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Board Meeting:

March 24, 2009



**March Meeting
Tuesday, March 17**

Our guest speaker will be Tim Rodencal from Adventure Cycle. Winter can't last forever so to keep you in shape till next season there is biking. Come out and hear about all the latest in bikes and biking accessories. Learn basic maintenance to keep your bike in as good as shape as you are!



Hear stories from on our Lake Placid/Gore trip and Elk day trip. And tell us where you want to go next year.

**See you on the 17th: Alberto's Pizza
2736 S. Queen St. , York, PA**

Eating and socializing begin at 6:30 pm. Meeting starts at 7:30. Guests are welcome.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SAME OLD PRESIDENT

Thank you for another re-election to the President's position for the upcoming fiscal year. I'm not sure if this was another vote of confidence, or a vote that you have no confidence that anyone else would be able to do the job. Either way, the Board and I are up to the challenge of keeping the Club afloat and planning your next adventure.

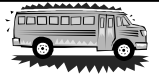
It was interesting to hear the side discussions on the bus on the return trip from Jackson Hole regarding possible 2010 destinations, ranging from Lake Tahoe, Taos, Utah, to Summit County, CO. options. There does not seem to be a lot of consensus on any one at this time. Talk included rental cars versus shuttles, condos versus hotels, slope size versus village centers. Can we get this any more complicated? One thing for sure, selecting our schedule and designations for 2010 will be a real challenge. If you have a strong preference, let one of the Board members know your feelings.

The recent Jackson Hole trip had many firsts. I've got almost two pages of notes for our April post trip party and awards. If you have an interesting story, or secret, and pictures or evidence to support your topic, we'd love to hear about it on April 21. In the meantime, we can start partying. The next meeting is March 17, which happens to be St. Patrick' Day. Wear some green (Lee look-a-likes) and enjoy our speaker from Adventure Cycle.

Rick



Birds, Buses, Bindings, and Wedded Bliss



One thing about this group is they are always ready to go skiing. So it wasn't unusual for everyone to be at Queensgate before the designated time. Up early and excited about the upcoming week we were ready to get going. While we waited the seagulls in the parking lot kept up entertained and with some of us running for cover while Terry decided to feed them. He thought he was at the shore holding up bread as the seagulls swooped to try and get it. The rest of us decided that spending the day with bird droppings in our hair wasn't what we had in mind.

We were getting concerned when the bus wasn't there, but Mary assured us that she had confirmed everything with the bus company the day before, so we waited. But when the departure time came and went it was time for another call. The bus **company** had the right info, the bus **driver** thought he was to pick us up SUNDAY morning. OOPS!!!! So one guy brought the bus and the driver came in his car but at least they both got there in record time. Bob, our driver told us not to worry he'd get us there on time. The peddle must have hit the metal because he did make up most of the delay. We had plenty of time in the airport to try and figure out the "self check in". How do you count a ski bag and a boot bag as one and get luggage tags for both?

The flights were smooth and on time and everyone got their luggage so it was on to the 49er. Once on the bus Chip announced that he and Robin were getting married Monday night at 6 and we were all invited. The only unfortunate thing that happened was that Chip had emailed Rick earlier that week and he was to let the rest of the members know so you could watch from home on the live web cam they have in the Square at Jackson. The e-mail never made it. Lost in cyber space.

After getting our rooms and luggage it was off to the Snake River Brewery which is managed by Jeff Bupp son of our very own member, Wayne. As we carefully made our way there on the icy streets we were led by 3 deer walking thru town, the Jackson welcoming committee, and our first but not last animal sighting. Gotta love that western experience. Unfortunately, Jeff had the night off but we had a great time and good food.

Sunday morning we all headed to breakfast and were pleasantly surprised by the nice selection offered by the 49er. They had a whole building just for breakfast and everything was included in our cost. A nice savings since we had to pay for luggage. Of course everyone was anxious to hit the slopes so we needed and filled 2 buses for the "8am" pickup. Here goes our bus problems again, one of the buses broke down so they had to get a fancy Alltrans coach to take us to the slopes in style. We were happy. It was a beautiful bright sunny day and everyone made the most of their skiing experience. The "Big Dogs" took off for the steeps while the rest headed for the milder terrain for a few warm up runs. Some took the mountain tour while others ventured out on their own, you couldn't go wrong it was a beautiful day and great conditions. Well I guess you could go wrong if you were Carla. Unfortunately her first day of skiing was also her last. A tumble down Laramie Bowl and a binding that didn't release caused an ACL injury. Getting around Jackson on crutches was no easy feat. But they think of everything "ice clamp-ons" were flipped down as needed. We all wish her a speedy recovery. After an exhilarating first day of skiing most of us ended up at the Merry Piglets for Mexican. And that's how we felt Merry and like Piglets when we were done. A good day for all, except Carla. And Sharon finally got to see her first moose, walking in the town of Jackson!



Monday was cloudier but the sun was shining bright on Chip and Robin, it was their wedding day. After a good day of skiing it was time to head to the Town Square for the wedding under the antler arches. Everyone was there including Carla who slowly made her way to the ceremony. As their families watched via the live web cam and others called their friends and families to watch we hummed "Here comes the Bride" and Robin walked through the beautifully lit arch. She looked stunning in her cream colored outfit complete with matching fur hat. It was the perfect wedding for them fun and low key. After popping the cork on the champagne and the toast was made we headed back to the Snake River Brewery for the celebration. We can't thank Jeff Bupp enough for his part in the reception by deducting a large part of the bar tab from the bill. A group of us then went to the Million Dollar Cowboy Bar for more celebrating and dancing. We were treated to a show by Dale & Joy and Rick & Sharon as they entertained us with their dance moves. The band dedicated a slow song to Chip and Robin and we all danced. It was a fun night...just incase a few of you can't remember. And everyone did make it home safely.

