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# LIFT LINES

## Next Membership Meeting — April 4<sup>th</sup> Embers Ski Lodge in the 12 South District

We'll visit the only ski lodge in town for our April meeting: Embers Ski Lodge in the 12 South district. Located at 2410 12th Ave S, the Embers Ski Lodge brings the warmth and camaraderie of an après-ski lodge to the Nashville Scene. Embers has an innovative cocktail menu and a seasonally influenced gastropub menu. Happy hour is 3-7 with drink specials. We will be gathering for a social time beginning at 5:30 and the club meeting will be at 6:00.

[Embers Ski Lodge](#)  
2410 12th Ave S  
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## May Membership Meeting

We'll try somewhere new for our May 7th meeting, Sam's Sports Grill in Blue Turtle Bay on Old Hickory Lake. While it seems like we've just wrapped up our ski trips we'll be talking about next season's trips and getting excited for our summer plans. Happy hour at 5:30 followed by the meeting at 6 PM. Stick around for dinner too!

[Sam's Sports Grill](#)  
2001 Lakeshore Dr  
Old Hickory 37138



## Hiking at Long Hunter State Park — Sunday, April 14



Join Stephanie and Sara for this hike that features moderate elevation changes and beautiful lake views. We'll have groups hiking at both "flower-seeing" speed and at "busting a move" speed so you can choose what suits you best. Join us at Long Hunter State Park at the Bakers Grove Trailhead where we'll hike either the Volunteer Trail or the Day Loop.

Carpooling is encouraged to help minimize parking issues. Leashed, friendly dogs are welcome!

Contact Sara Tamas Shamblin ([saratamasdvm@gmail.com](mailto:saratamasdvm@gmail.com)) if you're coming or if you have questions.

### Après Ski Party — Saturday, April 27th — 6 PM

Please join us for the 2019 Après Ski party to celebrate four great trips this season, to discuss trips for next year and to have fun. The party will be from 6 to 10 pm on Saturday April 27 at [Old Natchez Country Club](#). The address is 115 Gardengate Dr, Franklin, TN 37069.

We will have a buffet dinner, dancing, a cash bar and games. For those lucky ones who went on one of the ski trips this year, there is no cost for this event. For other members and guests, the cost is \$35 per person. Please join us to see old friends and meet new ones. Bring a guest to introduce them to the great people and fun trips with the Nashville Ski Club!!



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### Whistler Trip Report

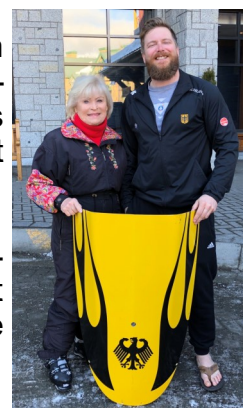
By Stephanie Fields

Whistler does take a bit of travel to reach, but we broke the trip up on the way there by stopping to grab a few people on the way. They'd spent a couple days exploring Vancouver, sharing some beautiful photos and stories. No big travel woes at all, maybe an hour late into the Delta Whistler Village Suites, which were perfectly convenient to the Village. They were a little far to walk in ski boots, but in shoes many made the trek. They also have frequent buses to the gondola or a hotel shuttle that made all day rounds as well.

Being "in the village" was perfect for skiers and non-skiers both. There were several parks and markers commemorating the 2010 Olympics there. The Whistler Sliding Centre was there and we had the chance to see bobsled practices in preparation for the ISBF World Championships which were to be held the following weekend.

It just so happened that the German Bobsled team was staying in our hotel also. I admit it was a treat to have all those giant, good-looking Germans running around. They even posed for photo ops with some of our crew. Half a gondola ride away, many people got to see them practicing for the World Championships.

There was so much to do. Whistler also has a great museum, several art galleries and food and pubs galore. I hear the art gallery at the Hilton is outstanding. From the shopping to ice fishing, there truly were activities for every inner kid.



### Whistler Trip Report (cont.)

For the downhill children, there was enough playground to keep them occupied for days! We played and played and played. Big, wide sweeping runs. But the "sweep" of some being a little steeper than advertised. "That was NOT just BLUE" was common to hear. If you're a blue skier in Whistler, you might be a good black diamond in others places. If there were any less than "love it" reviews of the mountain, it was that and a couple of the best chairs tended to get crowded.

But for entertainment at one of them, you had time to feed the birds. Literally. Whiskeyjacks are so used to humans, that they'll land on your ski pole basket, your glove, helmet. Mostly for food, but sometimes...just 'cause they can. If you're ever in Whistler, do that at the bottom of Symphony Chair. The "glades" you ski right before that chair are stellar also!

Whistler Blackcomb offers the "biggest lift-served skiing in North America" and then you try to ski it and it feels even more massive. It is massive. Impressive. Majestic. And more. Whistler/Blackcomb is amazing. How many ways can you say "wow"? To try to put some stats behind it, two of our guys hit 180,000 vertical feet during that week. The mountain has to have some room to rack up that kind of stat.

The mountain tours offer a great morning of skiing if you're ready to rock and roll. Depending on the group you go in, there are adventures to be had. The "glacier" group got to experience so much, including a short hike that took them to the best view (or so they say). I was pretty sad to have missed it that when I heard there was an ice cave too! That would have made a walk worth it. The "slower" group of blue skiers put up some pretty serious miles with a North Carolinian as our guide!

For restaurants, we can recommend a few. We had a group dinner inside the Fairmont Chateau Whistler. It was a funny thing that it got widely differing reviews about the service and setting. One server literally got two opinions of his service based from two different tables. But the one thing that everyone agreed on ~ the food was excellent! And with 3 days of skiing in, it was perfect to enjoy a fantastic meal.

The Grill wasn't [my] ideal setting after all, but I'd highly recommend it for a date night. Not with 35 fun people... For fun with a group, go to the Village you must! Dubh Linn Gate Pub or Brew House or New Amsterdam Pub. Most had fun music and great beer selections.

Overall, I'd go back ~ but give me a few years of American snow first. We are truly spoiled on champagne powder here.

[See more photos on our website!](#)



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