Welcome to the Hamilton College Outing Club

- **Membership**
  - Membership is $10 per person for the year.
  - Memberships must be renewed each year.
  - Membership is open to all members of the Hamilton Community – students, faculty and staff.

- **Membership Privileges**
  - Access to all Outing Club gear at no charge.
  - There is a $60 deposit on XC-Skis which can be paid in cash check or by credit card.
  - While there is no charge to borrow gear there is a $1 per day that HOC holds open hours, per item late charge for gear that is not returned on time.
  - All HOC sponsored trips are free to members unless otherwise noted.
  - You must present your membership card when borrowing gear or signing up for a trip.

- **Getting Involved**
  - HOC is always looking for new people to lead trips and help out.
  - Students interested in leading trips should first talk to a HOC officer about his or her interests and abilities.
  - HOC runs two leadership seminars, one for those interested in leading hiking trips and one for canoe trips. Other trips such as climbing or kayaking trips need to arrange for certification through HOC.

- **Officers**
  - HOC elects officers to keep things running smoothly and run open hours.
  - People interested in being officers should simply get involved. Come to open hours on Monday and Thursday nights, help out, meet the officers and have fun. At the end of each year the current officers will elect the next years officers to fill any spots that are left open by graduating seniors. Officers hold the position until they graduate unless they choose to give up the position.
  - There are generally 5 or 6 officers a year. Since officers hold their positions until they graduate new officers may not be elected each year. However we still want your help, don’t be discouraged if you don’t get to be an officer, you are always welcome.
  - Unlike many student organizations there are no positions such as president, vice-president, etc… All officers hold equal positions and important matters are decided by committee. One officer is designated as business manager and is in charge of keeping track of (or at least trying to keep track of) financial matters.