

Tips & Tails

March 2017

STARK COUNTY SKI CLUB

A family friendly
ski club for
skiers of
all abilities!

Year round activities include hiking, bicycling,
camping, monthly socials, volunteer activities, etc.

www.Starkcountyskiclub.org

www.Facebook.com/StarkCountySkiClub



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Cleveland Metro Ski Council

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Meeting Schedule

March 21st, SCSC Meeting

April 18th, SCSC Meeting

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



New Meeting Location

Mulligan's

Restaurant and Pub

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:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Home Phone #:

Work Phone #:

Cell Phone #:

Email Address:

Alternate Email Address:

[Click here to enter text.](#)

Select Type of Membership (Note: Membership is from **November 1st** to **October 31st**)

	Renewal	New
Single Member <input type="checkbox"/>	\$20	\$30
Couple Membership <input type="checkbox"/> (2 people who share the same address)	\$25	\$40
Family <input type="checkbox"/>	\$30	\$45

Our newsletters are distributed by email.

If you would like the newsletter mailed to you, **add \$10**

If you are a "new" member, how did you hear about our club?

[Click here to enter text.](#)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO STARK COUNTY SKI CLUB.

Total Enclosed with Application \$

NOTICE: By signing and/or accepted 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 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:

Or send this application via email to: dscherer680@gmail.com and mail your check to:

Debbie Scherer, 355 Beucler Ave. NW, Bolivar, OH 44612

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

DO NOT SEND TRIP APPLICATION IN WITH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Stark County Ski Club

View From The Top By: Donna Brancifort

WOW, can this ski season get any more frustrating! I thought we were predicted to have huge amounts of snow this year! I'm watching the news right now & hearing about thunderstorms! In February! I will say that we sure have been making the best of every situation. Trips that have been lucky enough to go have been a LOT of FUN! I know there is disappointment when we cancel a trip, but we are trying to "do the best thing" for everyone. We are still looking forward to Winter Park & Casino / HV trip. Thanks to the trip leaders, trip committee & officers for their work on making SCSC the best club ever!

Thanks to all that have been attending the monthly meetings. We are having record setting attendance. I get the sense that everyone enjoys the great food and service at Mulligans. For the next couple of months we might have special guests & we will be having our annual "Poker Run". It's not too early to be thinking about "stepping up" to be an officer. Elections will be in April. If you might be interested, contact one of the executive board members.

Below is initial information about volunteering for events during Pro Football HOF Enshrinement Weekend. We will get more details as we get closer to the events.

If you want to "stay in touch", consider coming to one of our socials.

Hope to see you soon!

Donna



We are committed to volunteer at the Enshrinement Festival – right here, close to home!! I am looking at this time, for commitments for 3 events. We will also be looking for more volunteers for future events. We will do that at a future date. We will be getting more information in the weeks & months ahead. I will communicate that information as it becomes available. 31 people have already signed up! AVI, the concessionaire, was so excited to hear from us! They had to get a non-profit organization from Toledo last year! That was a little discouraging to hear because we had made contact with both HOF & AVI last year looking for an opportunity. Oh well, water under the bridge! It's all working out now!!!!

Let me know at donna.brancifort@timken.com if you are committing to an event(s) below. Provide me your name, email address, cell phone #, as well as which event or event(s) you are willing to volunteer for.

The events are:

Thursday Aug 3rd - HOF Game

Saturday Aug 5th – Enshrinement

Sunday Aug 6th – Concert of Legends (do not know who is performing yet)

Thanks everyone!

March 2017

Stark County Ski Club Meeting
February 21, 2017 ~ Library Room at Mulligan's

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Donna Brancifort at 7:00 p.m. Fifty-five (55) individuals were in attendance and members Gerard and Wendy Kushner introduced themselves. Although not new to the club, it was their first meeting.

OFFICER AND CHAIR REPORTS

President's Report: Donna Brancifort reported a pop up ad was bought via Canton Repository and the club was getting visibility. Donna mentioned the possibility of having funny "blurbs" in the newsletter, similar to Readers Digest. Next meeting we will have a poker run in lieu of a 50/50 raffle. Donna called for the following reports:

Vice President's Report: David Hershey reported that as the CMSC representative, there was nothing new to report. He is going to start a member profile in the newsletter as a way to get to know each other. He noted he has been hearing good things about interaction between club members and new people on our trips. Dave also mentioned that Vail recently bought Stowe Resort.

