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Trail Sweepings

The Newsletter of the
Trailsweepers Snow & Sports Club, Inc.

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Annual Almost Summer Bash

Saturday June 8th, 2019. 12-5 PM

Don't miss this fun picnic/party!

This is our annual BBQ picnic under the pavilion of the **George Freer Park** along the Hudson in Port Ewen. Rain or shine but we are due for some sunshine!

Join us for the Almost Summer Bash picnic on **Saturday, June 8th at noon**. Here is what will be happening before and during the picnic

- Kayaking and biking in the morning.
- Great food, volleyball, horseshoe pitch (bring your set), and great company

Details:

- Club will provide beer and other beverages (including water), burgers, hot-dogs, and grilled chicken.
- **Members are to bring salads, desserts and other dishes to share.**
- **Morning Kayaking meeting at Freer Park pavilion:**
 - o Meet at 10 am ready to paddle and then party in the afternoon!
 - o Any questions, call Yvonne, 845-417-7144 or Kayak John, 518-719-0490
- **Morning Biking meeting at Freer Park beach:**
 - o Meet at 8:30 am for a C+/B pace ride (will be riding 33mi. at a pace of 15 mph average)
 - o The route is on *Ride with GPS* at <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/5011277>
 - o Possible shorter, easier ride – call Jim T. for further info at 845-331-2324

*Non Member Friends/Family are welcome – it's a great way to introduce them to the club! Cost of picnic for Non Members is **\$5** (a good price for a picnic!)*

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TSSC Roster 2019-2020

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After the Holidays Party

Karen Spinozzi 845-338-0626

Fall Kickoff Party

Janet Mihm 845-246-1742

Spring Banquet

Sharon Kenny 845-240-4113

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WoW! Another month has flown by. Hard to believe I have pen in hand already (literally) for another "President's Corner".

President's Corner



We have had three Happy Hours, two Kayaks one at North & South Lake, one at The Great Swamp and unfortunately, the third at Saugerties Beach was cancelled due to weather conditions. Both paddles were lead by Yvonne B, hopefully, John H will be able to join in the near future. There have been a variety of bike rides and we have much more to look forward to, but always open to more suggestions.

The Spring Party at Frank Guido's Little Italy which was organized by Diana Z and Sharon K once again was enjoyed by 61 guests consisting of members, HVSC members and other friends. A new attraction of the Baskets of Cheer Raffle was a welcome success, thanks to the donations and volunteer efforts from our new Fund Raising Committee Sharon K, Kathy Q and Skip A. The DJ music enticed most to put their happy feet on while dancing to new, old and favorite tunes.

The Calendar Year Planning Meeting and the Vote on the Interim Summer Budget was successful and attended by 19 members. A variety of pizza provided by the club from Steve's on Rt 28 and several tantalizing side dishes created additional comfort at our hosts, Dale and Diana Z. Thank you for your hospitality. We came up with a great number of activities for the future making sure everyone keeps busy.

The club was looking for someone new to run the 50/50 at our meetings. Jean P is now our Secretary and as good as she is, she just cannot do both tasks at once. Rob Fletcher has been kind enough to step in and take on the 50/50. A second duty that Jean maintained was, Programs. I believe it is difficult for this task to be on one member's shoulders. A favorable alternative consisting of two or three members on a committee has been implemented and Rob Fletcher has also volunteered to head this committee. Everyone, please feel free to forward any ideas (not all need to be club related). Thank you Rob.

A third issue we are faced with, however, not discussed at last night's meeting, is the Scrapbook. If one, two or three people could get together and work on this, it would be greatly appreciated by all.

Let's not forget, even though it's warm out now, there are plenty of Hikes being planned for the fall and Ski Trips to get ready for this winter. Such information will be forwarded as I receive it.

Stay Fit and Stay Safe.

Lisa Olivett
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Val d'Isère, France

2/29/20- 3/8/20

\$2,800.00 p.p.

Club Med - all inclusive:

Lodging.

Airfare.

Bus fares.

Tips and gratuities.

6 day lift ticket.

Guide/instructors.

All meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner).

open bar (all day everyday).

Trip Leader: Richard Fick.

Deposit holds your spot!

