



LEHIGH VALLEY · PA

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 Ortner, 5:00 pm Every Friday  
General Meetings at Christopher's – Knights of Columbus (KoC)  
Book Club: Third Wednesday of every month 6:30 pm.

| -----Sep-----                       | -----    | -----  |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| First General Meeting of the Season | Tue 7 pm | Sep 8  |
| General Meeting (KoC)               | Thu 7 pm | Sep 22 |
| -----Oct-----                       | -----    | -----  |
| General Meeting (KoC)               | Tue 7 pm | Oct 13 |
| General Meeting (KoC)               | Thu 7 pm | Oct 27 |
| -----Nov-----                       | -----    | -----  |
| General Meeting (KoC)               | Tue 7 pm | Nov 10 |
| -----Dec-----                       | -----    | -----  |
| General Meeting (KoC)               | Tue 7 pm | Dec 8  |

### All Events/Activities are Canceled

**All Events/Activities Normally Scheduled for May, June, July and August are on Hold or Canceled.**

**Hopefully we can resume our Meetings beginning in September.**

### Ronnie Rother Receives 2020 MVP Award

This year's MVP – Most Valuable Ptarmigan – was awarded to Ronnie Rother for continued and innovative contributions to Ptarmigan. Normally awarded at the Spring Banquet, which we had to postpone, the MVP was presented by the Board to Ronnie via email ... not quite the usual fanfare of the Banquet. It was richly deserved and humbly received.

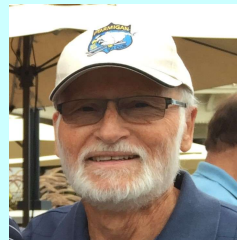
"I am truly honored to have received the 2020 MVP Award; I genuinely appreciate this special recognition from the club. And, thank you for the most generous money gift. It will certainly be put to good use... once I break out of house quarantine!" Ronnie said upon receiving the award.

### We Have a New Membership Application

Our new Membership Application, beginning with the 2020/2021 Season, is completely revised and will occupy a full page at the end of the Newsletter and will be on our Web Site. This new application is to be used for both New Members and Renewal of Your Current Membership. Please use it when Renewing your Membership for the upcoming season.

It is a Full Page. We have a new Waiver for Liability and Photo Release – Please sign it.

Also, we are seeking information on your interest in assisting with various club activities and leadership roles.



### President's Message

**Phil Hublitz**

**President, Ptarmigan Ski Club**

March, April, May, June still in lockdown...

Unfortunately, folks we are still in lockdown and although it seems that the virus has leveled off and in some cases is declining, we are reluctant to gather in all but the smallest numbers. Yes, most of us are in the age group that theoretically makes us the most vulnerable, but as skiers, golfers, hikers, bikers and dancers we are in better shape physically than many people half our age. Still the virus has killed people in their twenties & thirties, so we need to be careful and follow the recommended guidelines.

Those factors considered; we therefore are still suspending all activities except golf in groups no larger than four. Your board of directors met by ZOOM on the 12<sup>th</sup> and discussed our agenda into 2021. The first event that might be held is the picnic at Jim Policelli's scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup> (2020) but even that is in serious doubt, Musikfest, the clambake? The book club might meet in the Rose Gardens in late June. We are still hoping that we can dance to the music of Sunshine Symphony at the September 8<sup>th</sup> general meeting, that depends on whether the Knights of Columbus is fully operational and if it is safe. Even Ortner's Oktoberfest date is on hold. A fall resurgence of COVID-19 could put everything in doubt. If we continue to isolate and stay safe now, perhaps that might not be too severe.

The board did look seriously at the fall club meetings at the KOC. Tentative plans include, Sunshine Symphony, Olga Chubarova speaking on Russia, in September; Sub & a Movie in October; a cook-off in November and a ski instruction presentation in December. The October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting is open and we are asking you Ptarmigans for suggestions for a speaker at that meeting. Want to do a presentation? Here is your opportunity, what would you like to see?

Continuing on the positive side, Brian has announced a ski trip to Heavenly CA and wouldn't it be. Vicki will return to Sunday River and Mark plans two trips, one to Europe and one to our West, not doubt Catherine and Donna are sure to follow. Things will return to normal, even if it is the new normal.

