



Age 50+ Connecticut Senior Winter Games 2017

Presented by the Connecticut Ski Council and Ski Sundown

If you are turning 50 in the 2017 Calendar Year you are eligible to compete in the
50+ Connecticut Senior Winter Games

Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 (rain date Wednesday Feb.15, 2017)

Location: Ski Sundown, 126 Ratlum Rd, New Hartford, CT

Events: Downhill, Giant Slalom, & Snow Shoe Race – fun event of a speed trap (radar gun)- how fast can you go?

Pre-registration Deadline: Thursday 2/09/17

Register online at www.skisundown.com (click on “buy online,” then click on “Special Events”)

Note: If you register online, you will need to complete a waiver at check-in

OR

Mail your application (must be postmarked by 2/09/17) to:

Ski Sundown, 50+ Winter Games, P.O. Box 208, New Hartford, CT 06057

If you are pre-registered and cannot attend the event, only the Event Fee is refundable. Lunch fee(s) paid are non-refundable.

Directions to Ski Sundown:

Greater Hartford Area: Rt. 44W to Rt. 219 in New Hartford. Turn right on Rt. 219N. Go 1.5 miles, turn right on Ratlum Rd. Sundown is .5 miles on right.

Driving Time: 25 minutes from bottom of Avon Mt.

Alternate: (East of Hartford): I-84W to Exit 39 (Rt. 4 W), to Rt. 10 N , right on Rt. 10N for about 5 miles. Left on Rt. 44 W to Rt. 219 in New Hartford. Right on Rt 219N for 1.5 miles to Ratlum Rd. Right on Ratlum Rd. Sundown is .5 miles on the right. **(West of Hartford):** I-84E to Exit 39 (Rt. 4W), to Rt. 10N , right on Rt. 10N for about 5 miles. Left on Rt. 44W to Rt. 219 in New Hartford. Right on Rt. 219N for 1.5 miles to Ratlum Rd. Right on Ratlum Rd. Sundown is .5 miles on the right.

Event Schedule:

(Times subject to change based on number of participants)

8:00 – 9:00 am	Event Registration & Ski Bib Pick-up
8:30	Opening Ceremonies
8:45	Lifts open
8:45 – 9:30	Downhill Course Inspection
9:30	Downhill Event Start (speed trap during downhill)
11:00	Giant Slalom Start, Snowboard follows (start after DH end)
12:00	Snowshoe Race Start (start after GS end)
1:30 – 2:30	Lunch
2:00	Awards Ceremony

Downhill

Course Inspection 8:45 to 9:30 a.m.

Race Start Time: 9:30 a.m. Run Order will be by bib number.

Pre-registration entry determines the order in age bracket. Bib number will be pre-assigned. The bib number assigned will be used for the whole day. Oldest age runs first, women and men; then the next younger age bracket, women and men and so on. All racers registering on race day run at the end on a first come basis.

Course: Start top of Canyon down Canyon all the way to the finish on Exhibition by Chair #1.

Rules: All control gates must be completed, one single run time. If a racer falls, he/she can only complete the course if both skis stay on. **Helmets are required.** Fastest time wins.

Giant Slalom (please note: only the GS will qualify as a NASTAR event)

Race Start Time: 11:00 Run Order will be by bib number.

Course: Start mid-station racing hut on Gunbarrel. Terrain and length of course is similar to NASTAR course. The race will be the best run of two runs on the course.

Rules: All gates must be completed. If a ski falls off a racer can complete the course at most two gates from the finish. Racer has to have one ski on to cross the finish. Fastest single run wins.

Snowshoe

Race Start Time: 12:00 Run Order on first come first serve basis.

Course: Two people run at one time. Course 100 feet down and 100 feet back, flat terrain, one run.

Rules: Snowshoes will be provided. Fastest time wins.

Speed Trap

A radar gun/speed trap will be set up on the side of the Downhill, so when the downhill race is run, your speed will be clocked by radar. For bragging rights only – no medals!

Lunch (if not pre-registered, only a limited number of lunch tickets will be available)

Time: 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. (tickets handed out at registration for lunch)

Menu: Chicken, stuffing, cranberry sauce, salad, rice pilaf or potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls with butter, and cake/cookies.

Coffee, soda, bottled water. Bar will be open if needed.

Awards Ceremony

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Awards: Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded in each age bracket per each event.

