



# MAY SNOWFAX



**Open Practice, Tuition Session  
and End-of-Season Meal:**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

## SNOWSPORTS EVENT CALENDAR 2022

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
15 May '22	Open Practice, Tuition Session & End-of-Season Meal	Snow Centre, Hemel Hempstead & The Mallard Harvester, Boxmoor
12 Jun '22	<i>Open Practice &amp; Tuition Session</i>	<i>Snow Centre, Hemel Hempstead</i>
17 Jul '22	<i>Open Practice &amp; Tuition Session</i>	<i>Snow Centre, Hemel Hempstead</i>
14 Aug '22	<i>Open Practice &amp; Tuition Session</i>	<i>Snow Centre, Hemel Hempstead</i>

**Note** that event details shown above *in italics* are always *provisional* and *subject to confirmation*.

A minimum of at least 6 people are needed to guarantee each above event will take place.

## Snowsports European practice trips

We will soon be considering possibilities for a trip or trips next year in January and/or March. We need a new way to initiate trips, especially following the disruptions and uncertainties caused by Covid-19. Are you interested in being part of an informal group of people who are interested in going on a Snowsports one-week trip next year? You don't need to be a Snowsports member to take part. Those in this group would help with discussions of possible trip venue options (by email or online) and consider and agree the dates that are most suitable for group members, and so agree the likely size of the party. You will also be in the first group of people to be considered for bookable places.

- If you would like to join this group, please get in touch now (at [events@clubsnowsports.org.uk](mailto:events@clubsnowsports.org.uk)).
- Remember, if no interest is expressed by you, don't be surprised if there are then no trips for you!

# MAY SNOWSPORTS EVENT (Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>)

## Venue 1: At The Slope

### **Hemel Hempstead Snow Centre, HP3 9NH (from 4pm to 6pm)**

Link to our Facebook page: <https://fb.me/e/1kyG1IED0> Please visit!

#### Open Practice Session:

You need to book and pay by 10 pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Tuition Sessions:

If you want to learn how to snowboard or have a skiing refresher, please get in touch now with Peter via email at [events@club-snowsports.org.uk](mailto:events@club-snowsports.org.uk), who will be able to advise which course would be best for you.

You need to book and pay by 10 pm Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May.

- ⊕ **For all Snowsports bookings**, please book online at:  
<https://www.club-snowsports.org.uk/booking/eventregistration.php>
- ⊕ **All event enquiries, bookings and payments must be made and completed by 10pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May**
- ⊕ On the day, meet up with us on the ground floor, near the main door **at the latest by 15:30 (3:30pm)**, unless advised otherwise for a tuition session. You need to let us know please if you cannot come (or are likely to be late) so we can make alternative arrangements for you. Please feel free to wear a face covering if you wish.

Your contact there will be Peter Stevens.

## Venue 2: At The Restaurant

### **Harvester "The Mallard", Boxmoor, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 9BQ (from 7pm)**

#### Start of-Season Meal:

There are seven places available at present; there might be some more, but this is not guaranteed. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, with initial preference for those also attending the slope. Places will not be confirmed until you have paid your deposit (see below), and could be reassigned if this is delayed.

- ⊕ **Please contact/email us to check availability of places before making any payments.**

If we can book you in, you will need to pay a £12 deposit to secure your place, which must be made ASAP and at the very latest by 10pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May. If you wish, you can pay the entire amount instead if you know what you will be ordering. Please make a note of your choice/s and also record this in the booking form 'Notes' box.

The recommended evening set menu - **2 courses £15.49; 3-courses £17.49** - can be viewed at:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/zrcf2ylo51539pu/EveningMenuMay.pdf?dl=0>

and of course comes with the unlimited Salad Bar. You can also choose from the standard menu at:

<https://www.harvester.co.uk/restaurants/eastofengland/themallardhemelhempstead/mainmenu>

Please state if you are booking a meal in the **Additional Group Notes** box on the [Online Booking Form](#) (see link in 'Venue 1' above) and state how much extra you are including for the meal. After entering all your details in the form, select your method of payment, click the check box at the bottom to confirm acceptance, enter a new total in the 'Group Total' box that includes your meal deposit/s and then immediately press the 'Submit' button at the bottom.

- ⊕ **All event enquiries, bookings and payments must be made and completed by 10pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May.**
- ⊕ On the night, meet at 18:50 for 19:00 (7 pm) in the car park on the right hand side, by the main entrance. Please wait nearby until we are invited inside to be seated as a group.
- ⊕ Note: please pay for your own drinks, etc. in person at the time, don't add them to the group 'tab'.

Your contact there will be John Rundell.

## Costs

### Open Practice 2 hours (ski or snowboard)

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| ● Snowsports adult member:    | <b>£34.50;</b> | Non-member adult guest:    | <b>£49.00</b> |
| ● Junior member (4-16 years): | <b>£31.00;</b> | Junior guest (4-16 years): | <b>£44.00</b> |

### Group Tuition Sessions (ski or snowboard)

timings might not align with the Open Practice session

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| ● Snowsports adult member (2hrs):             | <b>£50.50;</b> | Non-member adult guest (2hrs):  | <b>£72.00</b> |
| ● Snowsports junior member age 11-16 (1½hrs): | <b>£44.50;</b> | Junior guest age 11-16 (1½hrs): | <b>£63.00</b> |

Please check that your membership is still fully paid up, especially if you have used direct debit previously.  
Note that there is currently a high demand for junior tuition sessions, so places might not be available.

