



President's Message

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Next Board Meeting:

April 16, 2019

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Welcome to spring! For us snow lovers, the days are getting longer and our memories of stellar powder runs are all that remain. Are you satisfied with your days on the snow this past season? While it is still fresh in our minds, the time to plan your next year of fun in the snow is now. Whether it is adding new places to ski or recruiting a new friend or family member to share those great or not so great days playing in the snow and cold or maybe stretching your budget to buy a multi-mountain season pass, the real deals are now!

York Ski Club is now in year 2 of the revival and rebuilding mode. I would like to thank everybody on the board last year and the members who stayed on for another year. Going forward some of us might not stay on for a third year so we are always looking for support and new blood and ideas. Jump in and offer your help and ideas to grow our club. With 80 members (+/-) of which about 60 are active skiers/boarders who sign up and go on trips, we need to recruit more traveling winter friends.

The trip committee met in March. The only members who attended were members of the club board. Discussion was how, when, and where the club has gone over the years. A trip to Utah has been very successful every other year with member support and great powder conditions. Not having great numbers, like 25 or more, it was discussed having a trip out west might not be in the best interest of the club this year. Craig at Uller's is running 2 trips to Europe next season with some club members showing great interest in those destinations. So at the present time a place to play out west is not on the horizon, unless support for a location with support of 20 ski members come forward. Terry Holtzinger changed the discussion to the east, with Terry saying he will run another trip to Belleayre in Jan 2020. Shawn talked about his ski and beer week in New England and the pricing associated with the idea. No name ski areas and no name breweries tour. Ski, drive, drink, sleep and repeat. Keeping the pricing to about 100 dollars per ski day, lift ticket and room. If this trip goes it will require a \$50 non-refundable deposit. Carpool is the only way this will stay cheap and fun. Ideas for out west can be thrown out for discussion.

Is the price shock over yet? The do or don't date to buy your Peak pass is the last week of April. From my request at the last meeting of a show of hands on who carries a night club card (7) and who has a season pass (15), shows the love for our local mountain. The trip committee figured we had another 10 pass holders who didn't attend the March meeting. So out of 60 active skiing members we have 35 Roundtop supporters. \$329.00 is not a bad price for a mid-week pass and not a major increase from a night club card. Carla and I did a week of Peak Pass location skiing last week. We can answer many questions good or bad on those locations. I will not put it in print since I work for Peak Resorts, so ask!

We need a calendar filled out thru Thanksgiving for our warm weather events. Locations and dates need locked in for our monthly Happy Hour/Dinner sites, so let's hear some suggestions at the April meeting. Open for ideas??

Thanks,
Kirk

Membership Meeting, Tuesday, 4/16/2019

Please join the York Ski Club at the April membership meeting being held on Tuesday, April 16, 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. Socializing starts at 6 pm and the membership meeting commences at 7 pm. Dinner will be on your own.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

04/30/2019– 1st deadline for early pricing & payment plan on Peak Resorts season passes

10/31/2019- 2nd deadline for reduced pricing on Peak Resorts season passes

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



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Reminder!

If you are considering purchasing a Peak Resorts Pass, the early season deadline is **April 30th**. This is also the deadline for signing up for the payment plan: \$99 down; balance owed is divided into 4 equal payments billed to a credit card during the months of May, June, July & August. Pricing for all passes (except Scout Pass) increases on May 1st. For additional information, visit peakpass.com or call 800-927-8899. (Club members may also contact Carla, as well, if you have any questions.)

Peak Resorts: Season Passes & Other Info

Info provided by Carla de Mendonca

With Peak Resort's purchase of Snowtime, Inc., skiers and snowboarders are going to see a new and different array of season pass offerings and other frequent skier/rider discounts for the 2019-2020 winter season. Below is a very basic breakdown of some of the changes. For more detailed information, please visit peakpass.com.

Advantage Card - This will no longer be available after this season. Peak Resorts will be offering online discount packages, multi-ticket packs and dynamic pricing. More details about the various discount options will be forthcoming and will be for sale later in the year and during the fall preseason months.

Night Club Card - This is being replaced with the "Night Tracker Youth Program" which will be for youth ages 8 to 18 years of age. It will have similar lift, lesson and/or rental options similar to what has been offered in years past.