Payment schedule:

May \$500 (on signup)

June \$500

July, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov is \$360 per/month

Registration Form for Val d'Isère France 2/29-3/8 2020

Lodging is based on double occupancy - prices are per person (2 per room)

Price TOTAL Cost: \$2,800.00



Name: _____

Email: _____

Tell number(s): _____

Roommate: _____

Deposit of \$500.00/person due with registration.

Balance due by December 1, 2019 (*please note payment schedule above*).

If you cancel, there will be a minimum cancellation charge of \$100.00 .

You Must have **valid Passport** with an expiration date of **no sooner than 10/2020**.

Make checks payable to "TSSC" and note the destination on the memo line. Checks only. Please make additional payments on or before the balance due date. Failure to make payments on time may result in forfeiting of trip.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

You must be a member of Trailsweepers Ski Club or a ski club affiliated with the New Jersey Ski Council.

The minimum cancellation charge is \$100. Cancellation requests must be in writing and will take effect on the date they are received by the trip leader. Anyone who cancels from a trip will be assessed cancellation charges per our contract with the vendors. Whatever the club does not recover, the person who cancels will not recover, plus the minimum cancellation charge, however, the charges will not exceed the total cost of the trip.

Return this completed registration with initial payment to:

Richard Fick,

P.O. Box 656, Walden, NY, 12586

Make checks payable to "TSSC"

rjee@msn.com -Tel: 914-443-4060

2019 Kayaking Schedule

This year we have an ambitious schedule as a result of the input we received at our annual kayak planning meeting. There are a total of 18 planned trips and some possible moonlight trips. Yvonne will keep you posted regarding these (moonlight paddles). Most of the midweek trips start at 2 pm. while the weekend trips usually start at 10 am. Be sure to check this schedule for each trip as times do vary. **We would like to shove off at the times shown for each trip so plan on being at each event a half hour before the scheduled departure time so you have time to unpack and get ready to rumble!!**



Dates, places, times, and description are noted below. Trips are usually a go if it is sunny, cloudy, or a little bit of rain. They are cancelled if weather is not conducive to paddling! Make sure you have the proper equipment to paddle. Life jacket a must.

Date	Time	Meeting Place	Paddle info
Tue. May 7	2:00 PM	North and South Lake in Haines Falls	Easy paddle. Relative short distance.
Sun. May 19	10:00 AM	Great Swamp on Rt. 22 in Patterson, NY	Fun paddle in a swamp. Not the Hudson River Relatively long. Info will be forthcoming.
Tue. May 28	2:00 PM	Saugerties Beach by the main bridge in Saugerties	Easy up the creek with a paddle!
Tue. June 4	2:00 PM	Sleightsburg launch on the Rondout Creek	Easy up the creek with a paddle!
Sat. June 8	10:00 AM	Freer Park Port Ewen	Almost summer bash picnic at the park.
Sun. June 16	10:00 AM	Bashakill Wildlife Refuge. Wurtsboro, NY	New trip. Information forthcoming.
Tue. June 25	10 AM Tide dependent	Dutchman's Landing, Catskill. Ramshorn Preserve	Easy, meandering paddle in a tiny creek.
Tue. July 2	2:00 PM	Kingston Point Beach	Paddle on the Hudson.
Sat. July 13	10:00 AM	Plum Point launch, below Newburgh Bannerman's Island	Paddle across the Hudson River to explore Bannerman's Island.
Tue. July 16	2:00 PM	Norrie Point State Park in Staatsburg, NY	New launch site this year. Paddle on the Hudson.
Sat. July 27	10:00 AM	Town Dock, Coxsackie.	Paddle on the Hudson.
Tue. Aug 6	2:00 PM	Rider Park, Kingston	Rider Park, Kingston
Sun. Aug 18	10:00 AM	Lock 1 head towards Albany Corning Preserve. Troy	Go through Lock 1 and head south. More details Will follow.
Tue. Aug 27	2:00 PM	Kingston Point Beach	A paddle and ski club picnic. Bring food to share & a beverage.

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Sept. 6-8	10:00 AM	Lake George trip	Info to follow from Yvonne—Weekend trip.
Tue. Sep 17	2:00 PM	Cheviot Dock launch Cheviot, NY	Paddle on the Hudson
Sept. 21-22	10:00 AM	Thimble Islands--Connecticut	Info will follow from Yvonne—possible day/weekend trip.
Sat. Sept 28	11:00 AM	Dutchman's Landing--Catskill	Last trip of the season—picnic to follow

- **Overnight at Lake George**—Launch from mainland at Huletts Landing/ Marina then paddle to state owned island and camp at a NYS campsite. We will need a head count of people seriously interested. Yvonne will have more details as time gets closer. Must bring camping equipment, food, etc. and carry everything in kayak.

