GET READY, GET SET,....Several ski areas are already open including Holiday Valley, Snow Trails, Snowshoe. Our first full race weekend is at Holiday, January 11 & 12. 2020. So, what are you waiting for? GET TUNED, GET PACKED, GET GOING!!!!!

AND LAST YEAR.....Many Hi Risers had very successful seasons in 2019., as did the club. We took first place in Division II in both Bristol Ski Combined as well as total points for the year, plus second place in Division II in Snowboard Combined. At Bristol Ski Combined Chrissy Body, Curtis Bell and Jessie Anderson all won combined. Justin Crookshanks placed first in BB Snowboard Combined.

Hi Rise Most Points awards went to Chrissy and Guy Haney. The Gretchko Award went to Michael Shon. SKIERS OF THE YEAR were Doc. Bob and Jessie.

## ABOUT 2020

RACE CHAIRS- Guy Nerren and Rick Gzesh

MEMBERSHIP- You must be a member of Hi Rise to race on our team.. Contact Guy, Rick, or Nate Diederich.

RACE SCHEDULES- are available at meetings, in our Newsletter, on our web site, or the CMSC web site.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION- Forms are available at our meetings, & our web site. Hi Rise will pay the race fees for those who advance register for and show up for 5 or more races. Otherwise, you can late register on the day of most races and pay \$18.00 per race.

TRIPS- Hi Rise has a bus trip planned for Bristol and possibly two Friday Holimont trips. PLEASE SUPPORT OUR TRIPS.

CLASS CHANGES- If you wish to change class, such as from or to a vet class, you MUST do so through Guy or Rick. DO NOT contact CMSC yourself. Change requests must be submitted 7 days before a race.

QUALIFICATION- For new racers or someone not currently on our roster, ski and board racers can qualify at Boston Mills on any of four Wednesday nights in January, 2020. Or, you may do so an any regular race.

SKIER COMBINED- Is at Bristol. You must have at least two races in before then. NO LATE RACE DAY SIGN UP. ADVANCE REGISTRATION ONLY.

SNOWBOARD COMBINED- Will be at Swain II. You must have at least one race in before then. NO LATE RACE DAY SIGN UP. ADVANCE REGISTRATION ONLY.

WORK ASSIGNMENTS- For each race, one-third of our registered racers may be assigned to work that race. Work assignments are posted in the bib pick up area. It's your responsibility to check the schedule. If you are assigned to work, please show up at least 15 minutes before the start of the race. Gatekeepers report to the race start area .Should you prefer to work or not work at a particular race, let Guy or Rick know at least one week ahead of time. RACERS WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO WORK AND FAIL TO DO SO ARE DQ'D.

GATEKEEPING- Is probably the most difficult work assignment. Although we try to assign more experienced racers to this job, sooner or later it will be your turn. Ask Guy, Rick, or any of our long time racers how to gatekeep ...Also, see the CMSC RACE RULES on their web site under "Disqualifications" and "Gatekeepers".

## REMINDERS- Helmets MUST be worn by all racers

Unsportsmanlike conduct, A MODERATE F-BOMB after a crash or bad run might be tolerated. Loud, continuous cursing and equipment tossing will get you DQ'D and even suspended from future races.

NO BYOB- Please do not bring your own booze onto the ski area premises.

SHOT BAG- On the other hand, this tradition will continue with some DISCRETION. Hi Rise will be responsible for bringing the goodies to one of the races. Any volunteers for this task will be much appreciated.

LIFT TICKETS- Some of the ski areas offer a discount for racers. A few may require you to show your race bib in order to get the CMSC price.

DQ & RESULT SHEETS- Are usually posted in the bib pick up area or awards area about an hour after the last race. It is your responsibility to check to verify your times and / or DQ's. If you dispute the times or a DQ, find Rick or Guy to discuss the matter and possibly file a protest. The time limit for doing so is 30 minutes after posting.

COURSE INSPECTION- Unless otherwise instructed by a CMSC race official or the ski area race crew, you may side slip a course or snow plow it, one gate at a time. DO NOT shadow or run any part of the course. You MUST have your bib and bib number showing while inspecting. This applies even if you are assisting someone else inspect a course which you might not be running .EXCEPTION BOARDER CROSS RACERS may, and are encouraged to, pre run that course.

STANDARD RACE ORDER- The race order for the day will generally be posted near the bib pick up area. For MOST, BUT NOT ALL RACES it will be:

GROUP I- Super Vets, AAVM, AAW, AAM, AVW, AVM, AW, AM, AQs GROUP II- SR. Vets, BBVM, BBW, BBM, BVW, BVM, BW, BM, CCVM, CCW, CCM, CCQs BOARDERS- BBSB, BSB, CCSB, CSB, SBQs.

QUESTIONS?COMMENTS? Contact Guy or Rick

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