The Good Times

Member Western Pa. Ski Council Http://www.johnstownskiclub.com May 2021



President's Message...

Greetings Members,

The club is back!

I would like to thank all the members who stayed with the club through the trying times of the past year. You are appreciated!!

Our first big event of the new season was the Picnic/ Derby outing at Solomon Run Pavilion. The weather was a little chilly but "A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL" Thanks to all who attended.

This will be the first of many events to be offered to members over the coming months. We will be holding most of these events in outdoor spaces to provide a safe atmosphere for our members.

I fully expect the CDC to relax restrictions and open more venue options soon. That will allow us to offer more indoor mixers and parties. Keep your fingers crossed.

Please continue to *read your newsletters* and Facebook for all the latest information about club activities.

I look forward to seeing you all at upcoming club events.

BAR & GRILL

<u>Club Mixer / Meeting/Elections</u> Thursday, May 20 at 6pm at Tulune's Living the Dream Bar & Grill (Geistown)

Our May Meeting/Mixer/Elections will be held on May 20 at the Tulune's Living the Dream Bar & Grill (formerly Tulune's Steakhouse). (We were going to have our mixer here last April when they first open, but had to cancel due to COVID.) So this is great time to try it out. And we will hold our elections this evening. The Bar & Grill is located at the bottom of the Geistown Cloverleaf on 92 Lulay Street (right above The Outhouse).

Please be patient with the wait staff and service as the establishment is given an approximate attendance number. See page 3 for more info.

PLAN TO BE THERE !!!

Things to do	Dates to Remember
May 16:	Golf Outing Windber Country Club RSVP by 5/14
May 17:	Bike Ride (every Monday and Wednesday evening) Ghost Town Trail
May 19:	Bike Ride Ghost Town Trail
May 20:	Club Mixer/Elections Tulune's Living the Dream Bar & Grill (Geistown)
May 24:	Bike Ride Ghost Town Trail
May 26:	Bike Ride Ghost Town Trail
May 31:	Happy Memorial Day!

Bob

<u>Summer Bike Rides</u> at 6 pm (*sharp*) at Ghost Town Trail (Mondays and Wednesdays)

Get outdoors and enjoy an evening on Ghost Town Trail with club members. Join group leader Gil Demos for a bike ride on:

Monday, May 17, Wednesday, May 19, Monday, May 24, Wednesday, May 26,



Monday, May 31 (<u>Cancelled</u> for Memorial Day).

See May 17th Bike Ride (refer to the right side of this page for more info.) Remember, helmets are required on club-sponsored rides.

You <u>must call</u> Gil (814.241.8570) to say you are coming.



Newsletter Director Barbara Visnovsky 814.255.1780

For membership application, call Annette Kamzik 814.536-7325

Contact us at:

johnstownskiclub@gmail.com



Sunday, May 16 at 2:30pm <u>Golf Outing</u> at Windber Country Club RSVP by Friday May 14



For our May's golf outing, we will be returning to the Windber Country Club on Sunday May 16. Be there by 2:30pm. Tee time is scheduled for 2:50pm sharp. Cost is \$15 to walk, \$25 with cart for 9 holes. Or you can do 18 holes at \$25 to walk and \$35 for cart. And we hear that "the course is in great shape."

Text Group Leader Harry Graham at 814.242.2722 to reserve your spot for this golf outing and/or for more info. RSVP by Friday May 14.

Monday, May 17 at 6 pm (*sharp*) Bike Ride at Ghost Town Trail

Join us for our first bike ride of the season. Again this year, club member **Gil Demos** is **leading the bike rides every Monday and Wednesday (weather permitting) at the Ghost Town Trail** for our club members and LHORBA members.

Meet Gil at Dilltown parking lot sharp at 6pm! The ride will be to Vintondale and back. It will be 12 miles round trip (9 to 12 miles per hour pace). Dinner and drinks at Griffiths in Armagh after the ride. <u>Call Gil at</u> 814.241.8570 for more info or to let him you will join him! Remember, helmets are required on club-sponsored rides.

Thursday, May 20 at 6pm <u>Club Mixer/Elections</u> at Tulune's Living the Dream Bar & Grill



Our first mixer of the season (actually the first in a year) is very important because that it is when new officers will be elected for 2021-22. (See column to the right for current list of nominations). Help decide the next slate of club officers by attending this important mixer at Tulune's Living the Dream Bar & Grill on May 20 at 6pm, located at 92 Lulay Street (Geistown) near the Cloverleaf.

So relax, don't forget to tip your wait staff, and just enjoy the evening! (<u>Remember</u>: to wear your masks, <u>and be patient</u> with wait staff and service as the establishment is given as approximate attendance number).