Season Passes - This category has the biggest changes from what we've all become accustomed to and familiar with from the Snowtime, Inc. family.

Explorer Pass (ages 30+) - full access to all Peak Resorts

Explorer Youth Pass (ages 7-17) - full access to all Peak Resorts

Ranger Pass (all ages) - full access to all Peak Resorts, BUT has 11 "Black Out" dates

Traveler Pass (all ages) - full access to all Peak Resorts, BUT has 5 "Black Out" dates and not valid on Saturdays and Sundays

Drifter Pass (ages 18 to 29) - full access to all Peak Resorts

Scout Pass (ages 6 and under) - full access to all Peak Resorts, BUT does not receive any additional pass holder benefits

Also, it is important to note another big change concerning season passes. Previously, the deadline date for purchasing any season pass at a preseason discounted price was October 31st. **THIS IS NO LONGER!!** The cheapest prices for season passes (and being able to use a monthly payment plan) is from right now until April 30th. Prices will then subsequently increase to higher rates on May 1st, November 1st and December 19th.

Photos for the York Ski Club Facebook Page

Photos from this year's ski trips have been posted on the club's Facebook page. You don't need to have a Facebook account to view the page, just visit <https://www.facebook.com/yorkskiclub/>.

If you have any photos that you would like to include in these on-line albums, please send them to Beka Schardt at Beka4628@gmail.com and include the trip destination and year.

2020 Club Ski Trip Information

January 11-12, 2020: Belleayre Ski Resort, New York

Other destinations are being considered at this time. Please attend the April meeting and any suggestions for possible 2020 destinations will be discussed.

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Recap of March, 2019 Ski Club Trip to Salt Lake City, Utah

Epic Snowfall

After an itinerary change, we departed Baltimore with 24 people on board a Delta flight through Atlanta to Salt Lake City. Even though the connection timing was tight, there were no issues with luggage or skis. After picking up our gear in the airport we walked over to the rental car counters to get our 5 vehicles. An hour or so later we headed to our giant quirky home conveniently located at the base of Big Cottonwood Canyon, near The Cotton Bottom dive bar. This bar has the best Garlic Burgers around and some of us visited it twice.

Robin directed us to our assigned rooms and we unpacked. Some of us went grocery shopping and others rented ski equipment. Snow was forecast for just about every day for the next week, so we knew we were in for a good time shredding powder. It continued snowing that night and for a good portion of the next day while we all skied Brighton. There was 8" of fresh powder overnight and 8" more during the day. We all took the ski bus that morning due to 4 wheel drive only requirements in the Canyon. A bunch of us on one of the buses saw 2 yearling Moose play chicken with the cars. We congregated in Molly Greens at Brighton for Après Ski before heading down the mountain to end the day.

We skied Brighton again, Snowbird, Sundance and Solitude and every day was a snow day except for Sunday at Snowbird. The skiers were glad to see where they were going that day with good visibility. There were a few injuries from a concussion to a torn ACL and broken wrist, but we all made it home in one piece.

All of our meals except our arrival dinner were included in the budget and cooked by our Executive Chef Shawn and his merry band of Sous Chefs. We ate and drank like Kings and Queens.

On Thursday, most of us got up early and ventured to Arches National Park. Our first stop was the renowned Rodencal Rock made popular by previous trips and a fan favorite. We did numerous drives and hikes to different arches within the park. While we were there, it rained, hailed, and snowed, then became sunny for the rest of the day. Once we were thoroughly tired, we made our way down to Moab and The Moab Brewing Company for dinner and beer. It just happened to be \$3.00 burger night and \$2.75 beer night. How did we get so lucky? Living right, I say!

According to my official record keeper, Tom Cree, we received a total of 75 inches of snow during the week we were there. It is possibly the best skiing of light Utah Powder many of us have ever experienced. Brighton has since updated me that they have surpassed the 600 inch mark and more storms are still rolling in to the Wasatch front.

The flight home was non-stop from SLC to Baltimore and went off without a hitch. Other than the injuries, the trip went very smoothly, and we look forward to another trip in 2 years with the IKON pass. More on that at the meeting on Tuesday. See you there!

Chip Leader