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## LYME DISEASE PREVENTION PROJECT

Lyme disease is a serious illness that was first diagnosed in Old Lyme, CT in 1975. While often associated with the southern New England Region, the disease has been reported in 49 states, and internationally across North America, Europe, and Asia.<sup>1</sup> Symptoms of the disease include fatigue, fever, joint and muscle pain, and headache. Initial signs of infection may include a characteristic bullseye rash, but this is not always evident making early detection difficult. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that there are over 300,000 new Lyme disease infections in the United States each year, more than breast cancer, colon cancer, HIV, and hepatitis. The disease is caused by a bacterium transmitted by black legged ticks (commonly called deer ticks), which are found in woodland and grassland areas. In addition to Lyme disease, black legged ticks also transmit, human babesiosis, human anaplasmosis, and more recently the Powassan virus. The Powassan virus infection can occur in less than fifteen minutes, and there is currently no treatment available. Symptoms include dizziness, nausea, vomiting, confusion, and potential long-term damage to the central nervous system.

### Life Cycle of Black Legged Ticks

There are four stages to the tick life cycle; eggs, larvae, nymphs, and adults. The larvae, nymphs, and adults all feed on blood from mammals during each stage of development.

Ticks cannot jump or fly, and therefore must wait for a host to pass close enough to grab on with their front legs. The tick often climbs up a blade of grass, and extends its legs as a potential host approaches. Once the tick finds a host and finds a suitable place to feed, it feeds slowly, typically taking a few days to complete a meal.

### Detection and Prevention

Black legged ticks are smaller than American Dog Ticks making them more difficult to detect. Females are slightly larger than the deep brown male, which is approximately the size of the head of a pin. Once engorged, the females of both species are similar in size, and therefore are difficult to tell apart.

There are three common strategies to reduce the risk of exposure to ticks; protect your property, protect your pets, and protect your person. Of these three recommendations, protecting your body is the most practical strategy for avoiding exposure on golf courses.

Although golf courses are often criticized and targeted for their use of pest control products, the perception that they apply broad spectrum toxic chemicals could not be further from the truth. Golf courses provide numerous benefits to the local ecosystem including habitat for native birds, animals, and pollinators, large areas of groundwater recharge in highly developed areas, and effective filtration of precipitation and runoff from impervious surfaces.



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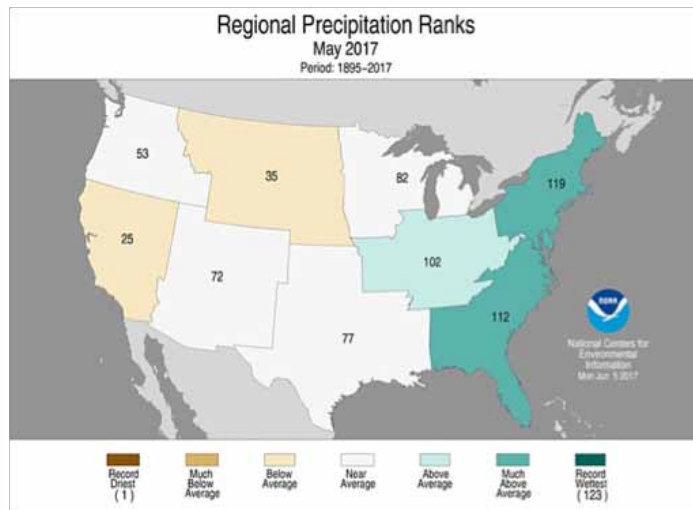
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Eric Morrison, CGCS

# The President's Message



for the June meeting have been on the lower side; if anyone has any suggestions or thoughts on this topic, please let me or a board member know.

As always, if you are interested in hosting a meeting or helping out on the board in any capacity, contact a board member or give the office a call. Have a great summer and make sure to take some

time off and enjoy it with your friends and family! Anyone on Cape Cod the week of July 22nd you know where to find me...

