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SKI SCOOPS FEBRUARY 2019

President's Message

Are we half way thru our Winter season? Only time will tell. A slow and late ski season has made a great turn around since my last newsletter. Yes, we are in a major warm up, back to colder days by the time this is published. Major cold outbreak gave us some unreal powder days at Roundtop and other ski slopes in the mid-Atlantic area. Will Peak Resorts allow Roundtop to make snow later than past years? How many days have you been on the snow? I have 30 plus days in, with many more planned. As the days grow longer, do your legs allow you a longer day on the snow. Is natural snow easier to handle than mademade? What are your answers to these questions?

As this is being delivered, our Special Olympians are competing at the state games. Good luck to the team and their support staff. I like to thank every-body who volunteers on Thursday evenings. Your help shows in their ski abilities which improves every week. We will continue until March and work towards next years games. Practice, practice, practice! Thank for your equipment donations this year and in years past.

Our board members e-mail accounts have been used for a money grabbing spoof for gift card scam. With Rick Resh and myself used as the requester to buy into the scam by asking club members to buy gift cards, then phoning info to a third party so they can cash out at our expense. We as a club and personally, DON'T operate that way.

Trips to West Virginia and Utah are closing in for departures. A few bumps in the snow have changed the club's early plans, but all is good. Have safe travels to and from as well as fun days in the Winter Wonderland. Never too early to start thinking about next year's trip destinations to the far west and the northeast. 3 major ski pass companies are making it difficult to decipher a clear decision on where to spend our ski dollar budgets. Just today, Sun Valley and Snowbasin joined in on the Epic pass, while still being privately held. Will the other 2, Ikon and the predominately out west pass Mountain Collective, surprise us with more mountains being added to their cards? I was going to list all the areas attached to each pass but decided to have a comparative cheat sheet to hand out at the meeting. Carla and I will try to answer your questions and discuss how these passes are impacting clubs' decisions on where they travel to ski. A few people have had some open talks of offering a beer and ski New England trip. This would involve areas without the glitz, advertising, and frills. Just great ski areas the club hasn't been to or thought about making turns at. The evenings would be filled with dinners and beers at small breweries. A Willie Nelson type trip, on the road again, to the next brew and hill.

During the February meeting we will be electing our new board for 2019/2020. Most of our current board members have said they would stay on and were nominated for the vote at the last meeting. The nominations are still open. If you are interested in helping out, let me know. I will ask for the nominations to closed before the vote, with a vote to follow. We have started a sign in sheet this year to help support the legal logistics of membership and operations. Help us out without the cartoon signings!

Go make some turns and enjoy the winter, who is going to earn some awards at our last meeting in spring?

Thanks, Kirk

Membership Meeting, Tuesday, 2/19/2019

Please join the York Ski Club at the next membership meeting being held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at The Stone Grille & Tap House located at 204 St. Charles Way, York, PA. Happy Hour is from 4-6 pm with discounted beverages and appetizers, so-cializing starts at 6 pm and the membership meeting commences at 7 pm. Dinner will be on your own.

We hope to see you and please consider bringing a family member or a friend to attend to support the club.

The board meeting will be held immediately after the membership meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

02/12 to 02/16/2019- Coldest Streak (Old Farmers' Almanac)

02/14 to 02/18/2019 - Club Ski Trip to Canaan Valley, WV (trip is closed - waiting list only)

02/19/2019- Membership meeting @ Stone Grille & Tap House, 204 St. Charles Way, York

02/24/2019 - Retro Day at Roundtop Mountain Resort

03/02 to 03/09/2019 - Club Ski Trip to Salt Lake City, Utah (This trip is full)

03/19/2019- Membership meeting @ Stone Grille & Tap House, 204 St. Charles Way, York

03/20 to 3/23/2019- Coastal Snow Storm (Old Farmers' Almanac)

04/16/2019- Membership meeting @ Stone Grille & Tap House, 204 St. Charles Way, York

Please send any event information to be posted on the calendar to tom.cree@comcast.net





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Retro Day at Roundtop Mountain Resort

Sunday, February 24, 2019

The Twelfth Annual Retro Day celebration will be held on Sunday, February 24th at Roundtop Mountain Resort.

What is Retro Day? If you own any old ski equipment such as straight skis, neon clothing, rear-entry boots or fur skiwear, WEAR IT on retro day!

Remember, it must be old school!

Skiing will begin with the first chair and partying will begin mid morning. We will be set up in the Minuteman parking lot with grills (and canopy if necessary), so bring a chair. Please bring some beer/wine/food to share with your fellow members.

