

February 2009

PO Box 965 Allentown, PA 18105-0965



Visit our web site at <http://www.ptarmiganskiclub.org>

A non-profit organization founded in 1947 and dedicated to the promotion of all facets of skiing and other winter sports and activities for the education and enjoyment of its members.

Calendar of Events - Post In a Visible Location:

Happy Hour: Bill Ortner, 5:30pm Every Friday

----- February -----		
Ski Elk Mt – Day Trip: Dave Schnitzler	Fri 7:00a	Feb 6
General Meeting – Bear Creek	Tues 7:30p	Feb 10
Blue Mt Appreciation Day	Wed	Feb 11
Ski Party – Blue Mt.: Dennis & Noreen	Tues 7:30p	Feb 17
Ski Trip Steamboat, Co: Curt Johnston	Sat Feb 21 – Sat Feb 28	
EPSC Ski Race Blue Mt.	Sun 8:00a	Feb 22
Bus Trip Sugarbush: Debbie Kodder	Fri Feb 27 – Mon Mar 1	
----- March -----		
General Meeting – Fullerton Fire Co	Tues 7:30p	Mar 10
Ski Hunter Mt - Mid Week: Tom Weiser	Wed Mar 11 – Fri Mar 13	
----- April -----		
Spring Banquet: Curt Johnston	Sat 5:30p	Apr 25

Hookey Ski Day Elk Mt. Friday Feb 6th

We currently have seven people confirmed for the next Elk Mt. Hookey Day on Friday 2/6/09:

Come on folks – that’s not nearly enough and time is running out! We need 20 Snow Snakes and Snakettes to qualify for the \$30/ticket discount rate and I need to have your check no later than Tuesday 2/3/09 to qualify as I have to let Elk know by Wednesday 2/4/09 of the final head count. So let’s get those checks – payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club - to me Dave Schnitzler 3592 Lenape Lane, Emmaus, PA 18049.

Hope you are having a great winter and are all still searching for that perfect turn – it’s out there so just keep after it!
Contact: Dave Schnitzler (610-965-2070, schnitdj@airproducts.com)

Ski Party – Blue Mt.: Feb 17th

Our second Blue Mt. Ski Party will be in the club room at Blue Mt. on Tuesday Feb. 17th.

Food and Drink will be available at 7 pm.

Price will be \$6 if you call ahead or \$8 at the door.

Contact: Noreen & Dennis Reid 610-837-1780
nerdlr@verizon.net

Fresh Tracks

Greetings and salutations snow seekers,

Why is it we never get, “is it cold enough for ya?” in the wintertime like we get “is it hot enough for ya?” in the summertime? Why is it we’re usually met with, “Oh, it’s so cold outside! I hate the f@#\$%!g winter!?” Maybe it’s just me... I do have a reputation of attracting the crazy people. But, in a way, I enjoy it. I just smile and say, “Cold? This isn’t cold. I once skied Killington with wind chills of -70°! Now that was cold!” That usually stops the nonsense. Who’s the crazy one now?

I’ve got to be honest with you... not too much is happening right now because we’re all busy skiing! Curt and Mary Ann are working on the Banquet, Victoria is working on the Website, and the Board Members are all working on creative ideas for the summer and next year. More information will follow as soon as we have it ready for you.

Two things to remember:

- Our February meeting will be held on Tuesday February 10th at 8pm at Bear Creek Ski Area. We’ll meet in the Club Room on the main level.
- Our March meeting will be held at the Fullerton Fire Company and will include ELECTIONS for the 2009/10 Board and Officers. All positions are available should you be interested.

Make the most of the winter my friends... and enjoy your time outside!

See you on the 10th,

Brian Nuss, *President* – Ptarmigan Ski Club

Meeting & Ski Night: Bear Ck.: Feb 10th

February’s General Meeting will be at the Bear Creek Ski Area Tuesday Feb 10th.

