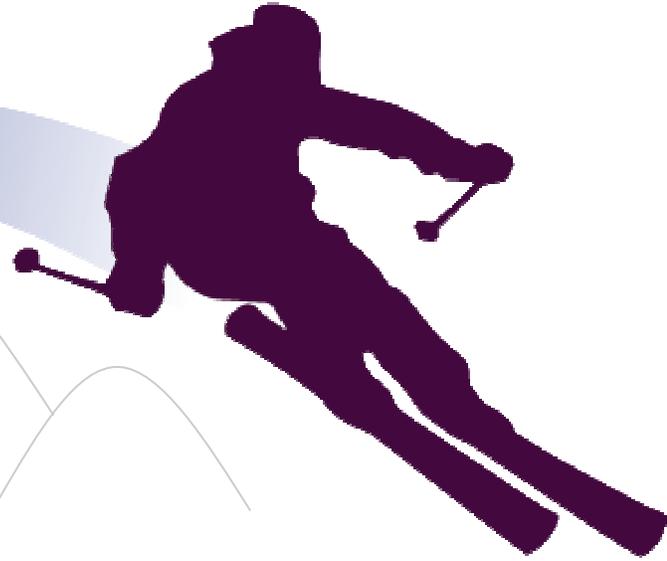


# Tips & Tails

# April 2015

# STARK COUNTY SKI CLUB



[www.Starkcountyskiclub.org](http://www.Starkcountyskiclub.org)

[www.Facebook.com/StarkCountySkiClub](http://www.Facebook.com/StarkCountySkiClub)



## Meeting Schedule

Social @ 6:00PM -Meeting @ 7:00PM

Tuesday Apr. 21st 2015  
Tuesday May 19th 2015 ?



Newsletter articles to be printed for publication should be submitted to the editor no later than the Friday which follows the 3rd Tuesday of the month meeting.

**Stark County Ski Club  
Membership Application**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Membership (Please Circle Type of Membership)	<u>Renewal</u>	<u>New</u>
<b>Note: Membership year is from Nov 1 to Oct 31.</b>		

Dues: Single Member	\$20	\$30
Couple Membership (2 people who share the same address)	\$25	\$40
Family	\$30	\$45

Our newsletters are distributed by email.  
 If you would you like the newsletter mailed to you, add:

	\$10	\$10
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If “New” member, how did you hear about our club \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to Stark County Ski Club.**

Total Enclosed with Application \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE: By signing and/or accepting any membership benefit, and/or participating in any club activity, applicant releases Stark County Ski Club, its officers, board members, chairpersons, trip leaders and members from any and all liability or any claims including theft, property loss, accident, injury, death of or to themselves, family members, or guests, arising from participation in any club activity, whether resulting from negligence or otherwise.

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application form with the appropriate membership dues to:  
 Alice Nowell 1653 Chatham Avenue NE North Canton, OH 44720**

Optional for New & Existing Members: What most interests you about the Club and/or what would you like to see us attempt in the future?

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# Stark County Ski Club

## View From The Top

April 2015

While most of us have put our ski gear away, there are some intrepid souls still out enjoying the fruit of this past winter. Holiday Valley, Peek n' Peak, and BM/BW are still enjoying good skiing conditions. A truckload of our members just got back from a whirlwind tour of Colorado ski areas and had a great time. While I am enjoying the sun and warmer temperatures (I was tired of snow-blowing the driveway open all the long season!), I wish I had saved some of my energy to finish the season in April. It was a great year to do that. Oh well!

Art Pokopac will be leaving just prior to our club meeting for the Mountain Travel Symposium. The trip committee has given him your preferences for trip venues and they have targeted specific areas to seek quotes for. He will be back in time for our April meeting to give us some insight into the proceedings at MTS. Hopefully, we will be able to discuss some of the potentials in a more enlightened atmosphere.

The April meeting is the one we vote for our new slate of officers. Nominations will be taken prior to voting. Any club member is eligible to run for any of the officer positions. If you are interested, let me know which position you would like to pursue.

Diane Marzec is working on a full slate of socials for our summer season and Bill Bail will be announcing a schedule of biking events to keep the legs working. There is a possibility of a "Wine tasting" event in July. If you haven't made one of these yet, this may be the opportunity. We haven't clarified the date nor the schedule, but we do know the venue. It will be at the Kovach house on Faircrest in Canton South. Stay tuned for details via newsletter, website, Facebook, and at our meeting in April.

