



2008/2009 Season

# Ausblick Newsletter

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web site: [www.ausblick.org](http://www.ausblick.org)

President's Corner – Rick Ludwig 262-786-1240

Thanks to the cold weather in early December, Dennis and his snow-making crew worked their magic and made enough snow to open on December 10th. Because we will not open a run until we have at least 2 feet of base, we were still in great shape after the subsequent rain. We continue to make snow when the weather is favorable and have improved the base and conditions on all our runs, including Devil's Delight. Our members will be able to enjoy excellent snow conditions for the rest of the season. The experience and knowledge that Dennis, his snow-making crew and his grooming crew have is why Ausblick always has the best snow of any ski hill in the Midwest. Please thank them for their great contribution to our Club.

Please check out our new web site at [www.ausblick.org](http://www.ausblick.org). It is very user friendly and contains updated information for Ausblick. On the home page you will find a message from Dennis that he updates daily.

February is always a fun and exciting month at Ausblick. Two events that you don't want to miss are the Valentine's Party on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and the Ski Patrol Carnival. The Ski Patrol Carnival on Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> is the major fund-raiser for our Ski Patrol, which helps them purchase the equipment they need to handle all the injuries on our hill. If you or anyone in your family has needed the services of our Ski Patrol, you know about the high level of service and professional care they provide for our injured members. Therefore, come to the Ski Patrol Carnival for a fun-filled day and to support your Ausblick Ski Patrol. I also encourage you to sign up and come to the Ladies and Men's days. Check the calendar on the web site or in your directory for the actual dates.

**Just a reminder that children under 12 must be accompanied by a member sixteen or older, who will be responsible for them. This policy is stated in your directory.**

**I strongly encourage all parents to talk to their children about proper behavior on the hill and in our Chalet. Some of the things we see children doing are just not safe and others impact the enjoyment of the Chalet by other members. For their safety and the safety and benefit of all our members, parents please, please watch your children.**

In closing, I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the 2008 – 2009 ski season. Even when there is no snow left in your yard, we will have the best spring skiing conditions of any ski hill in the area, so keep coming to Ausblick.

## LOST and FOUND procedure:

If you lose something at the hill, make sure to **notify the front desk staff immediately**. Give them your name, number and description of the lost item(s). Stop by the front desk periodically to see if your item has been turned in to the lost & found closet. And the same applies if you happen to find a lost article of clothing that isn't yours; please return immediately to the front desk so the rightful owner can be found! (It's a great idea to **label your belongings**...a silver sharpie works great on most ski clothing!)



Race Team—Dom Misasi

The first WJR race was held at Ausblick on January 3. More than 300 athletes participated in a very successful event. Ausblick Ski Team is currently in first place leading HH by 25 points for the season championship. Check the team's website, [www.ausblickskiraceteam.com](http://www.ausblickskiraceteam.com) for photos and detailed results.

Six Ausblick athletes were invited to the Topolino qualifiers in Winter Park. Two were originally named and four more earned positions based on their results. All six did a great job, congratulations to: Ian Beal (3<sup>rd</sup>), Anthony Wong (9<sup>th</sup>), William Blommer (12<sup>th</sup>), Andy Colombe (13<sup>th</sup>), Erica Engstrand (6<sup>th</sup>), Ellie Sato (9<sup>th</sup>).

you would like to give ski racing a try we will be opening practice on January, 20, 22, 27, 29 to any budding athlete with a birth date of 2000 or later. The practice will be during the team's normal Tuesday/Thursday practices. Register for one or all four dates. There is no cost to Ausblick members. The athletes will work with one of the teams WJR coaches and will be "running gates". Contact Dom Misasi, [dmisasi@ausblickski.raceteam.com](mailto:dmisasi@ausblickski.raceteam.com), Bob Johnson, [bjohnson@ausblickski.raceteam.com](mailto:bjohnson@ausblickski.raceteam.com) or see the team's website for more information.

## Ausblick Social Events of 2009

Ausblick has some **GREAT events** going on this season! **Don't miss out...**be sure to **register in advance** for the **Men's Ski Days, Ladies Ski Days and the "always a blast" adult Valentine's Party!!** These events couldn't take place without the help of some really super **volunteers**. If you'd like to assist with any event, be sure to contact **Julie Lawrence at #262-538-4997**.

*The ski season sure does fly by...don't miss out on the FUN!*



What a Great Ski season we are having!!

The Ausblick ski patrol is 44 members strong with 3 new candidates: Rich Brooks, Eric Turmuhlein and Phil Laning. If you see them training on the hill—offer a few words of encouragement. They will be taking an On-hill ski proficiency test the middle of February. Good Luck Gentlemen.

Please mark your calendars for February 22, 2009. We will be holding our annual Ski Patrol carnival. This years theme is "Tropical Skiing". Come wearing your favorite Island outfit (Grass skirts, Sarongs, Flip flops...) Dennis and his crew will be giving groomer rides in our new Piston Bully, for a donation. Food, fun, scavenger hunt, obstacle course and games for the whole family.

We are accepting donations for the raffle—we are a non-profit organization J. Please drop them off at the patrol room at your earliest convenience.

Raffle tickets are also on sale—Ask any patroller. See you on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.

Connie Cummings  
Patrol Representative.