

Ptarmigan Ski Club NEWSLETTER

March 2023



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:

Happy Hour: Contact Bill Ortner, 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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General Meeting: Elections	Tue 7 pm	Mar 14
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Spring Banquet: Jeanne Weiser	Sat 6 pm	Apr 29

General Meeting and Elections

Tuesday March 14th 7:00 pm

Christopher's – Knights of Columbus (KoC)

Come to the meeting socialize and then vote for this year's Officers and Board Members

CANIDATES (as of publication date)

OFFICERS (vote for One for each position)

Pres.: Carolyn Greenland

VP: Ronnie Rother

Treas: Monika Drury

Memb. Sec.: Pat Lower

Recording Sec: Lisa Rufo

BOARD (Vote for Three)

Olga Chubarova

Joyce Gilmore

John Hydro

Mary Laronge

Rob Metter

Eric Schoeppner

Spring Banquet Saturday, April 29, 2023

The Club at Twin Lakes

Cash Bar – 6:00 to 10:00 PM

Social – 6:00 to 7:00 PM and Appetizers

Hot Dinner Buffet 7:00 –8:00 PM

See flyer below for details.



President's Message

Phil Hublitz

President, Ptarmigan Ski Club

Election Meeting Tuesday March 14th Knight of Columbus 7:00 PM, be there to cast your vote for the slate of officers and board members for 2023-2024. We have a great slate too, younger people with new ideas and perhaps a new direction for the club. Carolyn Greenland is running for President but will not be present because her VT4 Pass is only good for election week, and she will be skiing in Vermont that week. We are a ski club and if you are absent to go on a ski trip, you don't need a better excuse.

Not sure how long the special season pass for Blue MT is on sale, but Rob Metter got a season pass for next year for \$70, I repeat \$70. Not sure what Blue is thinking on this discount but jump on it if you can. There are no blackout dates, no restrictions on holidays or weekends. If you turn 70 by December 31st, 2023, you can purchase this pass.

Looks like there will be some sub-freezing temps in March, so get out there and ski. Let's see how long Blue can hold it together.

The EPSC is planning some great trips, look for info from Carolyn on Val Gardena for 2024. The council will send several bullets each month to be posted in the newsletter summarizing current happenings.

Joyce is still planning group ski days and music events. STEM is still meeting on the last Thursday of the month to discuss a variety of topics from snow making to the computing binary system and beyond. BTC book at Ronnie's this month is Horse by Geraldine Brooks.

The Spring Banquet will be celebrated on April 29th at Twin Lakes in their grand ballroom. Get your reservations ASAP. Music provided by Scotty-G taking extra effort to get it right, music selection, and volume level perfect.

Ski into March and look for special discounts throughout the northeast through the EPSC...

Think Snow!!

Ski Trip Advertising 2022 - 2023:

Trip Summaries – See Flyers Below for Details.

Sunday River, Maine - Vicki Morris

- Sun Jan 22 – Fri Jan 27, 2023
- \$1,159 dbl/occ \$1,019 tri/occ Senior & Non-skier Discounts Available
- Contact Vicki 610-791-3421 (H) or 610-597-8666 (C)
Email: VLM2378@rcn.com

Breckenridge, Co - Catherine Chrapacz

- Sat Jan 28 – Sat Feb 4, 2023
- \$2,090 dbl/occ
- Contact Catherine at 610-428-3547 or katyataz@yahoo.com

Whistler Blackcomb – Melissa Link

- Sat Jan 28 – Sat Feb 4, 2023
- \$1990 pp/4ppl 2bdm, \$2140 pp/1bdm
- Contact Melissa at 610-751-0332
donnas.trips.continue@gmail.com

Jackson Hole, Wy - Mark Beachle

- Mon Mar 13 – Mon Mar 20, 2023
- \$2,499 dbl/occ
- Contact Mark at 610-657-5825 or SkiPro99@gmail.com

Editor's Notes:

The trips advertised here are independently run by members and are not sanctioned by Ptarmigan nor does Ptarmigan profit from these trips. All trips advertised must have a clearly stated cancellation policy, please read it carefully.

Membership DUES: 2022/2023 Season

Renew your membership for the 2022/2023 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, 2023

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

Submitted by Kathy Seufert, Treasurer.

