

Foxtales

April, 2023



Newsletter Editorial

From the President

With the arrival of Spring, we are winding down the 2022/2023 ski season. Trips have been completed, and it is time to begin thinking about next year.

At our meeting on March 15, we had our annual election of officers. Since no new candidates were nominated, including at the start of the meeting, the slate of candidates was voted in without objection.

- **Sam Fontaine – President**
- **Randy Zurbuchen – Vice President**
- **Julie Buechner – Treasurer**
- **Deb Bramschreiber - Secretary**

I should add that Julie Buechner asked that this should be her last year in this position. Julie has worked diligently keeping our books since 2009 (at least). We thank you for your service Julie!

Our last event of the season is the Spring Banquet & will be at Van Abels in Hollandtown on Friday, April 21. See the sign up on Page 5 of this Newsletter.

The CMSC Trip Seminar is coming up on May 20. We still have not received the registration form, but it is in the works. This show brings together ski club trip planners and tour operators and ski hills. Stay tuned.

On a sad note, I regret to report the death of one of our members, Larry Gorilla. Larry died on the ski hill at Winter Park, Colorado on March 20 while skiing with his wife Colleen. While Larry and Colleen lived in Presque Isle, Wisconsin, they rented a house in Colorado for many years for the months of January to March so they could ski Winter Park every day. They were on several Sly Fox western and European trips. Service will be in Presque Isle, Wisconsin on April 29. The obituary can be found at <https://www.grandcountymortuary.com/obituaries/john-gorilla>

Tips Up!

Sam Fontaine

Monthly Meetings are usually held the first & third Wednesday of the month at

THE BAR

**2435 W. Nordale Dr.
Appleton.**

Upstairs in the Skybox

Social 7 pm

Meeting 7:30 pm

**No Membership
Meetings in April**

**SPRING
BANQUET
April 21**

(Sign-up on Page 5)

Check out our web site:

www.slyfoxskiclub.org

PLEASE JOIN US

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Meet up @ Happy Hour
Start the weekend with the Sly Foxes
FUN BEGINS at 5:00

This is not an official club function but rather just an informal gathering of members for Happy Hour at different locations throughout the month.

- **April 7 - Milwaukee Burger Co.**
421 N. Casaloma Drive, Appleton
920-202-3558
- **April 14 - Fratellos Riverfront Restaurant**
501 W. Water Street, Appleton
920-993-9087
- **April 21 - Houdini's Escape**
1216 Oneida Street, Appleton
920-574-2616
- **April 28 - Ground Round Bar & Grill**
1010 Cameron Way, Neenah
920-725-1010
- **May 5 - Stone Yard (Greenville)**
N1739 Lily of the Valley Drive, Greenville
920-750-6960

PLEASE JOIN US

Birthdays

APRIL

- 1 - Joni Conrad
- 2 - Ben Matson
- 6 - Matt Hodkiewicz
- 6 - Bonita Jordan
- 7 - Mark Nelsen
- 17 - Jeannie Otto
- 24 - Tony Groeschl
- 26 - Debra Boden
- 27 - Steve Baumgartner
- 27 - Jean Christensen



FRIENDS OF FOXES REWARDS 2023 - 2024

FRIENDS OF FOXES REWARDS program benefits the existing members and builds the membership of our club with new members for the enjoyment and benefits of organized group rate discount ski trips, other club sponsored functions and most of all the camaraderie.

"FRIENDS OF FOXES REWARDS" awards present Sly Fox Ski Club Members with 10 points (or \$10 towards Sly Fox Ski Club sponsored functions) for all New Members they referred, when they join the club.

To receive FOX POINTS, the New Member must document the referring member on their Membership Form when joining the club.

The FOX POINTS can accumulate during the one ski season that they have been earned and can be used towards club trips, the renewal of their present membership dues, Spring and Christmas Holiday banquets.

The FOX POINTS must be used by the end of the season on or before April 30th and cannot be carried over to the following year.

The New Member joining the club may not be a past member of the club within the last 4 years or a renewing member.

FOX POINTS are not transferable to another member.

The new and present members must be a minimum of 21 years of age.

The FOX POINTS will be documented by the Treasurer when the New Membership Form with payment is received.



Sly Fox Ski & Snowboard Club

Annual Membership Application/Renewal & Waiver Form

Membership year is May1, 2023 to April 30, 2024

Dues \$25 Per Person <i>Each member <u>must</u> complete an Application/Renewal/Waiver form</i>		☐ Returning Member	☐ New Member
Name:	Birthdate: MM/DD/YYYY		
Address:	Address / Cell Phone / Email has not changed since last year NO YES		
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		
Email:			
<i>I am a new member and referred by club member:</i>			
What ski destinations are you interested in visiting?			
We are always looking for individuals to assist on our committees. Can you help us out? <i>Events, WEB, Social Media, Board Member, Marketing, Trip Leader/Assistant Trip Leader</i>			YES NO

READ WAIVER BEFORE SIGNING

I certify that I am at least 21 years of age and do hereby accept the policies and practices of the Sly Fox Ski Club. I understand that in my participation in club-sponsored events carries a degree of risk for health concerns, injury or death. I hereby unconditionally waive and release the Sly Fox Ski Club, its Officers Directors, agents and members from any and all liabilities arising from any health concerns, injury, property damage or loss I may suffer as a result of my actions.

Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all foregoing to use any photograph, videotape, motion pictures, recordings or other record of any ski club events for any legitimate purpose. .

