

Tips & Tails

August

2024

STARK COUNTY SKI CLUB

Since 1981



◆◆ 40++ ↑

● Skiers of All Abilities ↗

● Family Friendly →

Member of
Cleveland Metro Ski Council



[Membership App](#)

StarkCountySkiClub.org

Facebook.com/StarkCountySkiClub

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

In Person Meetings
3rd Tuesday September-April

Come out & Join us with Biking, Kayaking, & Volunteer as we prep for the 2024-2025 Ski Season!



What You Missed ! [Meeting Minutes](#)

[Membership Renewal](#) & [10 Min. Ski Workout](#)
If renewal of membership is not received by August 1st, the membership shall be terminated

SCSC Trip Sign-Up Policy

If you are not a current paid-up member at the time of your SCSC trip application filing; the trip application will be held for a minimum of 30 days before processing. The SCSC trip application processing will only begin after the SCSC membership application with payment is received and processed. Membership must remain current throughout the ski season or travel period.

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CSMC Update Links

CMSC Sitzmark: <https://skicleveland.com/publications/>

CMSC Meeting Minutes go to: <https://skicleveland.com/cmssc-meeting-minutes/>

CMSC Trips: [Ski Trips – scroll down to see list – Ski Cleveland Metro Ski Council](#)

Off Season-Call for Appointment !!

SCSC Members Discount at The Ski Shack!

Hours of Operation:

Off Season-Call for Appointment

The Ski Shack
265 N. Freedom
Alliance, OH 44601
330-821-1220



10% off any merchandise/
any time for SCSC members.

SHAPED SKI PACKAGES FROM \$350.00
(Skis and Bindings)

SNOWBOARD PACKAGES FROM \$350.00
(Board and Bindings)

SNOWBLADES (with Bindings) \$380.00

SKIS: Dynastar-Volki-Blizzard-Elan
BINDINGS: Marker-Look-Tyrolia

“We’re closed for the season but available by appointment. Thanks for your support this season! Have a good summer on the bike trail, golf course, or water. See you in the fall! Joyce”

Membership Privacy Note:

As part of the SCSC membership, we do not share personal membership information with anyone without their permission. If any of our members have a personal event happen (illness, injury, etc.) and a family member, partner, or spouse wishes to inform the membership, you may contact any officer. The SCSC will only allow information held by the club to be released upon the written permission (digital format accepted) this includes but is not exclusive to email addresses, home address, phone number, etc. **Membership period June 1st— May 31st**

View from the Top— Jason S.

Skiers and Riders,

Whoa! What a hot summer it's been so far. Hopefully that means a cold snowy winter for us. We're about 120 days away from snow flying, snow guns churning out that beautiful field of white. Before I get to far ahead of myself, we still have a lot of summer activities left. For those who plan on working the Hall of Fame festival events thank you in advance. We recently attended an event held by Ohio Trail Partnership at Camp Tuscazoar, even though the event wasn't as well attended as we would have wished, we did get a chance to showcase the club what we do and what we're about. We also got a load of information about some new club ideas and activities. For those who are attending our summer biking and kayaking thanks for coming out to each weekly activity, for those who aren't what's keeping you away? Staying fit and active in the summer leads to better skiing come winter.

Speaking of fitness who has a summer fitness schedule to get/keep in shape for winter? A good fitness regime can help protect from injury, leads to better balance, stamina, better muscle control, and enhanced lung function.

Also huge shout out and thank you for Janet Stear for stepping up to be our new Socials Director.

-Jason S.



VP Report & Merchandise— Gail V.

At this time, we do not have a report to share. We appreciate your understanding and will provide updates as soon as they become available.



*“Know what’s weird? Day by day, nothing seems to change, but pretty soon...everything’s different.”
— Calvin from Calvin and Hobbes*

A word from the Trip Committee... Matt S.

We are excited to begin taking applications for our fall wine tour. Motor coach transportation will be provided. We will depart from Faircrest October 18. We will visit two wineries Friday. We will spend the night at The Lodge at Geneva-On-The-Lake. We will tour three more wineries before our return to Canton on Saturday October 19. Please see the trip flyer in this newsletter for additional details.