Click below for the latest Treasurer's Report:

[Treasurer's Report](#)

February Ski Party at Blue Mountain:

45 paid guests for a total \$585

Blue Mtn charge- \$807.75

Bread/Butter \$8.94

Club subsidized party for a total of \$231.69

Group Ski Days and Music Events by Joyce Gilmore

Skiing and Music Wrap Up

Scheduling group ski days has been challenging again this month. We did manage to get some runs in on Feb. 2, 16, and 23. The Freefall slope had excellent snow conditions on some of those days. Of course, lunches afterwards at the Blue Family Restaurant featured great camaraderie. The Feb.14 ski party day at Blue Mt. had good attendance and decent snow. Lots of party fun afterwards! Thanks to Jeanne Weiser for arranging that event.

Ptarmigans enjoyed Happy Hour at Foundations Tavern at Shepherd Hills on Feb. 24 and then danced to the Jeni Hackett Trio. It was a very crowded venue, but we carved out a dance floor. Twelve Ptarmigans closed out the month of February by dancing to the music of Hunkajunk Band at Blue Mt.

**Jeni
Hackett
Trio**



Spring Banquet

PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB

SPRING BANQUET

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023



The Club at Twin Lakes
3625 Shankweiler Road
Allentown, PA

Cash Bar – 6:00 to 10:00 PM

Social – 6:00 to 7:00 PM

**Appetizers – Imported and Domestic Cheeses,
Premium Sliced Italian Cured Meats, Assorted Marinated Vegetables,
and Assorted Breads and Crackers**

Hot Dinner Buffet 7:00 –8:00 PM

House Salad

Rolls and Butter, Chef's Selection of Seasonal Vegetables & Starch

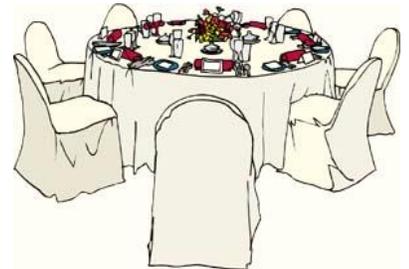


Main Courses:

Beef Sirloin with Mushroom Shallot Syrah Sauce

Salmon with Mango Rum Salsa

**Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten-Free Available -
(let Jeanne know when sending your check)**



Dessert:

Assorted Cookies, Brownies, Dessert Bars, and Cheesecakes

Pick-up Pastries Display

Assorted Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea, Decaf

Following Dinner, dance to the music of "Scotty G"

Price: \$56.00 Per Person



Reservation Deadline: April 13, 2022

No Signups/Checks accepted after the deadline.

Make checks payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club

Send checks to Jeanne Weiser, 125 Pine Street, Emmaus, PA 18049

BRECKENRIDGE, CO SKI TRIP 1/28/23-2/4/23 by Catherine Chrapacz

A total of 25 skiers joined us on this Breckenridge Ski Trip. Breckenridge had approximately 15 inches of new snow before we arrived. Temperatures ranged from lows of -2 to 9 degrees to a high of 17 to 39 degrees by the end of the week. Snow conditions were great with powder days for the entire week.

Breckenridge, Keystone, Vail and Beaver Creek are all part of the Epic Lift Ticket Pass. The shuttle at Residence Inn at Marriott had regular drop off and pickup times at Breckenridge lift areas. Breckenridge Summit has an elevation of 12,998 ft, one of the highest elevation ski-resort. There is a high risk of altitude sickness when traveling from low altitude to high altitude areas. Many of us took steps to reduce symptoms, like taking it easy until we were acclimated. There was an ice sculpture competition before we arrived, and we were able to view the exhibit during the week.

There are 5 Peaks at Breckenridge with a variety of intermediate and expert terrain. Everyone enjoyed the week of skiing with the great snow conditions and sunny weather. We only had one day of severe winds and very low temperatures on the mountain.

Many skied at Keystone for a day or two. The bus system that transported us to Keystone was free, smooth transition and convenient. A small group had the pleasure of traveling to Beaver Creek Resort. Keystone and Beaver Creek Resort also had great weather and snow conditions. Everyone had a wonderful time at both resorts.

The Residence Inn by Marriott was a block from Main St in the town of Breckenridge. The location was convenient to many great restaurants, shops, and the mountain gondola area. Breckenridge is known for their Victorian mining town with beautiful historic restaurants and colorful buildings. Our hotel had a great outdoor pool and hot tub on the 3rd floor which had a great view of the ski resort while soothing your sore muscles. Breakfast was included every morning and the staff was fabulous. Their lobby was also great place to meet others for a "night cap".

Everyone enjoyed the Pizza Party at the end of the week. We shared stories of our skiing, shopping and dining experiences with our new and previous acquaintances. We ended the night with a toast of Grand Marnier.

Look forward sharing another wonderful ski week with you next year!



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