



A Club for All Seasons

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March 23, 2010



**March Meeting
Tuesday, March 16**

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD. Speak now or forever hold your peace. This meeting will be your chance to voice your opinion on next years destinations. The board wants to know **where you will ski in 2011**. It's easy to say I want to go here or I want to go there but what we need is if you had to put a deposit down right now which ski resort would it be. Every year we try to give our members the most value for your hard earned dollar so we take into consideration all the factors when we plan our schedule. If you can't be at the meeting or just don't like talking in front of a group e-mail your choices to dangst@verizon.net.

Come and hear about the Stowe/Sugarbush trip and we'll start planning for next year while everyone is still psyched from the great snows of this winter. Don't forget April is our Awards meeting so start thinking about who you can nominate

See you on the 16th at: Ruby Jade's 1500 S George St York PA

Socializing begins at 7:00 pm. Meetings start at 7:30.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With the 2009-2010 season winding down, the YSC Board focus is shifting to trips and destinations for next season. We have elected not to participate in the EPSC Winter Carnival at Waterville Valley, VT in January 2011. At the February club meeting we solicited input from the members on possible areas and trip timings. These suggestions and any other comments received by the Board will be considered in the upcoming months. If you have any interest in running an overnight or day trip, please contact me.

Contrary to last month's newsletter, the role of YSC President does not carry a "Forever" label. Regardless, based upon the February elections, there will be no change in the officers and board members for the year beginning July 1, 2010. While I thank all members who have opted to continue serving the club, we still need volunteers to help run the numerous events and trips planned each year.

At the March YSC meeting we will be asking for suggestions on possible day trips for 2011. We want to discuss destinations, day of the week, time of the month or even dropping them from our schedule. Please show up and let your comments be heard. We have struggled to meet the minimum requirements for group rates for the past several seasons, especially for mid week trips.

Enjoy the rest of your season. Ski/Board safe and lets hear about those awards at the April Club meeting.

Rick

How many of you got the bug? 5 and counting



2010 TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO
YOU CAN'T GET THERE OR BACK FROM HERE!
But it was worth the trip

Our trip to TSV started on Ground Hog Day when that critter came out of his den, saw his shadow and predicted 6 more weeks of winter. We think he over did it on the first week when we were scheduled to leave for Taos. By Thursday, we were notified that no flights were going out on Saturday, can we get the group out on Friday? There ensued a round robin to cell phones (thanks Deb A. for getting all those numbers). We reached all those on the trip and, yes we can leave on Friday. However, we were booked on 3 different flights to Atlanta where we over-nighted at the same Hotel thanks to our hotel specialist, Deb. Well, 2 flights made it to Atlanta but Gary, Mary, Charlie and Liz's flight was cancelled. So back to York the foursome headed to ride out the storm. We dug out on Saturday and left Harrisburg on Sunday morning. So while 20 club members were having their first day of skiing, the foursome was winging their way to Taos. We arrived in time to watch the Super Bowl game.

With 24+ inches of new snow in Taos, everyone settled in with their instructors to ski the powder. We had snow Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. This sure made everyone's day. Did the "big dogs" have a female instructor and did she show them the ropes. What happens in Taos stays in Taos. Tuesday night was our night to have dinner at Roger and Diane Mariani's home. Roger is the General Manager of the Snakedance. What a treat that was. On the way to Roger's home we went out to the Rio Grande gorge to take pictures and walk over the bridge that spans the gorge. How about those Margarita's at Rogers house! I think the recipe is going around the club, just ask Casey. (5 oz Grand Marnier, 8 oz Jose Cuervo, 11 oz Margarita mix, 1 cup fresh lime juice, shake with ice)

Skiing at Taos in the learn to ski better week was a real benefit to everyone on the trip. Each morning you met your group and instructor and off you went. Each group skied to their ability and as the week progressed, you found yourself skiing much better than when you started and working on more challenging runs. Taos is known for this program and the more people you met up with said this is why they return to Taos year after year. On Friday many of the groups stopped at the "Martini Tree" to celebrate a wonderful week of skiing. A tradition that is part of Taos's history. All most everyone made a trip down the mountain to visit the shops and have dinner in the Old Section of Taos. The credit cards were burning as we saw some awesome "bling" being purchased.

Our condos were very roomy and we enjoyed the morning continental breakfast every day. We had a ski room where we left our skies and boots every night which was soooo convenient. We only had a short walk to the lift each morning. On the "sick" list was Sam Fredo. He didn't get out to ski until Thursday. Bummer. Other visits to the local clinic was Jackie who was wiped out by another skier while just standing still waiting for her instructor. We hope the ski patrol caught up with him. Word will surely get out that Mary had to come down via patrol sled with a sprained knee. They have the best doctors etc in that clinic and after X-rays and a flexible brace I was able to finish the ski week. Jackie and Sam also visited the clinic and were well taken care of. We finished off the week in Rick Resh's condo to clean out our refrig's and watch the opening ceremonies of the Olympics. I don't know why we bought all that "stuff" but I think some was left over for the maids to share.

Now it's Saturday morning and we are packed and ready to head to the airport in Albuquerque when we were notified that the Atlanta airport was closed on Saturday because of a SNOW STORM. What's up with that? Only Chicago slows flights up with snow. So it's on to the cell phones again to Dan at Winter Ski & Sport who was able to switch us to Sunday travel into Phila airport. (remember our cars are at the Harrisburg airport parking). Luckily we were able to contact Red Lion Bus Co and get a bus down to Phila to pick us up and return everyone to Harrisburg. Mean while Rick and his other brother Rick (Resh & Bosco) were manning the phones to get us all into a hotel in Albuquerque to over night there and board our re-booked flights on Sunday. Things went smoothly with everyone pulling together and a big thank you to all the members on the trip, Deb A. who was our hotel guru on the out bound trip an Rick and Rick getting us into one hotel on the return trip. Thank you to Dan at Winter Ski and Sport who managed to handle the flight changes This was a ski trip we won't soon forget.

