

Ptarmigan Ski Club NEWSLETTER

January 2020



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>

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

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

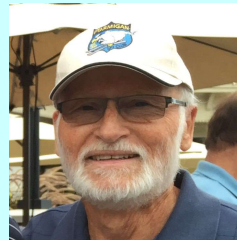
Calendar of Events - Post In a Visible Location:

Happy Hour: Contact Bill Ortnr, 5:00 pm Every Friday

General Meetings at Christopher's – Knights of Columbus (KoC)

Book Club: Third Wednesday of every month 6:30 pm.

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Blue Mt. Ski & Party: Jeanne Weiser	Tue 1 pm	Jan 14
Mayrhofen, Austria: Mike Feeney	Thu Jan 16 - Sun Jan 26	
Grindelwald, Sw Catherine Chrapacz	Fri Jan 24 - Sun Feb 2	
Mammoth, Ca: Donna Westgate	Sat Jan 25 - Sat Feb 1	
Sunday River: Vicki Morris	Sun Jan 26 - Fri Jan 31	
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Ski Party Rain Date or Pop Up Ski Day	Tue TBD	Feb 11
Val Thorens: Karen Lewis	Sat Feb 1 - Sun Feb 9	
Panorama, BC: Mark Baechle	Sat Feb 8 - Sun Feb 16	
Winter Park, Co: Brian Nuss	Sat Feb 22 - Sat Feb 29	
Tignes Val Claret: Mark Baechle	Sat Feb 29 - Sun Mar 8	
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General Meeting / Elections at KoC	Tue 7 pm	Mar 10
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Spring Banquet: Iron Lakes CC	Sat TBD	Apr 18



President's Message

Phil Hublitz

President, Ptarmigan Ski Club

Happy New Year!

Another year shot, hard to believe and we are going to be busier than ever in 2020, you can count on it. 2019 was a year of innovation, our first charity golf tournament (the 2nd has been scheduled for late September), our first Cook-Off, our first summer picnic at Policelli's, two smashing events to finish the year with the Holiday Happy Hour at the Woodstone Country Club (yes we are going there again and this time there will be no limit as to number of members who can attend) and the bash at Linny & Ray's estate (90-100 Ptarmigans?). Some new happy hour venues, quite a few with live music and dancing as well as more music events brought to us by Joyce Gilmore. Topping the list of new venues is the Folino Estate Winery (Wine tasting event planned for May). We have more membership involvement than ever across the board, Ronnie has all the information that you have provided and will you be seeking out in the coming year. Will Tom Weiser, Director of Golf, exceed the 28 rounds of golf played in 2019? Joe Reilly will bring in a Golf Pro for the March Meeting to get you golfers warmed up for the season. The first General Meeting in September promises to excite you with live music (Sunrise Symphony) and dancing to start the Ptarmigan new year.

Hey, on the other hand, we're just rolling into the ski season with Blue MT blowing snow all over the place and although we have had plenty of rain there are enough cold nights in the next 15 days to provide lots of man-made stuff at our mountain and also have a great ski party and SWAP (no walk-ons please) on January 14th. Then there are the ski trips: Garmisch-Mayrhofen, Grindelwald, Mammoth and Sunday River in January; then Val Thorens, Panorama, Winter Park and Tignes Val Claret in February. Whew, some line-up!

Enough said folks, Let's enjoy it...

Think Snow!!

Blue Mt Ski Party/Meeting **Tuesday Jan 14th at 1 PM**

Includes Chili, Soup (vegetable), Veggies and Dip, Bread and butter.

When, Where: 1 PM Valley Lodge

Price is \$10.00, cash bar available

Also "Ski With A Pro" will be offered again.

Let Kathy know you are coming:

KATHYHM@rcn.com or call 610-393-7324

See Page 3 for details.

Eve Eve Party A **Success**

Due to the generosity of Ptarmigan Ski Club members, 15 bags of women's clothing were donated to My Sister's Closet which supports Truth for Woman.

Also, a carload of food was donated to a local food pantry.



