

Foxtales

May, 2022



There are no monthly meetings during the summer months.

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We do have summer activities, including Happy Hours every Friday.

Please check out our web site:

www.slyfoxskiclub.org

No need to be a member to join the summer fun & it's a great way to get to meet some of us.

PLEASE JOIN US

**May 1st
officially
begins the
new Ski &
Snowboard
Season**

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**See the
membership form
on Page 3**

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President's Column MCMONAGLE'S CHRONICLES

On April 23rd, 45 of us gathered at Van Abel's in Hollandtown for our annual Spring Banquet. Other than competing with the sound from an auction going on in an adjacent room, everything went well and all had a good meal. Thank you to Kelly Kloehn & Julie Buechner for organizing the banquet and Abby Beck for the tulip arrangements on the tables that served as prizes.

At the banquet, we held our induction of the new executive board for 2022-2023, consisting of myself (as President), Kelly Kloehn (Vice-President), Julie Buechner (Treasurer), Deb Bramschreiber (Secretary) and Nile Beck (Advisor).

On May 14th, the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council (CMSC), is hosting their Trip Seminar. This Seminar had been canceled for the last 2 years due to Covid-19 concerns. If anyone has an interest in a ski destination you would like to visit, please e-mail me at: president@slyfoxskiclub.org. All inquires will be passed to the entire Board and the Trip Committee.

Our membership year begins May 1st. You will find a 2022-2023 membership form in this newsletter on Page 3. Please complete and sign the form and mail it to: **Sly Fox Ski Club, PO Box 1613, Appleton, WI 54912-1613**. Please note that the Membership form also acts as a waiver, so we need a completed form for each member.

Going forward for the upcoming year: If anyone has an idea for a summer event or other activities throughout the year, please contact Kelly Kloehn at: social@slyfoxskiclub.org.

It's All Downhill From Here!

Jim McMonagle

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.

- **May 6 - Stone Yard (Greenville)**
N1739 Lily of the Valley Drive, Greenville
920-750-6960
- **May 13 - Game Day**
N225 Stony Brook Road, Appleton
920-830-2510
- **May 20 - Wooden Nickel**
217 E. College Avenue, Appleton
920-735-0661
- **May 27 - Spats**
733 W. College Avenue, Appleton
920-738-7171
- **June 3 - Hop Yard Ale Works**
512 W Northland Avenue, Appleton
Phone not available at this time

<https://www.slyfoxskiclub.org>

PLEASE JOIN US

Birthdays

MAY



8 - Jim Berven
10 - Scott Dvorak
12 - Lucia Moburg
13 - Jessica Dabler
13 - Randy Groff
14 - Kathi Whiteside
19 - Jennifer Schreiter-Pethan
21 - Lisa Humphrey
21 - Mike Ripp
25 - Deb Bramschreiber
26 - Krisit Henning
28 - Allie Norwood
29 - Lisa Breu

FRIENDS OF FOXES REWARDS 2022 - 2023

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 May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023

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 ☐		
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 event for any legitimate purpose.

Refund for cancellations 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 refund is 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: _____

What happened at Telluride

Well, our Telluride trip finally got done, after a 2 year delay. With 82 people going, it was our biggest trip in nearly 20 years. Pent up demand for travel after 2 long years of pandemic is real, folks.

In order to get everyone to Telluride, we had to split into 2 groups traveling on different nonstop airline flights from Chicago O'Hare to Montrose, CO. Deb Bramschreiber shepherded the bigger group from Appleton and Fond du Lac beginning at 3:30 am via Lamers charter bus to O'Hare, while I took a smaller group from Green Bay and Milwaukee, leaving a 5 am. We both managed to painlessly get our groups to our condos at Bear Creek Lodge in Telluride.

We stayed at Bear Creek 12 years earlier on our last visit to Telluride. These are luxurious condos on the side of the mountain with all the amenities, including outdoor pool and hot tubs. They had shuttle service down to Market Place Gondola station where you could also access the ski runs. Shuttle service worked great for the entire week both going skiing, coming home, and going out on the town in the evening. The gondola runs until midnight connecting to the Mountain Village and the town of Telluride.

Now I was unable to ski on this trip due to back problems, so I cannot give a firsthand report on the skiing, but I heard a lot about it sitting in the hot tub every afternoon. It was great from what I heard, maybe a little slushy the first afternoon, but with several nights of fresh snow and colder temperatures, excellent for the remainder of the week.

