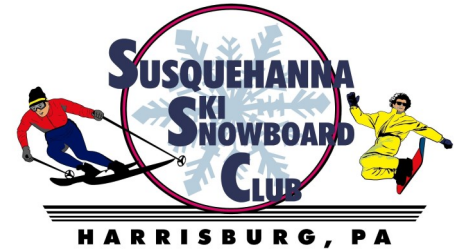


The CHAIRLIFT CHATTER



May 2023

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Well spring has arrived early to Central Pennsylvania this year. The forsythia is blooming and the grass already needs mowed and it is only the beginning of April!!! Though Spring is in the air, SSC wants you to think about SNOW!!! More specifically Snow in 2024. This year, in response to our membership, we are making an attempt to start selling our 2024 ski trips in early May. This will allow our members to know what trips they are on and enable them to take advantage of early bird discounts on EPIC and/or IKON passes if they desire. We hope our membership will bear with us, as this has required an accelerated response for our tour operators, trip leaders and board to price out our trips, complete trip terms and web information in a shorter time frame than we are normally accustomed. But all will be **Revealed** on Tuesday May 2, 6 PM at Boomerang at our normal membership meeting location. Trip leaders will be on hand to accept Trip deposits and applications and to answer any questions you may have at that date and time in person. If you cannot make the Reveal, deposits and signed applications may be mailed via US mail with a postmark May 2-May 9, 2023 and will have equivalent eligibility in the event that any trip is over-subscribed and a lottery becomes necessary. Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a trip. Trip Pricing, Applications and Trip Terms will be available on the website and thru your trip leaders soon.

I also hope to see many of you at our Spring Banquet on Saturday, April 22 @ 5 PM at Duke's Riverside Bar & Grill. Put on your fancy clothes and dancing shoes and enjoy an evening of good food, good friends and good music courtesy of our one and only DJ Jack.

Take care and be safe

Becky



"THE REVEAL" SOCIAL/MEETING Tuesday, May 2 @ 6 pm

Please join SSC at Boomerang Bar and Grill on Tuesday, May 2 at 6:00 PM. It will be taking place in the same room as our monthly meetings. Social Hour begins at 6 and **then.....**2024 trip applications and deposits will be accepted!!!!!! Applications/deposits hand-delivered to the trip leader or sent via US mail with a postmark May 2-May 9, 2023 will have equivalent eligibility in the event that any trip is over-subscribed and a lottery becomes necessary. Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a trip. Trip Pricing, Applications and Trip Terms will be available on the website and thru your trip leaders soon

Please bring in any pics of yourself the first time you skied...

ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET Saturday, April 22, 2023 5 PM

Time is running out to sign up for this year's Spring Banquet being held at **Dukes Riverside Bar & Grill**, 313 South Front Street, in Wormleysburg. **Last date to sign up is April 16, 2023.** The venue is on the second floor accessible by elevator and stairs, incased with windows which allow you to see the beautiful and majestic Susquehanna River/Harrisburg Skyline. The evening starts from 5-6 Happy Hour, 6-7 enjoy Fresh carved Roast Beef, Baked Haddock, salad station, baked potato, sweet southern carrots in a special sauce, rolls and dessert. After dinner, share in recognizing this year's and our newly elected Board and Staff members. SSC's awards ceremony will also follow, if anyone is being honored with a Silver Ski, Gold Ski, or Lifetime Achievement Award this year. 7:30-10:00 D.J. Jack will play your favorite tunes. Cost per person is \$50.00. You may register and pay securely online on the event web page (through Sunday, April 16), or send your check made payable to Susquehanna Ski Club, place banquet in memo line and send to Sherry Predix, 307 Doe Run, Marysville, PA 17053, Any questions, contact Banquet Chair Sherry Predix at 717-448-5379 or slpredix@comcast.net. Come out for an evening of fun, food and dancing.