Although the Mammoth Mountain trip is sold out, we will continue to take applications and add people to a standby list in the order in which applications are received. One member has been added to the trip from the standby list due to a cancellation.

We still have openings for Whiteface/Gore. This is a good trip for skiers and riders as well as those who don't ski. Lake Placid has hosted two Winter Olympics. There is an Olympic Village, a museum, bobsledding, tobogganing, and other fun diversions off-mountain. See the trip flyer in this newsletter for additional details. Sign up now so you don't miss out!

Applications may now be submitted for the Holiday Valley / Kissing Bridge trip. The format is essentially the same as H&H trips in the past. The main difference is that we will ski at Kissing Bridge on Thursday instead of Holimont. Please refer to the trip flyer in this newsletter for additional details. This trip always sells out so, sign up soon so you don't miss out.

We have been working on a potential trip to Alaska with our resident SCSC travel planner, Bill Fry. Trips to Alaska sell out well in advance so, we are finding availability in 2025, especially for a group, seem to be limited. As a result, we have regrettably come to the conclusion that we need to plan this trip for 2026 instead of 2025. We will be scheduling the trip in the Summer so those who have kids in school may join us.

We are now exploring a trip to an all-inclusive resort in the Dominican Republic. The target date for this trip is October 2025.

Planning and managing club trips is a never-ending process. The Trip Committee is trying to add more trips to appeal to a broader cross-section of the club membership. Let us know if you have any ideas for fun trips and if you would be interested in helping out. We have already begun planning our 2026 ski trips. RFQ's have been sent out to tour operators.

AS ALWAYS, THE PURCHASE OF TRIP INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED! If you plan to go on multiple trips of any kind in a year, an annual trip insurance policy may be a more cost-effective option. The one-year term of such a policy can start any time you choose.

Thanks,
Matt



Treasurer & AVI Updates– Donna



AVI Tom Benson HOF Stadium



Well, we are entering into our busy 5 days of Enshrinement weekend! It will be our 7th one! Wow has the stadium & how we do things have changed! We just got the news that the stadium is going CASHLESS! It will make our exit after any event so much easier and faster! Also, no tip jars (that we couldn't call tip jars), just like it used to be! Our guests will be presented with an opportunity to tip on the screens. AVI John said it was wildly successful at a smaller event last weekend!

Because of Al's fall and TBI, I really need someone to take this over sooner rather than later, if it is to be continued. I had no idea when I wrote the newsletter article a month ago that our lives were going to change so drastically. Thanks to all who have reached out with such care and concern! If someone would like to take it over now, please contact me or Jason. Either way, I will help in the transition, if needed. I will be super sad for this activity to totally end, but that can be up to the next coordinator how it is handled.

You will receive a Trip Discount Voucher for each event you volunteer for, which will help you pay for your trips with SCSC!

Check emails for updates about the following dates! Don't hesitate to reach out at the last minute, if you are available, just in case more are needed!

			Check-In Time	Gates Open	Event Start	Requested Staffing
Thur	Aug 1	HOF Game – Texans vs Chicago	3:45pm			20
Sat	Aug 3	HOF Enshrinement of the 2024 Class	8:30am			20
Sun	Aug 4	Concert for Legends	3:45pm			20
Mon	Aug 5	DCI - Innovations in Brass	4:00pm			
Sat	Sept 14	Tacos & Tequila	TBD			

Send your comments or questions to Donna Brancifort at dnbranci@gmail.com or text or call 330-705-8143.

**If anyone is interested in being
the AVI Coordinator**

or

SCSC Treasurer

Please contact Donna Brancifort or Jason Stephan

Pedals, Paddles & Putts Tour

Wow what a summer it has been! New changes with our Socials Director. Huge shout out to Diane for maintaining it, and best of luck to Janet for taking on this new challenge. The Mohican trip looked to be a blast, and filled with many more stories! For those that have pictures from camping and/or ski club related please get in the [GroupMe](#) and share them! We need them for our pages!

