

Tips & Tails

March 2020

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.



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Cleveland Metro Ski Council

Meeting Schedule

March 17th, SCSC Meeting (Nominations)

April 21st, SCSC Meeting (Elections)

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



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

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 **NOT** a Renewal this year.*

(Renewal Price is for Consecutive Years)	Renewal Member Member last year	New Non-member last year
Single Member <input type="checkbox"/>	\$20	\$30
Couple Membership (2 people who share the same address)	<u>\$25</u>	\$40
Family <input type="checkbox"/> 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.

Signature (s) _____

Date: _____

(Couple Membership Requires Both Signatures)
(Family Membership Requires Parental Signature)

Or send this application via email to: dscherer680@gmail.com 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

February is in the books, and with a bonus day (leap year), a late snowstorm, and a little help from our friends the snowmakers, Winter wasn't as bad as we may have thought. Yes, conditions were challenging most of the winter, but I was able to ride the board and ski this year. I also managed to add level 1 Snowboard instructor certification to my repertoire. As a club, most of this year's trips have been behind us but we still have our week-long trip to Tahoe to look forward to. If you're not on that trip, I hope you have someplace wonderful planned to squeeze the last little bit of winter fun out of this season before we have to apply a layer of summer wax and put the skis and boards up for the summer.

Speaking of summer keep your eyes peeled on the newsletters, Facebook page, and emails from the club. We are planning some fun stuff to keep us busy over the warm season. I have heard rumors of some summer kayaking, Camping with canoeing or biking, another wine and brewery tour, and maybe even some white water rafting down either the New River or Youghiogheny. Slightly tamer than what we have been doing the past few years, but a ton of fun for most of the club.

We are taking nominations for Club President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trip committee members at the next meeting, and will be holding elections for those offices at the April meeting.



REMINDER:

**March SCSC Meeting – Tuesday, March 17th
Mulligans**

ST. PATRICK'S DAY in an Irish Pub!!!

We'll be in the smaller Victorian room

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.

Mike

March 2020

Call to Order

President Jason Stephan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Jason asked for new members or visitors to introduce themselves and Lynn, who came on the H&H trip, stood up and was recognized. Thirty-nine (39) members were present.

Officer / Chair Reports

President Report: Jason Stephan reported word is getting out about the Club; members are marketing ourselves through socials, Facebook, etc. and we appreciate all the new members. But Jason cautioned that with many people involved in the membership and trip process, it is greatly appreciated if new members join as much in advance of a trip as possible so that membership, trip leaders, etc., can all get their documents and it isn't left to last minute, possibly when you are walking onto a bus that morning. As always, non-members are welcome at socials, biking, activities that aren't trips. Jason noted if anyone wants to speak with him about being President, he would gladly go over responsibilities.

Jason called for the following reports:

Vice President Report: Jeri Johnson reported she didn't attend the CMSC meeting due to the Okemo trip. From meeting minutes, it didn't seem to be any new info reported at the meeting. Jeri noted she can take name tag orders and there are also extra luggage tags for sale for \$2.50 each.

Treasurer Report: Donna Brancifort reported on the treasury amount and that it is changing daily with trips going out.

Secretary Report: Jennifer Stephan reported she had \$145 in the 50/50 raffle and would sell tickets before the drawing.

Fundraising Report: Donna Brancifort reported AVI sent checks totaling \$24,157 and after paying Eli House that amounts to \$22,982 the club took in this past season from events at Tom Benson and Akron U. Stadium. \$19,818 in vouchers were given out and Donna gave a breakdown of vouchers used: \$1,320 early discount signups, H & H - \$2,688 in vouchers, Tahoe - \$2,500 in vouchers, Cabo - \$2,900 in vouchers, Wine trip - \$200 in vouchers. Overall on trips, \$9,618 vouchers have been turned in this season so you can see the success of the program. Donna would like everyone to consider working more events so we can keep the biggest stand and also not have temporary workers for support. There will be plenty of upcoming opportunities with concerts, HOF events and state football games as well as other misc. events.