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Eric Morrison, CGCS

On May 22nd, we held our annual S +R tournament at the Watertown Golf Club; of course there was rain in the area, but we lucked out and got the tournament completed. Thanks to host Paul Bonini, CGCS, our presenting partner Syngenta, all of our other sponsors, and to everyone who donated to the merchandise raffle or purchased S + R raffle tickets. By the time you have read this, our June meeting will have come and gone...thanks to host Andrew Fries, CGCS and the H.B Brownson C.C., presenting partner Dunning Custom Soils, and all of the other sponsors for the event. Historically, registration numbers



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### 3 STEPS TO AVOID LYME DISEASE

#### Protect your property

- Eliminate leaf litter and overgrown vegetation that may provide habitat for ticks
- Remove piles of wood or brush that may be inhabited by small mammals that serve as a food source for tick larvae and nymphs
- Hire a licensed professional to apply an insecticide to the perimeter of your property to control tick populations

#### Protect your pets

- Use tick repelling collars or flea and tick control products on your pets
- Brush and bathe pets regularly to help detect ticks before they enter your home

#### Protect your person

- Wear light colored clothing to make it easier to see ticks before they attach to your skin
- Tuck your pants into your socks when hiking in woods or grasslands
- Use an insect repellent that will repel ticks and other nuisance insects
- Treat your shoes and clothes with an insect repellent that contains permethrin
- After spending time outdoors, kill hidden ticks by placing your clothes in the drier for at least 20 minutes before washing them
- Perform a thorough tick check before getting into the shower

Golf course superintendents pride themselves on being stewards of the environment, and develop effective programs to reduce their reliance on irrigation, fertilizer, and pesticides. One strategy to achieve this is converting highly managed turf areas to naturalized meadows that are characterized by native grasses and

plants that receive reduced maintenance. These areas, especially near the margins of woodlands, represent the highest probability of encounters with ticks. Treating large areas of turf with insecticides to control ticks would eliminate beneficial non-target insects, which conflicts with the original purpose of establishing the naturalized areas. These applications are only effective at controlling ticks for a few weeks, and repeat applications consume valuable labor and financial resources that could be used for other areas on the golf course.

The best strategy to protect yourself from ticks is to protect your body. Treat golf shoes and clothing with permethrin, and use an effective insect repellent that contains DEET and/or Picaridin and will last at least five hours. These steps represent the safest approach to avoiding exposure to Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses.

Clothing treatments can be found on the internet and at many outdoor outfitting stores. The chemical used in these products kills ticks on contact, and poses very little risk to humans or mammals. A video entitled "Beat ticks by treating clothes!" can be found on YouTube. When treating clothing, remember to treat the inside surfaces of pants and shorts as well. Pretreated clothing is also available for purchase from many top outdoor outfitters, and some treatments can last up to 70 washes.

#### Resources Available to Help Prevent Infection

Dr. Kirby Stafford III of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station authored "The Tick Management Handbook, a integrated

guide for homeowners, pest control operators, and public health officials for the prevention of tick-associated disease." It provides a thorough description of tick born illnesses and ways to protect yourself from exposure.

The US EPA has a very useful resource that helps identify insect repellents that will be effective for tick, mosquitos, and other nuisance insects for a period of over five hours. This information can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-insect-repellent-right-you>. Selecting the right product can provide hours of protection and peace of mind while you are spending time on the golf course or enjoying other outdoor activities.

Like many outdoor activities, golf offers a variety of physical and psychological health benefits. While Lyme Disease is a serious threat to people that work and play outdoors, a few simple steps can significantly reduce the risk associated with spending time in nature. First, inform yourself about the symptoms of the disease, how it is contracted, and the recommendations that will help avoid infection. Second, protect your property and your pets to avoid bringing ticks into your home. Finally, research and select the best method of protecting yourself from black legged ticks while you are on the golf course or enjoying other outdoor activities.

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**KEVIN'S KORNER**

In my travels around the Northeast and throughout the country, I've noted that the status of the golf industry continues to be a hotbed topic of conversation. As an industry we are continually addressing issues related to the environment, player growth, agronomic practices, regulatory pressures and many others, but we have always been united in our support of outreach and education. Our commitment is evident in countless community and national programs, and strengthened immeasurably by the involvement of every golf professional, facility and allied organization.

The success of the 2017 National Golf Day exemplifies the value of collaboration within our industry and the progress that can be achieved by working together. While this massive undertaking every year encompasses all the allied groups we are most familiar with: CMAA, GCSAA, NGCOA, PGA TOUR, The PGA of America, USGA, U.S Golf Manufacturers Council and the World Golf Foundation, it is important to understand that they are not the only ones benefitting or advocating for our game and turfgrass management.