UPCOMING
EVENTS

April 22
May 2
May 16
June 20

Spring Banquet @ Dukes Riverside
The Reveal @ Boomerang Bar & Grill
Happy Hour/Movie Night – Harvest Seasonal Grill
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View the full list of →
events @ SSC website



2023-2024 SSC TRIP STATUS

Trip application forms and trip terms will be found soon on our website (skissc.com/trips).
Your SSC membership must be current to sign up for a trip

Dates	Trip Destination	Trip Leader	Status	Contact information
August 25-Sept 8, 2023	Alaska cruise and land	Barb Collier	Closed	bcollier333@hotmail.com 717-829-5028
January 7-12, 2024 (Sun.-Fri.)	Copper Mt., CO (IKON)	Linda Randby	Opening with mail in post mark starting May 2 or in person at the Reveal at Boomerang's May 2, 2023 6 PM	llaub4@comcast.net 717-576-2301
January 20-27, 2024 (Sat.-Sat.)	Whitefish, MT	Gary Smith	Opening with mail in post mark starting May 2 or in person at the Reveal at Boomerang's May 2, 2023 6 PM	262gsmith@gmail.com 717-503-2332
February 10-17, 2024(Sat.-Sat.)	Whistler Mt, BC Canada (EPIC) Lift tickets are not included in this package	Priscilla St. Jacques-Glusko	Opening with mail in post mark starting May 2 or in person at the Reveal at Boomerang's May 2, 2023 6 PM	pstglusko@verizon.net 717-343-9322
March 2024 exact dates coming soon	Val Gardena, Italy Extension Venice Italy	Lynn Hannon	Opening with mail in post mark starting May 2 or in person at the Reveal at Boomerang's May 2, 2023 6 PM	lynnannhannon@verizon.net 717-579-2668
TBA	Eastern Bus Trip (EPIC)	Mike Kreamer	TBA	mkreamer12@gmail.com 717-829-6628

www.ikonpass.com : IKON www.epicpass.com : EPIC www.indyskipass.com :INDY PASS

Please note that the previously announced Sun Valley trip is being replaced by Whistler. The Trip committee and board felt due to an unanticipated large increase in lift ticket price and hotel cost along with a very strict attrition rate for room cancelations, the trip would open the club to possible monetary losses if it did not sell out.

PLEASE COMMIT EARLY TO AVOID THE CANCELLATION OF THESE TRIPS

The contracts we have this year are very stringent in their deadlines which require us to have a certain number of participants by unusually early dates. If we must cancel a trip by the due date because of lack of participation, we are still responsible for paying cancellation fees to the hotel, tour operator or airlines. Please commit early, so your club does not have to absorb these fees and that these trips can proceed as planned.

TRAVEL INSURANCE IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!

Attention trip participants, especially in light of recent unforeseen events. It is the responsibility of each participant to secure their own insurance based on their individual needs. If you have a pre-existing condition most insurance companies require you to obtain insurance within two weeks from the date you made your trip deposit (this may vary among insurance companies).

ATTENTION ALL SUSQUEHANNA SKI CLUB MEMBERS

Trip signup procedure for the 2023/2024 season. Here is what you need to do:

1. Your Membership must be current and up to date in accordance with the rules stated on the membership application. Failure to supply correct, complete and accurate information will make you **ineligible** for a trip lottery should the trip oversell.
2. All Trip applications and deposits will be accepted either by U.S. Mail or in person at the Reveal at Boomerangs Tuesday May 2, 2023.
3. All mailed applications and deposits must be post marked **no earlier than Tuesday May 2, 2023**. If your application and deposit are postmarked prior to May 2, you will be **ineligible** for a trip lottery should the trip oversell.
4. So, go to www.skissc.com and click on trips. Select the trip(s) of your choice.
5. Print out the trip terms and application. Complete and sign trip application in full. Please note, by signing the trip application you are acknowledging and will abide by all of the trip terms.
6. Make deposit check payable to "SSC" and mail completed trip application and deposit check to the trip leader.
7. This year signups will be done through U.S. Mail and in person starting Tuesday May 2, 2023. This will be the start of the sign-up period for the 2024 Ski Trips. For lottery purposes, the initial signup will run through Tuesday May 9, 2023. All trip lottery policies will apply. Your post mark will secure your eligibility in a trip lottery should a trip over sell within the initial sign-up period. **We will allow adequate time for mail in applications to be delivered to the trip leaders and all lottery's will be held on or after May 13, 2023.**
8. Your deposit is your vote to support your chosen trip(s) and trip leader(s).
9. We hope to once again have zoom meetings for all of our trips for potential trip participants to ask questions of the trip leaders. Watch for email blast for links to the Zoom meetings.