The showcase with [Ohio Trails Partnership](#) was booming with enthusiasm, but unfortunately there wasn't the anticipated foot traffic as intended. (First year quirks to work out). Major shout out to Drew & Kelly for loaning their Sit On and trailer for the event. Had a few stop by and ask if we were selling skis. It was quite the setup, even with the rouge pony who defiantly cantered across the field!

We are starting our descent towards the chillier months, but still remaining active! If you plan on attending the river paddle, let me know! I would like a head count by Friday August 16th to coordinate logistically. I will need some additional logistics assistance for our river paddle this month as well.

We already have some new spots to launch from for the 2025 season too! Even with some quick little ones we managed to stumble upon last minute.

Roberta has done wonders with the biking schedule. If you haven't had a chance to make out to one, you have four chances left!

The Metro cup was a success, Though a toasty one, there were plenty of solid putts, long drives, and plenty of drinks to stay "hydrated." Kudos to Art for managing another successful Metro Cup! Can't wait for next year!

-Alyssa G.

SCSC FRIDAY NIGHT FLOAT 2024 SCHEDULE

EVERY FRIDAY EVENING MEET AT 6:00PM SPLASH TIMES ARE 6:30PM
WEATHER PENDING STAY POSTED VIA [FACEBOOK](#) & [GROUPME](#)

DATE	LAKE/RESERVIOR	LAUNCH LOCATION
August 2, 2024	DEER CREEK RESERVOIR	PRICE ST
August 9, 2024	NIMISILA RESEVIOR	C6 CHRISTMAN RD
August 16, 2024	WINGFOOT LAKE	FARR LN
SATURDAY August 24, 2024	Tuscarawas River Paddle- 9a Meet	Craig Pittman Park to Tusc. River Park
August 30, 2024	SIPPO LAKE	TYNER ST
September 6, 2024	TBA	TBA
September 13, 2024	TBA	TBA

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US FOR A FNF PLEASE LET [ALYSSA](#) KNOW, SO WE DON'T LEAVE ANYONE ON SHORE SOLO.

RENTALS MAY BE RESERVED PER THE PARK'S WEBPAGE AVAILABILTY WILL VARY PER LOCATION

[Sign up here for email/text reminders.](#)



Pedals, Paddles & Putts Tour Cont.

Biking– Roberta G.

SCSC Biking Schedule 2024

Tuesday Evening Rides starting at 6PM

Date	Meet Location	Optional Dining/ Drinks
August 6th	Helina Park Canal Fulton	Miller Doan Tavern
August 13th	John Glenn Grove Trailhead	Erie Street Pub
August 20th	Bison St Burgers & Brews	Bison St Burgers & Brews
August 27th	Rain date	

Roberta Graham
330-418-2613
skiingdef@gmail.com

Biking– CVSC.

Tim's Towpath Challenge 2024 ~ Tim Lavey



We've been hiking for three seasons now, so it's time to get out those bikes! The challenge is to complete as much of the Towpath from Cleveland to Bolivar as we can.

Each ride will be about 15 miles (7.5 miles out and back) and will take about 2 hours (no racing!). It's the Towpath, so it will be flat. Also, we have tried to pick times when the Towpath will have less foot traffic!

Contact Tim Lavey for more information.
Landline/Ans machine 330-825-9538
Cell phone/Text message 330-687-4623

[The Towpath Trail \(ohioandieriecanalway.com\)](http://ohioandieriecanalway.com)

Date	Trailhead	Section	Food/Drink
Tue, Aug 6 4–6 PM	Craig Pittman Park 8042-8062 Hudson Dr SW, Navarre	Wooster St -> McDonnell	Kozmo's Grill 37 1st St, Massillon
Sat, Aug 17 10 AM– Noon	Fort Laurens State Memorial 11064 Fort Laurens Rd NW, Bolivar	McDonnell -> Canal Lands Park	Towpath Tavern 225 Canal St, Bolivar

Pedals, Paddles & Putts Tour Cont.