Refund for cancelations by the participant must be submitted in writing to the Sly Fox Ski Club Board of Directors, P. O. Box 1613, Appleton WI. 54912-1613. The written request must indicate which specific future Sly Fox event any refunds to be credited towards, or for the Sly Fox Treasurer to issue a refund check. Refunds will only be issued after all of the bills related to the trip have been paid. All decisions on refund amount will be made by the Board of Directors and are final. .

By signing and submitting this form, I agree that I have read and accept the trip policies as set for and by the Sly Fox Ski & Club..

All Sly Fox Ski Club policies and other trip information is posted on the website www.slyfoxskiclub.org

Signature: _____ **Date** _____.

Mail your completed form with payment to:
Sly Fox Ski Club PO Box 1613 Appleton, WI. 54912-1613

Administrative Use *Date:* _____ *Payment Details:* _____

Sly Fox Ski & Snowboard Club
Appleton, Wisconsin
Slyfoxskiclub.org

Meeting Agenda for 2022/2023

- October 5, 2022 1st membership meeting of the year
Welcome, Big Snow trips open for sign up, Sly Fox Annual meeting
- October 19, 2022 Zellers Ski & Sports
Informational speaker, Ski sale/swap Oct. 28-30, 2022
- November 2, 2022 Open Meeting
- November 16, 2022 Attitude Sports, 209 N. Macy St., Fond du Lac
Owner Dave Hasse, services & new products
- December 7, 2022 Open Meeting
- December 14, 2022 Holiday Party,
Red Ox Seafood & Steakhouse, Appleton
- December 21, 2022 No Membership meeting
Pre-trip information for first Big Snow I ski trip
- January 4, 2023 Pre-trip informational meeting Big Snow I
Indianhead & Blackjack Mt., Trip leader Doug Main
- January 18, 2023 Pre-trip informational meeting
France/Barcelona Jan. 27-Feb. 7 (Sam) & Big Snow II Feb. 10-12
Indianhead/Blackjack/Big Powderhorn Mts. (Deb)
- February 1, 2023 Open Meeting
- February 15, 2023 Start nominations for Sly Fox Officers
Members for ideas for meetings & summer events
- March 1, 2023 Nominations for Sly Fox Club Officers
- March 15, 2023 Final nominations & voting
for Sly Fox Club Officers
- April 2023 Spring Banquet---Wrap-up of year's activities

Sly Fox Ski Club Spring Banquet



Enjoy a fun evening to celebrate the 2022-23 ski season and catch up with friends!

Back by popular demand.....Entertainment by Scotty Meyer following dinner

Van Abel's of Hollandtown

8108 County Road D / Kaukauna, WI. 54130

Friday, April 21, 2023

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Cocktails 6pm (cash bar) - Dinner 7pm

RSVP no later than Monday, April 3, 2023

Menu will consist of Family Style
Broasted & Roasted Chicken & Tenderloin Tips dinner
with all the fixings and dessert

**Please contact Julie with any questions or concerns
920.427.2813**

Fill out and return this bottom portion along with your check

Please make checks payable and mail to: Sly Fox Ski Club
PO Box 1613
Appleton, WI 54912-1613

Name:		\$ 25.00 pp
Name:		\$
	Total Enclosed	\$

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Barcelona Trip Report

Leaving Meribel, we went on to Barcelona Spain. We were met at the airport by 2 buses and guides, which gave us some quick tips on Barcelona on the way to our hotel, the Silken Ramblas. This hotel was just a block off the famous Ramblas, a wide pedestrian street from the center of town to the waterfront.



Everybody checked in and scattered to find some dinner. Some of us walked to Placa Catalunya for Tapas in an outdoor café. It was a tad chilly, but the propane heaters kept us cozy.

Sunday was a sunny and relatively warm day. Some took walking tours of the Gothic Quarter, full of old buildings and small restaurants called bodegas. Others got the lay of the land on the Hop-On Hop-Off buses. The view from Montjuic was stunning. Barcelona has a very nice subway system, which is handy when you want to shortcut the bus route home. Sunday night, we walked to Los Caracoles (The Snails) for a traditional Catalunyan meal with local wine.



Monday, many of us went to tour the enormous church La Sagrada Família. Designed by the great architect Antoni Gaudi in the 1880's, it is still under construction. But they are getting close. Later, we went to Parc Guell, another Gaudi creation on a hilltop on the northside of town.



Monday night, we had a reception at the Silken Ramblas with light tapas. It was supposed to be a 1-hour affair, but they just kept bringing out plates of food. We could not eat or drink any more after 2 hours.



Tuesday morning at 6 am, we loaded our buses to the airport, and most of us made our way back to Chicago via Zurich. However, 6 people who were headed elsewhere in the USA had a direct fly to Newark before connecting to their various destinations. Their flight got cancelled, so they had to spend another night in Barcelona before finally heading home.



Note: Monday morning at 3 am in Barcelona, I got a phone call from Lamers bus driver. "I am waiting for you at O'Hare airport. Where are you?" I had to give him the bad news that he was 2 days early. When we did get picked up by Lamers Tuesday afternoon, we had to drop off the Milwaukee people at Taj Jordan's business in an industrial park south of Milwaukee where we picked them up 10 days earlier. Backing out, the bus ran over a neighbor's new mailbox and put the back of the bus in the ditch. An hour later, a tow truck had pulled us out and made it the rest of the way home without incidence.

Thanks again to all on the trip, we had a great time, Sam



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It is Strongly Recommended that You Update Your
Estate Planning Documents "Before Something Happens".



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