

# Next Membership Meeting March 9th - Park Café Happy Hour 4-6 PM - Meeting 6 PM

For our March meeting we'll be back at Park Café on the SECOND Tuesday of the month. We'll have the back patio to enjoy ourselves. If you went on a trip, come tell the rest of us all about it! Come early for happy hour and stay for the meeting at 6 PM. Stick around for dinner too! We're looking for board members and officers as we'll be voting on those in April so come let us know your thoughts.



Park Café 4403 Murphy Rd Nashville 37209

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#### **New Members!**



Kristen Gerhard Charles Knowles Kenneth Graves Anne Roberts

We have the new dates for our Grindelwald trip next season. The trip will be February 4-12, 2022 with the Venice extension running Feb 12-15. Prices will be roughly the same as previously advertised but can't be locked in until the airlines release space in mid-March.

### Next Month's Meeting April 6th - Crow's Nest Happy Hour 5-6 PM Meeting 6 PM

We'll return to the Crow's Nest in Green Hills for our April meeting. We'll have the upstairs to ourselves. If you went on a trip, come tell the rest of us all about it! Come early for happy hour and stay for the meeting at 6 PM. Stick around for dinner too!

#### Crow's Nest 2221 Bandywood Dr

Nashville 37215



## **Upcoming Events**

Please read the below notice that applies to all of our events. Signing up for and/or attending an event is considered agreement with this notice. PLEASE REGISTER FOR THESE EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE.

Out Meetup organizers, event leaders, and hosts are not safety guides. Expect the same risks and take the same precautions you would take if you were participating in a social event or outdoor activity on your own.

You are solely responsible for your own gear, safety equipment, behavior and well-being.

Attendance at Nashville Ski Club Meetup or Nashville Ski Club events implies that you understand, accept, and agree that outdoor activities are inherently dangerous and pose risk of bodily injury and possibly death.

The organizers of this group cannot be held responsible or liable in any way for actions of the participant(s) at any event.

All attendees' participation at any event are at their own risk and are solely responsible for damage to property (personal or public) and/or any injury to themselves or their guests.

By signing up for this event, you affirm that you understand this disclaimer, and that you knowingly and voluntarily agree not to bring any type of claim arising out of or related to this Meetup event against the organizers of Nashville Skiing Meetup or Nashville Ski Club.

# Fiery Gizzard Hike March 13th - 7:30 AM SHARP!

Join your Ski Club friends as we go to **one of the toughest trails in Tennessee**. Fiery Gizzard offers several small waterfalls on the way down to the long rock scramble long Fiery Gizzard creek, and then up to Ravens Point for the spectacular view of the valley.

This difficult 9.6 mile hike will earn you a badge of honor among your hiking friends!

We'll meet at the Cracker Barrel off Hwy 96 and Interstate 24 in Murfreesboro on Chafin place, and carpool to the trailhead leaving at 7:30am SHARP!

It will take just over an hour to arrive at the trailhead, and expect the hike to take about 5.5 hours.



Bring a light lunch to enjoy at Ravens Point as we look over the valley.

RSVPs will be strictly monitored. Group sizes are limited for safety. Please be kind and let the organizer know if you have to cancel. Please register on our website if you intend to attend this event.

Cracker Barrel 4210 Franklin Commons Ct Franklin, TN 37067 South Cumberland State Park 11745 US 41 Monteagle, TN 37356

# **Beaver Creek Trip Report**

### By Stephanie Fields

What a lovely little group we had for an even lovelier destination. Smaller than normal trip, but we still had 12 people. Two of our guests stayed only through Wednesday but Linda and Kimberly added so much to our fun while they were with us.

Travel, of course, looked a bit different this year. Everyone in masks, some in additional protective gear, but the airports were super easy to navigate! It's quite a strange time in life for sure. Our flights were easy and arrived safely in Eagle/Vail to waiting shuttles, the drivers of which were wonderful!

Our lodging had been changed to honor the two-household per unit rule. Our reservations were for 'studios' which are basically hotel rooms. Not even well-designed hotel rooms. But the location could not have been better. We scored enough actual condos to have kitchens and manage some social evening within the group.

The Charter is well-appointed and designed in an old-world style. It's just a couple minute walk from the Village and offers a skiway behind the building where you can ski out to Chair 14 (Elkhorn Lift) and you can ski back in as well....if you can find the path. It is a bit easy to miss.

Some found it Day One, others took a couple wrong turns and one person may have taken the wrong skiway entirely and ended up in moguls, on a private home access road with waist deep powder and ultimately a residential street. That skier would be me, Stephanie.