Secretary's Report: Jennie Stephan reported the current amount of 50/50 raffle and said there would be another opportunity to buy tickets before the drawing.

Treasurer's Report: Zee Kovach reported on the amount in the treasury which does not include checks coming in from recently completed trips. She thanked everyone for their patience in receiving their refunds from the H&H trip.

Newsletter Chair Report: Mike Bishop reported he would like items for the newsletter submitted the Friday after a meeting.

Social Chair Report: Donna Brancifort reported for Diane that this coming Monday, the 27th, there is a social at Vinoteca from 5:30-8. You can bring food or order carry out. There are openings for a euchre party at the Brancifort's on March 25th. Please RSVP thru Diane for that and bring a dish to share and your own drinks. Socials in April include the Zoar Firehouse spaghetti dinner on the 8th and dinner at Basil's (rsvp for dinner reservations) and the movie Purple Rain (Prince) on the 21st. Details will be coming for a themed July camping/canoe weekend at Mohican and white water rafting in September.

Merchandise Report: Jim Kovach reported that in-stock inventory will be sold at reduced pricing

Membership Report: Debbie Scherer reported she is retired! Just from her real job but not from the ski club. Debbie reported membership is at 224 paid members and there were 36 new members this year. Congratulations Debbie on your retirement!

Website Report: Bill Bail reported there has been increased activity on the club website. If you ever experience any issues, please let him know.

Facebook Report: Gary Johnson reported that there were 490 hits on recent pictures posted.

Marketing Report: Gail Vogt reported she can still submit volunteers who would like to work the April 30th Canton Marathon. Volunteers will receive a swag bag and free entry to that Saturday's 5K. Depending on where the water stop on the course route is, expect to be needed 8:30 am- 12:30 pm.

Trip Chair Report: Mike Bishop reported that the survey sent to his Focus Group (members who have gone on week trips in recent years) had resulted in these top four western resorts that Mike will look into during his MTS trip. 1. Aspen/Snowmass 2. Tahoe 3. Mammoth and 4. Park City. Of eastern resorts, the top three were 1. Killington 2. Okemo and 3. Jay Peak. Members also had the opportunity to weigh in via a newsletter post, but Mike said there wasn't much feedback. Mike called for the following trip reports:

TRIP REPORTS (get full details on completed trips in the newsletter)

Beavercreek/Vail, CO Jan. 28- Feb 4 Trip leader Art Pokopac reported they had 5 gorgeous days with excellent snow.

Holiday Valley, Feb 10 Trip leader Lisa Martin reported it was a great trip with no injuries.

Timberline/Canaan Valley Feb 12-14 \$245 Trip leader Jeri Johnson reported due to weather conditions, they switched and skied Canaan Valley on Monday and Timberline on Tuesday. It was a wonderful trip with many dressing up for Valentine's Day.

Peek'n Peak, NY Feb 25 *Cancelled*

Winterpark, CO Mar 4-10 Trip Leader Scott Hunsinger reported he has 42 going and conditions look good.

Seneca Allegheny Casino w/ a twist, Mar 11-12 Trip Leader Gail Vogt reported the bus portion was cancelled but there are still 15 people driving on their own and 7 rooms booked through the casino.

OLD BUSINESS

Ski Day at Boston Mills: Wednesday February 15, 10 members took advantage of the special \$10 pass/lunch specials that Boston Mills ran for ski clubs who took part in their Open House.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections: Officer Elections will be held in April.

HOF: Donna Brancifort has been networking to get our club involved in future HOF activities that we can use as in place of Blossom. Right now she has enough people signed up to man 2-3 booths for the August 2017 HOF festivities; with a look to future concerts and activities there as well.

Looking for a Career Change or Part-Time Job? Jim Kovach reported that Boston Mills/Brandywine is looking for instructors for next season. There will be training in September and you don't need to be an expert skier, you just need to have 12+ hours per week to commit to either resort. Talk to Gary Johnson, Jason Stephan or Mike Abrams, just a few of your fellow club members who already work there.

