# The Good Times

Member Western Pa. Ski Council Http://www.johnstownskiclub.com Sept 2023





## **President's Message...**

Hello Members of GJASC:

Well sad to say, but summer is coming to an end, but for the ski club we still have all kinds of events to get us through the fall and winter months. We have the Kick Off Party at Aces, Christmas Party at Anthony's just for starters.

For our smaller activities we have our monthly mixers, Club championship for our golfers, Adopt a Highway and so much more.

It was great to see the fantastic turnout at Paul Balint's picnic and the Indian Lakes golf outing. Also hats off to the nice turnout at Forbes Trail Brewery.

As we close down on summer and start up the fall events and activities, I hope to see everyone soon.

#### Randy





## <u>Club Mixer/Meeting</u> at Nyko's Thursday, September 21 6pm

It has been over a year since we have been at Nyko's So we will be returning here for our September mixer. Meet us at 6pm on September 21 for the Club Mixer/Meeting at Nyko's in Richland. Nyko's Restaurant is located at 935 Scalp Avenue in Richland.

Come and enjoy the last days of summer with your club friends. [*We can not reserve their deck tables.*] So either come early to get your own table or meet us inside at the bar area (left side). Don't forget to try their Asian-American food. Great way to finish summer!

For our monthly mixers, no need to call, just show up, relax, and enjoy their great food and have a good time! *Please be patient with wait staff and service as the establishment is given an approximate attendance number.* See page 2 for more information.

For those of you who missed this in our August newsletter:

### Deepest sympathy and prayers...

...to the Skovensky Family.

Club member **Jan Skovensky's** family greatly appreciate all the prayers and donations.

GoFundMe accounts have been set up for the family. Or you can send donations directly to "Tyler Skovensky" (father)...

In care of : Jan Skovensky 1308 Franklin Street, Apt 301

Johnstown, PA 15905

See page **4** for more info.

## **Dates to Remember....**



9/9 Sat: Volunteering at Sandyvale Wine Festival Hornerstown

- 9/21 Thurs: Club Mixer/Meeting Nyko's
- 9/23 Sat: Adopt-a-Highway Eisenhower Blvd (Richland)
- 9/30 Sat: Golf Outing Indian Lake RSVP 9/25
- 10/19 Thurs: Club Mixer/Meeting Trophy's
- 10/22 Sun: Club Golf Championship Berkley Golf Course RSVP 10/20



## 2023-24 Ski Club Applications:

Our 2023-24 Membership Drive is now under way. Membership fee is \$30 (still a great deal!). Membership is good from November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024. With your 2023-24 membership, your <u>admission to the</u> 45th anniversary celebration Kick-Off Party on Sunday, November 5th is free.

You can renew your membership now. Membership forms are available online on our website <u>www.johnstownskiclub.com</u> and in this newsletter on **pages 7-8.** [*No applications will be accepted at the Kick -Off Party*!] The age requirement is 21 years or older. Mail in your completed <u>two</u> page application to Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club, P.O. Box 937, Johnstown, PA 15907.

Tell your friends who may have been interested in joining our club! If you refer three new people to join the club and they do, your membership is FREE. They must write your name on their application in the 'Referred by section.

### Saturday, September 9 at 2-7pm <u>Volunteering</u> at Sandyvale Wine Festival Hornerstown



We are all set to volunteer again at the 11th Annual Sandyvale Wine Festival at Sandyvale Memorial Gardens. The festival is located at Sandyvale Memorial Gardens on 80 Hickory Street in Hornerstown. We have been helping out since the very beginning and festival keeps being an overwhelming success!! Volunteers are needed at a variety of areas. <u>This is a great community</u> <u>service for our club!</u> Admission to the festival for the volunteers is free.

If you want to join us and volunteer, contact **Diana Kabo** at 814.242.5101 (<u>dmkdaylily@atlanticbb.net</u>) **ASAP.** Volunteers can attend the Festival for Free.

More info on tickets on <u>https://</u> <u>www.sandyvalememorialgardens.org/wine-</u> <u>festival/</u>.

Must have a photo ID to enter the festival.

To attend the Wine Festival from 2-7pm, advance tickets are \$25 (single), 2 or more tickets purchase by Sept 8 together are \$20 each [use code WINEFOR2]. Rain or Shine. More info on tickets a n d t h e f e s t i v a l a t : www.sandyvalememorialgardens.org.

