Tips & Tails

April 2019

TARK COUNTY

TKI 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



Facebook.com/StarkCountySkiClub



Cleveland Metro Ski Council

Meeting Schedule April 16th, SCSC Meeting May 21st, SCSC Meeting

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



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

STARK COUNTY SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION		
Please Print Clearly		
Name:		
Current address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Home Phone #:	Work Phone	Cell Phone #:
Email Address: (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)		
Alternate Email Address:		
Salact Type of Membership		
Select Type of Membership		
(Renewal Price is for Consecutive Years)	Renewal	New
Single Member	\$20	\$30
Couple Membership (2 people who share the same address)	<u>\$25</u>	\$40
Family □ Share the same address	\$30	\$45
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If you are a "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 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: (Couple Membership Requires Both Signatures) (Family Membership Requires Parental Signature)		
Or send this application via email to: skiingdef@gmail.com and mail your check to: (MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS BEGIN UPON PAYMENT RECEIVED)		
ROBERTA GRAHAM, 8760 Appleknoll St., NW Massillon, OH 44646-1396		

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?

Stark County Ski Club View From The Top By: Jason Stephan

As I write this article, winter refuses to loosen its grip upon us, the snow has been falling all day but the temperature is just above freezing, keeping the snow from accumulating. Most of our local resorts have either announced their closing dates or are close to it. Those wishing to chase the snow and still make some laps sliding down Icy slopes will have to head west where a bountiful snowfall has some resorts vowing to stay open to Memorial Day. If you missed our last meeting, we had a special visitor. Bootsie Ricketts, CMSC President, joined us to let us learn more about what the council is and what it provides to us and allow us to ask questions and CMSC to hear our concerns. Bootsie listened to our questions and concerns, answered our questions as best as she could, and asked that we give CMSC another year to right the ship. We will be taking this to a vote at our next meeting whether or not to secede from the council. All members wishing to vote must be present at the meeting as our constitution does not allow for proxy voting. Speaking of the club's constitution as we looked over what was voted on and what was changed from our 2016 amendments, we did see from information Mike had provided that there were two places in the constitution where the officer and club representative compensations and membership dues were listed. We did vote on the change, but the vote was only for one of the two sections. These unintentional errors and other concerns we found throughout the constitution has called us to create a constitutional review committee to go over the constitution this summer and reintroduce the changes and amendments for club votes next season. I am asking for volunteers to join our constitutional review committee. Also discussed at the meeting, one of our concerns with CMSC and other clubs under the umbrella was the other clubs have made our members become members of their clubs to join their trips. When we joined the Council many years ago, the intent was that clubs would allow other clubs under the CMSC umbrella to go on trips without any additional charges or memberships. From what we learned over the Summer from our accountant in relation to UBI unrelated business income, we as a 501(c)7 social club, all activities must be for members only to protect our not for profit status. We will be asking all who wish to go on our trips to become club members going forward. This is what other clubs may have learned and adopted.

What was missed at our last meeting, club member and wearer of many hats Gail Vogt was enjoying the snow out at Big Sky instead of joining us at our 2+ hour marathon meeting. We are volunteering for the Professional Football Hall of Fame marathon again this year. We will be manning the first water stop and helping at the expo with signing up runners. Like to talk to strangers?... love to talk about skiing... want to promote Stark County Ski Club to the masses. We will have a booth to promote our club at the marathon expo, so volunteers are needed. Gail will be the point of contact for the marathon expo so please contact her for all marathon volunteering opportunities.

Next meeting we will be holding officer elections. Nominations for President are Jason Stephan, Vice President Jeri Johnson, Secretary Jennifer Stephan, and Treasurer Melba Gasque. We will take nominations prior to the election, as it stands all officer positions are running unopposed.

Hall of Fame Marathon Volunteers Needed - April 28th

This will be our 4th year supporting this event, and as in anything we take part in we are the solid go-to group the event organizers depend on. We have a prime spot this year! The club will be manning the first water stop on the race route, and the location is on Market Ave by the Palace Theater. I don't have a report time yet, but it should be around the time we started last year - 5:30 am. At this time we are not being asked to cover multiple water stops. We should be done within an hour to an hour and a half after race starts. There will also be some help needed at the Marathon office if anyone is interested.

If you are interested in helping, please email me - <u>glv2354@gmail.com</u>, or call 330-323-8211. I need your email, phone number, and tee shirt size. Non-club members and children at least 10 years old are very welcome to join us.