Metro Cup- Art

Stark County Ski Club was well represented in the outcome of THE OUTING also other clubs and friends shared the top three spots.

Flight A

1. High Rise 2. CMSC friends 3. Stark County Ski Club (Rich, Stacey, Andy, Anthony)

Flight B

1. Stark County Ski Club (Art, Matt, Lucas, Teddy) 2. Warren Ski Club 3. Erie Shores Ski Club

-Art



Socials– Diane M. & Janet S.

Diane

I want to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to plan the club socials for the past years. It's been a blessing to get to know so many of you and of course to experience so many food venues and other activities. I am passing this torch off to someone who is well-qualified to continue the fun and camaraderie. Janet Stear will be leading this venture and I look forward to joining in the fun each month with all of you. I hope we will all continue to get together and share our stories and make new friends.

Diane M.



Janet

Hello fellow SCSC members. I am assuming responsibility as the Socials Chairperson for the club. Fortunately, Diane has graciously agreed to mentor me through this transition and to continue to lend assistance going forward. She has done such a wonderful job for such a long time, I have big shoes to fill. Since we attend most club function anyway, it will hopefully be a reasonably good fit.

The August social will be my first foray into this new adventure. On August 8 at 5:30, we will be going to John's Bar & Grill located in Oakwood Square. They have an extensive menu with appetizers, burgers, sandwiches, salads, steaks and other grill options, seafood and daily specials. If you want to arrive a little earlier, Happy Hour is from 3:00p to 6:00p. There is a nice outdoor seating area across the parking lot from the Plain Township Amphitheatre. Starting at 7:00p, Uncaged, a Zac Brown tribute band, will be performing at the amphitheatre. John's does not take reservations on event nights so, arrive early if you can to help save chairs for those who can't.

As we say goodbye to Summer and look ahead to the upcoming ski season, our "September" social will be a pool party. Rocky and Eleanor Masalko have generously offered the use of their pool.

WHERE: 3925 Dueber Ave SW, Canton

WHEN: Thursday August 29 5:00 PM

Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided.

A grill will be available if you prefer to cook your own. Please bring a dish to share. BYOB, Please bring lawn chairs. Please RSVP

I'm looking forward to organizing activities that appeal to a broad cross-section of the club membership. It would help greatly to get feedback from you on the types of socials that may interest you.

Thanks,
Janet

A promotional graphic for a social event. The background is light blue with watercolor-style splashes. At the top right is the Stark County Ski Club logo, which includes a stylized 'S' and a skier. The text reads: "September" Social, Pool Party Cook Out, Join Us Thursday August 29 At 5 O'clock PM, Rocky & Eleanor Masalko 3925 Dueber Ave SW, Canton, Oh, BRING YOUR: SWIMMING SUIT COVERED DISH, BYOB & LAWN CHAIR, RSVP By August 22 Janet Stear 330-340-4105 Text preferred. The graphic is decorated with illustrations of a red popsicle, a green popsicle, a hamburger, a hot dog, and a watermelon slice.

"September" Social
**Pool Party
Cook Out**
Join Us Thursday August 29
At 5 O'clock PM
Rocky & Eleanor Masalko
3925 Dueber Ave SW, Canton, Oh
BRING YOUR: SWIMMING SUIT
COVERED DISH, BYOB & LAWN CHAIR
RSVP By August 22
Janet Stear
330-340-4105 Text preferred

2025 Stark County Ski Club Trip List

For SCSC local trips, fill out an “**On-line Trip Application & Read Trip Agreement**” and follow the appropriate payment process, or mail check to the Trip Leaders address listed. The trip application form is available by clicking on the designated trip’s Application Link. **Checks to be written to: Stark County Ski Club.**
Secure your spot with the designated trip leader, deposits hold your spot(s)!

