features include:

- Club history
- Lodge room availability, reservation request form, and room rates
- Current ski race results and past champions
- Newsletter archives
- Photo gallery
- Honorary members
- Club merchandise, from ties to sweatshirts
- Calendar of upcoming events
- Mad River Valley weather
- Links to Mad River Glen, Sugarbush and Stowe

Access our website at www.ascny.org. At the home page, enter our user name "ascny" and then our password "mrg50." Send your e-mail address to membership@ascny.org to sign up for our e-mail blast announcements. For example, the next time Mad River Glen receives a big snowfall, we may send out an e-mail declaring: "Ten inches of powder at Mad River Glen. Only two rooms left at lodge; call Bonnie Cook immediately at 802-496-9469 to book your room."

Calendar of Events

Saturday, July 29, 2006:

ASCNY's 7th Annual Golf Tournament

12:00 pm at Carvel Country Club, Pines Plains, Dutchess County, N.Y.

Contact Scott Alexander at familyalexander2000@yahoo.com for details

Saturday, November 4, 2006:

ASCNY's 75th Annual Gala

Yale Club, 50 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, N.Y.

6:30 pm Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres

7:30 pm Dinner and dancing

Open bar all night long

Silent auction, prizes and more!

For more information, contact Alison Walker at ahenning@henning-partners.com

Thursday, December 7, 2006:

7th Annual Christmas Party

Oyster Bar Saloon, Grand Central Terminal, New York, N.Y.

4:00 pm until 1:00 am

Contact Bob Nichols at brational@optonline.net



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**ASCNY's 7TH ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Golf, cart, lunch and refreshments.
Open to all members and guests.

Shot Gun Start

Saturday, July 29, 2006 at 12:00 pm

Carvel Country Club

Pines Plains, Dutchess County, N.Y.



For more details, Contact Scott Alexander
at familyalexander2000@yahoo.com



ASCNY's 75th Annual Gala

Dancing, cocktails, dinner, great stories
and plenty of crazy members

Saturday, November 4, 2006

Yale Club

50 Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, N.Y.

6:30 pm: Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres

7:30 pm: Dinner and dancing

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