Bear Creek Lodge hosted a wine and cheese reception for us the evening of our arrival. While I handed out the lift tickets, Deb poured the wine. We had several other events planned throughout the week. On Wednesday, we had a pizza and salad lunch at Big Billie's at the base of the Sunrise chairlift. With one drink ticket, Big Billie's out did themselves with a variety of pizzas, Caesar salad, Caprese salad, Greek salad and wonderful soup served from 1-3pm.

Friday, we had an Apres-Ski party at the grills by the pool. Deb put on a tour de force of salmon smoked on the grill, pork tenderloins, and chocolate fondue for dessert.

The finale was our farewell dinner held at the Telluride Elks Club. This old building in downtown Telluride was formerly the Swede-Finn Hall from 1899. Surrounded by mounted elk heads, we had a one hour open bar, followed by a buffet of salmon, chicken, Mike's Mac-n-Cheese, potatoes and vegetables, followed by brownies. All this put on by Chef and Caterer Extraordinaire Mike Metz. Except for being an ex Chicagoan and Bear fan, Mike did a great job. Follow up was another drink ticket for our ending for the evening.

Now after such events, we do a short review of our departure procedures and then, the nominations for the coveted Lunar award. Now a couple of honorary mentions. Before the trip even started, Tim Parker called Greg Buss at 3 am Saturday morning to ask him where he was. Greg had to inform him that we were leaving Sunday morning and could he please let him go back to sleep. Greg figured in the next one when Gary Delveaux was skiing down the slope when something in the snow caught his eye. He put on the brakes and walked a few steps back up the hill to find a credit card lying in the snow. Close inspection showed it belonged to Greg Buss. "Hey, isn't that guy on our trip?" Greg apparently lost when he pulled his camera out of his pocket some time before that.

Our winner though, was Kelly Ann Kloehn, who had the award locked up before we even had our welcome reception. Kelly and Roger were in one of the 4-bedroom units on the top floor of Bear Creek Lodge. This unit had a balcony with a fabulous view of the surrounding San Juan Mountains. Kelly had to get a picture of Roger with that back drop, so she set her beer down and pulled out her camera. Doing so, she accidentally kicked over her beer bottle. Slowly it rolled, under the gap in the railing then down dropping 4 floors then landing on the metal roof over the 1st floor walkway. Saved? No, it then rolls off the roof and lands on a pool chair. Saved? No, it bounces high in the air and crashes on the cement pool deck. Well, they had to close the pool that night in case any glass got into the pool. Prize? A Pink Flamingo hat that would have worked at the Telluride street dance.

Sunday morning and time to go home. A little bit of angst when first bus was about 25 minutes late arriving. Deb's group put together a bucket brigade style ski loading scheme and the bus was loaded in 10 minutes and time for a quick group photo and they were off. The second bus arrived immediately after and the second group was loaded and gone. Airport was busy, but we all made it and were on our way. In Chicago, we got our luggage including skis in record time and we sat and waited for our bus. At this point, Gary Wisneski turned to me and said "This trip has gone flawlessly." I replied "Don't put the curse on it, Gary." Gary put the curse on it.

Both Deb and I had our bus driver's cell phone numbers, but every time we called the drivers, the call went immediately to voice mail. Apparently both drivers forgot to keep their phones charged. Deb was at the United terminal while I was at American. She landed about 30 minutes before I did, so I called to see how it was going. It was not going good. She finally located her bus by sight behind the Hilton Hotel. Then she got a call from an unknown woman. "Who is this?" Deb asked. "I am the policeman standing next to your bus driver. You will have to bring your group over here because buses are no longer allowed to stop in front of the terminal." So Deb got the traffic cop to stop traffic and get her group across the highway.

I had similar issues. When our bus finally showed up, I got him to pull over to an open spot perfect for loading. But a cop got there first and told to go to the bus terminal where Deb's bus had been. So I got my group together and got them all there by the underground passage. And so home with only one hiccup at the end. Thanks to my assistant Deb and all the other helping hands along on the trip.



First group departure for home



Sly Foxes on the slopes



Kelly Ann gets the Lunar Award

To see more photos, go to [Sly Fox Ski Club Facebook](#)

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