- **Thimble Islands** trip leaving from Connecticut can be a one-day trip or a weekend trip camping or hoteling depending on your schedule. Yvonne will send out details from this also.

There are unofficial moonlight paddles on June 17, July 16, and Aug. 15. Yvonne will send out an e-mail regarding launch points.

For the last trip on Sept. 29, we will have a picnic at Dutchman's Landing in Catskill—we will provide hamburgers and dogs. Bring drinks, snacks to share, and chair.

If you have questions, please contact Yvonne at 845-481-2898(home) 845-417-7144(cell) or Kayak John at 518-719-0490 .

See you on the water!!! paddle on!!!

Kayaking the Great Swamp.

The weather couldn't have been better, bright and sunny with occasional clouds and it actually reached 80 degrees.

Another glorious floating paddle through the swamp with water levels about 3/4 feet higher this year due to the recent rains.

Yes 12 crafts and 14 paddlers. Skip and I were once again in the “barge” and Roberta and Kate in a canoe. (I must say stolen) Not really but it had been painted by someone when they bought it which leads to suspicion.....

There was abundant wild life from blue herons, those loud black birds, egrets, turtles, snakes, and many beaver lodges but not a beaver to be seen but I bet they saw us.

It is always an adventure paddling through the swamp. Nature has once again had downed a few trees. And yes we had with us our “TRUSTY” Mark Zander with his chain saw and tree pole puller. He has become a regular swamp paddler with us and looks forward to next year. He is our her.... well maybe.

Our paddling time was less this year due to the increase of current. Maybe next year we will change it up so we will paddle against the current from Green Chimney's and then turn around and float back down. I must say the most challenging portion is always from Green Chimneys to our take out past the bridge.

It is the adventure that makes a great journey.

It was a good day followed by food and libation at The Carriage House.

Paddle on,
Yvonne and John who we hope to see on the next paddle.

Note from the editor: Yvonne submitted a bunch of pictures that could not be extracted from her email. Please contact her directly. yab1946@gmail.com

May 14, 2019 Meeting Summary

by Jean Pavone, Secretary

15 Members were in attendance. Lisa called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Spring Party and Awards Report:

The party was held at Frank Guido's Little Italy banquet room; 61 members and guests attended; the Board's Fundraising Committee, (Sharon Kenny, Kathie Quick and Skip Alford) raffled off 9 large baskets of assorted items donated by the Tomassetis, the Ziegenfelders, Sharon, Kathie and Skip, and raised \$530; Past President Vivien Griffin, who was presented with the President's plaque, gave awards to members who served as officers, board members, or chaired events during the 2018-2019 year.

Kayak Report: The first paddle of the season was held on Tuesday, May 7th at North & South Lake in Haines Falls. Eight members participated in this easy paddle.

Daniel Desmedt, our newsletter editor and club's website webmaster, is suggesting the club having a backup person to take over, whenever needed.

Lisa asked if anyone would be willing to take over the 50/50 Raffle & and for a few people to work together on programs that are often held at our club meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Dale Z. as he is still treasurer until May 31st when our fiscal year ends. Dave Wise will assume the Treasurer's duties on June 1st.

Board Report: Board members will be running the Almost Summer Bash picnic on June 8 at Freer Park in Port Ewen. They are set with all aspects of putting on this picnic.

The Board also voted to give out the new 2½" round TSSC stickers to members when they renew their memberships and to new members when they join the club. The Board also voted that the new 7"x3" TSSC bumper stickers would be sold for \$1 each.



The board voted to charge \$5 extra to anyone who is not a member of our sister club, Hudson Valley Ski Club or another club within the NJSSC, for the following events: The Almost Summer Bash; The Kick Off Party; After the Holidays Party; and The Spring Banquet.

The May 28th Planning Meeting and Summer Budget Vote will take place at Dale & Diana Z's home. The club will provide pizza. Lisa suggested that members bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert to share and a beverage to drink. Pizza will be provided at 6 PM, and the meeting will start at 7 P.M.