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**Randy Lear** 814.248.1885

For membership application, call Annette Kamzlk 814.536-7325

> Newsletter Director Barbara Visnovsky 814.255.1780

Contact us at: johnstownskiclub@gmail.com



## Thursday, September 21 at 6pm <u>Club Mixer / Meeting</u> at Nyko's

The September mixer will be held at Nyko's in Richland on September 21 at 6pm. Nyko's, located at 935 Scalp Avenue, has always been a very popular spot for our club. Just show up, relax, and enjoy their food (especially their Asian-American dishes) and drinks. We can not reserve their deck tables. So either come early to get your table or meet us inside at the bar area (left side). (Remember to be patient with wait staff and service, and remember to tip your wait staff.)

### Saturday, September 23 at 10am <u>Adopt-a-Highway</u> on Eisenhower Blvd



Mark this important date on your calendar: Saturday September 23 which is our final Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up this year. Did you know that we have been doing this worthy community service project for 31 years?!

Meet us at 10am beside the Rite Aid Drug Store in the Ollie's Plaza in Richland as we clean-up our three-mile section of Eisenhower Blvd. Our group leader Club Officer Lynne Dougherty will hand out supplies and organize members into work groups. Since we did such a great job in April, it should not take us long to finish. (Maybe we will find some more treasures and money this time!)

Afterwards, the club will pick up the tab at Pappy's for a pizza lunch. If you know any high school students who need service hours, tell them to come and join us. <u>Rain or Shine</u>! No need to call, just meet us at 10am.

This is a long time community service project for our club! <u>All we need is 90 minutes of your time</u> and you get a pizza lunch afterwards!!

## Thursday, October 19 at 6pm <u>Club Mixer / Meeting</u> at Trophy's

Our October mixer will be returning to **Trophy's at 1350 St. Clair Road (back road from Menoher Blvd in Westmont to Fairfield Ave in Lower Yoder). Meet us at 6pm**. We were there in March with a *BIG* crowd of members. So we are hoping to repeat it again this month.

As always for our Mixers, no need to call ahead, just show up, relax, don't forget to tip your wait staff, and just enjoy the evening! Please be <u>patient with wait</u> <u>staff and service</u> as the establishment is given an approximate attendance number. See you there!

### Saturday, September 30 at 9:30am <u>Golf Outing</u> at Northwinds Golf Course at Indian Lake



**RSVP by or on Monday, September 25** 

We have our September golf outing planned. The golf outing will be back at Northwinds Golf Course at Indian Lake on Saturday, September 30. Be there by 9:30am. We have three tee times starting at 10am. Cost is  $$27 ext{ for 9 holes}$  with cart. Text or call group leader Steve McGee at 814.244-3992 if you are planning to attend by Monday, September 25.

Afterwards, Steve has invited us over to his place at Lake Stonycreek where there should be a local food truck Pappy D's available. For directions, call Steve.

### Sunday, October 22 at 9:30am <u>Ski Club Golf Championship</u> at Berkley Hills Golf Course RSVP by or on before Thursday, October 20

be \$15 for 9 holes with cart.



After months of playing golf, we are ready to hold our "Ski Club Championship Tournament" at Berkley Hills Golf Course located in Upper Yoder on Goucher Street on Sunday, October 22. Everyone is invited to participate. Join President Conrad Sikirica at 9:30am (tee times starting at 10am). Cost is should

There will be three/four divisions: Senior's (65 years or older), Ladies', and Men's (+ Conrad) divisions. Call Conrad at 814.659.9131 (leave a message) or before Thursday, October 20 if you plan to attend. Think warm weather and no snow that day!

# Did You Know ??

## Our Deepest Sympathy to

...Connie and Dave Mercik on the passing of Dave's mother.

... Jan Skovensky on the passing of her great-granddaughter. Vindy and her brother Grant died in a fire that destroyed their house. GoFundMe accounts have been set up for the family. Or you can send donations directly to "Tyler Skovensky" (father). In care of : Jan Skovensky 1308 Franklin Street, Apt 301 Johnstown, PA 15905.

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While the family appreciates any donations to help with medical bills, furnishing, etc, more importantly, they are asking for your prayers.

## <u>Congrats to</u>...



To Joann Urban for her Hole-in-One

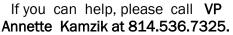
on 16th hole at Northwinds golf course at Indian Lake during our club outing on August 12.

As tradition has it, pictures were taken along with all the pertaining info for the record. And then Joann bought a round of drinks at the clubhouse bar!

It made the Northwinds web site and also WJAC "Chime In" segment!