Below is a small collection of initiatives that too often fly under the radar but with further support, could be even more amazing and beneficial to all of us who love the game.

**Wee One Foundation**

The Wee One Foundation was founded in 2004, when friends of Wayne Otto, CGCS, banded together to financially assist him in his battle with cancer. Wayne was a pioneer in the turf industry, always searching for new and better ways to produce a finer playing surface. As Wayne learned more about his disease, he applied those same pioneering principles to overcome his illness.

Through the perseverance and hard work of several of Wayne's friends, a mission was developed to help those in need. Founded on the principle of assisting golf course management professionals (or their dependents) who incur overwhelming expenses due to medical hardship or who are without comprehensive insurance or adequate financial resources, the Foundation has evolved into a cause that goes way beyond its initial reason for existence.

Since its inception, the Wee One Foundation has gifted over \$1,000,000 to those in need. The Foundation raises money through its membership, golf outings and sponsorships.

If you need help or know someone who does, visit the Foundation website at [www.weeone.org](http://www.weeone.org)

**The First Green**

The First Green is an innovative environmental education outreach program that uses golf courses as environmental learning labs. The program has extensive resources for golf course superintendents, including online lesson plans, and facilitates connections between golf courses and local schools and science/horticulture teachers.



Golf superintendents, course staff and/or local industry representatives (such as regional associations and members) host students on field trips, where they test water quality, collect soil samples, identify plants, preserve wildlife habitats, assist in stream-bed restoration and learn about the ecology, conservation and environmental aspects of golf courses. The kids also visit the practice green or hit balls at the driving range – giving them their first taste of the game.

First Green has been providing STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) learning labs since 1997. To learn more about The First Green, or to read about a 2013 field trip, visit The First Green ([www.thefirstgreen.org](http://www.thefirstgreen.org)) or the Connecticut Clippings newsletter ([www.cages.com/pdf/ctclippings\\_june13.pdf](http://www.cages.com/pdf/ctclippings_june13.pdf)).

**Project EverGreen**

Project EverGreen is a national non-profit organization

committed to creating a greener, cooler earth by supporting the creation, renovation and revitalization of managed recreational and athletic green spaces that result in healthier, happier people. Initiatives include GreenCare for Troops, SnowCare for Troops and "Healthy Turf. Healthy Kids."

Project EverGreen's GreenCare for Troops and SnowCare for Troops programs provide complimentary lawn and landscape services, and snow and ice removal services for the families of currently deployed military personnel, as well as post 9/11 disabled veterans with a service-connected disability.

Studies confirm there is significant value in having children spend time outdoors playing, and Project EverGreen's "Healthy Turf. Healthy Kids." has its sights set on restoring and revitalizing green spaces,



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including sports fields and parks, for children to play, exercise and connect.

To learn more about Project EverGreen and how you can participate, visit: [www.projectevergreen.org](http://www.projectevergreen.org).

**The Grass Roots Initiative**

The U.S. National Arboretum's Grass Roots Initiative is a four-year, in-depth look at the science behind this familiar, but often misunderstood, landscape plant.

The exhibit opened in October 2014 with 12 interactive displays, and two more were added the following year. Each section provides information about the uses of turfgrass, its importance to modern society, its history and best management practices for maintenance. Among the displays are a compact golf hole, sports fields, lawn areas with swards of six warm-season and four cool-season turfgrass species, more than 30 different ornamental grass species, and a rain garden showing the ability of grass to absorb water and nutrients. To learn more about the National Arboretum's turf display, visit: [www.usna.usda.gov/Education/turfgrass](http://www.usna.usda.gov/Education/turfgrass).

Please understand that this is not a plea to support each of the above initiatives. In some form or fashion, GCSAA already has a relationship with these groups, so you as members do too! This information is offered simply to keep you informed of the resources available to you and benefitting you.

Should you need help as you get started growing the game by hosting a local school, or working to benefit a local service member, just understand you are not alone. There are resources and people ready, able and quite willing to assist you in achieving your goal. Now you know who and how to ask!

