**Tips & Tails** 

**April 2020** 

Voting opens April 1st - closes April 21st

## **TARK COUNTY**

KI 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



**Summer Break** 

for SCSC Meeting

Meetings scheduled to resume in September



**Meeting Location** 

Mulligan's

Restaurant and Pub

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:   |                                    |                          |
|  |                                    |                          |
| Select Type of Membership  |                                    |                          |
| If you were not a paid member last year you are <b>NOT</b> a Renewal this year.  |                                    |                          |
| (Renewal Price is for Consecutive Years)   | Renewal Member<br>Member last year | New Non-member last year |
| Single Member  | \$20                               | \$30                     |
| Couple Membership (2 people who share the same address)  | <u>\$25</u>                        | \$40                     |
| Family □ Share the same address  | \$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?  |                                    |                          |
| 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. |                                    |                          |
| Date: (Couple Membership Requires Both Signatures) (Family Membership Requires Parental Signature)   |                                    |                          |
| Or send this application via email to: <a href="mailto:dscherer680@gmail.com">dscherer680@gmail.com</a> and mail your check to: (MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS BEGIN UPON PAYMENT RECEIVED)  |                                    |                          |
| DEBBIE SCHERER, 355 Beucler Ave. NW, Bolivar, OH 44612-9204  |                                    |                          |
| 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: Jason Stephan

Hello fellow skiers and riders,

What an abrupt end to a ski season, we started with the winter that wasn't and just when winter finally decided to show us some love and allow us to get out to enjoy our sport, we were hit with a pandemic that shut down the entire country. I hope that those reading this are staying safe and healthy by washing your hands, disinfecting everything around you, and keeping a safe distance as well as sheltering in place. Our Tahoe trip was turned into a dinner stop in Denver, but thanks to Art for managing to secure accommodations and a return flight back home so that our travelers were only slightly inconvenienced. To many, it also meant that individual spring break holiday trips were canceled as well. This has put us in a unique situation with having to cancel the meetings. This delayed the nominations for club officer & trip committee positions, and we will find a way that works with our constitution to hold elections.

Our March meeting was scheduled to be held on St. Patrick's day, and we had checked ahead of time with Mulligan's to ensure that wouldn't be a conflict with anything they had planned. We were told that it wouldn't be a problem. About a week out from the meeting I received a message that Mulligan's would not be able to accommodate our group in our normal meeting room due to the expected crowd. We were told we could have a smaller meeting room. The executive committee looked at all the options which included canceling, moving the date, and moving the venue. After some deliberation, we decided that with a good portion of the club in Lake Tahoe and generally a smaller attendance for March and April meetings that we would hold the meeting on St. Patrick's day in the smaller cozy meeting room. However, the final decision was overruled for us when the Governor closed all bars in indoor restaurant facilities and meetings of over 20 people. We now faced our second challenge of how to hold nominations for offices. We have decided to hold nominations electronically, and it has worked out relatively well as I have had many come in, a few of the nominations were declined, as each of the nominations came in I sent out an email to the nominee to see if they would accept the nomination. I have a list of nominations for club officers and trip committee members. Now the third dilemma, how to hold officer elections when we will not be having an April meeting. We are working on that one, but it most likely is electronic voting either via email, Facebook, or other means. I hope the Russians don't interfere...

Speaking of meetings, I did let the cat out of the bag, but we will not be having any more scheduled meetings this season. Most likely for April, we will be under the shelter in place/no meetings of more than 10 people and this situation will probably go well into spring and early summer.

A complete list of nominations, both accepted and turned down will be provided. Stay safe my friends,
Jason

### SCSC trip sign up policy

If you are not a paid-up current member at the time you file a SCSC trip application the application will be held for a minimum of 30 days before processing. SCSC trip application processing will begin only after the SCSC membership application and payment have been received. Membership must remain current throughout the ski season travel period.