Blue Mt Appreciation Day: Wed Feb 11

½ Price Lift, Lesson & Rental
With Ptarmigan Membership Card

Ski Trips – 2008/2009 Season:

EPSC Killington Weekend Thurs Jan 29 – Sun Feb 1

- \$590 p/p dbl occ
- Food/Drink on Bus
- 3 nights lodging NorthStar Lodge
- 3 day lift ticket
- Sat Dinner, Welcome Party and a Cocktail Party
- Dave Schoneker 215-822-2129 DSchoneker@aol.com

Kirchberg, Austria – 11 Days: Fri Jan 30 – Mon Feb 9

- Ski the Famous Kitzbuhel Ski Area
- \$1675 p/p dbl occ
- 7 Nights in Kirchberg – Hotel Tyrolerhof (backside of Kitzbuhel mountain) with Gourmet meal each night
- 2 Nights in Munich before returning home
- Contact Curt Johnston 610-868-4750
hugdebear@verizon.net

Copper Mt. Co. – Week Trip: Sat Jan 31 – Sat Feb 7

- \$999 Early Bird Special or \$1299 Regular p/p
- 6 Nights at The Condos at Copper Mt. – 4 per 2br/2ba
- 1 Night near Denver Airport
- 4 Day Lift Ticket
- Day Trip to Winter Park
- Contact Mark Baechle 610-820-9699 markt@ptd.net

Elk Mountain – Day Trip: Fri Feb 6th

- Leave 7:00am Tilghman St. K-Mart
- \$30 Group Rate if we get 20 People
- Contact Dave Schnitzler 610-956-2070
schnitdj@airproducts.com

Steamboat, Co. – Week Trip: Sat Feb 21 – Sat Feb 28

- 7 Nights Accommodation – Options:
 - The Inn at Steamboat if \$1465.00 dbl occ
 - The Lodge at Steamboat Condos - \$1295 dbl occ 3bd/3ba, \$1355 dbl occ 2bd/2ba
- 5/7 Day Ski Pass add \$325
- Contact Curt Johnston 610-868-4750
hugdebear@verizon.net

Sugarbush, Vt. – Bus Trip: Fri Feb 27 – Mar 1

- \$360 p/p quad occ, \$390 triple occ, \$450 dbl occ
- 2 Nights at White horse Inn
- 2 Breakfasts and 1 dinner
- 2 Day Lift Ticket at Sugarbush
- Pricing based on minimum 25 people
- Contact Debbie Koder 610-967-1975
debkoder@yahoo.com

Hunter Mt, NY Mid-Wk: Wed Mar 11 – Fri Mar 13

- \$229 p/p dbl occ
- 2 Nights at Kaatskill Mountain Club
- Includes Lift Tickets for Wed Afternoon and All Day Thursday & Friday
- We'll Car Pool to get there
- Contact Tom Weiser 610-462-5847 weiser@ptd.net

Blue Mt Appreciation Day

Wed Feb 11, 2009

With Ptarmigan Membership Card

All Day Long - 1/2 Price On Lifts, Lessons And Rentals
For Ptarmigan Members With Membership Card

Free Evening Party

By Blue Mountain Ski Area In Appreciation For The
Clubs Support

EPSC Race – Blue Mt: Sun Feb 22

This year's EPSC Council Cup Race will be held at Blue Mountain Ski Area on Sunday, Feb 24, 2008.

Start getting your teams together: Race Day is almost here.

The race will start at 10:00 AM. Teams must be registered by 9:15 am when registration closes. Breakfast and lunch will be served at 8:00 am and 12:00 noon. Purchase your lift tickets at the EPSC table the day of the race. Ticket prices will be determined as soon as possible. Keep checking the webpage for updates as they happen. The ticket price will include your lift ticket, the race, breakfast, lunch and the Awards party.

See <http://www.easternpaskicouncil.org/> for more info.

Welcome New Members

Ptarmigans - Please welcome the following new members to the Club:

Carl and Susan Anthony
James and Diane Buss
Tom and Sydney Caton
Joy Clymer
Hugh Craven
Joan Crete
Candy Davis
Katarzyna Dewire and Ezequiel Zapata
George Dzapinka
Debbie Gemmel
Vince Gelezinsky
Chris Hoffman/Mary Rooney
Richard Horn
Anne Messick
Warren Miles
Nichole Monaco
Benjamin Moran
April Navarra
Mildred Portz
Elizabeth and Heather Solliday
Chris Snyder
Timothy and Lois Walters
Steve West
Dennis Wieder

PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB PRESENTS

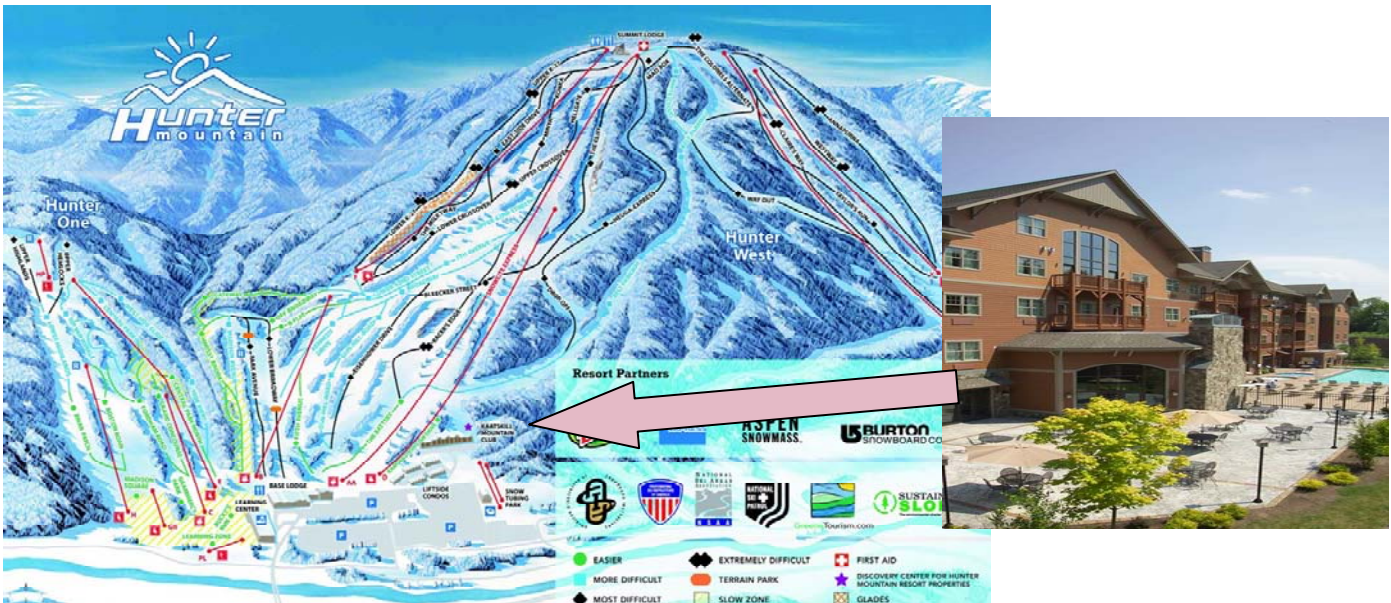
WED MAR 11, THU MAR 12, FRI MAR 13

www.kaatskillmtnclub.com

1,600' vertical

11 lifts

55 trails



\$229 pp double **\$179** pp triple **\$153** pp quad

- PRICE INCLUDES WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY NIGHT LODGING AT KAATSKILL MOUNTAIN CLUB OFFERING COMFORTABLE LUXURY, SKI-IN, SKI OUT, OUTDOOR HEATED POOL, SAUNA, HOT TUBS, VAN WINKLE RESTURANT, MOUNTAIN CLUB SPA
- INCLUDES LIFT TICKETS FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY PLUS FREE AFTERNOON TICKET (12:45 - 4:00) ON WEDNESDAY.
- ACCOMODATIONS ARE IN THE LIFTSIDE CONDOMIDIUMS PROVIDED WITH A KITCHEN, FIREPLACE, QUEEN BED IN BEDROOM AND QUEEN SOFA SLEEPER IN LIVING ROOM.
- DOES NOT INCLUDE MEALS OR TRANSPORTATION.

Name(s), Address, Home #, Cell #, Email

Include above information with your payment to:

Tom Weiser, Trip Leader, 125 Pine Street, Emmaus, PA 18049-2508

Cell: 610-462-5847 weiser@ptd.net

Full payment due immediately and payable to: Ptarmigan Ski Club

Cancellations and refund policy: Prior to 14 days of trip. Amount paid less cancellation fee ranging from \$50 to \$100. The Club is committed to twenty and the number of skiers determines amount of refund. Within 14 days of trip. No refund without replacement.

File cancellation notice via email to trip leader. Allow three weeks for refund.

No trip insurance is offered.

PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB ANNUAL SPRING BANQUET SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009

BEST WESTERN
300 GATEWAY DRIVE (ROUTES 22 & 512)
BETHLEHEM, PA
610-866-5800

5:30 to 11:00 Cash Bar
5:30 to 6:30 Hot Hors d'oeuvres
6:30 to 8:00 Dinner
8:00 to 11:00 DJ and Dancing

DINNER MENU

FIRST COURSE: Caesar Salad with Toasted Pine Nuts, Rolls and Butter

DINNER ENTRÉE CHOICES:

PRIME RIB OF BEEF (\$48.00)

(Queen Cut) Roasted with Crushed Herbs and served with Au Jus

GRILLED FILET OF SALMON (\$47.00)

Grilled and served over Spinach with a Citrus and Cilantro Sauce

CHICKEN CORDON BLEU (\$44.00)

Breast of Chicken stuffed with Smoked Ham and Baby Swiss, topped with Sherry Sauce

DINNER ACCOMPANIMENTS:

Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes, Broccoli Spears Polonaise

DESSERT: Triple Chocolate Cake, Coffee and Tea Service

Make your reservations on or before April 17, 2009 by sending this form to Mary Ann Bedics, 1664 Best Place, Bethlehem, PA, 18017, maryannbedics@rcn.com, 610-868-8008. Make checks payable to Ptarmigan Ski Club. (Add \$5.00 for non-members.)

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2009 PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB VOUCHER PROGRAMS

Blue Mountains Ski Area has a new *EZ-SLOPE* (direct to slope) ticket program. *EZ-Slope* tickets will take the place of our tradition vouchers. The new *EZ-Slope* tickets will allow the purchaser to attach the ticket to their jacket and go directly to the slopes without having to redeem a voucher for another type of lift ticket at the ticket office. **REFUNDS – THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OR RETURNS – USE IT OR LOOSE IT – CALL DALE 610-657-9112 WITH QUESTIONS**

DUE TO CHANGE BY BLUE MOUNTAIN ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO “ DALE GOGEL ”

Blue Mountain <i>EZ-SLOPE</i>	Brochure Price	EZ Slope Pass Cost	<u>SPECIALS</u>
Weekday All Day/Night Lift (8:30 AM - 10 PM)	\$ 52.00	\$ 33.00	
Weekday All Day Lift (8:30 AM - 5 PM)	\$ 43.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 33.00
Weekday HALF Day Lift (8:30 AM-12:30 PM)(12:30-5 PM)	\$ 37.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 27.00
Weekday Night Lift (4 PM – 10 PM)	\$ 32.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 22.00
Weekend All Day/Night Lift (7:30 AM - 10 PM) (Holiday)	\$ 59.00	\$ 41.00	
Weekend All Day Lift (7:30 AM - 5 PM) (Holiday)	\$ 52.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 42.00
Weekend Half Day Lift (7:30 AM-12:30 PM)(12:30-5 PM)	\$ 45.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 35.00
Weekend Night Lift (4 PM – 10 PM) (Holiday)	\$ 34.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 24.00
Tubing Weekdays (non-holiday 4-10pm)	\$ 21.00	\$ 15.00	
Tubing Weekend	\$ 28.00	\$ 22.00	

SPECIALS AT TICKET WINDOW - SENIOR (65+) \$10 OFF DISCOUNT ALL LIFTS

CHECK \$10 OFF SPECIALS– Mon-Men / Tue-Business card / Wed-Ladies/ Thurs–SKI CLUB / Mon to Fri-College ID

5 PACK – MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30 AM TO 10 PM (NO WEEKEND/HOLIDAY)

LIFT TICKET \$128, LIFT & SKI RENTAL \$168, LIFT & Board RENTAL \$205

NON TRANSFERRABLE SEASON TICKET TYPE PASS ISSUED – NO WEEKEND UPGRADES

-DETACH - Payable – “ **DALE GOGEL** ”- MAIL TO Dale L Gogel - 4721 Three Mile Lane - Walnutport, Pa 18088 - 610-657-9112 - CUT HERE-

Voucher Description	Cost/Vchr	X	Qty	= Total	Name _____
					Address _____
					City/St/Zip _____
					Phone _____
					(Allow MIN of 10 days to mail vouchers SASE)

Bear Creek Mountain Resort & Conference Center Discount Ski Tickets

Midweek (Mon. – Fri. non-holiday all day ticket)	\$26.00 ppl price	\$44.00 reg.price
Evening (4 p.m. – 10 p.m. any evening)	\$19.00 ppl price	\$32.00 reg.price
Weekend / Holiday (all day ticket anytime)	\$47.00 ppl price	\$57.00 reg.price

The above discount vouchers can be request from Donna Westgate. You must include payment, the type of ticket(s) you wish to purchase, and a self addressed stamped envelope. Send your request to Donna Westgate, 2819 Crest Ave. North, Allentown PA 18104.