2019/2020 Ski Season – Trips:

Mayrhofen, Austria: Thu Jan 16 – Sun Jan 26, 2020

- \$2595 pp dbl/occ
- 7 Nights 4* Hotel Neuhaus w/breakfast & dinner each day
- 2 Nights 4* Hotel Obermuehle, Garmisch, Germany w/brk
- 1 Night Hotel Schlicker Munich, Germany
- Morning Ski with Guides in Mayrhofen & Garmish
- Round Trip Air and Ground Transport
- Mike Feeney: 484-256-5215 sirfeeney@aol.com

Grindelwald, Switzerland: Fri Jan 24 – Sun Feb 2, 2020

- \$1975 pp dbl/occ **Sold Out**
- 7 Nights Hotel Derby w/breakfast & dinner each day
- 1 Night Hotel Monopol in Luzern w/bkfst
- Round Trip Air JFK-Zurich and all ground from Allentown
- Lift Tickets not included but are much cheaper than in US
- Catherine Chrapacz: 610-428-3547 katyataz@yahoo.com

Mammoth, Ca: Sat Jan 25 – Sat Feb 1, 2020

- \$1750 2 BR 2 Bath condo 4 persons
- \$1850 1 BR 1 Bath condo 2 persons
- 7 Nights Juniper Springs Lodge
- 5 of 7 Day Lift Pass
- Round Trip Air Newark-Mammoth, Gnd Xport to Lodge
- Discount (but xrta cost) Round Trip Allentown-Newark
- Donna Westgate 610-392-9200
travelswithdonna@yahoo.com

Sunday River, Maine: Sun Jan 26 – Fri Jan 31, 2020

- \$824 dbl/occ (\$804 Sr 65+), \$764 tri/occ (\$744 Sr 65+)
- \$634 No Lift Tkt dbl/occ
- 5 Nights Summit Hotel w/bkfst
- 5 Day Lift Ticket
- Bus from Allentown to Sunday River
- Vicki Morris 610-791-3421 vlm2378@rcn.com

Val Thorens, France: Sat Feb 1 - Sun Feb 9, 2020

- \$3069 dbl/occ
- 7 Nights Club Med All Meals Included
- 6 Day Lift Ticket plus Guides/Instructors
- Round Trip Air Newark-Geneva and Transfer to Resort
- Ground Transport A'town-Newark Additional \$100 (aprox)
- Karen Lewis 800-451-1830 Karenl@ski93trips.com

Panorama BC: Sat Feb 8 – Sun Feb 16, 2020

- \$1797 Pine Inn Hotel
- \$1997 Panorama Springs Lodge (condo)
- 1 Night in Calgary
- Round Trip Air Newark-Calgary and ground from A'town
- 5 of 7 Day Lift Ticket Panorama + 1 Day Kicking Horse
- Mark Baechle, 610-657-5825 SkiPro99@gmail.com

Winter Park, Co.: Sat Feb 22 – Sat Feb 29, 2020

- \$1596 Vintage Hotel pp dbl/occ **Sold Out**
- \$1781 Zepher Lodge condo 3 bd rm, 2 bath 6 persons
- \$1828 Zepher Lodge condo 2 bd rm, 2 bath 4 persons
- Round Trip Air PHL-DEN and all ground from Allentown
- Lift Tickets Options from No Tckt \$0 to 6 Day \$340pp
- Brian Nuss: 610-730-2777 brianjnuss@gmail.com

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Membership DUES: 2019/2020 Season

Renew your membership for the 2019/2020 Season.

Send your dues beginning September 1st until Oct 31st to: Mary Laronge, 556 Parkside Court, Allentown, Pa 18104.

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, 2021

All Members will receive the Ptarmigan Newsletter FREE by Email.

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

Yakima Ski Rack For Sale

Yakima Ski Rack, button down 4 & 6, with locks, keys, ski lift (to slant the rack for easy loading) and 2 sets of mounts (unsure what they will fit). Excellent condition, still in the original box, \$125 OBO.

Contact: A J Koszi 610-504-4735.



2019/2020 Season Trips Cont'd

Tignes Val Claret: Sat Feb 29 – Sun Mar 8, 2020

- \$2999 for first 30 signups, \$3199 after that **Sold Out**
- 7 Nights Club Med All Meals Included
- 6 Day Lift Ticket, 5 days Lessons & Guides
- Round Trip Air JFK-Geneva and all ground from Allentown
- Mark Baechle, 610-657-5825 SkiPro99@gmail.com

Editor's Notes: Ptarmigan Ski Club requires all advertised trips to have a written cancellation policy - Please read the trip flyers for details and cancellation policy. All Flyers are available at <http://ptarmiganskiclub.org/Trips.html>.

These are all Member Lead and Organized trips - Ptarmigan Ski Club does not run any trips of its own, we only advertise for our Members. These trips are open to members and non-members.

Blue Mt Ski Party/Meeting Tuesday Jan 14th at 1 PM

Includes Chili, Soup (vegetable), Veggies and Dip, Bread and butter.