Tuesday morning was a little rough on the snowmobiler's but they had fun. In fact all the non-skiers found plenty to do from dog sledding, the snow cat in Yellowstone, visiting the Elk Refuge, snow tubing, massages and of course shopping. You can always have fun on our trips even if you don't ski. Just ask the "group". Mary continues to check off her "bucket list" by driving a dog sled (first time ever) with Gary in it! He says, "if I can survive riding with her in the Mustang, I can survive anything".

Birds, Buses, Bindings and Wedded Bliss....continued

Wednesday the sun was shining and it was snowing the most beautiful light perfect snowflakes just like you cut out of paper when you were in grade school. Not the wet snow blobs we get in PA. And that was a good sign of things to come as the storm headed our way. Especially since a group was headed to Targhee the next day. That night we had a REAL Western BBQ with elk, antelope and mule deer killed and cooked by the owner of our lodge.

Once again we waited for the bus only this time it was ravens hanging around. Apparently bus companies and bus drivers don't communicate. Our driver had gotten a call that morning that the schedule was wrong and he had to go to work. News to him! Thursday was one of the best days of skiing for most of us. Targhee had gotten more snow and had 10" of light powder the night before we got there. It was bright and sunny and looked like diamonds in the air and on the slopes, Chip must have ordered them for Robin. The "Big Dogs" were in their glory hunting for untracked powder to make their trails. The groomed trails were perfect. It was a great day and we were lovin' life!

On Friday the "tired pups" were still hitting the slopes but after the day at Targhee some of the spring had gone out of their skiing. But it was worth it for a day like Thursday. Since they didn't have much bounce left they decided to bomb the last run. And yes slow skiers there is a force looking out for you. As Rick was barreling down Gros Ventre a slow skiing area, a giant snow snake jumped up and grabbed his ankle and broke his binding to bits. His last run was his last run that turned into a bit of a walk. Thankfully he wasn't hurt but he brought his binding back in pieces.

Saturday was a very early wake up and we drug our luggage to the designated meeting place and we waited. Only to find out that the bus was at what they thought was the pick up place. Gary corralled him and pointed him in our direction. Now we **know** for sure bus companies and bus drivers don't communicate!!! But bus driver Bob was waiting for us a BWI and when we got back to Queensgate it was snowing.....just like Jackson Hole!

Perfect conditions + perfect weather + a great group = a perfect trip. Thank you, everyone!

Mary and Deb



RAIL TRAIL RIDE & WINE TASTING Saturday, May 2, 2009

The York Ski Club invites all to join us for a bicycle ride on the York County Rail Trail on Saturday, May 2. We plan to leave promptly at 9:30am from the Seven Valleys Parking lot (where the Big Bikes are). The lot entrance is located on the east side of the former Eyster's Machine Shop at 97 Church Street (SR214) in Seven Valleys.

We plan to ride about one hour south to New Freedom Rail Station (with restrooms). On the return trip, we will be stopping at the Four Springs Winery (50 Main Street) in Seven Valleys around Noon and then proceed to Serenity Station Restaurant (11 Church Street) for a light lunch. There will be at least one car parked at the winery to transport any purchases to the original departure point.

Please plan to arrive at the Seven Valleys parking lot by 9:15am. If it rains, we plan to skip right to the wine tasting at Noon and eating about 1:00pm. The bike ride will be rescheduled for a later date. Please note we never reschedule the social drinking/eating.

Speedy Recovery



We wish both Carla and Mike Oberdick the best on their upcoming surgeries.

RETRO DAY AT SKI ROUNDTOP Sunday, March 8, 2009

The Third Annual Retro Day will be held on Sunday, March 8, 2009. What is Retro Day?? All you need is old ski wear, you know, neon, animal fur, even blue jeans. You may want to accessorize with rear entry boots and 200+cm skis. Last year's participants became instant celebrities, thanks to David W. Fuhrman, our executive producer.

We'll be grilling in the parking lot by noon. Participants are requested to donate beer, wine, and snacks. Since this is our 3rd and final day trip of the season, you also get a \$5.00 rebate-off your lift ticket. You're on your own for lift ticket purchases. You need a proof of purchase to get your \$5.00 refund at the April meeting. Contact Rick Resh (767-5951) for more information. We need a lot of old skis. Assuming we can get permission from the Ski Patrol, we'd like to spell "YSC" under the Minute Man Quad with old skis.

Club Calendar

2009

YSC Meeting Mar 17
YSC Meeting April 21
Rail Trail Bike/Wine Tasting May 2
Micro Brew Fest..... June 26

YORK SKI CLUB WEBSITE

www.yorkskiclub.org

**Trip information
Membership and Trip applications**

MICRO BREW FESTIVAL

Friday, June 26, 2009

The 12th Annual 2009 Micro Brew Festival will be held from 7–10PM at the Agricultural Industrial Museum. Tickets are \$30 for York County Heritage Trust members, \$35 for non-members and \$15 for designated drivers.

Breweries from Pennsylvania, Maryland and New York are expected to participate in the event. New this year is an advanced taste testing for event sponsors and their guests and a home-brewing contest. Home-brewer blends will be judged in beginner and advanced categories.

Admission includes beer tasting, a souvenir glass, complimentary barbecue style food, munchies and eclectic classic rock style entertainment. Contact Rick Resh for discounted tickets (Phone: 767-5951).

Congratulations Newlyweds

Sam and Sheila Fredo got married on the beach in Los Angeles in November.

Chip and Robin Konrad got married under the antler arches at Jackson Hole in February.

Nothing traditional about our members weddings.

Club Elections

Congratulations to our new/old Board elected for the 2008—2009 ski year. Thank you Scott for stepping in as secretary.

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