



**PROBUS**  
**SKI LEGENDS**  
 2007/2008 SEASON  
 AUGUST 2007



**P**robus Ski Legends is made up of members of area Probus Clubs (and partners) who enjoy skiing and socializing. Our original premise was that no one should have to ski alone. We negotiate privileged rates from some service providers, arrange ski trips, plan various social activities, and have our base at Toronto Ski Club at the north end of Blue Mountain. Last year we had such a slow “snow start” that it was late January before many of us had skis on. Several members mentioned that they would arrive at T.S.C. and find absolutely no one and ended up skiing by themselves. This year we are encouraging all LEGENDS members to keep in touch with your Probus Club LEGENDS reps who can put you in touch with others from your club. Also, executive members will be on hand each Monday in January (and later if needed) to meet, greet, and make you feel welcome. In addition, guides will be available on January Monday mornings to familiarize you with the trails at Blue Mountain, and if you wish, to start you off skiing with a group.

In order to get input for our seasons planning, and to coordinate activities, each Probus Club in the area has hardworking volunteer representatives on the overall LEGENDS executive (currently 15 strong). Would you like to assist in any way?



**BLUE MOUNTAIN RESORTS SKI PASSES**

Blue has not as yet distributed their Pass Package but we have learned that the Early Bird Deadline of October 22<sup>nd</sup> offers substantial savings. An Early Bird Super Pass costs \$679.00, with a later cost of \$829.00. The 5 x 7 Pass for all age groups costs only \$164.00 prior to October 22<sup>nd</sup>, but the cost doubles to \$328.00 later.



**TORONTO SKI CLUB (T.S.C.)**

Last year almost 200 Probus members and partners took advantage of our arrangement to enjoy the T.S.C. facilities, so we have again made an agreement to have “Guest Pass” status at T.S.C. for 2007/2008. T.S.C. will issue badges and provide use of their spacious clubhouse, boot change area, food services, washrooms, bar and great deck. Our Guest Pass excludes Christmas Break (December 21 to January 6) and the T.S.C. Parking Lot. Please park in Blue’s lot next door. LEGENDS members may bring guests to T.S.C. for a daily fee of \$5.00 (payable at the front desk) on days your pass is valid.

LEGENDS and T.S.C. also offer an Early Bird Membership Package (up to October 24<sup>th</sup>) to save you money. Applications for LEGENDS are available from your LEGENDS reps at your Probus meetings and on completion should be returned to your reps. One legible application per person please. We will process the data and then deliver the forms and cheques to T.S.C. A cheque payable to T.S.C. must be attached to your application.



**Before October 24<sup>th</sup>**

**After October 24<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Monday only</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>Monday to Thursday</b>	<b>\$85.00</b>	<b>\$104.00</b>
<b>T.S.C. and Collingwood</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$ 15.00</b>
<b>Ski Club Members</b>		

**SOCIAL EVENTS** - The executive meets twelve months of the year, so our season's plans are finalized. As in the past, admittance to the Dinner Dance and Luncheon Après/Ski will be by pre-purchased tickets only with one price for LEGENDS members and a higher guest price. Tickets are first available at the **Lift Off Party** and then from your **Probus Club LEGENDS rep** (cheques only please).



**LIFT OFF PARTY**- Monday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1 pm to 4 pm at T.S.C. (FREE TO LEGENDS)

Kick off the season with your friends, pick up your T.S.C. badge, buy your Party Tickets (cheques only), arrange Ski Lessons and find out more about Ski Trips while enjoying the cash bar and the chef's appetizing munchies.

**SKIIS & BIKES OPEN HOUSE**-Tuesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> 7 pm to 9 pm

Skiis & Biikes will once again host our season startup with a FREE Wine and Cheese evening for LEGENDS only. Enjoy a 20% discount on purchases, do some Christmas shopping, get your equipment up to date and catch up with your ski buddies. Skiis & Biikes will continue to offer us discounts throughout the season – more info in the next Newsletter.

**DINNER DANCE** – Wednesday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> at T.S.C.

Following a sumptuous dinner buffet, we will again, by popular demand, feature the toe-tapping music of the fabulous Louis Lefave and The Kings of Swing. Cocktails at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm, Dancing 'til 11:00 pm.



**LUNCHEON/APRES SKI** – Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm at T.S.C.

Ski in the morning, savour a buffet lunch, then sit back and enjoy (and dance to) Collingwood's own Regal Jazz Band.



**SKI TRIPS :**

Last year almost 100 LEGENDS and guests enjoyed Vail, Aspen, Snowmass, Steamboat, Sun Peaks and our first European venture to Alta Badia in the Italian Dolomites. We are again working with Ann at Merit Travel to offer similar superb Canadian and U.S. locations at great prices. We are planning a late January trip to Silver Star with a second week at Big White for those interested. Ann works from September to March, so dates, prices and details are still to come. There is a surcharge for non LEGENDS on trips. We have confirmed, through Voyages Gendron, a two week trip to Les Menuires and Les Arcs, France, March

28<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008, staying in ski-in, ski-out 4 Star Hotels. The cost of \$4,849.00 per person (double occupancy) includes:

- round trip flight via Air France, Toronto to Geneva and return
- taxes
- all transfers
- lodging 7 nights in Hotel Le Menuire with breakfast and dinner
- lodging 7 nights in Hotel du Golf, Les Arcs with breakfast and dinner
  - 1 night in Geneva (last one) with breakfast
  - 6 day ski pass for the entire ski around 3 Vallees area
  - 6 day ski pass for the entire ski around Les Arcs, LaPlagne area



Last year's Italian trip was a great success and we have considerable interest shown already for France. As there are limited spaces available and the hotels require deposits, please, as soon as possible, call Gord Hanson 705-445-2835 or email [gthanson@myexcel.ca](mailto:gthanson@myexcel.ca)



**THANKS**

On your behalf, we thank Diane Crews, Rosemarie Pedulla and Bill Lawlor who are leaving our Executive Committee. Diane was our Membership chair for years, represented Beaver Valley and assisted (and still does) with the Newsletter. Bill represented Blue Mountain and is a Past Chairman. Rosemarie was our able Secretary and represented By The Bay. Thanks too to all 15 members of the current Committee, some of whom do double duty assisting LEGENDS in more than one Probus Club.

**LEGENDS EXECUTIVE**

<b>CO-CHAIRS</b>	<b>Tom Staples (Blue Mountain)</b>	<b>446-2916</b>
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**MEMBERS AT LARGE**

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