If you cannot attend, be sure to contact President Bob Snoby (<u>snubby52@gmail.com</u>) for an **absentee ballot by Tuesday, May 18.** See **page 5** for more info.



And a Good Time was had by All.....

Hike Outing at Laurel Mountain on Sunday, April 11:

Group leader **AJ Stumpo** along with club member **Sue Lee** lead our hiking outing this month. They met up with 11 other people at the warming hut on top of Laurel Mountain They hiked a 5-mile round trip in perfect April weather. Afterwards they went back to the warming hut and tail-gated outside with associated snacks, wines, meats, and cheeses (with social distancing observed).

...Thanks to Club officer AJ Stumpo for leading this event and organizing our cross-country/hikes this past winter.

Headstone Cleaning for the Plots of the Unknown at Grandview Cemetery on Saturday, April 17:

For a new club service project, a special group of ladies—Lynne Dougherty, Nancy Gjurich, Tina Kutchman, Andrea Nosko, Carol Stouffer, Joann Urban, and Barb Visnovsky along with group leader Annette Kamzik — showed up on a damp cold day to help clean the headstones. Friends of the Johnstown Flood National Memorial organized a volunteer effort at the Plot of the Unknown at Grandview Cemetery to clean the 816 stones which has never been cleaned before. We used D2 Biological Solution, a non-hazardous and environmentally friendly cleaner. In a few weeks, we will see whiter, cleaner stones.

... A special thanks to **VP Annette** for organizing our group.

See page 4 for More "Good Time was had by all...."

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Golf Outing at North Fork on Sunday, April 18:

For our first golf outing, 15 players played nine holes on a challenging course at The Highlands at North Fork on a cool sunny afternoon. President Bob Snoby took over for ailing Conrad Sikirica as our group leader that day. Prizes were given out for Longest putt (Joann Urban), Longest drive (Ken Mesko) and Closest to the Pin (Shawn Sherer) - although Conrad's name (?) seemed

to always come in a close second on each contest sheet (??). Winning team was Steve McGee, Ken Mesko, Greg Sanford and Barb Visnovsky. Afterwards we all met up with other cub members at their Trixies Pub for drinks, food and golf stories.

....Thanks to Trustee Conrad Sikirica organizing this golf outing.

Adopt-a-Highway at Eisenhower Blvd on Saturday, April 24:

With the 50th anniversary of Earth Day this week, we had a SUPER turn-out to make our section of Eisenhower Blvd look beautiful for the start of our 29th year of our Adopt-a-Highway project. Seventeen people (including some newbies) showed up on a beautiful spring day -Jessica Cunningham, Jeff Eash, Marsha Flower, Nancy Gjurich, Harry and Sue Graham, Annette Kamzik, Linda and Randy Lear, Steve McGee, Vivian Ohs, Shawn Sherer,

Conrad Sikirica, AJ Stumpo, Karen Taranto and Barb Visnovsky joined group leader Dan Gaydos. Thus we did our 3-mile section of Eisenhower Blvd in no time! The highway looked really good by the time we were finished. We did enjoy a pizza lunch at Pappy's afterward with good conversation. Hopefully we will continue with strong club member attendance in the Fall. [Great way to get those service hours!!] See you in the Fall! ...Special THANKS to all the members listed above who came out and participated in our very important club *community service project.* And also thanks to Lynne Dougherty for her assistance with Penn DOT. ... Thanks to **Dan Gaydos** for being our chairperson again this year.

"Derby Party" (aka: Spring/Après Party) at Solomon Run Pavilion on Saturday, May 1:

We moved our Spring Party outdoors! With a blue-bird sunny day, eighty members were in a partying mood to enjoy a day outside with ski club members celebrating Spring/Après/ and the Kentucky Derby. It was great to see everyone and catch up with our members after a long winter. Members were able to spread out under the pavilion and then afterwards enjoy the sunshine in the yard. The food from Anthony's was delicious and plentiful. It was so cool to see how many people got into the Kentucky Derby spirit with their very festive outfits.

50/50: Karen Hogue and Karen Taranto. Our winners were: Pull-tabs: Bill Neatrour, Ida Milula, Steve McGee (twice), Mindy Greer, Suzie Nelson. Door Prizes: Joann Urban, Karen Taranto, Laura Mikesic, and Jeff Eash.

Our Kentucky Derby winners: Best Dressed Couples: Lenore Beck/Bob Rauch Suzie and Dave Nelson Best Lady's Hat: Laura Mikesic Best Dapper Guy: Harry Graham Derby Winner: First place: Steve McGee with Medina Spirit horse: Second place: Mindy Greer Last place: Karen Hogue Derby Loser: Second to last: Suzie Nelson

Thanks to **Bob Snoby** who played DJ. BIG thanks to Karen Hogue who donated the door prizes. Thanks to Harry Graham who organized the Kentucky Derby drawing. And Thanks to all the members who gave generously to the Cambria Country Humane with a big collection of

\$116!