A NOTE FROM THE SOCIAL VP

Thanks to everyone who signed up to chair a deck party. We will have a Social Committee meeting in April and will be working on adding new events and activities. Stay tuned for upcoming events and deck parties.

Suzanne Laughman, Social VP

HERSHEY PARK TICKET FUNDRAISER

Offer Extended till April 30, 2023

Help earn money for SUSQUEHANNA SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB, when you purchase 1-Day Hersheypark tickets by March 31. Save on conquering the coasters, making waves at the waterpark, or doing whatever makes you Hersheypark Happy, like trying the all-new hybrid coaster Wildcat's Revenge!

- **Tickets valid from April 1 – September 10, 2023** are **\$44.99** discounted from \$84.95!
- **Tickets valid from April 1 – January 1, 2024** are **\$46.00** discounted from \$84.95!

Scan the QR Code and Enter Code 9622427



COPPER MOUNTAIN, COLORADO

January 7 - 12, 2023

Sunday to Friday

Join SSC as we venture to Copper Mountain, Colorado to this outstanding ski and snowboard resort in Summit County. The resort has 2,465 acres of in-bounds terrain under lease from the U.S. Forest Service! Copper Mountain offers a pure mountain experience that inspires adventure, elevates ambition and empowers progression! This is a shorter trip than usual and trip participants will get a 4-day ski/snowboard lift ticket which is included in the package! We are staying at the Element 29 hotel, which is nestled at the base of Copper Village and within walking distance of the lifts! It has a fitness facility, on-site pub and slope side hot tubs! This will be a fabulous ski vacation! We hope you will join us!

Basic package prices: \$1972 double occupancy; \$2602 single occupancy; \$1,802 triple occupancy; \$1,732 quad occupancy. \$1,542 land only. *Non skiers: deduct \$266, No senior lift ticket rate offered!*

Contact trip leader Linda Randby for more information at lraub4@gmail.com or 717-576-2301.

WHITEFISH, MONTANA

January 20-27, 2024

Saturday-Saturday

#1 in Value as voted by the readers of SKI Magazine.

Whitefish provides more bang for your buck. Here you can ski or ride nearly 3,000 acres of uncrowded terrain. Connected to a real ski town with local restaurants, coffee shops, bars, and boutiques.

Whitefish Mountain Resort is a skiing and snowboarding paradise with 113 named trails spanning roughly 3,000 acres of varied terrain on all aspects of Big Mountain.

In addition to the groomed runs, we have four terrain parks, a skier/boarder cross course and vast expanses of bowls and glades that make for world-renowned tree skiing. Partially located on the Flathead National Forest, the resort operates 11 chairlifts as well as a T-bar and a conveyor carpet for beginners. The mountain receives nearly 300 inches of snow in an average year. With a summit elevation of 6,817 feet and a base elevation of 4,464 feet, guests can descend a total of 2,353 vertical feet — nearly half a mile. Our longest run is Hell Fire, an intermediate trail stretching 2.52 miles through the Hellroaring Basin, and our biggest lift is the six-seater Snow Ghost Express, which rises 2,224 vertical feet from the Base Lodge area to the top of Inspiration Ridge.

Visitors find Whitefish's combination of low elevation and moderate humidity actually gives them increased stamina, more restful sleep and **very little influence of altitude sickness** which commonly affects visitors to mountain resort destinations above 8,000' in elevation. (Base 4,464 ft. and summit 6,817 ft.)

We will be staying at Kandahar Lodge an authentic mountain lodge providing accommodations at Whitefish Mountain Resort. The Kandahar Lodge has recently completed 50 room renovations. Kandahar Lodge offers a ski-in and out location. At the end of your ski day simply ski down Hailey's Run to the hotel. At the beginning of the ski day you can choose a short walk (across the parking lot) and ski down to Chair 6 or take the van to the lift plaza in the Resort Village.