Ski Night at Brandywine: Sunday, February 26 from 4-9 PM. Take advantage of the \$10 pass rate and food specials. Contact Gail to be on the list.

Miscellaneous: Les Stiers mentioned the Ridiculous Pass for Snowshoe was on sale for \$229/kids ski free w/ adult purchase.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Art Pokopac and seconded by Dave Hershey.

Lisa Fox won the 50/50 raffle (\$100 to each).

Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan - Secretary



SCSC Member Profile

Kelly & Drew Gonyias

Welcome to the first installment of the VP's Member Profile!

What a pleasure it was sitting down with Kelly + Drew... "I'm not worthy!" ...and learning about their lives. Here's what you should know about the North Canton couple:

Family: Married for 26 years (engaged for 7 years!), they have 2 children; Alex who is a Jr at Walsh (chemistry) and daughter Kasey, a senior at Hoover who has plans to attend the University of Akron.

Occupations: Drew is a collections & evictions attorney and Kelly is an oral surgery assistant.

Childhood Memories: Growing up, Kelly enjoyed family vacations to the beach in Massachusetts. Drew relished his family's season tickets to the Steelers games during the 1970's.

Club: They have been with the ski club since 2014 and enjoy all the club has to offer from its socials, camping, biking, and of course, the ski trips! Their favorite ski spot is Holiday Valley and the funniest ski club story is "Big Bouncing Boobs" from this year's H+H pirate party! (Hmmm...)

Did You Know: Kelly is the youngest of six daughters, that they met on a "double date" with other people or that she was 18 when Drew proposed?

Favorite Quote: Just because you can, doesn't mean you should (unknown).

Thanks to Kelly & Drew for jumping in and being first! Dave Hershey, VP

Ever thought about being a ski instructor at Boston Mills/Brandywine and Alpine Valley? Peak Resorts is looking for ski instructors for 2017-2018!

BM/BW/AV has one of the largest Ski Schools in the nation with over 300 instructors on staff. With a large demand for our service, we are looking for individuals that have a passion for teaching and helping others and want to learn how to instruct people to be great skiers and snowboarders. We expect our instructors here at Boston Mills/Brandywine and Alpine Valley to have a high level of passion and commitment. In return, we provide onsite training to help you become a professional instructor along with the opportunity to make money while having fun.

Being an instructor is a great way to meet like-minded people and spread the passion for skiing and snowboarding that we all have. Apart from meeting great people, we also offer weekly clinics taught by our education staff to help fine tune your own riding and teaching throughout the season as well.

Minimum Requirements to Be an Instructor

- * Minimum age of 16 by December 1, 2017
- * Ski or Snowboard at an intermediate-advanced level
- * Passion for the sport and a willingness to educate others

Fall Training

- Fall Training is mandatory for all instructors.
- New hires are required to attend all training sessions

The training is a total of 16 hours over four days covering the latest teaching standards as well as group dynamics of teaching and many other techniques to improve your teaching and riding abilities

Once you have completed all of your training requirements and have shown yourself to be professional, you will be asked to commit to a set work schedule. To meet your requirements you must sign up for 3 shifts totaling in at least 2 days -about 12 hours per week. We will try our best to honor the schedule you request, but because the number of required instructors varies by day and shift you may have to agree to work other days/shifts in order to meet your minimum hour requirement. After all of the schedules are set, the Ski School will then hire enough instructors to meet the projected needs for the season.

There is a fee of \$50 for Fall Training

So, how can you improve your chance of being hired?

First, select a work schedule that matches the most in demand times. Commit to more work hours than the minimum (12), but don't inflate your schedule.

Second, demonstrate your professionalism – make sure you have reliable transportation, be on time, be prepared and have your own equipment.

Third, demonstrate your teaching ability - be willing to present to a group and lead them through exercises and to create a fun learning atmosphere.

Fourth, demonstrate good skiing or boarding skills on the snow. You do not have to be an expert to be an instructor, but you need to demonstrate balance, basic turning skills and the ability to ski/ride in control at all times.

* It may be days or weeks between completing fall training and when we open, dependent on weather. You will need to watch the resort websites [www.bmbw.com or www.alpinevalleyohio.com]. Things will move fast once we open so you need to be ready to report for duty as soon as we open.