PLANNING AHEAD 2022 Ski Trips...

Western PA Ski Council (WPSC) has their western ski trip finalized for 2022! Check out flyer on page 6.

Feb 12 — Feb 18, 2022: Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Also go to <u>www.wpaskicouncil.com</u> for further information on this trip along with its reservation form.

Also check out other clubs' trips including Erie Ski Club's ski trip to Big Sky. MT (Feb 5-12). More info on other clubs' trip will be posted as the information becomes available. So keep checking back.

Act fast, these ski trips are selling out!

<u>Welcome</u>...



We want to welcome new member... **Devon Saintz** to our club. Thanks for joining us!

Just a friendly reminder ...

<u>Ski club emails</u>:

When the Ski Club sends out "e-blasts (emails) to our members,

please DO NOT REPLY to that email address when asking questions or signing up for activities. This mailbox is not monitored daily.

Your message or question will not be answered. Instead, reply to the phone number or email address given as the contact for said event. Thank you!

Upcoming events:

More details in next newsletter.



Starting May 17: Bike rides

	(every Mon & Wed)
June 17:	Mixer at Jim and Jimmies
	(outside)
July 15:	Mixer at Woodside on their patio.
July 18:	Summer Picnic at Solomon Run
	Fire Hall Pavilion.
Aug 19:	Mixer at Nyko's on their deck.
Nov 13:	43rd Annual Kick-Off Party at
	Ace's.

Our deepest sympathy to:

Club members Ron Brown and Karen Anderson



...on the passing of Ron's sister.

Absentee Ballots :

If you cannot attend the Mixer/ Elections on Thursday, May 20, be sure to contact President Bob Snoby for an absentee ballot at



snubby52@gmail.com by Thursday, May 13. The ballots must be returned by Tuesday, May 18.

Exercise your right to vote!

Get Well Wishes to:

Club members Linda Grados.

We are sending our get-well wishes and prayers to you.





Jackson Hole, Wyoming

TRIP SPONSORED BY - Western PA Ski Council Saturday, February 12th–Saturday, February 19th, 2022

COST \$1325 Regular, \$1470 Studio Land Package Based on Double Occupancy, includes a Room, Breakfast, Elk dinner, 4-day lift ticket, and a day trip to (Regular room, 2-queens & refrig), (Studio, microwave, refrig, I have 10 rooms booked and 10 studios booked, first come, first served. Trip is reserved for 40 people at this price.

Participants will enjoy a 4 day lift ticket of skiing at Jackson Hole Ski Area. (Vert. Drop 4139'). Discounts for seniors (age 65 and older), they will be calculated on your final payment. Adjustments made for 5-day Lift, Senior Discount, or IKON Purchase. Get \$60 off room (I will calculate on final payment) when you buy your IKON through Winter Ski & Sports, <u>www.winterskiandsport.com</u> and click on IKON order tab. BE CAREFUL AND PURCHASE THE RIGHT PASS. IKON BASE PLUS PASS IS \$729 PLUS \$150 FOR JACKSON/ASPEN. Must be on this trip to qualify for room discount. The extra day you could ski SNOW KING, you would be on your own to purchase a 1-day lift ticket. Pricing this trip is a little complex, as there are many options. Your lift ticket for Jackson Hole is \$618 for a 4-day pass and \$751 for a 5-day pass. The IKON price quoted here is the price as of March 18, 2021, IKON does raised the price the later you wait. WPSC is not responsible for any price increase due IKON raising their price. Purchase early to avoid any increase.

Accommodations:

49er, Jackson Hole. Located 6300 feet above sea level in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. 15 minute shuttle ride to mountain. <u>Trip includes:</u>

- Round trip motorcoach transfer from airport to hotel and shuttle to mountain
- 7 nights accommodation at 49er and hot breakfast each day, GYM, hot tub, pool
- 4-day lift pass
- Day trip to Grand Targhee
- All Taxes
- Welcome Party and Elk Dinner

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE ABOVE:

Round trip air PITTSBURGH to JACKSON HOLE (Price \$560)

Payments due as follows:

- 1. Initial deposit of \$400 person to reserve space.
- 2. Second payment of \$600 per person due September 15th.
- 3. Third payment of Balance per person due November ^{1st}
- 4. SIGN UP'S AFTER September 15TH WILL HAVE A \$100 SURCHARGE ADDED TO PRICE

Checks to be made payable to: Western Pennsylvania Ski Council. Send to: Mike Dziubkowski, PO Box 10831, Erie, PA 16514, Email: <u>n3gcy4004@gmail.com</u>

**** Go to www.wpaskicouncil.com/trips for more information. ****