Facebook Report: Gary Johnson reported that he shared a video on teaching kids to ski. He also joined the FB Group "It's Happening in Stark County" and will post information on that website with a link to our page. Please send Gary Okemo pictures that he can share.

Website Report: Bill Bail reported that all forms are on the website so should be easy for new members to retrieve.

Marketing/Merchandising: Gail Vogt reported we will again have an early water stop this year for the HOF Marathon on April 26. They would also like help on packet pickup day, April 25. Jackson Twp. Community Celebration is June 24-28 and we would like to have a booth. Towpath 101 bike ride is June 6/7 and Gail will be asking for volunteers. Also, the inaugural wine trip was such a success that they are looking to go west and visit wineries and breweries in Wooster, Millersburg, Loudonville and possibly have a trip shirt made up for the next wine trip. A date will be pinned down soon. For merchandising, Gail has 2 headbands left from the gator and headband purchase, she is not sure if there will be another order for this season or a larger purchase for next season.

Newsletter Report: Mike Bishop reported he would be on vacation and would like articles sent to him as soon as possible. He would like trip recaps from the trip leaders. Mike also noted he plans to continue in the role as Newsletter Editor.

Social Chair Report: Diane Marzec reported approximately 25 people were at the February Twisted Olive Social. Future socials include March 10 at a venue to be determined, April 25 the Euchre Party at The Brancifort's with space for 24 players and social gathering for those who would like to observe. Diane will be taking names if you are interested in the Gervasi Piazza opening typically the Monday before Memorial Weekend. Diane is planning a Mohican camping trip for July 17-19 with opportunities for canoeing/kayaking and biking.

Trip Committee Report: Scott Hunsinger called for the following trip reports:

Trip Reports (Note: You must be a member to go on a SCSC trip.)

Okemo, VT Feb 2-Feb 7 Trip Leader Scott Hunsinger reported no issues getting to Okemo and that 18 of the 26 flew, unfortunately 9 of those 18 that flew, caught the flu. Three of the four ski days were great conditions. See Scott's full report.

Seven Springs, PA Feb 14 Trip Leader Janet Brunecz. Janet reported there were some cancellations and 41 participated. If you canceled, there will be a \$42 refund from the lift ticket. Donna is going on vacation and refunds will be issued at a later date.

Holiday Valley, Feb 28 \$88 Trip Leaders Jeri & Gary Johnson. Jeri reported they have 29 signed up. [This trip is going but they may go to a smaller bus if the number of attendees doesn't increase. Bus loads at 4:30 am and departs Faircrest at 5 am.](#) Dinner stop in Ellicottville.

Holimont, March 6 \$88 Trip Leader Roberta Graham reported she has 18 signed up and needs 10 more by March 1 for this trip to run. Holimont is a private resort with typical excellent conditions. Bus loads at 4:30 am and departs Faircrest at 5 am. There will be a dinner stop in Ellicottville.

Lake Tahoe, CA Mar 14-21 \$1,520 Trip Leader Art Pokopac reported 31 on the trip and he was having a trip meeting after the club meeting.

Cabo, Mexico January 21-28 Trip Leader Bill Fry reported it was mid-80s most of the trip, the resort was great and many options were enjoyed, including whale watching and Foam Pool Party.

Ireland/Scotland Aug 26-Sept 8 Bill Fry reported he has 4-6 spots left, contact him ASAP to get on this trip. Land pkg is \$1,919, Air is \$1,039.75 through Delta with one checked bag or you can arrange your own air. You can use trip discount vouchers on this trip.

Old / New Business

Officer and Trip Committee Positions: Jason reminded everyone that this is he and Jeri's last term as President and Vice President as well as being time for Trip Committee nominations. If you would like to throw your hat in the ring for any position, there will be nominations at the March meeting and voting will take place at the April Meeting.

