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We have an exciting season coming up! SWSA jumpers have trained in Lake Placid and Utah this summer, and we can't wait for snow. As coach, I help the jumpers set and meet goals, build confidence, and learn to fly in a safe and fun environment." Ariel Picton

Dear Friend of Salisbury Winter Sports,

Coach Ariel has done a fantastic job encouraging SWSA's junior jumpers. They trained hard this summer, and we are so proud that Seth Gardner successfully jumped the 90m hill at Park City in July!

Our training programs are bearing fruit, and we continue to upgrade our facilities. This fall, we will complete an overhaul of the 20m and 30m landing hills that will improve safety and sharply reduce the need for snowmaking. We will also adapt the 70m inrun so it also requires far less snow than in the past, reducing our energy costs and the amount of hill preparation required.

In our 92nd year, SWSA continues to provide financial support to students at area grammar schools so every child can afford to learn to ski and to enjoy the outdoors. We also provide jumping skis, boots, and suits for our juniors in addition to Coach Ariel's training.

Please help by making a tax-deductible donation to this unique organization. Donors and their families are considered members of SWSA, providing access to our facilities and a voice at meetings. We are very grateful for the community's support, and hope to see everyone at Satre Hill this winter!

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Sincerely,

Kenneth S. Barker

Salisbury IS Jumping!

Upcoming events: Ski Swap 'n Sale, December 2. Holiday Jump Camp, December 29-30. Jumpfest Winter Festival and Eastern National Ski Jumping Championships, February 9-11.

Details at www.jumpfest.org

What is SWSA?

Celebrating our 92nd season in 2018, Salisbury Winter Sports Association is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization governed by a 20-member Board of Directors. Satre Hill, SWSA's jumping venue, consists of 20, 30 and 70 meter hills. It is located in Salisbury, Connecticut, a picturesque New England village in the Southern Berkshire Hills. Our 70-meter jump is the fourth tallest in the Northeast.

In 1926, 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.

Two years ago, SWSA hosted the U.S. Junior Nationals in Ski Jumping and Nordic Combined for the second time. This is the premier national event for jumpers and skiers aged 20 and younger. It is a key steppingstone to international and Olympic competitions.

The SWSA Mission

The mission of the Salisbury Winter Sports Association is to acquaint our nearby communities, especially the children, with Nordic ski-jumping and cross-country and Alpine skiing, and to teach the skills necessary for their enjoyment and lifelong pursuit. As part of its mission, SWSA hosts and perpetuates the annual ski-jumping competition on Satre Hill to sustain ski-jumping in Salisbury and the Eastern United States.

Funding

Annual Support: For 92 years, SWSA has relied on financial support from the Jumpfest program, ticket sales, and annual donations. On behalf of the Directors and the community of jumpers (starting at age 6), we thank the community for support of this truly unique sport.

The Salisbury Ski Jumping Endowment Fund: Looking to the next 92 years, SWSA is building financial support for the future in the way of a bequest in one's will or trust, through an IRA, or other financial account. SWSA will be happy to have a conversation with you and your advisor. For further information please contact SWSA President, Kenneth Barker, at kennethsbarker@gmail.com, or call him at (860) 806-0471.

Such support will help ensure the continuation of the Holiday Jump Camp, the junior jumping team, scholarships for area middle school students to learn to ski, additional snowmaking and lighting, the upkeep on our facilities, and timely innovations so SWSA remains in the forefront of jumping for future generations.



A Salisbury Central student says thank you for supporting the area ski program.