Tee Time Golf Pass: Only 49.95

To order a Golf Pass, send a check and a self addressed stamped envelope to, Donna Westgate, 2819 Crest Ave North, Allentown PA 18104. Passes may be used once or repeatedly at certain courses. The pass expires when the golf courses close at the end of 2009.

PTARMIGAN SKI CLUB – 2008/2009 Membership Application

Please complete this entire form including the date and your signature. Checks should be made payable to **Ptarmigan Ski Club**. Once completed, send form with payment and a self addressed stamped envelope to: Jackie Lulewitz, 855 Yorkshire Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017. Otherwise, you can pick-up your card(s) at our monthly meetings. (If you supply an email address, please use UPPERCASE to avoid errors.)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Spouse: _____ Children: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 Phone: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email: _____ Sponsored By: _____

Membership Dues:

New Members & Renewal After 10/31/08: \$20/Single, \$30/Family **Renewal Before 10/31/08:** \$16/Single, \$26 Family

Acknowledgement of Responsibility / Release of Liability:

The Ptarmigan Ski Club is a year-round sports and social club providing a variety of activities for its members. Participation in these activities can involve risk and personal injury. I fully accept and understand these risks and voluntarily assume all risks either known or not readily foreseeable. I agree not to hold the Ptarmigan Ski Club, its officers, board members, or any volunteers, liable for any accident or injury resulting from my participation in any club activity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Adult member is responsible for each named minor. Each adult must sign.

Preferred Newsletter Format: Email (PDF File) Hard Copy (via US Mail)

Demographic Information:

Sex: Male Female Age: _____

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Other

Social Capital: _____
 (i.e.: what you bring with you and who you are – florist, plumber, kennel, etc)



How often do you ski each year?

< 10 times 10-20 times 20-30 times > 30 times

Where do you like to ski?

Locally New England Western US Canada Europe Other

Additional activities you're interested in:

Downhill Skiing Week-long Trips Boating Golf
 Cross Country Skiing Midweek Trips Hiking Other: _____
 Snowboarding Weekend Trips Biking
 Racing (competitive/fun) Bus Trips Volleyball
 Rollerblading Picnics Happy Hour

Activities I will help with:

Membership Publicity/Advertising Summer Picnics Website
 Newsletter Special Olympics Banquet/Parties Other...
 Programs Organizing Trips Hospitality

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Dated Material - Please Expedite

Officers			
President	Brian Nuss	610-807-3580	powder-hound@verizon.net
Vice President, Ski	Dave Schnitzler	610-965-2070	SCHNITDJ@airproducts.com
Vice President, Non-Ski	Mary Laronge	610-737-2349	marylaronge@aol.com
Treasurer	Linny Esterly	484-232-6020	lesterly@ptd.net
Membership Secretary	Jackie Lulewitz	610-865-5722	rolexfj@ptd.net
Recording Secretary	Barb Stephens	610-462-6001	bStephensrealtor@aol.com
Board Members			
	Art Orach	484-851-3576	artorach@yahoo.com
	Curt Johnson	610-868-4750	hugdebear@verizon.net
	Jeanne Weiser	610-965-4087	weiser@ptd.net
	Mary Ann Bedics	610-868-8008	maryannbedics@rcn.com
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	Ray Cope	610-509-5779	
Advertising	Curt Johnston	610-868-4750	hugdebear@verizon.net
Blue Mountain Vouchers	Dale Gogel	610-767-1546	dalego@aol.com
Programs	Vacant		
Ski Parties	Noreen & Dennis Reid	610-837-1780	nerdlr@verizon.net
Club Affiliations:			
Amateur Ski Instructors Assn.	Brian Nuss	610-807-3580	powder-hound@verizon.net
Eastern PA Ski Council	Brian Nuss	610-807-3580	powder-hound@verizon.net
Special Olympics	Dale Gogel	610-767-1546	dalego@aol.com