NOTE: Time has changed to 1 PM

Price is \$10.00, cash bar available

If you wish to, bring a Dessert to Share.

Where: Valley Lodge at the bottom of the mountain.

Please send your check, payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club, to
Kathy Seufert, 5210 Suncrest Circle, Whitehall, PA 18052
e-mail: KATHYHM@rcn.com or call 610-393-7324

Deadline for party is Sunday, Jan. 12th – Please reply to Kathy
by that date so that we may have an accurate head-count.



“Ski With A Pro” will be offered in conjunction with the January 14th Ski Party.

What is “Ski With A Pro” you ask? Well, professionally certified ski instructors will be on hand to offer a few tips and tactics that may help enhance your skiing skills and enjoyment. The Pros will give you a mini-clinic, work through some skiing tasks and drills, and enhance movement patterns that will aid your performance and give your skiing a tune-up.

Ski With A Pro will be offered from 11:30AM - 12:30/1:00PM on the 14th prior to the Ski Party.

If interested, please RSVP to Brian Nuss at brianjnuss@gmail.com no later than Sunday January 12th. **No walk-ons, please.** Those that RSVP will receive meeting time/location details prior to the event.

Holiday Happy Hour - Recap & Photos

Eighty-Two Ptarmigans attended this year’s Holiday Happy Hour at Woodstone County Club in Danielsville, Pa. Due to a last-minute cancellation we were able to use their larger ballroom, and all agreed it was the best HHH venue in recent years. Many thanks to Ptarmigan’s Vicki Hall, a Woodstone Member, for suggesting Woodstone and for her work in making a great success. A great Social Event, Great Food and Dancing after Dinner.



CHILI COOK-OFF - A TASTY EVENT

Tuesday Dec 10th

More than 60 members packed the December 10 meeting eagerly waiting to taste 8 Ptarmigan chefs' chili and then pick their favorite. There were so many versions of scrumptious chili: Monika's Saucy Sausage, Eric And Mary Ann's Beer-y Good, Augusta's Blazing Saddle, Joyce and Bill's Veggie Wedgy, Eileen's Chili Willy Turkey, Linny and Ray's Kick Ass, Patti's Last Run and the \$50 prize winner— Ronnie's Chilly Time, Y'All.

The idea for the Chili Cook-Off contest was Mary Laronge's but the very successful event could not have been done without the enormous input from Ronnie, the people who made the chili and the volunteers who helped serve the chili.



The Cooks ↑



The Servers



Some Chili Eaters



The Winner



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PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB - 2019/2020 Season Membership Renewal and New Member Application

Please complete this entire form *including* the date and your signature. Make checks payable to **PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB**.

Send form, payment *and a self-addressed stamped envelope* to: **Mary Laronge, 556 Parkside Court, Allentown, PA 18104**. Otherwise, you may feel free to pick-up your card(s) at our monthly meetings.

Name: _____
 Spouse: _____ Children: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 Home Ph#: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Cell Ph#: _____ Email: _____

Please Provide a Cell # to get last minute updates on events

*Please provide an email address to get club Newsletters
 Print email in UPPERCASE to avoid confusion*

How Did You Hear About Us? _____

The Ptarmigan Newsletter is sent Free by Email (be sure to include your Email Address); however, you may request a Hardcopy by U.S. Postal for \$5 in Addition to your Dues – Check the box below for Hardcopy.

2019/2020 Season - Membership Dues: Please Check the Appropriate Boxes Below

- New Member Application:** **\$20 Single** **\$30 Family** **New Memberships valid for 2 years, until Apr 30, 2021**
 Yearly Renewal: **\$16 Single** **\$26 Family** **Must Renew by Oct 31, 2019**
 Late Renewal (after Oct 31st): **\$20 Single** **\$30 Family**
 \$5 Additional for Hardcopy Newsletter via US Postal (everyone will get it FREE by Email)

Acknowledgement of Responsibility / Release of Liability:

The Ptarmigan Ski Club is a year-round sports and social club providing a variety of activities for its members. Participation in these activities can involve risk and personal injury. I fully accept and understand these risks and voluntarily assume all risks either known or not readily foreseeable. I agree not to hold the Ptarmigan Ski Club, its officers, board members, or any volunteers, liable for any accident or injury resulting from my participation in any club activity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Adult member is responsible for each named minor. Each adult must sign.

Demographic Information: Age: 21 -39 40 - 59 60 & over Male Female

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