Application

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Ski Sundown, 126 Ratlum Rd., New Hartford, CT Tuesday, February 14, 2017
8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. – Registration

**Age Classifications apply to both Male and Female Participants:
50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90+**

Last Name:	First:
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Address:	City:	State:	Zip
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Phone #:	Age on 12/31/17:	Date of Birth:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ski <input type="checkbox"/> Snowboard
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<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> Female:	Email: (print so that we may read it)
NASTAR number (if known)	#	

Please check the Events you are participating in:

Downhill Giant Slalom Snowshoe

\$31 Event fee for any and all events (includes lift and/or area usage ticket)

\$26 Event fee for any and all events (for Ski Sundown Season Passholders)

\$25 Lunch

\$25 Please check this box and include an **additional \$25** if you will be bringing a non-participating guest for Lunch

\$	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED
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Please make check payable to Ski Sundown, Inc., and mail this application (WITH SIGNED WAIVER BELOW) to:

ATTN: 50+ Winter Games, Ski Sundown, P.O. Box 208, New Hartford, CT 06057

REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN 2/9/17. IF YOU PRE-REGISTER AND ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE EVENT, ONLY THE EVENT FEE IS REFUNDABLE. LUNCH FEE(S) PAID ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

Registrations will be accepted on the day of the event:

\$41 Event fee for any and all events (includes lift and/or area usage ticket)

\$36 Event fee for any and all events (for Ski Sundown Season Passholders)

\$30 Lunch (if available)

Release and Waiver of Claims
(CONT'D ON REVERSE SIDE)

SKI SUNDOWN, INC.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, EQUIPMENT RENTAL, AND ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Skiing and snowboarding involve risk of serious injury, including death, caused by hazards inherent in the sport of skiing. Participation in the sport of skiing, no matter what type equipment you are using or the event or program that you have chosen to participate in, is a voluntary act on the part of the Participant and where applicable the Participant's parent(s) or guardian(s).

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S): Only allow your child to participate in the sport of skiing if he/she:

- Appreciates the risks involved in the sport;
- Knows his/her own capabilities and limitations regarding the sport of skiing;
- Is capable of exercising common sense.

The use of helmets is strongly recommended. If you and/or your child decide not to use a helmet, you do so at your own risk.

Release and Waiver of Claims: In consideration of being allowed to participate in the sport of skiing at Ski Sundown, Inc. (the "Facility"), the Participant, and the Participant's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) if the Participant is a minor, do hereby agree, to the fullest extent permitted by law, as follows:

- 1) **TO WAIVE ALL CLAIMS** that they have or may have against the Facility arising out of the inherent risks of the sport of skiing;
- 2) **TO ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT IN THE SPORT OF SKIING;** and
- 3) **TO RELEASE** Ski Sundown, Inc., the facility, its owners, affiliates, officers, directors, employees, agents, and shareholders, and all manufacturers and distributors of equipment from all liability for any loss, damage, injury, or expense that the Participant (or his/her next of kin) may suffer, arising out of the inherent risks of participation in the sport of skiing.

The Participant acknowledges and agrees that the inherent hazards and risks of participating in the sport of skiing are in addition to those referenced in *Connecticut General Statutes § 29-212*. The Participant also acknowledges that this agreement does not, in any way, change the rights or obligations of the Facility or the Participant, as set forth in *Connecticut General Statutes § 29-211, et. seq.*, other than as set forth in this agreement.

Acknowledgement of Equipment Instructions: I will not use any equipment until I have received instructions on its use and I fully understand its use and function. I agree to verify the visual indicator settings to be recorded on any rental forms agree with the number appearing in the visual indicator windows of any equipment listed on the form.

Equipment Rental and Release from Liability and Waiver of Claims: I accept for use the equipment rented to me by Ski Sundown, Inc. (the "Equipment") and accept full responsibility for its care while it is in my possession. I will be responsible for the replacement, at full retail value, of any Equipment which is not returned, and I will be responsible for the costs of repairing any damage to the Equipment, other than normal wear and tear.

SKI EQUIPMENT: I understand that the ski-boot bindings system which I have rented will not release at all times nor under all circumstances, nor is it possible to predict every situation in which it will release. I understand that the ski-boot bindings system is, therefore, no guarantee of my safety. I have accurately represented to Ski Sundown, Inc. my height, weight, age, and skiing ability, recognizing that some or all of these factors may affect the settings of the ski-boot bindings system.