**April 2020** 

## Officer & Trip Committee Nominees

#### **President:**

Mike Bishop, nominated by Fred Shearer Accepted

#### **Vice President:**

Jason Stephan, nominated by Mike Bishop

Scott Hunsinger, nominated by Alice Nowell

Vickie Roe, nominated by Debbie Shearer

Gail Vogt, nominated by Donna Brancifort

Declined

Accepted

#### **Secretary:**

Jennie Stephan, nominated by Jason Stephan Accepted Shelby Bishop, nominated by Debbie Shearer Declined

#### **Treasurer:**

Melba Gasque, nominated by Debbie Shearer Accepted

### **Trip Committee:**

Roberta Graham, nominated by Robbie & Mikey Graham

Art Pokopac, nominated by several members

Scott Hunsinger, nominated by several members

Gary Johnson, nominated by Mike Bishop & Shelby Bishop

Jeri Johnson, nominated by Mike Bishop & Shelby Bishop

John Masalko, nominated by several members

Janet Brunecz, nominated by Janet Brunecz

Accepted

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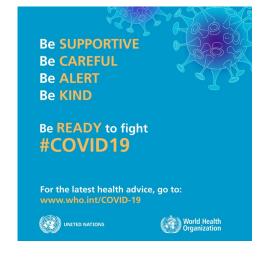
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- 1 HANDS Wash them often
- 2 ELBOW Cough into it
- 3 FACE Don't touch it
- 4 SPACE Keep safe distance
- 5 HOME Stay if you can



### Club Officer Election Nominees

President- Mike Bishop, nominated by Fred Shearer. Running unopposed Vice President-Gail Vogt, nominated by Donna Brancifort. Running unopposed

Secretary- Jennie Stephan, nominated by Jason Stephan. Running unopposed

Treasurer-Melba Gasque, nominated by Debbie Shearer. Running unopposed

Jason made the motion that all club officer positions that were running unopposed be accepted as new officers, and the executive committee members supported that motion.

## Stark County Ski Club

### Trip Committee Nominees

Nominations for Trip committee members we will vote on. The recipient of the most votes will be named trip chair for a term of two years (Constitution Article IV, Government Section D, Line (iv) may apply). The next four to receive the most amount of votes will be appointed to the trip committee for a term of 1 year.

John Masalko, nominated by several club members

Roberta Graham, nominated by Mikey Graham

Janet Brunecz, nominated by self

Scott Hunsinger, nominated by several members (Not eligible for chair)

Art Pokopac, nominated by several members

Send your vote for Trip committee chair person to vote to:

Trip/Chair/Vote

(vote for only one trip committee nominee)

Members only vote goes to the SCSC website to be verified.

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## Merchandising Gail Vogt

### Brewery and Wine Tour

Watch for more information coming. Date is Saturday, October 3rd. Plans are to visit 4 breweries and 3 wineries, traveling West, starting in Wooster. We are also looking at having a special tee shirt for all participants, tee shirt will be included price of trip.

### Kayak Group - Interested?

There is a large group of our club members that own kayaks. We are looking at putting together some river or lake paddle days for this summer. We have some great places to drop in on the Tusc river, Craig Pittman, Canal Fulton, and willing to explore more. There are also some beautiful lakes to paddle around. Ideas for new places are welcome. If your interested please contact Gail, <a href="mailto:glv2354@gmail.com">glv2354@gmail.com</a>, so we can compile the list to be shared within the group only.

## Stark County Ski Club

### Trip Committee Chair Scott Hunsinger

Where do we start? Right now the entire world is dealing with the Coronavirus. Everyone of us has been touched by this virus in one way or another. Will it last a few weeks, a few months, or a few years. We just don't know. We do think that no matter what happens it will alter our skiing habits, at least for a while. The Trip Committee will continue to work with some of the best ski promoters in the world to make sure that our members have quality, affordable trips whenever they become available.

This virus could have a financial, physical or emotional effect on a lot of us. The SCSC will do whatever we can to make trips as affordable, relaxing and convenient as we possibly can. That may mean shorter and smaller group trips but more of them to give people more choices. We may have more "Andy's Bake Sale" events at local resorts. Whatever it takes.