Isolate & stay safe...

## 2020/2021 Ski Season – Trips:

Trip to:  
**Sunday River, Maine**  
26<sup>th</sup> year  
Sunday, January 24 – Friday, January 29, 2021  
More details to follow!  
Vicki Morris [vlm2378@rcn.com](mailto:vlm2378@rcn.com)

!! Trip Announcement !!  
**Heavenly Lake Tahoe**  
February 20-27, 2021  
More details to follow.  
Brian Nuss [brianjnuss@gmail.com](mailto:brianjnuss@gmail.com)

Once things settle to normal, Mark Baechle plans on running 2 more great ski trips for 2021 -- 1 to Europe and 1 out West. Let him know where you want to go at [SkiPro99@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Membership DUES: 2020/2021 Season

Renew your membership for the 2020/2021 Season.

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

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

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

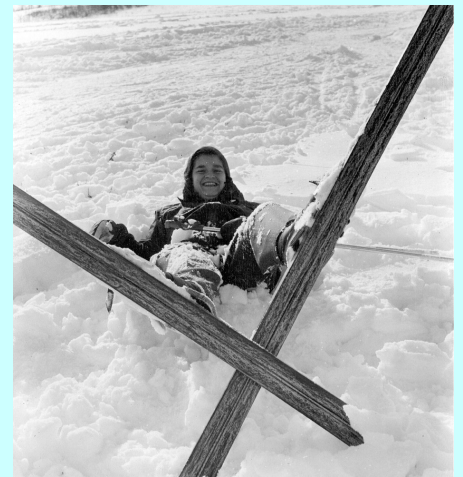
New Members: \$20 Single or \$30 Family

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.**

**Anyone  
Remember  
Skies This  
Long?**



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# 2020-2021 PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB RENEWAL/NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION and RELEASE WAIVERS

"I am interested in assisting with the following."

## X all that apply:

- \_\_ Bike Rides
- \_\_ Book Club
- \_\_ Canoeing/Kayaking
- \_\_ Clambake
- \_\_ Cook-Off
- \_\_ End-of-Season Tailgate
- \_\_ EPSC
- \_\_ Eve-B4-Eve Party
- \_\_ Golf
- \_\_ Happy Hours
- \_\_ Hike-n-Soup
- \_\_ Hikes
- \_\_ Ice Skating
- \_\_ Local Ski Meetups
- \_\_ Music Events
- \_\_ Musikfest Volunteer
- \_\_ Octoberfest
- \_\_ Programs for Mtgs
- \_\_ Spring Banquet
- \_\_ Spring Fling
- \_\_ Summer Picnics
- \_\_ Volleyball

I am interested in serving as:

- \_\_ an Officer
- \_\_ a Board Member
- \_\_ a Committee Chair
- \_\_ on a Committee

in a support role:

- \_\_ Newsletter, Web Site
- \_\_ Raffles, Meeting Greeting Table, etc.

Please submit the following items to Mary Laronge (Membership Secretary), 556 Parkside Court, Allentown, PA 18104:

- Entire form completed, signed, and dated
- Check payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club
- Self-addressed stamped envelope

-OR-

Bring your completed form and check to the next meeting to obtain your membership card.

Questions? Contact Mary Laronge 610-737-2349

[larongem@gmail.com](mailto:larongem@gmail.com)

### Adult Member Name(s):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Children's Name(s):

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*\*Adult member must be responsible for each named minor\**

### Household Address:

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### MEMBERSHIP YEAR

MAY 1, 2020 – APRIL 30, 2021

\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER...SINGLE  
\$20

\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER...FAMILY  
\$30

\_\_\_ SINGLE RENEWAL...\$16  
(After Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>...\$20)

\_\_\_ FAMILY RENEWAL...\$26  
(After Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>...\$30)

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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, and/or any volunteers liable for any accident or injury resulting from my participation in any club activity.

#### PHOTO RELEASE WAIVER

I understand that PSC takes photographs/videos of its members engaged in its activities and publishes these photos in its newsletter, website, email, and others. I expressly consent to permit PSC to publish, display, or use all photos/videos in which I/family appear.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Member(s) must sign and date the membership application form and waivers before membership card(s) will be issued.