Snow Trails Pass Raffle: Officers decided to donate raffle proceeds (\$208) from the Snow Trails Raffle to TAASC, The Adaptive Adventure Sports Coalition program at Snow Trails. Club members are invited to stop by and check out the program. Susie Shearer won the pass.

Miscellaneous: Gail has negotiated with Dunham Sporting Goods a 10% discount for Club members.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Jeri Johnson; seconded by Janet Brunecz. Debbie Scherer won the 50/50 raffle and door prize drawings followed.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan – Secretary

Stark County Ski Club

Socials - Diane Marzec

SCSC MARCH SOCIALS

Tuesday, March 10th
Wing Night at Loby's Grille

Time: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Bring your friends out for 55¢ wings and \$2.75 Tall Drafts of Bud Light, until 9pm. Not a fan of wings...enjoy your selection from a full menu including chef specialties. Hope you'll join us for a night of great food, drinks, and fun!

Loby's Grille
4736 Hills and Dales Rd. NW
Canton, OH
(330) 479-9860
www.lobysbar.com



APRIL SOCIAL

Saturday, April 25th

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.

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

Reservations Required: First 24 people to let me know they want to play Euchre will have a seat at the table! I currently have 18 people signed up. Room for 6 more. Euchre players will contribute \$3/person towards prize money. **If Interested Please Email DLMarzec@gmail.com or call Diane at 330-497-4261 by Wednesday, April 22nd!**

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Socials - Diane Marzec



UPCOMING SUMMER SOCIALS & ACTIVITIES

Celebrate the Opening of the Piazza - Save The Date!
Piazza Pizza Party at Gervasi Vineyards

Monday, May 18th
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 dlmarzec@gmail.com 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

Now Taking Reservations:

Camping/Canoeing/Kayaking/Biking

Friday, July 17th – Sunday, July 19th

Camping at Mohican Reservation

Check out the website: <https://www.mohicanreservation.com/index.php>

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.** Watch for more details on cost and how to register in the April Newsletter.

Stark County Ski Club

Trip Committee Chair Scott Hunsinger

Here we are at the beginning of March and the Trip Committee is already working on trips for the 2021 season and beyond. We may, in fact, we will be trying some new things and updating some established things next season. We want to make our trips more accessible and skier friendly if we can. That may include changes in departure times and where we ski. For example, Timberline Resort in West Virginia may be back up and running next season with improvements to their lifts and snowmaking. We are considering skiing at a few resorts that we haven't visited for a while.

Nominations for the trip committee are in March with elections in April so if you are interested please let someone know. The members of the committee may change but the work of the committee never stops. We work year-round to schedule and promote SCSC trips.

One last thing. My term as Trip Committee Chairman ends in April. I can't serve as chairman for consecutive terms but with your consent, I can continue to serve on the committee. I hope that as chairman I did some good for the club and made some improvements. I especially want to thank everyone that served on the committee while I was the chair. Many members of the club have no idea how hardworking and dedicated these people are and how much time they give to the club.

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Okemo, VT 2020

Those of us that went to Okemo, Vermont had a very good (short) week of skiing. Mon-day and Tuesday had overcast skies but the snow was excellent. Wednesday was one of those days that skiers dream about, sunshine and near perfect snow. Thursday we had a combination of snow and freezing rain that tended to create a glazed donut effect on your goggles and ski clothes but it was, to say the least interesting.

Our flight home on Friday was canceled due to 18" of snow at the Burlington Airport. We were bused to Bradley International Airport near Hartford, Connecticut where we were able to get a flight home on Saturday morning. The flight was uneventful except for the fact that half of us later came down with a stomach virus courtesy of a coughing woman sitting directly behind me on one of the flights. It happens!

