



EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GOING TO STOWE

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1. REGISTRATION

Great Room in Spruce Camp (upstairs), Sunday 6pm-8pm; Monday 7:30am-10am and 6pm-7pm

Come to registration on Sunday Night to pick up your lanyard and lift tickets. Sign up for the Race, Kids Camp, and more.

Free giveaways! Limited supply.

2. THE RACE

Pick up your race bibs at Spruce Camp, Tue. morning beginning at 7:30am.

Race Clinic Competition Hill, Tue. 9:30am – 10:15am Gold Medal Olympian Donna Weinbrecht will be giving tips to all racers who take part in the clinic.

The Race Competition Hill, Tue. 11:00am - 12:30pm

Not racing? Please watch and cheer on your FCS colleagues and family.

3. DINING

Breakfast, Spruce Camp, Mon. & Tue. 7:30am – 9:30am

Show your RFK Lanyard to the cashier, and breakfast is on the FCS!

If you have an EPIC pass, please show it to the cashier; it will save the FCS 20% on your breakfast. (More money for the charities.)

Note: This year, Spruce Camp is offering a limited menu for breakfast: only bagel sandwiches (egg, cheese, bacon, sausage), muffins, churro donuts, cinnamon rolls, whole fruit and cereal cups.

GROUP MEALS

Sunday Welcome Reception, 6pm-8pm

FCS provides a light dinner in Spruce Camp, featuring beef and veggie chili, 3 types of quesadillas, 3 types of sandwiches. **Two drink tickets** per adult for beer & wine. Soft drinks are free. Full cash bar available (*Technically it's cashless; cash for tips always appreciated!*)

Monday Dinner, 6:30pm-9:30pm

FCS provides a buffet dinner in the Spruce Camp Great Room, featuring roast pork and cod in lobster sauce entrees, salad, veggies/potatoes, potato leek soup, mac&cheese, cookies, brownies and a Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Cart (sponsored by Reuters). Two drink tickets per adult for beer & wine. Full cash bar available. (Technically it's cashless; cash for tips always appreciated!)

Tuesday Awards Reception, 5:30pm-7pm

FCS provides light food: mac&cheese station with toppings (short rib, grilled chicken) and more! **Open bar**.





After Parties

Midway Lodge - Monday (9:30pm-12:30am); **open bar until 10:30pm**, full cash bar afterwards. Sliders and chicken/waffle bites. (*Cashless transactions only.*)

Casino Night at the Lodge - Tuesday (9:00pm-12:00am); **open bar until 10pm**, full cash bar afterwards. (Cashless transactions only.)

MEALS ON YOUR OWN

Lunches are up to the individual. At the resort, Alpine Hall and Whistle Pig are open for lunch. An après ski menu is available in the Tipsy Trout beginning at 3pm. The Upper Lobby Specialty Bar offers snacks beginning at 3pm.

There's no group dinner on Tuesday night. We suggest you book well in advance for the Lodge's restaurants, Alpine Hall and The Tipsy Trout. Otherwise, there are a number of great restaurants 15-25 minutes away from the Resort in/around the town of Stowe, some of which have donated gift certificates that will be raffled off at Monday's dinner event.

No group meals (or events) on Wednesday.

4. ACTIVITIES ON THE SLOPES

Lift Tickets/Epic Pass

If you signed up to ski/snowboard, you'll receive a 2-day lift ticket at Registration. If you wish to ski a 3rd day, we can provide you with a voucher that entitles you to purchase an additional day at a discounted rate. If you know in advance you would like to ski an additional day, we can email the voucher to you before your arrival. All additional tickets can be purchased directly and in-person at the ticket office in the Spruce Camp. Vouchers can be emailed in advance for your convenience, but we will also have the information at registration as well. If you plan to arrive in Stowe early and wish to purchase a discounted ticket for Sunday, we will need to know in advance so we can email the voucher you will need to present at the ticket window before your arrival.

If you have an Epic pass, please be sure to bring it to Stowe with you!

Kids Adventure

Act fast if you plan to register your child for ski school! If you wish to sign up for Kids Adventure (ski/snowboard lessons for various levels), parents/guardians should register online through www.stowe.com (see the "Lessons/About Ski and Ride School " section). Reservations will need to be made by calling Stowe directly at (802) 253-3685.

- Please register <u>well in advance</u> as enrollment is limited and typically sells out. DO NOT WAIT TO ARRIVE IN STOWE TO MAKE YOUR ARRANGEMENTS.
- Guests are responsible for purchasing all Adventure Center lessons directly through Stowe. Once you sign your child/children up for a program, the Adventure Center will give you instructions on how to proceed and where to go the day of your lesson. There will not be a representative from





the Adventure Center at the FCS Registration, which is another important reason to book early and guarantee your spot for lessons.

RENTALS

If you're looking to rent any equipment, stop by Pinnacle Ski & Sports (1652 Mountain Road, Stowe) before you get to the Lodge. Mention FCS Race for Kids and get 20% off!

5. ACTIVITIES OFF THE SLOPES

Cross-Country Skiing (Subject to snow conditions!)

The <u>Cross-Country Center</u> is just 10 minutes from the Lodge. You can rent equipment and pay for a permit for their trails.

Snowshoeing (Subject to snow conditions!)

You can also snowshoe at the <u>Cross-Country Center</u>. Or rent shoes at the Lodge and hike on your own for free on the Resort property (e.g., across the golf course or up Mountain Round towards Smugglers Notch). You can also pay for a guided tour (with hot cocoa!). Reservations can be made through the Lodge by calling 802.760.4061. We recommend you do so in advance!

