



GLASGOW SKI CLUB

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Well, according to various reports and forecasts, in Scotland, it is either going to be an amazing winter for snow or it will be mild with a fair amount of rain. Whose is to know? I'm not too sure if there can be put too much reliance to long range weather forecasts. A weather friend of mine I see every week says - even for only 2/3 days ahead "it is only a forecast!"

However, out walking on Sunday 5th November, quite a few of the hills to the north had a covering of snow - at least it is starting off better than last year. How many of you have had to scrape the ice from the car over the past few days. I don't think I did it at all last winter.

GLENCOE MOUNTAIN RESORT -

Snowfactory Update - Monday 30th October

Newsflash - We are now working on a plan with TechnoAlpin to have the Snowfactory in place for late November/early December this year. This will be a lease with option to buy deal and will see the unit sited at the old Access Chairlift drive if we don't manage to complete our new track in time to get it up the mountain before

the snow arrives. From this position the Snowfactory would be able to pump snow down onto the dry ski slope keeping it constantly snow covered throughout the winter and also be used to build a base on the bottom of the run back to the car park. It's currently looking 50/50 whether we will get the new track completed in time (all dependent on the weather) but at least if we don't we now have a pretty exciting plan B.

SnowFactor ski practice nights.

The next ski practice night will be on Tuesday 28th November from 6.30pm onwards. Cost to members for the 2 hrs is £15. Non members, the cost is £21. If you are coming along please contact Roy Craig on 01418836665. Last ski night we had the full width of the slope and the place practically to ourselves.

If the snow falls in the way in which we would like, there may be ski days to Glencoe sometime in January - keep your fingers crossed!

CONTINENTAL HOLIDAYS

Although no decision has been made yet, the club is looking at various

options for 2019. More details in subsequent SkiNews.

SOCIAL -

A very enjoyable night was had by members and guests at our opening "Monthly Meal Out" nights at Balbir's curry house. The usual high standard of cuisine was prepared and presented. One we would anticipate repeating in the future.

The next event is the autumn Wine Tasting Night to be held on Saturday night the 18th November in the 'Craig residence', 8, Oldhall Road, Paisley, PA1 3HN. From 7.00pm onwards. There will be the usual eight wines to taste - four white and red. There will also be a snack type buffet available throughout the evening. Valuable prizes for the winner and runner up of our competition. All this for only £12. If you are coming along to this annual event please contact Roy Craig on 0141 883 6665.or any committee member.

If taking public transport, this might help -

By train; on the Canal Street line, get off at Hawkhead Road, 10 minutes walk. Last train back to the city is 23.07.

By bus -

First number 9, get off at Oldhall Road, 2 mins walk up Oldhall Road.

Last bus back to city is 23.34

McGill's number 38, get off Oldhall Road. Last bus back to city is 22.35

McGill's number 17 (via QEUH and Clyde Tunnel), get off Oldhall Road.

last bus to city is 21.45.

Bus numbers 9 and 38 are very

frequent to Paisley. Number 17 less so.

Local taxi firms are -

50/50 Cabs - 8835050

Cardonald Cabs 8835252.

Christmas Gathering.-

This will take place at the Beck Residence, 24, Drumlin Drive, Milngavie on Saturday 9th December from about 7.30pm onwards. Cost will be £18 per person and includes a full buffet style meal, a welcome drink on arrival and some Christmas activities(!). The Committee is hoping that Club members will make every effort to come along and help celebrate the Festive Season with The Glasgow Ski Club. Please contact any committee member if you wish to attend this very popular event.

Burns Night Get Together.-

This event will be held in the Sammeroff Residence 110, Fernleigh Road, Glasgow on Saturday 3rd February 2018 from 7.30pm. Best freshly shot haggis, champit tatties and succulent neeps, what more could you ask for? Oh- and musical entertainment as well!! Much more info in the next SkiNews.

A Monthly Meal Out is planned for Friday 23rd February in La Lanterna Italian restaurant, Hope Street, Glasgow. More details in subsequent SkiNews publications.