Uniforms:

Every instructor must wear an official instructor uniform while at the resort

Uniform jackets can be rented for \$25.00/season, collected at the last training session and must be returned by the last day of the season.

Shadowing:

Every new hire will be required to shadow a seasoned instructor and be approved by training staff prior to being able to teach. The number of shadows and requirements will be highlighted during fall training.

If you have questions, please call the Ski School office (800-875-4241 x2010) and leave your contact information. Or e-mail at bmbwsnowsports@bmbw.com

Thank you for your interest,
Boston Mills/Brandywine/Alpine Valley Snowsports Administration

Stark County Ski Club (SCSC) Social Events

I hope you've had a chance to join us on one of our Ski Trips or Socials. This is a fun group with something for everyone. Please feel free to invite your friends.

SCSC March SOCIALS

Saturday, March 25th **SCSC Euchre Night**



Time: 6:00 PM
Cards begin at 7:00 PM
Reserve your spot today!

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 Required: We have 9 spots left. Please let me know if you want to join in the fun. Euchre players will contribute \$3/person towards prize money.

Please Email DLMarzec@gmail.com or call Diane Marzec at 330-497-4261 by Wednesday, March 22nd!

UPCOMING SOCIALS

Saturday, April 8th



Zoar Fire House Spaghetti Dinner
Saturday, April 8th
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

We are going back to one of our old time favorites! Great spaghetti, great prices & of course you can't beat the company! The price used to be \$8 & that includes your meal, beverage (beer & soft drinks) & dessert!!!! Can't beat it!

Zoar Volunteer Fire Station, - Station 16
190 5th Street,
Zoar, Ohio 44697
(330) 874-2069

A reminder to bag your gear before placing under the buses



Friday, April 21st

Dinner & a Show!



Dinner at Basil Asian Bistro

Time: 5:30 PM

Dinner reservations recommended so email Diane at dlmarzec@gmail.com if you would like to sit with the group. <http://basilasianrestaurant.com/>

Canton Palace Theatre - Purple Rain **Celebrate the life & times of the late Prince**

Time: 7:30 PM

Cost: \$5 General Admission

Individuals can purchase tickets online or at the Box Office

605 Market Ave. N.

Canton, OH 44702

www.cantonpalacetheatre.org/tickets



UPCOMING SUMMER SOCIALS & ACTIVITIES

Save The Dates!

Monday, May 22nd

Piazza Pizza Party at Gervasi Vineyards in North Canton

Friday, July 21st – Sunday, July 23rd

5th Annual Mohican Camping/Canoeing/Kayaking/Biking Trip

This year's trip will have some additional surprises

Watch for more details in your email, Facebook and next month's newsletter

Friday, September 29th – Sunday, October 1st

3rd Annual West Virginia White Water Weekend

Camping/Cabins/Rafting/Hiking/Biking/

Adventures on the Gorge in West Virginia

<http://www.adventuresonthegorge.com/>

Watch the website, Facebook and your email for more information on pricing and how to make Reservations for July & August Camping & Rafting trips.

Remember non-members are always welcome to join our socials. It's a great way introduce them to SCSC and all the fun people! For more information contact Diane Marzec at DLMarzec@gmail.com

2017 Stark County Ski Club Trip List

One Day Trip #1 Saturday Jan 7 Peek'n Peak, NY

Cost: \$62 (Non-Members add \$10)

Trip leader: Roberta Graham Email: shingdef@gmail.com Phone: 330-834-2171 H OF: 330-418-2613 C

Address: 8760 Appleknoll Street NY Massillon, OH 44646-1396

Bus loads at 6:40AM, Depart Faircrest lot at 7:00AM

Depart ski area 6:00PM NO DINNER STOP Home around 9:00PM

Extended # 1 Wednesday – Friday Jan 11 – 13

Holimont & Holiday Valley Ellicottville, NY

Cost: \$269 (Non-Members add \$20)