Thank you for the support gail

April 2019

Stark County Ski Club Meeting

March 19, 2019~ Mulligan's

Call to Order

President Jason Stephan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. He welcomed everyone and there were fifty-five in attendance. Those new to meetings or the club introduced themselves and Jason called for the following reports:

President Report: Jason Stephan reported that the Executive Committee had met prior to the meeting and decided the Club's portion of the 50/50 money would be donated as follows: \$500 to Sports for Sound, \$100 to a free tutoring service for Dyslexic Children and \$100 to renew the banner at Holly Hills ballfield. Jason commented that we saw our (two) one day trips cancelled and a multi-day trip cut short. But on the bright side, there were two successful weeklong trips and the Holiday Valley/ Holimont trip has come back strong and enough hotel rooms have been secured to take two busses next year. Vice President Report: Jeri Johnson reported she is still taking orders for name tags. They are \$7.50 each. If you are interested, email Jeri your name as

Treasurer Report: Melba Gasque reported on the current treasury amount and noted she has one trip outstanding to reconcile.

Secretary Report: Jennie Stephan reported she had sold \$175 in the 50/50 raffle and could sell before the drawing at the conclusion of the meeting.

Membership Report: Roberta Graham reported there are currently 257 members.

Social Chair Report: Vickie Roe reported that there are 2 spots for the Euchre tournament at the Brancifort's on April 6. RSVP to Vickie. Others are welcome to come socialize. A scavenger hunt will be planned for May and the Gervasi Piazza opening is typically the Monday before Memorial Day. If you are interested in tickets to the Piazza opening, please contact Vickie and be pre-paid.

Facebook Report: Gary Johnson reported the Facebook page is still getting 2-3 Likes a week. Gary asked if you have pictures from the Panorama trip to submit to him to post.

Newsletter Report: Mike Bishop reported that everything is per usual, get your articles submitted by the Friday after the meeting. Mike noted he would be stepping down as Newsletter Editor prior to the announcement of the Constitution Review. Mike has suggested he will continue his 30 years plus service to the club and stay on as Newsletter Editor with a constitution review.

Website/Biking Report: Bill Bail reported there is nothing new regarding the Website. For biking, rides could start in April, it will be weather dependent. Rides will be on Tuesdays and are communicated via email. Contact Bill to be on the biking email list.

Trip Chair Report: Scott Hunsinger reported the warm weather Cabo trip will be in January, the week after the H/H trip. It was noted that if you are going on one of the week trips that are on the Epic pass, you can get a \$50 reduction in price from Ski.com. The Club can still purchase lift tickets if you do not wish to purchase an Epic pass. Scott reported that American Airlines is reaching out to ski clubs. Art Pokopac will represent the club at Mountain Travel Symposium in Whistler and already has a loaded schedule. If you have any requests for the 2020/21 season, let Art or Scott know. Scott called for the following trip reports:

Trip Reports

Peek n Peak/Holiday Valley, Feb 23-24 Trip Leader Roberta Graham. Roberta reported we had a good first day at Peek n Peak. The second day we had rain at Holiday Valley and not so good conditions and before lift tickets were bought, the lifts were suspended with the threat of lightening in the area. The bus went into Ellicottville for a short stop to allow some shopping and headed home for a very windy ride. Read Roberta's full trip report. Panorama, BC Mar 2-9 Trip Leader Art Pokopac. Art reported despite initial problems in Chicago, they had some bluebird ski days and they also skied Kicking Horse. Read Art's full trip report.

Old/New Business

Constitution: Jason Stephan stated that Mike Bishop has valid points regarding some past constitutional changes, therefore the Executive Committee has decided a committee should make a complete review of the constitution and see where any errors or outdated info may exist and make appropriate recommendations to be voted on at the start of next season. If you are interested in being on this committee, please let Jason know. Mike Bishop volunteered to be on the committee.

CSMS: CMSC President, Bootsie Ricketts, was in attendance to address concerns before the Club takes a vote at the April meeting to remain or leave CMSC. With regard to CMSC catering to racing clubs, Bootsie stressed that the racing program is self-sufficient with each racer paying \$1 per race and fundraisers making up additional funds. Also noted, non-racers can receive discounted lift tickets. Lack of communication was a common complaint by several members, and when asked if members were receiving the electronic issue of the Sitzmark, the majority answered no. Frustration was expressed by Debbie Scherer in navigating CMSC's website. Bootsie asked that we allow another year to correct these issues as well as others. Mike Bishop commented that he is not sure we are seeing a return on investment of our membership dues. Currently it costs 80 cents a member to belong to CMSC, that is approximately \$170/year for Stark County Ski Club. CMSC is considering raising the dues but there will need to be a constitutional change for that to happen. Fred Scherer and others noted that on the strength of our trip committee, we run well organized trips that are as reasonably priced as CMSC. Bootsie suggested there are still advantages to being under the CMSC umbrella. It makes us a member of the National Ski Council Federation, making their discounts and information available to us as well as the networking between the CMSC clubs to promote skiing. Donna Brancifort stated that we have benefited from CMSC Legal Counsel and that she felt the Round Tables were beneficial in the exchange of ideas between the clubs. It was also mentioned that CMSC cannot dictate what other clubs do, so clubs are free to make our members join their club to go on a trip. It should be noted that the Stark County Ski Club Executive. Committee will follow this practice and going forward, everyone will need to be a member of SCSC to go on club trips. This is mainly due to unrelated business income and keeping everything within our membership so that our tax exempt/non-profit status is not affected. Lisa Martin thanked Bootsie for taking the time to come and talk to our Club, this was expressed by many.