## Help Needed:

Raffle baskets worth \$25 or more of new items for the Kick-Off Party on Nov 5 or ask your favorite restaurant, grocer, hair stylist, etc. or <u>YOUR</u> business if they are willing to donate an item for our raffle baskets. Also refer to the upper right side of this page for more info.





### Door Prize Letter...



If you would like to donate a prize

**donation for our Kick-Off Party,** we will be happy to collect those items. Please contact any club officer.

Check out page 5 in this newsletter for the Door Prize Form Letter. You are to use this letter to ask businesses for door prizes for the Kick Off Party. This allows the business to know that you are really affiliated with the Johnstown Ski Club.

Reminder:

Did you get your 2023-24 new EPIC Season Pass for 7-Springs/ Hidden Valley,/Laurel Mt??



Last day to get your Epic Pass at the <u>best</u> current price is <u>Sept 4.</u> Check out Vail Resorts passes for more info:

<u>https://news.vailresorts.com/corporate/vailresorts/</u> <u>resort-news/last-chance-for-lowest-prices-on-202223-</u> <u>epic-passes-is-labor-day.htm.</u>

www.epicpass.com/pass-results/passes.aspx

## <u>Welcome</u>...



We would like to welcome new members...

Amy Duppstadt Larry Spisak

Thanks for joining our club! See you at our next event

<u>Get Well Wishes...</u>

To Lenny Gorzelsky

Hope you are feeling better each day.



P.O. Box 937 Johnstown, PA 15907 www.johnstownskiclub.com

TO:	Johnstown Ski Club Supporters and Friends –		
FROM:			
	Phone:	or e-mail	

# RE: DONATION REQUEST for 2023-2024 Johnstown Ski Club's 45th Season Kick-Off 501 (C) 7 – Tax ID 25-1371016

Yes, that is correct – 45 years! We must be one of the oldest and largest non-profit member organizations in the Greater Johnstown Area. Currently, our Membership is over 200! We are your patrons, customers, nurses, teachers, technicians, service workers, business partners, ski instructors and patrollers, neighbors, friends, and most of all, residents of the Greater Johnstown area.

The Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club will kick off the 2023-24 season with a banquet at the Ace's Lounge in Cambria City section of Johnstown on Sunday, November 5, 2023. The evening will feature dinner, beverages, dance music, 50/50 and basket raffles. Cash Bar.

To make this event the largest for the Ski Club a success, we are asking your support in the form of a prize donation(s), gift certificate and/or gift basket.

#### To donate:

- Please mail to the address listed above or call the representative listed <u>before 10/25/23</u>.
- Our representative will arrange to pick up your donation for the Club if necessary.
- An official receipt will be sent following the Kick-Off Party.
- In return for your generous donation(s), you and your business will be listed as supporters of our club on our Facebook page, on our website, and in our monthly newsletter sent via e-mail.
- We will also acknowledge businesses during the banquet while the baskets and certificates are handed out.
- The club makes every effort to patronize our prize donors throughout the year. If you are a bar or restaurant and would be interested in having a mixer at your establishment, please contact the representative listed above.

The Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club is a non-profit 501(C)7, year-round organization, active in the community through raising donations for The Salvation Army, Humane Society of Cambria County, Franklin St. United Methodist Clothing Drive, and the Nardecchia Spay/Neuter Fund. We are also a 30-year participant in the PA Adopt-A-Highway Program.

#### Please know that we greatly appreciate your willingness to lend your support to our club. Thank you!

Randy Lear, President Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club

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

### Aqua Zumba at Menoher Swim Club (Monday) and Windber Recreation Pool (Tuesday):

Over all, our Aqua Zumba classes this summer were not *too bad* weather-wise (with July being the hottest month on record). We were able to get in shape with club member **Althea Stephenson's** Aqua Zumba workouts. Group leader **Althea Stephenson** made exercising fun and easy (especially when you are in a refreshing pool). It was a great way to keep fit all summer. Hope to do it next year!

....Thanks to **club member Althea Stephenson** for offering this invigorating activity. Can't wait to learn your new routines next year!

### Golf Outing at Indian Lake on Saturday, August 12:

For our August golfing, 13 golfers returned to Northwinds Golf Course at Indian Lake with most playing 18 holes with rain-free weather. Winning team: Lary Koval, Matt Smith, Bob Snoby, and Joann Urban, mainly due to Joann having a HOLE-IN-ONE!! (see page 4). Afterwards, the golfers met at the "19 hole" for drinks to celebrate Joann's hole-in one. Later the golfers went over to Paul Balint's house for his annual club Picnic.