Luckily, Beaver Creek operates a really great transportation system. Village Connect is like Uber for the Village Shuttles. Luckily, you can also call them if you're not really sure where you are.

We arrived to good weather and a couple bluebird days, with the need for a little snow. Great first day conditions on Sunday, though it was mildly busy for a COVID world. On Monday, many of the other skiers vanished, along with a little of the snow in spots.

Tuesday brought a cool, gray morning but then broke to over 40 degrees, banishing a little more of the snow. Many people took Wednesday off. It was pre-planned that way. but the forecast made the decision a good one.

Rain was forecast for the morning, with that turning to snow with potential for up to 8" overnight. Joe and Judy were our pass holders that squeezed ski time in every single day. They enjoyed the falling snow on Wednesday, which continued to fall in heaps. We enjoyed a nice happy hour in newcomers Teri and Bart Hanners and Bob Hamilton's condo as we watched the snow pile up!

Thursday arrived and with it, the beauty of freshly landed powder. Everywhere. Lots of it. The total reported was 15" of accumulation overnight. All that skied said it was a huge day!! Joe and Judy topped the day with nearly 28,000 vertical feet! Lots of lifts were ridden that day.

Friday brought a little more snow, along with cold and windy conditions. The last day ended up being the shortest ski day of the week. But we were able to cap off the week with a fantastic dinner. We had the treat of being able to have dinner at the resort.

Black Diamond Bistro is a fantastic dining experience. It was an unexpected bonus in being able to dine together, something mostly banned for a group our size under restrictions. But we had two tables of five, separated just by a few feet and we felt a great sense of togetherness as we laughed and made fun plans for additional ways to visit our new friends from west of us!

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All in all, a fantastic trip. Beaver Creek, with the addition of Bachelor Gulch and Arrowhead areas is enough mountain for a week trip. We were convenient to everything, had no injuries and no travel hiccups. Ah, yes....it was the very thing some weary of the world ski clubbers needed ~ to dance with the mountain. Beaver Creek is an excellent mountain dance partner!

Find more photos from this trip and all our events on our website: http://nashvilleskiclub.org/photos















## **Don't Let Your Miles Expire!**

Due to the pandemic, many of us are not traveling like we normally do and so we're not accumulating frequent flyer miles as we normally would. While some airlines' miles don't expire, others will if there is no activity in your frequent flyer account.

One of the easiest ways to extend your miles balance is to use shopping portals for your online purchases. Even for mileage programs that don't expire, you can use these portals to add to your mileage balance to make that next trip just a few miles closer to reality. Buying something as cheap as an iTune can extend the life of your miles until you have the chance to fly again.

Here are a few airlines where you may have points stashed along with their account expirations dates and shopping portal links. Next month we'll show you how to extend your miles by dining out!

AAdvantage miles expire after 18 months of inactivity. Persons under age 21 are exempt from this rule. <u>Find the AAdvantage shopping portal</u> here. Mileage Plan miles expire after 24 months of inactivity. Find the Mileage Plan shopping portal here. Alaska will be joining the oneworld alliance in March.



Alaska.

Avios expire after 36 months of inactivity. <u>Find</u> the Avios shopping portal here. Avios are great for short, non-stop flights on AA.

SkyMiles do not expire but it's always nice to have a way to earn more! Find the SkyMiles shopping portal here.





MileagePlus miles do not expire but it's always nice to have a way to earn more! <u>Find the MileagePlus shopping portal here</u>.

Rapid Rewards miles do not expire but it's always nice to have a way to earn more! Find the Rapid Rewards shopping portal here.





TrueBlue miles do not expire but it's always nice to have a way to earn more! <u>Find the TrueBlue shopping portal here</u>.

Hawaiian Miles expire after 18 months of inactivity. Find the Hawaiian Miles shopping portal here.





## Snowmass, Colorado

### March 13-20, 2021

Since we didn't get to take our trip to Snowmass last season, we'll wrap up the 2020-2021 ski season with our Families Trip to Snowmass, Colorado! While we welcome everyone, we're especially encouraging families with children to attend this trip as it will occur during many schools' spring break.

We'll be back at Top of the Village condos, a ski-in/ski-out lodge that is located near the base of Snowmass, next to the lifts and restaurants. Most of our condos are 2-bedroom/2-bath but there are some 3-bedroom condos available.



We will be flying into Aspen and from there it's only a 15-minute ride to the Top of the Village condos. As usual we'll work with Black Tie Ski Rentals to have our equipment brought to us. Snowmass lift tickets are good at the other Aspen-area resorts too: Aspen Mountain, Buttermilk, Aspen Highlands.