**GCSAA Resources and Deadlines**  
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**GCSAA welcomes Bayer Environmental Science as presenting sponsor for Can Am Cup golf event**

Bayer Environmental Science will be the presenting sponsor of the Can Am Cup, the upcoming Canada versus United States golf competition between golf course superintendents. The point-quota competition will be held in New Jersey, Oct. 22-24, at two championship golf clubs: Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield and Canoe Brook Country Club in Summit. Registration will open online at 1 p.m. (Eastern), June 20, for members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) and the Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (CGSA). Look for more information at [www.thecanamcup.com](http://www.thecanamcup.com). Space is limited and will be capped at 240 players. The participants, who will be paired according to USGA or Golf Canada official handicaps, will enjoy two rounds of golf and have the opportunity to earn education points.

**GCSAA Investigating Political Action Committee**

GCSAA is exploring the launch of a political action committee in the fall of 2017. During 2016, government affairs staff presented the concept of a GCSAA PAC to the Government Affairs Committee, GCSAA Board of Directors and chapter delegates, and are now seeking feedback from the general membership on a GCSAA PAC.

**GCSAA partners with Columbia Sportswear for member discounts**

GCSAA and Columbia Sportswear Company, an industry leader for outdoor apparel and products, have joined in a partnership to bring savings to association members and their facilities. Columbia is

offering a 50 percent discount to GCSAA members on outdoor wear purchases.

**2018 Dog Days of Golf Calendar**

Submissions for the 2018 Dog Days of Golf Calendar will be accepted through **Aug. 1, 2017**. From the submissions, 14 dogs will be selected. Owners of the selected dogs will be notified in September, and the calendar will be distributed with the November issue of *GCM magazine*. Plan now to stop by the LebanonTurf booth at the Golf Industry Show in February to place your vote for the 2018 Dog of the Year. The winner's owner will receive a \$500 prize and \$3,000 for his or her GCSAA-affiliated chapter. A \$2,000 charitable donation will also be made by GCSAA and LebanonTurf in honor of the winner. <http://www.gcsaa.org/dog-calendar/submit-dog-calendar-photo>

**UPCOMING FREE WEBCASTS:**

- June 27: Sustaining Warm-Season Turf Health under Restricted Irrigation and Traffic Stress  
*Ben Wherley, Ph.D. (presented by Intelligro)*
- July 6: Impacting Agronomic Practices on a Daily Basis from Your Shop – equipment management series  
*Ed Nangle, Ph.D.*
- Aug. 3: How Turf Fans Impact Putting Green Health  
*David McCall, Ph.D.*
- Sept. 12: First Green & Equipment Managers: Growing the Game – equipment management series  
*Karen Armstead, Ph.D. and Cathy Relyea*

Again, if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me.

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**GOLF NOTES: NOEL HALL HONORED BY TPC**

Pride for Noel Hall, senior assistant superintendent at TPC River Highlands, can be a raked bunker with its furrows in perfect alignment, a repair where you can't distinguish where the broken water-line on the course was or the work involved for a holiday meal for less-fortunate people.

He and his family also make donations and volunteer at food banks in Torrington, where he grew up, and in Waterbury. "Giving back to the community to those much less fortunate than others is so important," Hall said.

Tom Yantz

Because of the preceding and more, he was named the A. James Clark Award recipient as TPC Network employee of the year for 2016. The award from the 33 TPC facilities exemplifies commitment, strong work ethic and inspirational leadership.

"It's an amazing honor," said Hall, who has worked at the course in Cromwell for 24 years. "It never crossed my mind, even to be nominated. I'm truly humbled."

He attended and was honored during a ceremony in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., at PGA Tour headquarters last month when his name was inscribed on the A. James Clark Award plaque.

Hall credits everyone who works at TPC River Highlands — the course maintenance department, which has about 25 workers during the year and an additional 30 during the Travelers Championship June 22-25, and the club members.

He started at TPC River Highlands by responding to a newspaper ad. "I got there and worked my way up," he said. "I've loved it every minute."

TPC River Highlands general manager Dave Corrado said Hall isn't shy about getting his hands dirty from before sunrise to, if necessary, into the evening.

"Noel approaches every day with determination and dedication to make sure TPC River Highlands looks as good as it can possibly be," Corrado said. "Every day he interacts with members, co-workers and vendors to emphasize how important they are to the success of the property. He has an unwavering positive attitude, and is a leader by example."