SNOWBOARD EQUIPMENT: I understand that the snowboard bindings system, which I have rented, is a non-release system. I understand that the snowboard bindings system is no guarantee of my safety.

I hereby agree to the fullest extent permitted by law, as follows:

- 1) **TO WAIVE ALL CLAIMS** that I have or may have against Ski Sundown, Inc. and all manufacturers and distributors of the Equipment, caused by the use of the Equipment and/or the inherent risks of the sport of skiing, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 29-211, *et seq.*;
- 2) **TO ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT IN SKIING;**
- 3) **TO RELEASE** Ski Sundown, Inc. and all manufacturers and distributors of the Equipment, from all liability for any loss, damage, injury, or expense I (or my next of kin) may suffer, caused by the use of the Equipment and/or the inherent risks of the sport of skiing.
- 4) **TO INDEMNIFY** and hold harmless Ski Sundown, Inc. and the manufacturers and distributors of the Equipment for any loss or damage including any that results from claims or lawsuits for personal injury, death, or property loss and damage arising from my use of the Equipment.
- 5) **I FURTHER AGREE** to submit all claims against the manufacturers or distributors of the rental Equipment used by me at Ski Sundown, Inc. to arbitration.

Arbitration: The Participant or his/her Parent(s) or Guardian(s) hereby agree(s) to submit any dispute arising from participation in the sport of skiing to arbitration, for the sole purpose of determining whether the alleged injury arises from a hazard inherent in the sport of skiing. For such disputes, there shall be a three-member arbitration panel, consisting of two party-appointed arbitrators (one arbitrator to be appointed by each party) and one neutral arbitrator (collectively, the "Panel"), to be chosen by the party-appointed arbitrators. The neutral arbitrator shall be a current officer of a ski area located in Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine or Massachusetts. In the event that the two party-appointed arbitrators are not able to agree on a third, neutral arbitrator, the neutral arbitrator shall be appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction based on the criteria specified above. Each party shall pay its own costs, including the costs associated with the party-appointed arbitrators, and the parties shall share equally the costs associated with the neutral arbitrator. The arbitration proceeding shall proceed in West Hartford, Connecticut and shall be governed by the Federal Rules of Evidence. The Panel shall establish a reasonable and appropriate discovery schedule to expeditiously resolve this matter.

In the event that the Panel determines Participant's alleged injury arises from a hazard inherent in the Participant's participation in the sport of skiing, Participant's claim shall be deemed barred, as a matter of law, and the Participant shall be barred from recovering any compensation from Ski Sundown, Inc.

In the event that the Panel determines that Participant's alleged injury did not arise from a hazard inherent in the sport of skiing, the Panel must next determine whether Ski Sundown, Inc. was negligent and if so, whether Ski Sundown, Inc.'s negligence was a proximate cause of Participant's injury. If the Panel determines that either Ski Sundown, Inc. was not negligent or that any negligence on its part was not a proximate cause of the Participant's injury, then the Panel must enter an award of no responsibility for Ski Sundown, Inc. & Participant shall be barred, as a matter of law, from any recovering any compensation from Ski Sundown, Inc.

However, if the Panel finds that negligence on the part of Ski Sundown, Inc. was a proximate cause of Participant's injury, the Panel must then determine whether Participant was negligent and whether Participant's negligence contributed to his/her injury. The Panel shall assign a percentage of negligence for both Ski Sundown, Inc. and Participant, which must equal 100%. If the Participant's allocation of negligence exceeds 50%, Participant's claim shall be deemed barred, as a matter of law, and the Participant shall be barred from recovering any compensation from Ski Sundown, Inc.

However, if Participant's allocation is less than 50%, then the Panel shall determine dollar amount for any damages that have been proven that will fairly compensate the Participant for his/her injury. The Panel shall then multiply the dollar amount of any such damages by the percentage of negligence found on the part of Ski Sundown, Inc. The resulting number shall be the Panel's compensation award for Participant's injury.

The Federal Rules of Evidence shall apply to the arbitration proceeding unless the parties otherwise agree.

Acknowledgement: I grant permission to Ski Sundown to use my photograph, video tape, motion picture recording or any other record of my use of its facilities for legitimate purposes.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I MAY BE WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE.

Parents or Guardians must also sign if the Participant is UNDER 18.

Participant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Participant's Printed Name: _____

Witness Signature: _____ Printed Witness Name: _____