Trip leader: John Masalko Email: johnmasako@sbcglobal.net Phone: 330-484-2405

Address: 3925 Dueber Ave. SW, Canton, OH 44706-4731

Ski Holimont & Ski Holiday Valley

Load bus Wednesday at 4:30PM, Depart Faircrest lot at 5:00 PM

Depart Ellicottville Friday 6:30PM - Home around 10:30PM

One Day Trip #3 Friday Feb 10 Holiday Valley, NY

Cost: \$69

Trip leader: Lisa Martin Email: jmartin014@aol.com Phone: 330-340-8189

Address: PO Box 637 Zoar, OH 44697

Load bus at 4:40AM Depart from Faircrest lot at 5:00 AM

Depart ski area 6:00PM **NO Dinner Stop** Home around 10:00PM

Extended #2 Sunday – Tuesday Feb 12 – 14 Timberline/Canaan, WV

Cost: \$245 (Non-Members add \$20)

Trip Leader: Jeri and Gary Johnson

Email: gejohn432@gmail.com **Phone:** 330-495-9260 (Gary) or 330-280-3635 (Jeri)

Address: 1312 Woodward Place N.W. Canton, OH 44709-3323

Load bus Sunday at 9:30AM, Depart Faircrest lot at 10:00AM

Ski Timberline Monday and Ski Canaan on Tuesday

Includes 2 breakfast and Monday dinner

Depart ski area Tuesday 4:00PM - Home around 10:30PM

Week #3 Saturday – Friday March 4-10 Winter Park, CO

Sold Out

Cost: \$999 (Non-Members add \$20)

Trip Leader: Scott Hunsinger **Email:** huns@roadrunner.com **Phone:** 330-340-7548

(See individual trip flyer)

A gambling trip with skiing option

Weekend Saturday-Sunday March 11 – 12 Seneca Allegany Casino, Salamanca NY

Cost \$86.00 Casino only

Trip Leader: Gail Vogt **Email:** gail.vogt@timken.com **Phone:** 330-323-8211

Address: 324—15th St. N.W. Massillon, Oh 44647-6226

This is a gambling trip which you can added some skiing to at Holiday Valley

1 Night Lodging at Seneca Allegany Casino

Skiing at Holiday Valley, Saturday and/or Sunday, lift tickets additional price

Changed to a Self drive for the price of \$86.00

Canaan Valley / Timberline

The trip to Canaan/Timberline February 12-14 is complete. Forty-nine of us left on Sunday and traveled to the Canaan Valley Resort. The Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center was a great place to stay with great food, great accommodations, and excellent service.

The skiing at Canaan on Monday was as good as it could be considering the weather the day before. The snow guns were going and there were some icy patches. Most of the participants did find their way to the cafeteria for lunch and we took a great group shot. Maybe it was because of the \$2 beers!

We had a fun banquet at the resort on Monday night with excellent food. After we ate, we played Valentine Bingo (spelling HEART) supplied by Donna Brancifort.

Timberline on Tuesday was much better. They had turned off their snow making and the slopes that were open were very good. Everyone had a great time. Some of us dressed up for Valentine's day on Tuesday. We crowned Gail Vogt the Queen of Hearts for her sweet outfit and crowned Mike Lockhart King of Hearts because he was brave enough to wear Gail's outfit. After we supper we loaded up the bus and headed home. Be sure to check out our Facebook page and website for all the pictures.

Jeri

HOLIDAY VALLEY

February 10, 2017

We had 37 people joining us on the trip to Holiday Valley. We had 36 skiers and one member that tried out his new snowshoes!! The weather played in our favor for the day as there was no rain in the forecast AND is was going to be below 55 degrees!! Most people got on the bus at Faircrest, we made a quick stop at Arlington Rd to pick up 12 more and we were on our way. Everyone had a great time on the slopes and no injuries were reported, so all in all a great day!!

Lisa & Kris

HOF Marathon – Sunday -April 30th

Help represent SCSC as a volunteer on the race route, we currently have 24 members signed up, and looking for more. The starting report time frame can be anywhere from 8:00am to 9:30am, and ending around 12:30 to 1:30pm. This is depending on where you are staged on the race route.

As in the past newsletter, if you volunteer for the Sunday race, you receive the SWAG bag of items that all the runners get (and pay for) plus you get to take part in a fun run/walk/trot/skip on Saturday afternoon. Please contact me if you're interested in volunteering. If this doesn't fit your schedule, there are other volunteer opportunities – examples are packing the SWAG bags and helping at the race expo on Friday and Saturday.

hofmarathon.com/volunteer

Thanks

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