Ice Skating

The outdoor skating rink is open and free. Skates are available to rent. Hours are Sunday 12:00pm-6:00pm; Monday & Tuesday 12:00pm-9:00pm (weather dependent).

Sledding (Subject to snow conditions!)

There's a **great hill for sledding/tubing** behind the Stowe Elementary School (254 Park St.). Bring your own or buy plastic sleds at Shaw's General Store on Main Street.

Fitness Center

Hours of Operation: 5:00am - 10:00pm

Plenty of workout equipment is available for free in the fitness center overlooking the outdoor pool.

Outdoor Pool

The pool is heated and there are two outdoor hot tubs.

Spa

Hours of Operation: Spa/Salon 8:00am - 7:00pm Daily

Reservations are strongly recommended. Call 802.760.4782.

Kids Camp

The FCS partners with Apple Tree Learning Centers to provide two FREE fun and stimulating evenings of Kids Camp on January 8 & 9 for children 5-12 years old. Camp will run from 8pm-11pm on Monday and





7pm-11pm on Tuesday. Campers will have opportunities to participate in a themed activity each night, as well as enjoy a variety of fun games and crafts. Sign up for free at Registration Sunday night.

Babysitting

You must book in advance! Call Apple Tree Learning Centers 802-253-4321. Note: Apple Tree runs our on-premises Kids Camps, and recruits babysitters on a demand basis.

• The price per baby-sitter will be \$30.00 – \$35.00 per hour depending on the number of children.

6. FIRESIDE FORUMS

Business guests are encouraged to attend our 3 Forums, to enjoy research presentations, panel discussions, one-on-one interviews and more.

- Sunday 8pm-10pm in the Spruce Camp Great Room (sponsored by Arizent/Financial Planning)
 featuring Arizent's "2024 Predictions: Advancing the Advisor and Client Experience" and a panel
 discussion with clientside marketers.
- Mon 3:00pm-5:30pm in Tamarack A Room (*sponsored by The Wall Street Journal | Barron's Group*) featuring 1x1 interviews and panel discussions with clientside marketers.
- Tue 3:00pm-5:30pm in Tamarack A Room (*sponsored by Bloomberg Media*) will focus on 3 topics: "The Importance and Drivers of Trust in Financial Services Marketing"; "The Wealth Blueprint"; and "Business of Al x Finance."

Each Forum includes an Open Bar.

7. RAFFLES & AUCTIONS

Raffles, Silent Auction and Live Auction will be staged at the Monday night dinner.

IF YOU ARE DONATING A PRIZE, PLEASE ADVISE Kevin Windorf, kevin@thefcs.org, 908-858-0427 BEFORE THE EVENT.

Some of the big ticket prizes this year will include sports tickets (Rangers, Knicks, Islanders), rounds of golf, electronics, jewelry, and baskets galore!

The Live Auction will feature our annual winter and summer vacation packages donated by Stowe Mountain Resort.

Our recommendation: come ready to spend! (And help us raise money.)

You don't need to be present to win... if you put your name on your tickets. Hint: Bring address labels from home so you don't have to spend the night filling out your tickets!

1 ticket for \$10... up to 20 tickets for \$100

8. AFTER PARTIES

Monday night, 9:30pm-12:30am

We'll be going just across the road to the Midway Bar & Pizza. We've rented two buses to shuttle guests (no kids please) to/from Midway and the Lodge. It's a 3-minute ride.

• From 9pm – 1am, the bus will leave "Hourglass Circle" at the South Wing of the Lodge, near the Performing Arts Center, drop off at Midway, and continue the loop all night long.





Live Band "A House On Fire" will be playing all your favorite dance hits.

There will be a Fastbreak Billiards Tournament and an Air Hockey Tournament. \$5 donation to enter either game, winner gets a \$100 Amazon gift card. Play as often as you'd like. The FCS is buying the drinks until 10:30pm. Full cash bar and light snacks will be available.

Tuesday night, 9:00pm-12:00 midnight

We're adding a Casino Night to our traditional Last Night Extravaganza. Come play blackjack, craps, roulette and Texas Hold 'Em – turn your winnings into raffle tickets to win 3 big prizes. (Winner need not be present.)

DJ Nick from 802Events will be playing your favorite dance hits. There will be a fun photobooth. Open bar until 10pm. Full cash bar will be available.

9. CHARITIES

At Monday night's Dinner, we'll hear from folks representing our three charities:

- Make A Wish Vermont
- Hope & Heroes Columbia Medical Center
- Downey Side (adoptive family, the Gagliano family).

We ask that you give our young speakers your full attention and respect.

Note: raffle tickets will not be sold during their presentations, so buy early (and often).

10. GENERAL RULE/REQUEST

Please wear your RFK lanyard at all times.

11. SPONSORSHIPS STILL AVAILABLE

If you have some extra budget, the FCS would graciously welcome donations of **any size** to help us offset some of our uncovered costs, including:

 Sunday Welcome Reception 	 Monday Group Dinner
Monday Live Band	 Monday Shuttle Bus
Race Clinic	 Race Results
Tuesday Awards Ceremony	Tuesday Casino Night
Tuesday DJ	 Tuesday Photobooth

Please contact Kevin Windorf or Tim Hart if you can help. Every dollar the FCS does not spend goes into our donation shared by the 3 charities. *Thank you for your support!*