Non-skiers? So much to see and do! Explore the Whitefish village, shop at locally owned shops and galleries on Central Avenue, tour numerous museums, take a brewery tour, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and more.

Basic Package is priced at \$2,040 per person double occupancy. Deduct \$365.00 for non-skiers. Add \$87 for Adult 6th day. Deduct \$50.00 for Seniors 65-69 with a five day lift ticket, add \$74 to upgrade to six day lift ticket. Deduct \$230.00 for Super Seniors 70+ with a five day lift ticket, add \$30 to upgrade to six day lift ticket. Please mail your completed trip application and deposit of \$700 per person (payable to "SSC") to trip leader Gary Smith, 21 Dakota Drive, Hazleton, PA 18202. For additional information, contact Gary at 717-503-2332 or 262gsmith@gmail.com

NORTHEAST BUS TRIP 2024

TBD

We are searching for an Epic bus trip for 2024 possibly North Conway, New Hampshire (Attitash & Wildcat) or Mount Snow, Vermont. We hope to have more details in time for the May 2 meeting. If interested please contact Trip Leader Mike Kreamer at mkreamer12@gmail.com or by phone 717-829-6628.

WHISTLER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

February 10-17, 2024

Saturday-Saturday

The power of the landscape, the towering mountains, the crisp air and glinting snow cast the trivial aside and draw your focus to what's truly important. It's a force of nature: something real. It manifests itself in our undeniable reputation, our legendary terrain, our reliably deep snow and our world record-breaking gondola. We're all drawn here for different reasons. Some are attracted to a mountain town with an undisputed atmosphere. Others are pulled in by the pedestrian village with ski-in/ski-out lodging. There's the world-famous après, five-star dining, spas, shopping, or nightlife that are hard for anyone to resist. And at the center of it all, the two largest, consistently top ranked, side-by-side ski mountains in North America create a place with limitless possibilities. Where are we going?: Whistler/Blackcomb, BC

For the most current details, contact Priscilla St. Jacques-Glusko, Trip Leader, at pstglusko@verizon.net or 717-343-9322

VAL GARDENA, ITALY

Let 's add Venice to the mix too!

TBD

51 years ago, 173 SSC members enjoyed the charm of Val Gardena. In 2024, SSC will be going there again. The three Val Gardena municipalities of S. Cristina, Ortisei and Selva Val Gardena are as famous for their hospitality as they are for the art of woodcarving, which has a long tradition here. We hope to be staying in the Selva area, which includes nightlife and is close to lifts. Surrender to the charm of the pretty villages, enjoy specialties of South Tyrolean cuisine in the cafés and restaurants and get to know the Ladin culture. The Val Gardena ski area is part of Dolomiti Superski a world-famous network of 12 ski areas in the Dolomites which you can access using just one ski pass. Val Gardena has been repeatedly named the best ski area in the Dolomites. It also offers direct access to the Sella Ronda circuit, and is home to a sizeable chunk of the route, a 24km ski circuit that circles the Sella Massif, crossing four passes and taking in four valleys. All this and Venice too!!!! For the most current information contact

Trip Leader, Lynn Hannon, at lynnannhannon@verizon.net or 717-579-2668. Details not confirmed. When Lynn knows, you will know too.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Your Club is now able to offer its members self-service access to view and print SSC membership cards via our website (skissc.com). All you need to do is log in using the email address where you receive your email newsletter notices and email blasts. If yours is a Family/Household membership, both membership cards are available in this manner. Each member can log in (if both have provided SSC with separate email addresses), or if only one member has done so, that member has access to view and print both members' membership cards. You'll see your new membership card at the top of your Profile after logging in. Additional Family/Household member cards can be viewed by clicking on the hyperlink for those members' names. As in the past, when your membership renewal process is complete, members providing the Club with an email address will also receive a confirmation email that includes their new membership card.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION and/or RENEWAL

Membership renewal window will open in late March. SSC contacts will receive an invoice via email address on file.