Mary Amsbaugh and Deb Angstadt.

Blue Mountain Wed., January 20

Any day skiing is better than a day working! Three cars with three each made there way to Blue Mountain meeting first at the City Lights Dinner between 7-7:30. Just like every year they knew we were coming and had the window cleaner doing the windows for us.

Everyone was on the slope by 9 with the snow being granular, as Bob had advertised, and temperatures a little below freezing. Mid morning we had snow flurries and hoped that the temperatures remained below freezing. The remainder of the day was overcast and the snow softened a bit, but it was good. Most of had enough runs in that that the cost of each for what the lift ticket cost were under \$1.00 per run. That's pretty nice!

Two of the groups that traveled together were off the slopes by 3:30. The third group was not to be seen. Diner commenced at ABC in Harrisburg at 6 since the Iron Hill Brewery could not give us reservations until 7:30.

Everyone had a good time which confirms that "Any day skiing is better than a day working"

MICRO BREW FESTIVAL Friday, June 25



The York County Heritage Trust will hold its 13th Annual Microbrew Festival at the Agricultural and Industrial Museum on June 25th from 7:00 to 10:00pm. Unfortunately, there are no discounts unless you are a Heritage Trust member. Tickets are \$35 for non members and Rick Resh will take ticket orders/payments at the March and April club meetings. No requests will be honored after April 20. Remember this event sells out quickly. Fence sitters may be left on the outside looking in at the party. More details to follow.



RAIL TRAIL AND WINERY RIDE Saturday, May 1, 2010

Save the date for a ride on the York County Heritage Rail Trail and wine tasting at Four Springs Winery in Seven Valleys. More details to follow.

SUMMER PICNIC Saturday, July 17



Mark your calendar before your summer fills up. It's in July this year, NOT August. Don't be fooled.

WHITETAIL DOWNHILL Wed., February 17

The YSC second carpool trip was to Whitetail Resort, near Mercersburg, PA. This was a first time day trip and was added to reduce driving time and fuel. Unfortunately, only 8 members opted for the mid week trip. Light snow flurries, drifting roadways and overcast skies prevailed. Frozen hard packed snow softened as the day progressed. We spent some time on the moguls on Upper Park Place, Snow Dancer and Exhibition. We practiced our Powder 8's and high-speed cruising/carving.

The day started at Mary Jane's restaurant and ended the trip at Klinger's in Hanover. That's when the trip went downhill. We sampled numerous microbrews and Clair Stough and Sherry Dietz joined the group for dinner. Tim Rodencal felt ill and by the next day both Clair and Todd had flu like symptoms. The rest of us felt queasy just talking about Olympic "hurling" not "curling" opportunities. Who will get the Gold, Silver or Bronze medals?

FACTS STOWED IN HISTORY

Whether you're on the bus trips to Stowe or not, you need to know these historical facts about Stowe Mountain Resort:

- America's oldest organized ski patrol founded 1934
- America's oldest organized ski school founded November 1936
- America's longest aerial tramway Single Chair 1940
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- Home of America's first male Olympic ski medalist Billy Kidd - Silver 1964
- World's fastest 8-person gondola 1991
- Resort with the most 1 + mile-long lifts in the Eastern U. S. 2007
- Highest year-around restaurant in the East
- First and only mountain resort in the U. S. to be designated as a "Green Community" by Audubon International

REVOLUTION BASEBALL GAME Friday September 10



We are trying something new, a Friday night baseball game.
End your work week with a BANG!!!! It's fireworks after the game against Lancaster.

Club Calendar

2010

- Stowe/Sugarbush, VTMar 7-10
YSC Meeting.....Mar 16
YSC Meeting.....April 20
Krouse Seneca Lake Wine Tour.....April 24-25
Rail Trail Ride/Wine Tasting/LunchMay 1
Micro Brew FestJune 25
YSC Picnic at the Oberdick'sJuly 17
York Revolution Baseball gameSept 10

YORK SKI CLUB HOTLINE

www.yorkskiclub.org

Seneca Lake Winery Tour Saturday & Sunday April 24-25 2010



Contact Krouse Travel (244-6410) if you would like to join several YSC members on the weekend trip. The price is \$259 ppdo.

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YSC 0 — Mother Nature 3

We have been very lucky over the last 34 years with our trips and good weather but 3 times we've lost.

When the 3 biggest storms hit the east coast.

March 1993 "The Blizzard of the Century" we spent 2 extra nights in Chicago seeing the sites while the Northeast dug out.

January 1996 while we were at Timberline WV another blizzard struck closing the state of PA. We got 42" in Timberline and spent 2 extra nights.

February 2010 Flights rebooked because the airports had already canceled Saturday flights before the first flake was spotted and Friday night was spent in Atlanta. Then snow in Atlanta canceled our return flights forcing us to spend an extra night in Albuquerque.

Several of us have been on all three trips much to the ire of our families and neighbors that helped shovel our driveways.

And Rick seems to be on a ski trip every time it snows even if only a few inches. Does he own a snow blower and does it work? Only Sharon knows the answer.