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Seven Springs, PA 2020

Forty-one hearty souls headed to Seven Springs on Valentine's Day for a fun day of skiing. Everyone was loaded on the bus and ready to go by 6:00 and we headed to Arlington to retrieve the skiers at the northern pickup. Fortunately, the roads were clear which made for easy traveling. Heart lollipops were provided on the trip up to begin the Valentine's Day celebration.

Upon arrival, the fun began as it was cold and they had the snow guns blowing snow all day. Despite this, everyone seemed to have an enjoyable day. Many people brought hearts to wear while skiing which made it more fun. Heart stickers were provided for those who did not bring their own hearts to wear so everyone had the opportunity to "Ski With a Heart On." Some people skied quite a bit while others found the skiing difficult with the snow guns shooting snow, causing goggles to get icy making it difficult to see. Those who found the skiing to be difficult were able to check out the bars, restaurants, and shopping. Even those who skied longer were able to get eating, drinking and shopping time in before heading to the bus for the trip home.

The trip home was also uneventful as roads were still clear so our driver made good time getting us back to Faircrest parking lot. To continue our celebration of Valentine's Day, chocolates were provided for participants on the drive home. All in all, it turned out to be an enjoyable day for those who attended. This may be a trip that we keep on our calendar.

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Holiday Valley, NY Feb 28, 2020

The February 28th trip to Holiday Valley in conjunction with Lewis Ski Club was a big success. We only had 24 members going on the trip so we worked with Lewis to increase our numbers on the bus to 29.

We left Faircrest on time at 6:00 AM. The ride to New York was uneventful with a few flurries along the way. We stopped at the Arlington Walmart to pick up 6 skiers and at Wilson Mills road to pick up 7 members of Lewis Ski Club.

The weather at Holiday Valley was about 20 degrees making it great for skiing. There was about 2 inches of fresh powder over groomed slopes with all slopes open, including the wall. Flurries continued throughout the day with some occasional sunshine making for one of the best ski days of the year.

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Holimont, NY March 6, 2020

The Bus trip to Holimont on March 6th has been canceled as there were not enough participants to cover the cost of the bus. Holimont did offer Roberta the option of group discount on lift tickets if there were 15 or more that are willing to drive up.

Contact Roberta on 330.418.2613 by Wednesday, March 4th if interested

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Summer Biking—Bill Bail

Our summer biking group meets at 6 PM on Tuesday evenings May through August and we ride a section on the Ohio Erie Towpath between Akron and Navarre weather permitting. The minimum temperature requirement is 60 degrees. 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. You do not even need to be a rider as you are welcome to join us and just take a walk on the trail. I send out an email a day or two ahead of time to let you know where we will be meeting at to start.

If you want to be added to the email list to receive weekly information on where we will be riding, send an email to scscbikers@outlook.com.

Vote for Issue 20

March 17th

Stark Parks to Seek Renewal Levy, March 17, 2020

We need your help to keep our biking program going. Our Tuesday night biking uses the trails maintained by Stark Parks. Stark Parks has a renewal levy on the ballot for March 17th. The funding is needed in order to maintain the trails we use. Without the funding, they will be forced to cut back/eliminate services as well as lay off personnel. Services such as clearing trees, mowing the grass, maintaining restrooms and spraying for bugs and bees. They will not have funding to make repairs that would be dangerous or closing down sections of the trail.

[Follow this link to read more information](#)

Stark County Ski Club

Vice-President Jeri Johnson



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ANDY BAIL

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 skierjki@gmail.com 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

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If you are interested in a Dunham's club discount card, please contact gail, 330-323-8211 or glv2354@gmail.com. The cards will be available at the next meeting.

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The Ski Shack
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Alliance, OH

For all trips, fill out an “On-line Trip Application & Read Trip Agreement” then send with your payment to the address listed below. **Checks to be written to: Stark County Ski Club.** The trip application form is available by clicking on designated trip under [click here for on-line trip application](#) and on the website starkcountyskiclub.org/club-documents

Address: 3956 Troon Dr, Uniontown
[Click here for on-line trip application](#)

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31 Signed Up