Today Hall oversees the daily tasks of maintenance on the course. "I see they move along and come up with maybe an idea about something," he said. "Bottom line is to make sure the engine runs smoothly."

Hall, who lives in Woodbury, also helps maintain The First Tee of Connecticut, located at the TPC River Highlands practice facility. He supports Wounded Warriors and the Travelers Championship charity in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., where he and his team line up at the finish line to cheer on the runners.

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**THE VTGCSA CONTINUES WIN STREAK AT THE NOR'EASTER CUP! NOR'EASTER SKI DAY RECAP AT KILLINGTON**

For the third time in a row, the host team from Vermont won the Nor'easter Cup at Killington Ski Resort in Killington, VT! After a rough winter in 2016 that saw the event postponed due to no snow, Vermont wasted no time in defending their title in excellent skiing conditions!

Nine golf course superintendent associations from the Northeast competed at the annual event on February 16th, where more than 100 superintendents and industry representatives, along with their families came together for a day of camaraderie, great skiing and friendly competition on the slopes of Vermont. The staff at Killington Mountain's Racing School was so impressed with the skill level of the golf experts, so they set up an even more challenging course this year on their black diamond "Highline" race trail, just a few hundred feet away from where the women's World Cup event was held in November!

While several association have clearly been practicing over the winter and putting the pressure on the host team, Vermont's group, led by the fastest male of the mountain James Writer, defeated archrival Northeastern by 9 seconds! The flat-landers from NJ were an impressive 3rd place placing 2 of their racers in the top 6 overall! Conditions were just perfect this year with several Nor'easters dropping powder leading up to the February event. Race conditions were described as firm and fast for the 2-run giant slalom race! Each team totaled their fastest four racers and prizes were given out to the fastest overall male and female skiers and boarders! Vermont also successfully defended their title over the Northeastern group in the VT Cup, a rivalry that dates to 1993!

At 60 years old, the METGCSA's Jeff Scott placed 4th overall for individuals and helped his team to a fourth place finish as well!

Trophies and prizes were awarded to the "Kings and Queens" of the Mountain as follows:

- Fastest Male Skier:* James Writer from the VTGCSA 28.10
- Fastest Female Skier:* Claire Whitaker from the NEGCSA 34.87
- Fastest Male Snowboarder:* Mark Finch from the VTGCSA 36.69
- Fastest Female Snowboarder:* No racers

Team breakdown went as follows:

Team Scores (Fastest 4 individual times totaled)	Time
1st Vermont GCSA -- Winner of Nor'easter Cup and VT Cup	2:00:64
2nd Northeastern GCSA	2:09:93
3rd NJGCSA	2:18:68
4th METGCSA	2:22:45
5th GCSA of New England	2:24:55
6th Connecticut AGCS	2:26:38
7th RI GCSA	2:34:80
8th Cape Cod	2:51:55
9th Long Island GCSA	2:56:89

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David Ziter; Class B, Topstone Golf Course

## Congratulations!

Glenn Perry, CGCS on renewing his certification in May with GCSAA – GCSAA offers a professional certification program that enables golf course superintendents to be recognized for their high level of achievement in golf course management. The professional designation, Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS), is bestowed upon those who voluntarily meet the stringent requirements.

The CGCS designation is the most widely recognized in the golf industry and the highest level of recognition that can be achieved. Approximately 25% of GCSAA Class A members are certified golf course superintendents.

Todd Tetreault on accepting the position of Golf Course Superintendent at Great River Golf Course

Paul Wollenberg, Class C member, on his retirement from Westwoods Golf Course after 32+ years.

Bruce & Cheryl Morse on becoming grandparents for the 4th time! Welcome Asher Morel Morse, born on April 7th, 8 lbs & 7oz, 20" long

Erica and Ben Newfang, Assistant Golf Course Superintendent at Wethersfield Country Club on the birth of their 3rd daughter, McKinley Irene. She was born on April 18, weighed 6lbs 9oz and 18 inches tall.

Sarah and Mike Morawski Superintendent at Twin Hills Country Club, Ma on the birth of their daughter Finley Grace. She was born on May 30, 2017 weighed in at 7lbs 10 oz.

Bob Chalifour, CGCS in recognition of 50 years of membership with the RIGCSA.

Jim Bonini on accepting the position of Golf Course Superintendent at Westwoods Golf Course.