<p>Fall Wine Tour Date: October 18-19 Trip Leader: John “Rocky” Masalko Email: jmasalko02@gmail.com Address: 3925 Dueber Ave SW Canton, Ohio 44706</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: \$220-Db1 \$340 Single Phone: 330-949-6016</p>	<p>Bus Trip Application</p>
<p>Snow Trails Mansfield OH Family Day Date: January 11 Trip leader: Roberta Graham Email: skiingdef@gmail.com Address: 8760 Appleknoll St NW Massillon, Oh 44646</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: Varies Phone: 330-418-2613</p>	<p>Self-Drive</p>
<p>Kissing Bridge & Holiday Valley Ellicottville NY Multi-Day Wednesday January 15-17th Trip leader: Drew Gonyias Email: gonyiasd@gmail.com Address: 1034 Janet Ave. NW, North Canton, OH 44720</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: \$360 Phone: 330-936-7301</p>	<p>Bus Trip Application</p>
<p>Lake Placid NY/Whiteface Mountain Dates: February 2– February 7 Trip leader: Rich Ramsey Email: ramsey-88@hotmail.com Address: 1735 Jefferson Rd NE, Massillon, OH 44646</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: \$849 Phone: 330-327-3720</p>	<p>Self Drive Trip Application</p>
<p>Mammoth Mountain Full Trip-Waitlist Dates: February 22— Wednesday March 1 Trip leader: Matt Stear Email: SCSC.tripchair@gmail.com Address: 2235 Oak Tree Dr NW. Dover Ohio 44622</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: \$1539+ Lift Tickets Phone: (330) 316-2874</p>	<p>Fly Trip Application</p>
<p>Camelback/ Blue Mountain Dates: March 8– March 11 Trip leader: Mike Lockhart Email: marinelock@gmail.com Address: 1151 Melscheimer Rd. SW., East Sparta OH 44626</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: TBD Phone: 330-704.0360</p>	<p>Self Drive</p>
<p>Alaska Cruise Dates: Spring/Summer2025 Trip leader: Matt Stear Email: SCSC.tripchair@gmail.com Address: 2235 Oak Tree Dr NW. Dover Ohio 44622</p>	<p>Members’ Cost: TBD Phone: (330) 316-2874</p>	<p>Fly</p>



*Potential 2026 Trips
Tahoe (Heavenly, Kirkwood, Northstar) —> Epic Pass*

Optional trip insurance is *HIGHLY* recommended– contact trip leader for details.

Wine Tour



Friday, October 18- Saturday, October 19

\$220 Double Occupancy

\$340 Single

\$100 Deposit by September 1st

Final Payment October 5th

[Trip Application](#)

Trip Leader:

John "Rocky" Masalko

Email: jmasalko02@gmail.com

Phone: 330-949-6016

Address: 3925 Dueber Ave SW Canton, Ohio 44706



DEBONNÉ VINEYARDS



The Winery at
Spring Hill

Itinerary:

- Leaving Faircrest steel plant at 2:00 PM sharp
- First stop at 3:30 PM
- Second stop at 5:00 PM
- Stopping for the evening at Geneva on the lake Lodge for an overnight stay and enjoying the evening at the lodge and downtown Geneva, Ohio
- Depart from Lodge 11:00 AM and visit local wineries
- Return to Faircrest Plant approx. 7:05 PM

Disclaimer: The fees for the wine tour cover the cost of room and bus rental only. Participants are responsible for their own expenses related to food, beverages, souvenirs, and any other personal purchases.

Stark County Ski Club

FAMILY FUN

day



JANUARY 11, 2025

Start at 9:00 am

3100 Possom Rd, Mansfield Oh 44903

Trip Leader: Roberta Graham

skiingdef@gmail.com

More Details to Follow

As the Date Gets Closer

STARK COUNTY
SKI CLUB





2025

**KISSING
BRIDGE**



Two Nights at the Wingate Hotel, Ellicottville, NY

\$100.00 deposit holds your spot—Balance due by Dec. 14th

January 15TH-17TH

Kissing Bridge & Holiday Valley
**PRICE: \$360.00 Per person based on
Double Occupancy**