Elections: Nominations for Officers are as follows: President- Jason Stephan nominated by Jeri Johnson, second by Scott Hunsinger. Vice President- Jeri Johnson nominated by Mark Fetzer, second by Roberta Graham. Secretary-Jennifer Stephan nominated by Jeri Johnson, second by Ida Lesh. Treasurer-Melba Gasque, nominated by John Masalko, second by Al Brancifort. We can still take nominations at the April meeting prior to elections.

Miscellaneous: Guests Suri and daughter mentioned they found out about the club via the article in The Compass. She picked up the magazine at The Raison Rack. She is interested in downhill skiing after trying and enjoying cross country skiing.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35. Motion was made by Jeri Johnson and seconded by Lisa Martin. The 50/50 raffle and door prize drawings followed. Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan - Secretary

Week at PANORAMA

Twenty-eight skiers set out to British Columbia to Panorama, Pure Canada, on Saturday, March 2, 2019.

United airlines were our carrier, smooth flight to Chicago then flight to Calgary, to make it short but it wasn't, sat at the gate for 2 hours while the Sky West crew was deciding on how to handle our overweight plane. The person sitting next to me was a pilot from United, I thought the plane was too small to fly to Calgary, he agreed shouldn't be flying a regional jet for this connection. Resolution to the problem, let's take off some luggage and skis bags. Now, two hours later we are taking off from Chicago. It was a rough flight, flying into the headwinds, but we made it. Through customs to baggage claims, no ski bags and a few pieces of luggage missing. We filed papers on the missing luggage and then off to the resort, Ski-less in Canada. We made our grocery, liquor and get something to eat stop, a lot of cans popping in the back of the bus for the 3 plus hour ride up to the mountain. We made it to the resort around 9:15 PM and into the condos before 10 PM.

Sunday arose to cold temperatures, blue skies and ski less in Canada. Most of the people took an unscheduled day off and went into the town of Invermere. Others rent skis, bought ski clothes and took off skiing. Some just hung around the ski area and look around the resort. Ski did arrive around 9:00 PM in the evening.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were bluebird skies and temps in the '20s, a great day to do the wide and groomed trails of Panorama or Taynton bowl. We took your skis out of the locker to outside of the door, put them on and ski down to the lift. Yes, we had skied in and ski out accommodations. On Wednesday morning, nine people board a bus early for a trip to Kicking Horse for a day of skiing, back early evening. Thursday was a little overcast and some snow in the morning. Sun came out a little around the noon hour and my roommates went skiing until flat light appeared then off the slopes.

Friday back to a bluebird day but people who ski only ski about a half a day, need to board the bus for a trip to airport hotel at 3:30 pm. Stayed a night at the Delta Hotel in the Airport Terminal, the early morning went thru customs for an 8:30 am a flight to Chicago. Then we boarded a small plane from Chicago to Cleveland that arrived in Cleveland around 4:30 pm on Saturday. Remember, a small plane, we end up with boot bags and ski bag but no luggage. Paperwork need to be filed again and luggage arrived within the next two days for all at home.

Panorama provides a lot of skiing for all different types of skiers. Lodging was a true ski in and ski out and from your balcony, if you were facing the slopes you could see all skiing activities plus groomers at night.

You had a few restaurants in the resort to eat plus one bar and grill. One injury to report a bruised tailbone and muscle pull in the left leg that person was me. It happens at the top of the mountain coming off a lift and trying to miss a sign that was placed too close to lift run out. Skied down the mountain, fell again for about 40 feet, less to ski downhill. Then about 20 feet from the one-mile hut, walk to hut then download off the chair lift. I was done skiing, and this was only Monday. Now, feeling somewhat better and in due time it will heal.

Again, it was my pleasure to run the trip with a great group of people!

Stark County Ski Club (SCSC) Social Events

*Contact Vickie Roe @ vroe@neo.rr.com or text 330-361-0843 for all of these socials:

SCSC APRIL SOCIAL

Euchre night & Covered Dish at Donna & Al's

6pm on April 6th

Only 24 players \$3 per player – bring a covered dish if you come – others may watch or be an alternate in case someone can't make it *2 spots open, plus a couple of people as alternates in the event someone cancels or you can just show up to socialize!