We will have a great time! There are 32 lodging spots reserved and 32 air spots reserved. While there is a possibility we will be able to expand, we'd have to do so early because Top of the Village sells out quickly since it is so popular.

**Lodging:** Top of the Village Condos - 2BR/2BA condos, some 3BR units, ski-in/ski-out

#### Full Package includes:

- Round-trip Air from Nashville to Aspen, CO (ASE)
- Mountain transfers
- 7 nights lodging (2 per room)
- 5-day lift ticket
- club dinner and socials



**Pricing:** Full package including 5-day lift ticket: \$2456

Land-only (excludes air): \$1694

Adjustments available for 0-4-day or 6-day lift tickets or Ikon Passes.

Trip leader: Kelly Frizzell - kelly.frizzell@gmail.com - 615.969.0231

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# Nashville Ski Club 2020-2021 Membership Application

For the <u>fastest and easiest</u> way to join, <u>go to www.NashvilleSkiClub.org</u>

Single Membership \$35.00 Family	Membership \$55.00 All memberships on this form expire 07/31/2021	
SINGLE membership is defined as an individual adult, 21 years of age or older. FAMILY membership – family is defined as: (A) a married couple, or B) a married couple with any related offspring under 21 years of age, or (C) individual adult with any related offspring under 21 years of age.		
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IF FAMILY M'SHIP, Spouse's name (First Name—Last Name) F Spouse's D.O.B/ Spouse's Email address		
М	Make checks payable to: Nashville Ski Club, Inc.	
Child (First-Last) age 20 & under F Child D.O.B/	Mail application with payment to:	
М	NSC Membership; PO Box 291592; Nashville TN 37229-1592	
Child (First-Last) age 20 & under F Child D.O.B/	Online Membership and electronic payment available	
M	www.NashvilleSkiClub.org	
Child (First-Last) age 20 & under F Child D.O.B/	Questions? info@NashvilleSkiClub.org	
Child (First-Last) age 20 & under F Child D.O.B/	Or Phone 615.732.2000	
Release of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement		
Release of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement  This Agreement is made and entered into thisday of, 20, by and between the Nashville Ski Club, Inc. andwho is entering into/renewing membership by payment of dues. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows: I hereby appoint the Nashville Ski Club, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the 'Club') to perform necessary acts deemed desirable in connection with planning and leading any ski trips or other social/activity functions in my behalf. I understand the Club acts as coordinator only and accepts no responsibility for the services of any person or agent, ski are, airline or motor coach, hotel or condominium, ski council or association, or any organization whatsoever rendering any of the services or accommodations being offered on any trip or activity. Ski trip and other activity fees are based on current tariffs and are subject to change without notice. The Club accepts no responsibility in whole or in part for any delays, delayed departures or arrivals, missed plane or carrier connections, loss, damage or injury to person or property, mechanical defect or failure of any nature howsoever caused, or for any substitution of hotels or common carrier, with or without notice or for any additional expenses occasioned thereby.  Ifully understand that the Club is a voluntary association run by volunteer officers and Board Members who have no special or professional training in conducting ski trips and other activities. By participating, I do not rely on the expertise of any director, officer, activity coordinator, legal counsel or the agents of any of the foregoing; delivery of goods and services as described is the responsibility of the contracted vendors. Further, I realize that skiing, as well as many other outdoor activities, has innate danger that may result in physical injury or death. I acknowledge that these risks may be known or unknown.  Since safety is directly ti		
Signature (X) Spouse's	s Signature (required if family membership) (X)	
How did you hear about the NSC?  ( ) Referral from NSC Member		
( ) Ski/Sports Shop ( ) Radio/TV/Newspaper/Other: ( ) I am a Former Member ( ) Email ( ) Facebook ( ) Twitter ( ) Instagram ( ) Meet-up ( ) Web search		
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The Nashville Ski Club, Inc. (NSC) is a non-profit membership organization promoting snow skiing and snowboarding in the Middle Tennessee area. All trips and events are run by volunteers. Membership is on an annual basis from August 1 to July 31. The cost for new members is \$35 single, and \$55 family memberships and is non-refundable. The NSC is a member of the Crescent Ski Council (CSC), an association of ski clubs located in the southeastern United States. All CSC privileges are extended to NSC members. LIFT LINES is the official newsletter of the Nashville Ski Club, Inc., and is published monthly. Nashville Ski Club, Inc., P.O. Box 291592, Nashville, Tennessee, 37229-1592