This is a great way to introduce friends, fellow skiers and family members to the club. Non-members are welcomed to attend.



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Reminder for Ski Trips

Please remember that you must be a current club member to attend any ski trips, so please make sure your membership is current. Please use the membership application attached to the newsletter email or visit the yorkskiclub.org website for a current copy. Please fill it out and send it with your payment to the attention of Terry Holtzinger, 3455 Kingston Road., York, Pa 17403-7290.



Canaan Valley, W.V.

February 14-18, 2019

This Trip is Full

There is a waiting list-contact trip leader for more info.

Members will enjoy a car pool trip to Canaan Valley, WV.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

<u>Travel Day (not included in total price).</u> Thursday, February 14: Optional side trip to Wisp Mountain, Garett County, MD in route to Canaan Valley. Members responsible for their own lift ticket on Thursday **Included in the Trip:**

Thursday Evening: A pizza party to welcome everyone to the Valley.

Friday: Members will Ski Canaan Valley Resort

Saturday: Members will Ski Timberline Resort

Sunday: Members will have options:

- Ski Whitegrass XC Resort
- Ski Tour connecting Canaan Valley Resort to Whitegrass XC Resort
 - Ski Canaan Valley Resort

<u>Travel Day (not included in total price). Monday, February 18:</u> Optional side trip to Wisp or Canaan Valley during return home. Members responsible for their own lift ticket.

LODGING

Four nights at the Canaan Valley Deluxe Cabins (Thu, Fri, Sat and Sun).

PRICING

Lodging, pizza party and 3 day lift tickets \$420.00

Non-skier rate \$240.00

For more information, contact Scott Burford, 2985 Dearborn Lane, York, PA 17402; 717-779-9141; <u>burford87@yahoo.com</u>,

TRIP INFORMATION

Salt Lake City, Utah March 2-9, 2019

*****THIS TRIP IS FULL****

Trip will leave BWI on March 2nd and return to BWI on March 9, 2019. Specific flight times and details will be emailed to all those participating.

Accommodations are a large 10 bedroom, 9 bathroom House in Salt Lake City (Cottonwoods Heights area) near the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. The location is very convenient (20 – 30 minutes) for skiing Alta, Snowbird, Brighton and Solitude. Park City, Deer Valley, and The Canyons are a 35 – 40 minute car ride. Sundance is 45 minutes. Powder Mountain and Snow Basin are about an hour and 15 minutes away.

Two (2)-15 passenger vans and 3 SUV's have been reserved for the trip. That gives us lots of flexibility to ski different areas on the same day, and non-skiers can have a car for the day to do whatever they wish. The cost of the trip was \$1400.00 per person and the trip is full. The trip has reached the maximum of 24 people. There is a waiting list. Please contact the trip leader for details on a waiting list.

The price of the trip includes lodging, airfare, some meals, and rental cars. Lift tickets will be on your own, however, we will buy Superpasses (as a group) for some of the resorts at a discounted rate. The discounted lift ticket price averages approximately \$78.00/ day if you buy a 4 day Superpass, which is good at the 4 closest resorts named above. There is also a separate pass for Park City and the Canyons. More on that at a later date.

A southern Utah trip to Arches National Park has been tentatively scheduled for anyone who wants to go. Date to be determined at the time of the trip.

For more information contact the trip leader, Chip Konrad at 717-858-1676 or via email at konradhj@msn.com

Belleayre Ski Trip Recap

Eleven club members made the trip to Belleayre. We skied at Hunter on Friday, instead of Elk Mountain, in hopes of finding better snow conditions. We were successful!

In spite of the frigid temperatures, 16 deg and winds of 10-15 mph, we all had a good day of skiing and then met at Woodstock Micro Brewery for beers and wings as our appetizer. Pizza was served at the Colonial Inn at 7:30 from Brio's. Great pizza, especially "Aunt Mary's Friday Night Special".

Saturday we skied at Belleayre with temperatures of 16-19 deg. Snow conditions were good in the morning, but as the day went by, they got a little scraped off. Lunch was at the cars at 11:30 am then a few more hours of skiing.

The theme for the trip was "Christmas the Season that keeps of Giving". So, everyone brought a "Regift" gift to exchange. Steve's granddaughter Emma helped pick out the names and distribute the gifts, and then we rotated or stole gifts by the roll of a die. In the end, no one had the gift that they had brought. The buffet dinner then followed the exchange.

On Sunday, everyone left for home after breakfast and arrived home safely.

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