



Photo: Brian Wilcox



Autumn 2020



Photo: Caroline Gilbert

*"I love coming to practice and seeing the hills ready for jumping and seeing my friends. I also really like travelling around to the meets and especially like visiting Lake Placid. The other jumpers and coaches are really nice too."* Merrick Bannerman, age 11, Norfolk

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Dear Friends of Salisbury Winter Sports,

As we approach our 95<sup>th</sup> year of ski jumping in Salisbury, we look forward to having you join us this winter.

Skiers as young as 6 years old will be able to attend our Holiday Camp in December to learn the joys of jumping off the smallest 20 meter jump, then perhaps take on the 30 meter jump or larger. Weekly practices will follow Holiday Camp and jumpers will be able to attend events throughout New England until the spring. Parents speak of how these accomplishments create confidence and fun for the youngsters, and how grateful to SWSA they are for providing outdoor programs.

In February, we celebrate Jumpfest weekend with jumpers competing off the smaller hills, leading up to the exhilarating sight of watching young athletes from New York and New England fly off the 70 meter jump, perhaps breaking the hill record. From that event the Eastern Junior National team is named. This year's team will be competing in March, 2021 in Steamboat Springs, CO.

Jumpfest weekend is a **community** event, with legions of volunteers pitching in to help. As well, we are dependent on the **community** for financial support.

We hope you will provide a tax-deductible donation to this truly unique organization. Donors and their families are considered members of SWSA. Please join us at Satre Hill this winter.

Sincerely,

Kenneth S. Barker

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**Salisbury IS Jumping!**

Upcoming events: Ski and Skate Swap/Sale, Dec. 5, 2020.  
Holiday Jump Camp, Jan. 1-2, 2021. Salisbury Ski Jumps Feb. 12-14, 2021.

Details at [www.jumpfest.org](http://www.jumpfest.org)

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## What is SWSA?

Celebrating our 95<sup>th</sup> season in 2021, Salisbury Winter Sports Association was founded after Norwegian immigrant John Satre jumped off a local barn roof to demonstrate the beloved sport of his native country. SWSA has been supporting jumping, cross-country skiing, and Alpine skiing ever since.

Our jumping venue, Satre Hill, consists of 20, 30, and 70 meter hills. Our 70 meter jump is the 4<sup>th</sup> longest in the Northeast, and is a critical stepping stone to international and Olympic competitions.

In recent years, SWSA rebuilt the 70 meter hill entirely, allowing us to host the US Junior Nationals in Ski Jumping and Nordic Combined in 2011 and 2016. We have increased snow-making and grooming capabilities, **and are upgrading our smaller hills to permit year-round competition and training.** We continue to offer financial support to our jumpers and to area children so they can participate in school ski programs.

## Funding

SWSA relies on financial support from annual donations, ticket sales, fundraising events, and advertising revenue. We are grateful to the community for its unwavering support for so many years.

## Every Donation Matters

\$25	Gas for trips to Lake Placid and other venues
\$50	Snow rake
\$75	School ski program scholarship
\$100	Individual entry fees for New England Jump Season
\$250	Jump suit
\$500	Jump skis and bindings
\$1,500	Sponsorship for a SWSA jumper to Junior Nationals
\$2,500	Material costs for wood replacement on 70 meter
\$4,000-\$6,500	Recurring annual expense for area elementary school students to receive ski instruction at Mohawk and Catamount. Due to the increased number of students whose families have moved to the area, this projection may be increased.
\$5,000	Annual maintenance for Pistenbully snow groomer
\$10,000	Annual insurances
\$10,000	Seasonal coach
✓\$3,000	New grills and kitchen equipment for the Cook Shack
✓\$5,000	Electrical upgrades for snowmaking
✓\$7,500	Used snowmaking tower gun
✓\$10,000	20 meter rebuilding (in-run, steel tracks, new deck, earthworks)
✓completed, thanks to the 2019-20 annual appeal	

## Future Projects

\$12,000	Hosting the 2022 Junior Nationals in Salisbury
\$100,000	Replacement of 30 meter hill/tower

Thank You