## Condolences

To Bill Goewey and family on the passing of his father William Goewey, Sr. on April 20, 2017 at the age of 61. Please visit his obituary at [birchesroyfuneralservices.com](http://birchesroyfuneralservices.com).



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The New England Regional Turfgrass Industry would like to express our sincere condolences on the passing of Danny Calise who for 12 years powered the New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Show Live Auction, with Manny Mihailides, teaching participants that the way into your pocket for a good cause is through your heart. Make them friends, make them laugh a bit, then make them pay and always do it with a smile was his method. We will miss his presence, but we will forever appreciate the opportunity we got to know him and enjoy him. Wherever Danny went, there always seemed to be a crowd made up of family and friends. His door was always open. So, if and when we get to the Pearly Gates, and if they are missing, we just might find out that Danny convinced God that the gates should be open to everyone and so he might as well let Danny auction them off! God-Speed to our friend....Danny Calise!

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Ward Weischet, SiteOne Landscaping  
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<b>July 26</b> Wednesday	<b>UMASS Turf Research Field Day</b> Joseph Troll Turf Research Center in South Deerfield, MA		
<b>August 1</b> Tuesday	<b>UCONN After Hours</b> Plant Science Research and Education Facility Storrs, CT		
<b>August 20</b> Sunday	<b>LAKE COMPOUNCE</b> CAGCS Family Day		
<b>September 25</b> Monday	<b>LAKE OF ISLES</b> CAGCS MEMBER/GUEST PRESENTING PARTNER		Jim Ritorto Host Superintendent
<b>October 10</b> Tuesday	<b>KENEY PARK GOLF COURSE</b> 2 Person Best Ball Superintendent/Assistant Tournament President's Cup & McLaughlin Trophy PRESENTING PARTNER		Gary DeVaux Host Superintendent
<b>October 11</b> Wednesday	<b>New England Team Championship</b> Cape Cod National Golf Club		GCSA of Cape Cod
<b>October 16</b> Monday	<b>Met Area Team Championship</b> Westchester Country Club		Metropolitan GCSA
<b>October 17</b> Tuesday	<b>THE COURSE AT YALE</b> CAGCS Class C Tournament		Matthew Golino Host Assistant Superintendent
<b>October 26</b> Thursday	<b>LITCHFIELD COUNTRY CLUB</b> 9-Hole Scramble ABCD CAGCS Annual Meeting PRESENTING PARTNER		Duncan McGowan Host Superintendent
<b>December 7</b> Thursday	<b>J. TIMOTHY'S TAVERNE</b> CAGCS Christmas Party PRESENTING PARTNER		
<b>January 9, 2018</b> Tuesday	<b>CAGCS January Seminar</b> Mystic Marriott		



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If the skiing and racing did not provide enough excitement for folks, then the Après Ski party at the Wobbly Barn proved a fine ending to a competitive day on the slopes. Support from our generous sponsors helped the folks at Killington provide great food and an open bar for a few hours after skiing. Proving this is the place to be during the winter, Killington provided highly discounted ski passes for the group and affordable pricing on lodging! Make sure to watch for dates for 2017 and join your associates for a great day on the slopes during the off-season!!

For the die-hard skiers, it was just announced that Killington will once again host the Women's World Cup for the next two winters over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend after an excellent event in 2016!

As in years past, this event also serves as fundraising opportunity to help support our industry members in times of need. Over the past several years, proceeds from the Nor'easter Ski Day have helped with donations to fellow superintendents in times of need, from medical issues to times of natural disasters. The event has raised thousands of dollars so far and this year we are pleased to have increased that number by over \$1,000 again in 2017. If you want to send us a message recommending someone in need, please do so to any of the board members, otherwise we'll start a savings account for future needs.

We are all fortunate to be associated with such great folks and we encourage all of you to join us next year as we continue to use the event to help our own. Thanks to all that donated so generously and special thanks to Augie Young of Sipcam, Wes Bishop of Reliable Racing and Scott Watelet from

Northern Ski Works who generously donated to our raffle!

Special thanks to Chris Cowan who took some great photographs at the event. Photos of the race day can be viewed at: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/115122615@N07/albums/72157679762673642>

The Nor'easter Ski Day was made great because of the overwhelming support of its sponsors! We would like to thank the following companies for their help in making this event a huge success.

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