Whenever the Coronavirus is in the rearview mirror we are all going to want to "Get Back To The Mountains" even if they only have 250' of vertical. So raise a glass everyone, we are going to get through this!

#### Scott

P.S. If you met someone on a trip or at a club event and would like to check in on them but don't know how to contact them please contact your trip leader or me. We will try to get you the person's contact information, with that person's consent of course.

### Vice-President Jeri Johnson



Great ready for the 2020 Ski Season with a Stark County Ski Club Name Tag. This is a great way to let others know who you are! The tags have a purple background with white lettering, and are 1 ¾ x 3 inches with a magnetic clasp. The cost is \$7.50. To order one, email Jeri Johnson at <a href="mailto:skierjkj@gmail.com">skierjkj@gmail.com</a> with the name you wish to have on the nametag. You can pay her when you pick up the nametag.

Jeri Johnson

# Stark County Ski Club Lake Tahoe Trip / Art Pokopac

Twenty-one boarded the plane at Cleveland airport on March 14 at 4:30 PM. At the present time, I was thinking about the snowstorm that was going to hit the Sierra mountain in the evening hours and how it was going to affect our travel to the resort. That was going to prove that was least of our worries. When we land in Denver and you can turn on phones, Rick turns around to me and told me of his brother's text, he said that Vail resorts were closing due to Covid-19. His brother traveled a day earlier than the group and was at the resort. I gather the group and told them about our situation. Then called the tour operator, we had a couple of options, continuing flying to resort or turn the group around in Denver. I need a little push by a few of our participants to turn it around in Denver. I was leaning that way myself; Denver has a lot more flights than Reno plus it wasn't snowing in Denver. For this to happen need to talk to a United rep at the gate. She told me that she could pull all CLE bags, put them in holding, also need to show her everyone's bag claims. Then she reticketed the group for a non-stop flight going home in the morning at 10 AM. Call our tour operator at different times through this event and told her what went on. Next came the hotel rooms for the night, a few went on their own to get rooms and the others when to the Hampton Inn, thanks to our tour operator.

Lake Tahoe trip, we all spent a night in Denver and some of us had dinner at Moonlight Diner. I had dinner with my wife, what a date night!

I would like to give a big shout of Thanks to the United rep at the boarding gate, Heidi Watkins, also, our tour operator, Gloria at Ski.com for all the help.

No matter what has been said about United, they came thru on this trip.

This has been the smallest group and the shortest trip in my forty years of running trips. It has been my pleasure to run this short trip for a Great group of people. See you next, year and maybe will do some skiing.

### Summer Biking—Bill Bail

SCSC Summer Biking Program

**Bikers** 

## Due to the current COVID-19 crisis there will not be any scheduled biking at least through the end of May.

Description of the biking program

Our summer biking group meets on Tuesday evenings through August and we ride a section on the Ohio Erie Towpath between Akron and Navarre weather permitting. You ride at your own pace and go as far as you are comfortable with. Our rule of thumb is we ride out for 45 minutes, take a short break then return making the ride about an hour and a half long as a guideline. I send out an email a day or two ahead of time to let you know where we will be meeting at to start. We also try to include a Saturday ride each month. The Saturday rides will include other nearby trails and may coincide with other activities in the area.

The rides will be on Tuesday evening starting at 6 PM weather permitting. The minimum temperature requirement is 60 degrees and of course, not raining. You do not need to be Stark County Ski Club member to ride with us. You do not even need to be a rider as you are welcome to join us and just take a walk on the trail.

If you want to be added to the email list to receive weekly information on where we will be

riding, send an email to <a href="mailto:scscbikers@outlook.com">scscbikers@outlook.com</a>.

Bill Bail
Stark County Web site.





### Socials - Diane Marzec

#### APRIL SOCIAL DISTANCING

SCSC Members are practicing social distancing during the "Ohio Stay At Home Order"

No touching

• Lots of Handwashing

• Lots of wine & beer drinking

• Lots of Laughing....Required



Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> SCSC Euchre Night

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.

