

Ptarmigan Ski Club NEWSLETTER

February 2024



A non-profit organization founded in 1947 and dedicated to the promotion of all facets of skiing & winter sports - plus activities for the education and enjoyment of its members.

A member of Eastern PA Ski Council. <http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org>

You can also find us on Facebook. [Click here for Facebook](#)

<http://www.ptarmiganskiclub.org/>

Calendar of Events - Post in a Visible Location

General Meetings at Christopher's Columbian Home (KoC)

Happy Hour: Contact Bill Ortnor, Every Friday

Thursty Thursday: Contact Carolyn Greenland, Ronnie Rother

BTC Book Club: Third Wed Contact Ronnie Rother, Mary Laronge

Feb 2024

2/2 Happy Hour - Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm

2/6 Ski Day at Elk Mtn 7:00 am

2/9 Happy Hour - Jack's Slice 5:00 pm

2/13 Blue Mtn Ski Party 1:00 pm

2/15 Thursty Thursday - Braveheart

2/16 Happy Hour - Miller Ale House 5:00 pm

2/21 Ski Club Appreciation Dinner - Blue Mtn 7:00 pm

2/22 STEM - ZOOM call 4:30 - 6:00 pm

2/23 Happy Hour - Foundations Tavern 5:00 pm Live Music 6:00 pm

2/28 BTC - Dennis Graver's House, 4 pm

Mar 2024

3/1 Happy Hour - Grove Street Pub 5:00 pm

3/1-3/11 - Val Gardena Dolomites Trip

3/8 Happy Hour - Keystone Pub & Grill 5 pm

3/12 General Meeting - Elections 7 pm

3/15 Happy Hour - Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm

3/20 BTC - To be Announced, 4 pm

3/21 Thursty Thursday - Fogelsville Hotel 6 pm

3/22 Happy Hour - TBD

3/?? Blue Mtn - End of Season Tailgate Party TBD

3/28 STEM - ZOOM call 4:30 - 6 pm

3/29 Happy Hour - TBD

Save the Date - details to follow

April 20 - Spring Banquet - The Loft at Sawmill

***PSC Ski Days at Blue Mtn -Weather/snow permitting with lunch at Blue Mtn Diner, Covered Bridge Inn, and Slopeside at Blue. **Stay tuned to eblasts** for details!

Ski Day at Elk Mountain

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

344 Elk Mtn. Road, Union Dale, PA. Car Pool or Caravan - **meet at 7:00 am** at the Tilghman Square Shopping Center at the Red Robin end.

Lift Ticket Prices only at Ticket Window:

Senior Tuesdays 65+, \$40

Adult (18-64) 8 hours \$78, 4 hours \$65, Military Discount w/military ID - receive \$10 off any regular price All Area Ticket any time. Possible dinner stop at Chet's on return trip home. Contact Cindy Simoson (484) 515-0181 or Monika Drury (570) 876-1470 if you are going.



President's Message

Carolyn Greenland

President, Ptarmigan Ski Club

SNOW! We all got to use our shovels for the first time in two years. Blue Mtn's guns blew mountains of snow along with receiving over 10" of the natural stuff. Most of their trails are open, too. You just know another winter thaw is on its way! Plenty of Ptarmigan ski meetups, club ski days, and ski parties are yet to come. If you have any "snow" photos from our outdoor events, please forward them to Eric for our upcoming "Year in Review" to be held in March.

Elections will also take place in March. Maybe YOU have a special talent you could share with the club, or you have time to spend getting involved. Join our Board to help plan the fun. Contact any Board member if you would like to run for office and get your name on the ballot.

Blue Mountain Ski Party

February 13, 2024, 1:00 pm

If you want to ski in the morning, meet at the 6-pack at 9:30 am. Includes Chili, Vegetable Soup, Veggies & Dip, Bread & butter. Price is \$14, Cash bar is available. Only if you wish to, bring a dessert. Where: Valley Lodge at the bottom of the mountain. Please send your check, payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club to: Monika Drury, 1422b Catasauqua Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18017 email: mdrrry23@gmail.com or call Monika at (570) 876-1470. Deadline for party is Friday, Feb. 9th. Please reply to Monika by that date so that we may have an accurate headcount.



Happy Valentine's Day



Ski Trips 2023 - 2024:

The Following Trips are sponsored and run by Ptarmigan Ski Club:

Val Gardena (& Venice), Italy – Carolyn Greenland

- Fri Mar 1 – Mar 11
- \$2,995 p/p dbl/occ
- Contact: Carolyn Greenland 302-864-4120 or we3ski@epix.net [Click Here to download Flyer.](#)

Sold Out

Editor's Notes:

All trips advertised must have a clearly stated cancellation policy, please read it carefully.

Membership DUES: 2023/2024 Season

Renew your membership for the 2023/2024 Season.

Send your dues to: Pat Lower, 1805 Elmhurst, Dr, Whitehall Pa 18052.

Early Renewal: \$16 Single or \$26 Family.

Late Renewal (after Oct 31st): \$20 Single or \$30 Family

New Members: \$20 Single or \$30 Family

New Memberships are valid for 2 years, until Apr 30, 2025

All Members will receive the Ptarmigan Newsletter FREE by Email.

Members wishing to receive Hardcopy must pay \$5 in addition to their annual dues.

Treasurer's Report

As of January 31, 2024

Checking	\$34,813*
Savings	\$ 6,000
CD	\$ 5,098
Total	\$45,911

*includes funds for Val Gardena Trip

*** **Off Piste** ***



SKIING!!!!