BUS LOADS: 2:30 PM

DEPART: 3:00 PM

**Meet at Metallus fka
Timken Steel Faircrest**

TRIP LEADER

DREW GONYIAS

1034 Janet Ave.
North Canton, Oh
44720-1835

Phone: 330-936-7301

Email: gonyiasd@gmail.com

Click Here for

[Trip Application](#)



~ TENTATIVE ITINERARY ~

1/15—Bus Departure from Timken Steel Faircrest @ 3pm headed for Wingate Hotel

- Arrive at Hotel for Check-In and spend the evening in Ellicottville

1/16—Bus will depart for Kissing Bridge **Time schedule TBD**

- Dinner in Ellicottville on your own and then either spend your evening touring the town or join a group back at the hotel for indoor swimming and hot tub.

1/17—Bus will depart for Holiday Valley at 8:45am. Slopes open at 9am.

- Bus pick up from Holiday Valley at 4pm (**NO DINNER STOP**) Please eat prior to return departure

Optional trip insurance is **HIGHLY** recommended



Trip Application

Sunday February 2– Friday February 7, 2025
\$859 per Person (Includes Lift Tickets)
28 Spots Only (14 Rooms) Self Drive



Non-Skiing option available \$709
Must indicate on the application

Payment Schedule

\$100 Deposit Required within 10 Days of Trip Application Submission	November 1, 2024- \$300 January 1, 2024 Remaining Balance
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Trip Leader:

Rich Ramsey

1735 Jefferson Rd NE, Massillon, OH
44646 Email: ramsey-88@hotmail.com
Phone: 330-327-3720

**5 Nights Hotel Lodging High Peaks Resort
4 Days on the Slopes**

- All rooms will either have a queen/queen or a king size bed, mini fridge, coffee maker, private balconies or patio with lake or mountain views.
- There are two indoor pools, two hot tubs, an exercise room, nightly happy hour and live entertainment in the lounge.
- Complimentary Snowshoes can be borrowed at Guest Services Desk
- Hot breakfast Daily (20 people min)
- Board Games and Air Hockey in Great Room

Free Lake Placid shuttle during the day only 4 day consecutive all area lift Whiteface Mt, February 3-6, 2025



Optional trip insurance is **HIGHLY** recommended



Trip Application

Saturday February 22, 2025– Saturday March 1, 2025
\$1539 + Lift Tickets – **28 Spots Only**

CURRENTLY FULL- WAITLIST IS IN EFFECT



Trip Leader:

Matt Stear

2235 Oak Tree Dr. NW, Dover, Ohio
44622 Phone: 330-316-2874

Email: SCSC.tripchair@gmail.com

Payment Schedule Deposit \$100

October 12, 2024 \$500
November 23, 2024 \$500

January 11, 2025
Remaining Balance

Flight Itinerary

Saturday February 22, 2025 United Airlines
2153 CLE→ SFO 7:35A-9:50A
5755 SFO→ BIH 12:55P-2:14 P

Saturday March 1, 2025 United Airlines
5978 BIH→ DEN 1:15P-4:32P
1795Q DEN→ CLE 6:00P-10:51P

IKON Base Accepted

Adult Lift Tickets

- 4 Day- \$433
- 5 Day- \$514
- 6 Day- \$617

Senior Lift Tickets

- 4 Day- \$356
- 5 Day- \$423
- 6 Day- \$507

Super Senior (+80) FREE

Juniper Springs Lodge Amenities

- **2 BDR Condos Ski-In & Ski-Out**
- Three hot tubs and a heated pool are located on the Lobby level for Juniper Springs Lodge guests only.
- Fitness Room - Open 24 hours with room key access for Juniper Springs Lodge guests.
- Ice Machines located on the second, fourth and fifth levels
- Machines are operated by CleanPay App. Laundry soaps and supplies available (additional fees apply). Open 24 hours.
- Each unit is assigned one (1) storage locker for ski and snowboard equipment located in the lobby.
- Elevation: 8,000 feet
- Welcome breakfast day after arrival
- Complimentary Group Mountain Tour
- \$100 Resort Credit May be used for on mountain gear, food and/or drink purchases



Optional trip insurance is **HIGHLY** recommended