Not much left to say...I waxed the skis, cleaned and aired the boots, washed the ski clothes and put them all away in their safe places. Now I just have to remember to open the closet doors monthly to let in some light and air to keep the clothes from shrinking.

Jim

**April 2015**

## Stark County Ski Club Meeting

March 25, 2015

EB's Pub at Meadow Lake

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Kovach, at 7:00 p.m. Thirty-six (36) individuals were in attendance. Jim welcomed everyone to the meeting which was held a week late due to a conflict with E.B.'s on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (St. Pat's Day).

### Reports:

**President's Report:** Jim noted that we were in the 33<sup>rd</sup> year of the club and gave a historical accounting of meeting sights, trips, parties and officers through the years. He stated that this is the 13<sup>th</sup> year at our current location and also that the club used to do a lot for the Canton Newsboys and we might go back to our roots, helping that cause to provide winter wear to those in need. Jim also reported on the Membership Report for Alice Nowell. The list is being condensed and may be put on the website and would be password protected if so.

**Treasurer's Report:** Donna Brancifort reported on the treasury balance. Anyone wishing to see the report and checking account balance can contact Donna as we don't put it in the newsletter to be put out on the internet. Donna noted that we used \$2,684.50 of Blossom money this year and 111 people took advantage of the various trip certificates and coupons. Going into the third year of the Blossom fundraising effort, more thought will be given into how this money will be used. We had one canceled trip and we can carry that bus deposit over to next season so no money has been lost.

**Social Report:** Donna reported for Diane Marzec that there will be a Euchre night on April 18 at the Brancifort's. There are still 8 openings. The cost is \$3pp for the pot; bring a dish to share and your own beverages. You are welcome to come socialize if you miss out on a spot or don't want to play. Wednesday, April 29 at 6 pm there will be a gathering at The Barrel Room.

**Trip Committee Report:** Art Pokopac reported 89 people out of 203 responded on the recent survey he sent out via Survey Monkey. The top West votes went to Breckenridge, Lake Tahoe and Crested Butte but other resorts were not far off the vote. The top East votes were Sugarloaf, Stowe, Sunday River and Mt. Tremblant. There will be another survey sent out to address one and two day trips. Art explained what helps influence the trip committee choices and that they look for the best value for the club members. He also stated that CMSC will likely be running the following trips next season: Whistler, Banff, Park City, Telluride and Alyeska. Japan is being looked at for 2017. Art called for the last three trip reports of this season:

**Holimont, NY February 19.** Jeri Johnson reported because of the frigid temperatures, trip attendee numbers fluctuated quite a bit the days before the trip and she ended up taking 34 people. The conditions ended up being great and they had a wonderful time.

**Okemo/Mt. Snow, VT February 22-27.** Jim Kovach reported that initial transportation problems caused the group to get checked into the hotel late but the Brancifort's arranged for a pizza/beer party in the lobby. So a big thank you goes out to Donna and Al. Okemo was cold but had well groomed slopes. Mt. Snow was not as groomed but was still enjoyable.

**Holiday Valley, March 14** Justin Ford reported that due to the predicted rain, the trip was canceled.

### New Business

**Elections:** Officer nominations were taken and will also be accepted prior to elections at the April meeting. Current officers, excluding Candice Ford, Vice President, are willing to stay in their positions. Donna Brancifort stated if someone is interested in being Treasurer but is unsure about the job duties she would be willing to train an "understudy". If you have a desire for any office you may put your name in at the April meeting but we do need a candidate for Vice President. Lisa Martin nominated Jason Stephan for President and he accepted.

**Blossom Concert Series:** Jason Stephan reported that Stark County Ski Club has been invited back to Blossom for the 2015 season. A different company is in place of Aramark so there are still unknown details that will be forthcoming as well as training dates for anyone who has not had any previous training. You do not need to be a club member to participate. Jason read through a list of concerts that are currently on the schedule.

**Biking:** Bill Bail reported that as soon as the weather breaks, the Tuesday bike rides will begin. There will also be some Saturday dates. Contact Bill if you would like to be on the email list to know where each Tuesday's ride/restaurant will take place.

**Misc.:** In lieu of a spring party, a summer wine tasting party at the Kovach's will be planned. Details will come later. There may be a chili cook-off contest at the Kick off the Season Party in the fall so dust off your chili recipes and start planning.

### Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m. Art Pokopac motioned to adjourn and Fred Scherer seconded. Jim Shear won the 50/50 raffle.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan - Secretary

# Stark County Ski Club Social Events

Hope you'll consider joining us for one of our Social Events. Remember non-members are always welcome.