Val Gardena and Venice, Italy,

Dates: March 1-11, 2024

SOLD OUT! Getting ready to travel to Italy.

Friday Happy Hours

- 2/2 Happy Hour - Copperhead Grill 5:00 pm
- 2/9 Happy Hour - Jack's Slice 5:00 pm
- 2/16 Happy Hour - Miller Ale House 5:00 pm
- 2/23 Happy Hour - Foundations Tavern 5:00 pm
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Blue Mt Ski Club Appreciation Party Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 pm

Dinner in the Vista Ballroom located in the Summit Lodge. Blue Ridge, Ingersoll Rand, Mack, Poco, Ptarmigan, and Tannenbaum Ski Clubs. Come out for the Blue Mtn. Appreciation to our Ski Clubs. Food to be served at 7:00 pm.



Thursday, February 15 at 6:00 pm

Braveheart Highland Pub

430 Main Street, Hellertown

Hearty Scottish Fare.

Ski Party Recap – Bear Creek

Fifteen hearty souls braved the frigid conditions and snowy, icy roads to test out the packed powder on the slopes at Bear Creek and the luncheon goodies in the Bear Den. Ski conditions were super and the buffet was wonderful. Bear Creek was very gracious and accommodating. Definitely a must-do for future parties!



It's a Ptarmigan!



February 22nd, fourth Thursday of the month via ZOOM from 4:30-6:00 pm.
Meeting Topic –Radiation for Cancer Treatment, Presenter and Moderator of the discussion: Olga Chubarova. Contact Bill Ortnier at wortner@ptd.net if you would like the link to participate in this ZOOM session.

BETWEEN THE COVERS (BTC) Book Club

It's a BYOB and BYOF (if you wish) gathering for our next book group discussion. Join us!

DATE: Wednesday, February 28, 2024

TIME: Discussion will begin promptly at 4 PM

LOCATION: Dennis Graver's House, 1608 Maple Leaf Lane
Whitehall, PA phone 484-294-6896

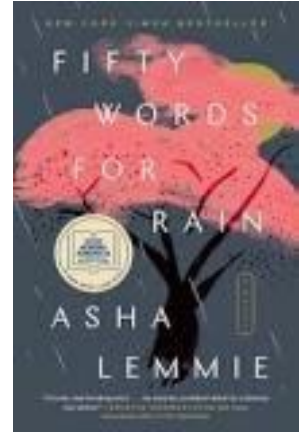
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EPSC EASTERN PA SKI COUNCIL

Skiing Perks and Benefits — DISCOUNTS tab on EPSC website for a spreadsheet of Everyday Savings, statistics, and web links at over 18 local ski areas. [Updated rates are posted](#). Great Deals!!

DISCOUNTED LIFT TICKETS ... CHECK THIS OUT!!!

Japan 2025

EPSC is going to Japan. February 21 – March 7, 2025. Trip includes 3 days in Tokyo, 7 days in Hakuba, and 3 days in Kyoto. Includes round-trip economy flights, 13 nights lodging, 13 breakfasts, tour of Tokyo, 5 day lift pass, Snow Monkey tour, plus many more extras. This two-week trip is now open for sign-ups. Package Price approx. \$5050 (estimated airfare price may change). All club members are invited. See easternpaskicouncil.org for trip flyer and trip application. Contact Dave Schoeneker with any questions 267-251-3123 or dschoneker@aol.com or paste : <http://easternpaskicouncil.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/EPSC-Japan-Trip-2025-flyer-2-page-10-9-2023.pdf> in your browser.

Skiing Happenings and Discounts



Stay tuned for email blasts notifying all of upcoming Ptarmigan Ski Club days



Ski Club Discount - Club Discount \$30 for all club members, Mon-Thurs non-holiday. Must show membership card at Guest Services, 70+ and under 5 Ski Free (buy pass for \$25 and skips purchase each visit).



Ski for All, Mon/Tues/Weds non-holiday \$32 lift and rental w/EPSC code. Seniors Thurs-Sun/Holiday \$15, MTW \$12 w/EPSC code. See easternpaskicouncil.org for code to purchase online.



Club Discounts - Senior Tuesdays (65+) - \$40,
College Wednesdays (Show College ID) \$40
Adult – (18 – 64) Mon-Thurs. \$78 - 8 Hours, \$65 - 4 Hours
Military Discount - receive \$10 off any regular price Ticket any time when you show your Military I.D.



Club Discount - 30% off M - F daytime, Non-holiday*
Purchase at Group Sales in small parking lot
Must show membership card,
Regular Rates *Seniors (65-69) \$48 weekday/\$70 Weekend/Holiday
**Super Seniors and kids under 46" tall (Free)



TRIPLE TICKET ANY DAY - \$199.00

Enjoy 3 days of skiing and snowboarding, any day you like! Ideal for a flexible winter adventure. Go to Camelbackresort.com for details.

Sunshine



Please forward any information you may have of a member who has recently experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, parent, close family member or friend, etc. or someone in need of a bit of cheer. Contact Mary Ann Bedics by cell (610-704-0582) or email (maryannbedics@rcn.com).

Year In Review



Please forward any pictures you've taken at Ptarmigan Ski Club events to Eric at Eric.Schoeppner@icloud.com. Eric will collect pictures throughout this membership year to create a "Year in Review" for presentation during our **March** election meeting.

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To Join or Renew Your Membership Please See the Membership Application.

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