## Booking & Payment

**Please book online** on the Snowsports web page ([see link above](#)) or else [email us](#) with all your booking details, payment amount and method.

- Make your payment by online transfer (preferred method), or you could pay the "BBC Snowsports Club" using Bank Giro Credit (BGC) at your local bank (Lloyds is recommended, as no fee is payable here).
- Use the account number: 01604495 and bank sort code: 30-00-02.
- Please ensure you use **your name** as the payment **reference** for Online Transfers – **this is important!**
- For BGC transfers (only), please make your cheque payable to "BBC Snowsports Club".
- For bookings, advice or any enquiries, please [email us](#) at [events@clubsnowsports.org.uk](mailto:events@clubsnowsports.org.uk).

## SNOWSPORTS NEWS

### Relaunched London Ski & Snowboard Festival

This event, rescheduled from last year, will take place from Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at Battersea Evolution.  
Bookings are now open at: <https://londonskiandsnowboard.seetickets.com/tour/london-ski-snowboard-festival>

### First time at a Snowsports event?

Please see the additional [event information on our bookings page](#). To get to The Snow Centre, eg. by public transport, [please visit the Centre's webpage](#). Once you arrive, meet up with us on the ground floor, near the main door, at 15:30 (3:30pm). Peter Stevens will be waiting there to greet you, give you your lift pass and any other help if needed.

- ⊕ You must follow all guidance given by The Snow Centre staff and observe all signage at the Centre;
- ⊕ You MUST NOT attend if you are not feeling well or think you may have Covid-19 or some symptoms.;
- ⊕ We request that you to take a **Lateral Flow Test** less than 24 hours before and only attend if this is negative;
- ⊕ Any on-site payments, such as for clothing or refreshments in The Lodge, are card only (no cash is accepted);
- ⊕ Please visit our Facebook page: <https://fb.me/e/1kyG1IEDO> and please 'LIKE' our page if this is your first visit!

# Getting to the restaurant?



**The Mallard Harvester** is at 507 London Road, Boxmoor, Hemel Hempstead (HP3 9BQ) and is about 8-10 minutes from the Snow Centre. Turn left outside the centre and right at the mini-roundabout down onto St Albans Hill. In ¼ mile at the mini-roundabout turn right into Lawn Lane and turn left at the next traffic lights into Durrants Hill Road. Turn right at the T-junction onto the A4251. Cross the A414 at the major traffic light junction. Continue on the A4251 towards Boxmoor station & Bovingdon, taking the first exit at the roundabout with the A4146. The Mallard Harvester Restaurant is on the left, soon after the Texaco filling station. Your contact there will be John Rundell. For reference, the website is at:

<https://www.harvester.co.uk/restaurants/eastofengland/themallardhemelhempstead>

## General information

**Open Practice times** are **16:00-18:00** on the slope at the Hemel Hempstead Snow Centre unless otherwise stated. Tuition Session start times vary and depend on the type and level of tuition needed, but you will be advised at time of booking. **Please arrive 30 minutes beforehand** and assemble by the main entrance, near to the Reception Desk. The lockers have digital locks, no coins are required, but make sure you remember your locker number and your chosen 4-digit code, which you will need to enter twice! Please bring warm waterproof clothing (note: jeans are not suitable) and some strong gloves - these are essential.

A plastic carrier bag, etc. may be useful to stand on when putting on footwear, as the floor can be wet with melted snow. Please note that we have to abide by the Slope's refund policy if you cannot attend - details can be found on the HH Snow Centre website. We need you to take a Lateral Flow Test less than 24 hours before attending. If it is positive or unclear, or you think you might have come into contact with Covid-19, or are not be able to attend for any other reason, you must contact us without any delay. You must not leave it until the day before the event; and even several days before may be too late.

### **All Sessions at The Snow Centre slope:**

The prices include your lift pass, skis or snowboard, helmet and boot hire.

You must bring along suitable clothing and socks. You must also have strong gloves, which are essential (you can purchase gloves at the Reception Desk or at Snow + Rock on the ground floor).

Everyone must wear helmets (these are provided and included in all the prices). Free lockers are available for your use.

### **The air temperature**

at the slope will be from -2°C to -5°C, so we strongly recommend warm waterproof gloves, warm socks and layered clothing. We don't recommend jeans, which usually end up waterlogged and can chafe, but any waterproof clothing would be ideal. Individual changing cubicles are available. If needed, clothing can be either purchased or hired.

### **Cancellation:**

If for any reason you cancel your booking, so that 48 hours notice or less is given to the Snow Centre, the slope management reserves the right not to issue a refund or to credit us with the booking cost. If this happens, the Snowsports Club will not be able to give you a credit or a refund, unless we are able to re-allocate the place.