## Highlights of March Socials



On Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup> about 30 SCSC Members and friends gathered at The Geisen Haus. Great food and fun was had by all. We got our first peek at Baby Isabelle! What a cutie! We also had some possible new members Kelly & Dave join us. I think we made a good first impression on all three of them! Thanks to all who joined in.

## APRIL SOCIALS

### Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> Euchre Night Out



Time: 6:00 PM  
Cards begin at 7:00 PM

Join SCSC Members at Donna & Al Brancifort's home in Canton for an evening of Euchre! Please bring a small covered dish to share and what you want to drink.

Al & Donna Brancifort's Home  
3885 St. Michael Blvd. NW  
Canton, OH 44718

***Reservations are Required:*** We have room for 6 more players! Euchre players will contribute \$3/person towards prize money. **Please Email [DLMarzec@gmail.com](mailto:DLMarzec@gmail.com) or call Diane Marzec at 330-497-4261 by Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>!**

**Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**The Barrel Room** in North Canton  
**5:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

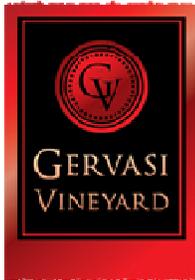


Join SCSC Members on **Wednesday, April 29<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 PM** for an evening of Wine, Food & Friendship at this local Wine Bar. This has become one of the club's favorite hang outs! We have the back room reserved for our gathering. Feel free to bring appetizers to share if you like.

The Barrel Room  
7901 N. Cleveland Ave.  
North Canton, OH 44720  
330-244-1535  
[www.barrelroomwinebar.com](http://www.barrelroomwinebar.com)

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## UPCOMING SUMMER SOCIALS



**Celebrate the Opening of the Piazza - Save The Date!**

**Piazza Pizza Party**

**Gervasi Vineyards in North Canton**

**Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

**Cost \$12/person** - (Last year's cost – This year's invitation not released yet!)

Pizza & Salad Buffet w/ Cash Bar and Live Music

Join us for this special Pizza Party event to celebrate the opening of the Piazza! Those of you that joined us the last three years already know how much fun this can be.

**This is a Pre-Sale Ticket Event.** There is always Limited Availability. Last year this event sold out in one day so watch for more details via email either later this month or in early May! I'll send out an email as soon as this is released.

Gervasi Vineyards  
1700 55th Street NE  
Canton, OH 44721  
330.497.1000

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**School House Winery, Dover, Ohio - Save The Date!**

**Outdoor BBQ & Entertainment**

**Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Join SCSC members for an evening of fun as we gather at this boutique winery located in Dover, Ohio in a 123 year old renovated one room school house. Come and enjoy the entertainment by REN & a great outdoor BBQ. They also usually have some local artists set-up. Bring your lawn chairs for a great evening of outdoor fun. Check out the website for directions.



School House Winery  
455 Schneiders Crossing Rd. NW  
Dover, Ohio 44622  
Phone – (330) 602-WINE  
[www.schoolhousewine.com](http://www.schoolhousewine.com)

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## Possible Upcoming Summer & Fall Outings:

**July or August – Whitewater Rafting in WV or Canoeing, Biking, and/or Zip Line at Mohican, or Hocking Hills**

**October – Weekend Wine Tour – Lake Erie**

For more information on upcoming social events or if you would be interested in running an event please contact Diane Marzec at [DLMarzec@gmail.com](mailto:DLMarzec@gmail.com) or (330) 497-4261.

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Tuesday night Biking

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The days are getting longer and warmer. It is time to get your bike ready for summer season. Come join us on Tuesday evening for some fun rides along the Towpath trail. We meet every Tuesday at 6 PM at a nearby trail head along the Towpath . After the ride we gather at a nearby restaurant for food and spirits. Occasionally we will also be meeting for a weekend ride. I send out an email a couple of days before the ride to let you know where we will be meeting that week. If you would like to join us, just send an email asking to be added to the list. The first ride has not been scheduled yet as we waiting for the weather to get a bit warmer and the trail to dry out a bit.

\*\*\*\* **New Email Address this year to go with name change for the club**

[scsclubikers@outlook.com](mailto:scsclubikers@outlook.com)

Anyone can plan a ride. Just send me an email with the date you have in mind and I will get the word out to the riders. If you have any question, you can email or give me a call.

Bill Bail (330) 328-3825

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