SCSC MAY SOCIAL



<u>Scavenger Hunt – Thursday, May 9</u>

meet in the bar area at <u>Park Center Lanes</u> between 5:30 and 6pm 7313 Whipple Ave. NW, North Canton 44720

*Deadline to sign up is May 2nd Get your team together! (2, 3, or 4 person teams) Bonus points for team themed costume!

Gervasi Vineyard presale tickets Will require prepay

*Send \$20 in prior to sale, refund will be issued if less than \$20pp.

Please note the event and number of tickets in the memo section of your check.

Checks will not be cashed until tickets are purchased.

Previous years this event has been the Monday before Memorial Day in May.



That would be May 20th this year

Send check made out to Vickie Roe, to: 3873 April Drive, Uniontown, OH 44685 *No guarantee of being able to purchase tickets. Not responsible for checks arriving too late as Gervasi does not say when they will put these online for sale. No extra tickets being purchased though you are welcome to get on their website and order your own tickets.

Stark County Ski Club Marketing - Gail Vogt

Canton Hall of Fame Marathon 2019 will be Sunday, April 28th, and the Expo will be Friday April 26th and Sat April 27th. I will be reaching out for volunteers for water stops again. If you know of any groups that we could get involved, please give me a contact for them. We had to cover multiple stops for the last one, because of the lack of volunteers to man the stops.

If you are interested in helping, please email me - glv2354@gmail.com, or call 330-323-8211. I need your email, phone number, and tee shirt size.

Non-club members and children at least 10 years old are very welcome to join us.

Thanks gail



Stark County Ski Club

Vice-President Jeri Johnson



Are you interested in a Stark County Ski Club nametag?

This is a great way to let others know who you are!

The tags have a purple background with white lettering, and are $1 \frac{3}{4} \times 3$ inches with a magnetic clasp.

The cost is \$7.42.

To order one, email Jeri Johnson at skierjkj@gmail.com with the name you wish to have on the nametag.

You can pay her when you pick up the nametag.

Officer Elections to be held at May 21st meeting

SCSC trip sign up policy

If you are not a paid up current member at the time of your application for a ski trip your application will be held for 30 days before processing. You must also complete the membership application with payment prior to your trip application being processed. Membership must remain current throughout the ski season travel period or you may be subjected to an additional non-member fee for the trip.

Mike



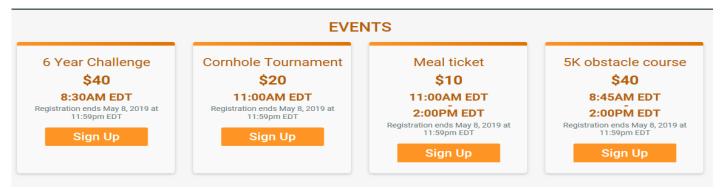
PLACE

EASTERN OHIO SPORTS COMPLEX 8155 Dawn Road Sherrodsville, OH US 44675

*Registration ends May 8, 2019 See you there!

SCSC May social: Volunteer or get a group together and sign up for an event

https://www.adventuresignup.com/Race/OH/Sherrodsville/SportsforSound



DESCRIPTION

The 6th Annual Sports for Sound fund-raising event will be held Saturday, May 18th, with all proceeds assisting hearing impaired patients in Tuscarawas & Carroll Counties, Ohio.

For 2019, we are continuing last year's trend. We are going to have the 6 Year Challenge, 5K obstacle course & festivities surrounding it. Festivities will include having a cornhole tournament with beverages by Lockport Brewery, food by Ross Mtn BBQ & music!

Hosted at the Eastern Ohio Sports Complex, the 6 Year Challenge will start with a 2K obstacle course run, proceed to a 2K road run & end with another lap on the 2K obstacle course.

Participants receive an official Sports for Sound swag bag, t-shirt, meal ticket for Ross Mountain BBQ & a beverage provided by Lockport Brewery.

05.18.19 6-YEAR CHALLENGE 6 Year Challenge - Register Check-In Begins: 7:15 AM Race Begins: 8:30 AM

- 2K Obstacle Course Run
- · 2K Road Run
- 2K Obstacle Course Run

5K Obstacle Course - Register

Check-In Begins: 7:15 AM Race Begins: 8:45 AM

Cornhole Tournament - Register

Check-In Begins: 9:45 AM Tournament Begins: 11:00 AM

Meal Ticket Only - Register

Meal Served: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

EVENT PARKING 35 Moore St. Sherrodsville, OH 44675