....Thanks to Club member Kevin Clark for again organizing this golf outing.

### Paul Balint's Picnic at Indian Lake on Saturday, August 12:

"Life is Better at the Lake!" We had a great time again at club member Paul Balint's Summer



Picnic for ski club members at his home at Indian Lake. Again, Paul could not have picked a better picture-perfect day with no rain! With a terrific turn-out out of forty people enjoyed the afternoon under the huge tents on his deck and down by his fire. It was nice to relax and enjoy the afternoon hanging out with club friends on Paul's deck, hanging out by the fire, and of course the happy surprise return of

"Captain" George Tarrazi and his super one-hour pontoon tours of the Lake. ... A *BIG BIG* Thanks to Paul Balint for his generosity in opening his home and hosting this annual event again for club members this summer. <u>A VERY VERY BIG Thank You</u> to Club Secretary Marsha Flower and her daughter Chrissy for preparing the huge menu and delicious food. Thanks to club members Annette Kamzik, Betty and Bruce McPherson, Vicki Snoby and Barb Visnovsky who helped out setting up, serving the food and cleaning up. And a big Thank You to club member George Tarrazi for using his pontoon boat and being our boat captain. An extremely good time was had by all !!

### Club Mixer/Meeting at Jim & Jimmies on Thursday, August 17:

We definitely love going to Jim & Jimmies for our monthly mixers. This time we had another great turn out with 35 people attending with very fast service. **Nick Franze** was very lucky that night! Following the mixer, many stopped at Shaffer's for ice cream.

### **Forbes Trail Brewery** on Friday, August 25:

We had a great crowd (40 people attending!) for our TGIF evening at the Forbes Trail Brewery on Route 30 outside of Stoystown. We had a table inside, but many of us enjoyed the beautiful evening outside in their large outdoor area with picnic tables. We were able to try many of their craft beers on tap along with their cocktail drinks. Along with our snacks we bought, the Brewery had a very nice food truck. We got to celebrate **Jim Drazenovich's** special birthday that evening. A special thanks to Brad and Karen Smith of the Forbes Trail Brewery who were behind the bar and able to take great care of all of us. It was a very nice evening to end the work week.

....Thanks to Secretary Marsha Flower for getting there early and getting our tables outside.







## **GREATER JOHNSTOWN ATHLETIC SKI CLUB** PO BOX 937, JOHNSTOWN, PA 15907

www.johnstownskiclub.com

## 2023-2024 Membership Application – Annual Membership Fee \$30.00

## Make check payable to: Johnstown Ski Club and mail to address listed above.

## NOTE: IF YOU WANT NEWSLETTER MAILED, ADD \$5 TO FEE.

## MUST BE 21 AND OVER!

Check one box:

Renewal

New Member: Referred by\_\_\_\_\_

Please complete only if you are a new member.

**IMPORTANT:** Monthly club newsletter will be sent via E-mail:

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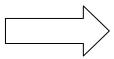
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Please Fill out and sign Page 2 (on back.)



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Membership Fee - \$30.00 Membership Fee plus Mail - \$35	Check #	Date Received	
	Cash	Date Received	New Card #

### Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement to The Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club, Incorporated

Name:	D.O.B.	Phone:
Address:		

I, the above named individual, being 21 years of age or older, in consideration of services which have been or will be performed by the Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club, in providing travel arrangements and activities, and of being permitted to participate in the club trips, activities, events and other functions which I recognize as being hazardous, do for myself, my personal representatives and next of kin:

(1) hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue or hold liable the Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club, its officers, directors and trustees, all for the purposes herein referred to as Releases, from all loss or damage, and any other claims or demands, therefore, on account of injury to the person or property, or resulting in death, whether caused by the negligence of Releases, or otherwise while for any purpose participating in any event or activity: and (2) hereby agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless the Releases from any loss, liability, damage, or cost they may incur due to my presence and or participation during any activity and whether caused by the negligence of Releases or otherwise; and (3) hereby assume full responsibility for any risk of bodily damage, death or property damage due to negligence of Releases or otherwise while traveling, participating or for any other purpose while engaged in such activities. I expressly agree that the foregoing Release, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the state, states and counties in which the activity is conducted and that if any person thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance of the agreement shall continue in full legal force and effect.

### I have read and voluntarily signed the Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement which shall remain in full legal force and effect until such time I notify the Greater Johnstown Athletic Ski Club in writing that this agreement is voided.

Signature\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

(Only <u>ONE</u> signature per application)