#### **UPCOMING SUMMER SOCIALS & ACTIVITES**



Celebrate the Opening of the Piazza Piazza Pizza Party at Gervasi Vineyards

**Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM



Cost: ? (Last year's cost was \$18 – 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 in past 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. Tickets go on sale at the end of April or first week of May so I'd like to have a headcount of how many people want to join in. Send an email to <a href="mailto:dlmarzec@gmail.com">dlmarzec@gmail.com</a> before tickets go on sale and we'll purchase the tickets for you.

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

### Socials - Diane Marzec

### **Now Taking Reservations:**

### Camping/Canoeing/Kayaking/Biking

Friday, July 17th – Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>



#### **Camping at Mohican Reservation**

Check out the website: <a href="https://www.mohicanreservation.com/index.php">https://www.mohicanreservation.com/index.php</a>

Cost: Approximately \$25 per person (Kids under 12 free)

(Dogs are allowed!)

Biking, Canoeing, Kayaking, Zip Line or just relaxing will be on the agenda that weekend along with a lot of laughter and storytelling. Limited spots available. Make your reservations today. See Trip Flier for more details on cost and how to register.

## **2nd Annual Portage Lake's President's Cup Pub Paddle**

Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM Sail Time





Stark County Ski Club's portage lakes pub paddle and poker run Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> meet at portage lakes old state park dock at 10:30am for registration and put in, park is off 619 state park drive just past the upper deck on the left side of the road. We'll set sail at 11:00am. First stop Upper Deck for brews and quick lunch, travel to northern part of the lake to Pick's at PLX, then short stroll across the waterfront to Harbor Front, paddle back to the park for pull out, Last stop will be a short drive to P.L.B.C Brewery across from the clock tower. Bring your Kayak, Canoe, or paddle board. Don't own a kayak or canoe?? rent a kayak, canoe or paddle board from Killinit Kayaks at reasonable rates <a href="https://killinitkayaks.com/">https://killinitkayaks.com/</a>

Please email Jason Stephen at jdstephan5858@gmail.com with any questions.

Non-members are always welcome to join our socials. It's a great way to introduce them to SCSC and all the fun people!

For more information email Diane Marzec at <a href="mailto:dlmarzec@gmail.com">dlmarzec@gmail.com</a>

## Annual SCSC Summer Camp-Out at Mohican! Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

**Camping at Mohican Reservation** 

https://www.mohicanreservation.com/index.php

Camping Cost: \$25 per person (Adults – Kids under 12 free) Limited campsites reserved - First come, first serve!

Riverfront Tent Camping w/water & electric (Dogs are allowed!)



Join club members on Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> for a relaxing summer day doing one of the below activities...Riding the trails, Zipping through the tree line, floating down the Mohican River in a canoe, kayak or raft!

#### FLOATING DOWN THE MOHICAN

Float your cares away in a canoe or kayak or on a raft. Don't forget to bring your coolers & water guns! The Livery will pick up the group at Mohican Reservation campground and will take us to our drop off point. The trip will end back at the campground.



RENTAL: Canoe or Kayak is \$20 per person for 9 Mile trip. Kids under 12 are free in the canoe with 2 adults. Anyone interested will register and pay at the campground when they check in.

#### RIDING THE TRAILS

Not a fan of water...Bikers may want to ride one of the great trails in that are The Kokosing Trail <a href="http://www.kokosinggaptrail.org/TRAIL/aatrail.htm">http://www.kokosinggaptrail.org/TRAIL/aatrail.htm</a> or the Ohio B&O Trail http://www.ohiobikeways.net/bno.htm



#### ZIP LINE THROUGH THE TREES



If **Zip Line** is more to your liking, feel free to make a reservation with Tree Frog Canopy Tours

http://www.treefrogcanopytours.com/

NOT A CAMPER: Please join us for the day in any activity.

Contact Diane Marzec at DLMarzec@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Payment is due at the time of the reservation. Please make checks payable to Diane Marzec and mail to: 2716 Marsh Ave. NW, Canton, OH 44708.