SSC members: If you plan to pay by check, please fill out the application, submit with your check, and mail it to Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club, PO Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106-0713. Membership: Single - \$25, Family/Household - \$35, Junior - \$20

Susquehanna Ski & Snowboard Club – Membership Application/Renewal Form	
Membership Year Runs April 1 to March 31	
Please Print Clearly, Especially Email Addresses!!	
MEMBERSHIP ACTION: <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New _____ Sponsor name (optional) _____	MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION: Name: _____ Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____ Family/Household memberships only, list second adult member's contact information, and dependent children's names and birthdates: Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____ Dependents' names and birthdates: _____ _____
MEMBERSHIP LEVEL: <input type="checkbox"/> Junior (18-20, dues = \$20/yr). List birthdate: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Single Adult (dues = \$25/yr). Ages 21+. <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Household (dues = \$35/yr). One or two adults ages 21+ and all dependent minors under 18 years of age who reside at the same physical address.	
PAYMENT INFORMATION: Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check (#) _____	
Do not mail cash. Please make checks payable to SSC. Mail to: SSC MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, P.O. Box 60713, Harrisburg, PA 17106.	
mac2015membership application	

HAPPY HOUR & MOVIE NIGHTS

Tuesdays - April 18, May 16, June 20

Come out and join us for our happy hour/movie night. New friends welcome! You do not have to be an SSC member to come to this event. Eat/Drink/Socialize/relax at the movie! Here's how it works: A few days before each movie night, SSC sends out an email blast with the chosen/suggested movie title and time.

We meet at **Harvest Seasonal Grill**, located at 2625 Brindle Drive in The Shoppes at Susquehanna Marketplace usually around 5 PM for a snack and/or a drink before the movie. Then, about 15 minutes before the start of the movie, we drive a short distance to the Regal Harrisburg. Contact Lovena Nickle at 717-541-8803 or lovn53@comcast.net.

SAVE the DATES

April 22 – Spring Banquet @ Dukes Riverside

May 2 – The Reveal @ Boomerang Bar & Grill 6PM

HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hershey Park opens with "Springtime in the Park" on weekends which started April 1, 2023. You can volunteer to work shifts in Rides, Games, Food & Beverage, Parking and more by volunteering to work at the Park. For each shift a Volunteer works you can earn 1 to 3 vouchers for admittance to HersheyPark and SSC gets paid \$8/hr. for each hour you work. All you have to do is contact Lovena Nickle at lovn53@comcast.net or 717-541-8803 to sign up as a Hershey Park volunteer. You will need to provide an email address to enable Lovena to communicate with you about open shifts.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

Allan Bagnall, Pam Beward, Daniel Calabrese, Athena Jiras

INTERESTED IN HOSTING AN EVENT?

Wine/beer night, bowling, or other activity, Contact Social VP Suzanne Laughman at adventuregal57.sl@gmail.com

SSC Members - email address change??

Please notify your SSC Membership Director, Gary Smith, of any email address change by sending an email to 262gsmith@gmail.com or login to SSC website to make the change on your profile.

RIDES & HIKES

As the ski runs go from beautiful white trails to chocolate looking mud, and you put your skis and ski boots away, it is time to pull out your bike and hiking shoes. Join the Email riders when Mother Nature is kind enough to send great weekend weather our way and the group ventures out to hike or bike some of the wonderful trails in our area. Everyone is encouraged to proceed at a comfortable pace and distance. The group is made up of a full range of riders and hikers. There are the Speedy Gonzales, down to the "Smell the Roses" riders and hikers. Everyone regardless of skill or stamina will be welcome. Each week, Mike Gavin sends out information on the upcoming rides and hikes, giving a brief description and directions to the starting point. For more information, contact Mike at emailriders1@comcast.net. Hope to see you on the trail!



SEEKING SSC EVENT SPONSORS!

Do you have a business you would like to promote to SSC's membership? Help sponsor an SSC event and get your business noticed! Current sponsorship opportunities include our Annual Get Acquainted Party and Holiday Party. For more information, please contact Past President Bob Havice at 717-248-8696 or bhavice@hotmail.com.



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