

Stark County Ski Club September 19, 2023, Massillon Eagles Club

Call to Order: President Jason Stephan called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. There were 42 present and Jason asked for new members or visitors to introduce themselves. New member, Jeremiah Johnson, stated he joined us on Friday Night Floats and is looking forward to learning to ski. Jason asked for a moment of silence as we remembered our dear friend, Scott Hunsinger, on the anniversary of his passing. Jason called for the following reports:

Officer / Chair Reports

President: Under Old Business, Jason reminded members Coaches closed abruptly and after research, the Massillon Eagles was found to accommodate a group our size, feed us buffet style, and handle drink orders. To do this, they need a head count which is why we need RSVPs one week prior to the meeting. Jason stated Art Pokopac and Rich Ramsey did a great job on the CMSC golf outing that hosted 68 golfers and Mike Bush and Alyssa Givens stepped up to run Friday Night Floats. Also noted was the date change of the Glow Paddle to September 30 due to weather. The Glow Paddle will have a kayak raffle, basket raffles, taco truck and rentals. Contact Jason to volunteer. Under New Business, Jason read a proposed amendment to remove the Past President from the Executive Board and replace with the Trip Committee Chair. The past president would move into an advisory role with no voting rights. The amendment proposal will be posted in full in the October Newsletter, to be presented one month prior for consideration

Vice President: Mike Bush reported that the Columbus Ski Club has joined CMSC, and membership has doubled. Mike recommends we stick with CMSC to see if the added members make a difference. He reminded members we still need a treasurer.

Treasurer Report: Donna Brancifort reported that last year's fiscal spreadsheet had been reviewed by Gail and Melba is working on the taxes. Donna noted she has been making deposits on contracts for this coming ski season. The Club is in need of a treasurer.

Secretary: Jennie Stephan noted meeting minutes can be found via a link on the newsletter and stated the 50/50 raffle amount.

Membership: Jennie Stephan reported that unpaid members have been dropped from the membership list which brings the membership total to 171, including 5 new members.

Merchandise/Marketing: Gail Vogt reported we will use a new logo this year with goggles, similar to Scott's sticker. She has hats and a few golf shirts for sale. She would like to place an order after the October meeting for pickup before Christmas.

Fundraising: Donna Brancifort reported volunteers have worked 30 events since April. She asked for input regarding the future of HOF fundraising, stating we've struggled to get the numbers needed so we've shared stand 2 with other groups which hasn't been ideal and perhaps going to a smaller booth and the need for less volunteers would work. See Donna if you would like to be the coordinator. Tips to date total \$3,223 and will be donated to Stark Parks for the Glow Paddle.

Newsletter: Alyssa Givens stated she would be sending out reminders and hoped to have the newsletter assembled by Sept. 26th.

Facebook: Gary Johnson reported that most summer postings were about kayaking, and ski posts will start soon.

Social Chair: Diane Marzec reported there will be an upcoming social Thursday, Sept 28 at Gervasi's Patio, The Piazza. No socials are planned yet for October. There will be a November social coordinated with the Ski Shack's Open House. Diane is open to suggestions and Bill Fry noted that the Savannah Bananas baseball team would be a fun social.

Kayaking: Mike Bush reported he will kayak as long as weather allows, contact him if you are interested.

Trip Reports **Must be a member to go on a trip.

Rocky Masalko reported bus pricing has increased trip pricing. One day trips are being shared with other clubs and because the IRS could audit us, we are charging a \$5 Associate Membership to allow non-SCSC members to join a single, one-day trip.

Puerto Vallarta January 23-30. Bill Fry reported he has an opening for a junior suite. Price is \$1,639 pp and is all inclusive.

Snow Trails, Mansfield. TBD Trip Leader **Roberta Graham**

Holiday Valley/Holimont Jan 10-12 \$360 Trip leader Drew Gonyias. Drew reported 30 signed up with room for 96 people total.

Kissing Bridge, NY January 20 \$153 Trip Leader Matt Stear

Sunday River, ME Jan 28- Feb 2 \$1348 Trip Leader John Masalko. 14 of the 24 air spots are reserved. Going out of Akron/Canton

Blue Knob, PA February 16 \$129 Trip Leader Mike Lockhart. Mike reported 3 people signed up. This is a shared trip.

Snowbasin/Powder Mountain, UT by train Feb 27-Mar 5/plane Feb 28-Mar 4 Trip Leader Jim Kovach. Staying at Marriott Downtown Ogden. Lift ticket pricing has not posted so flyer pricing is air and lodging. 10 ppl signed up for train, 12 ppl for plane.

Miscellaneous:

*Joyce Tolerton stated the Ski Shack has started receiving equipment and opening day is October 2. She noted that the Ski Shack Open House will be the first weekend in November.

*Jeri Johnson reported that she and Gary attended the CMSC picnic which was held HOF weekend when many of our members are working the events. She stated everyone was very happy with the CMSC golf outing and only had good things to say.

*Roberta Graham reported Snow Trails 1X/ week season club passes are \$312. Vouchers can be used and Rocky and Roberta will coordinate passes bought through the club. Cheaper passes are available if you are over 70. Passes sold out last year so don't put off if you are interested. 41 Club members bought passes last season. Snow Trails Ski Swap will be November 3-5.

*Snowfall Raffle squares are \$2 per square.

Meeting Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Bush; seconded by Alyssa Givens. Linda Lahr won the 50/50 raffle. Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan – Secretary