Members have expressed an interest in reviving the Softball Game & Picnic held with Hudson Valley Ski Club. It was decided to discuss the idea further at the Planning Meeting on May 28th.

Lisa indicated that she has the link to the Trailsweepers Administrative Guide Book for any officers or board members who wish to access the site.

50/50 Report: \$25 was collected. The winning ticket was Bill Harper. Bill donated his winnings back to the club. Thank you Bill!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

May 28th Planning Meeting & Interim Budget Vote Summary

The meeting was held at the home of Dale & Diana Z. (Thank You!). The fog finally lifted and the view overlooking the Ashokan Reservoir was as beautiful as ever. 17 members attended meeting quorum requirements for the interim budget vote, and the meeting was called to order at 7:21 P.M.

The interim budget of \$3,160 to carry the club through October, when the full budget is presented to the club, was presented by Dale, as Treasurer, moved and seconded by Mark Bailey and Dave Cardall, and passed unanimously. Then Lisa started the planning portion of the club meeting when events, activities and parties are added to the club calendar. All members present on May 28 contributed to this planning process with ideas and/or offering to lead these activities. All events & outings are subject to being sanctioned by the Board before they are published in the newsletter, on our website, or from an email blast from the president.

The 50/50 Raffle will now be chaired by Rob Fletcher. Rob Fletcher & Sharon Kenny have volunteered to co-chair the Program Committee. They asked that if members have ideas or would like to be part of setting up any one program, please contact them or Lisa, who will then pass along the information to Rob and Sharon.

Sharon K. reminded members that they can suggest ideas or help with the Board's Fundraising Committee at any time. One future fundraising idea being considered is revitalizing a Pig Roast, which Skip is offering to lead.

Here are some of the tentative events for the Club Calendar:

June 8 Almost Summer Bash picnic run by the Board; The ongoing kayaking program led by Yvonne & Kayak John; Mike Griffin to chair a joint picnic & softball game with Hudson Valley Ski Club; Mike will also lead an event at the Saratoga Race Track in August, date TBA; Jean will run another July Mini Putt outing and group dinner afterward; Jean & Jackie will lead another Tanglewood outing in July; Skip & Yvonne will chair the Hiking for this year with the traditional John Brooks Memorial North Lake Hike & Picnic starting the program in early October. They are looking for leaders for all the individual hikes this season & will be announcing a meeting for any interested hike leaders. Level of hikes can be easier to more ambitious. Hikes will also be considered in conjunction with a kayaking outing if there is a suitable place to hike; A cycle and hike at the Port Jervis Water Shed Recreation Area was suggested by Janet Mihm and is tentatively set for the end of June; the Kick Off Party was scheduled for November led by Janet again; the Holiday dinner and Cookie Bake Off will take place again in December; Rob F will organize two Hunter ski days (dates to be announced) this coming winter; & Diana Z. will start exploring venues to hold the **TSSC 70th Anniversary (!!) on May 4, 2020 – SAVE THIS DATE!**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M. We were then treated to Dale playing for a few minutes on his pipe organ. Thank you Dale!

Weekly Bike Rides

These rides are organized by fellow club members and are not sponsored or sanctioned by the club.

Mountain Bike Rides

Wednesdays:

We meet at Trapps lower parking lot every Wednesday, biking at Mohonk.

Rides **leave** at 5:30 till about 8pm.

Followed by beer, soda and pizza at "Village Pizza".

We have both B and C groups riding now, neither group will leave anybody behind.



Contact **Rick Fick** to get on his email distribution list rjje@msn.com or 914-443-4060

Hybrid Bike Rides

Mondays:

Hudson Valley Rail Trails Rides: (C-level or slower rides). The rides **start** at 6 PM . Each Monday we rotate between:



Tony Williams park
Paige Lumber (Rte 55)
Boces in New Paltz
Rosendale
Hurley

All beginners welcomed. Don't forget we tailgate after the ride, so feel free to bring something to share.

Contact **Rick Fick** to get on his email distribution list rjje@msn.com or 914-443-4060

Road Bike Rides

Thursdays:

The Thursday evening road rides start from Dietz Stadium, **leaving** at 6PM.

There will be A and B groups.



Jim Tomassetti is the contact:
jtskirat@gmail.com or 331-2324

Happy Hours

A few times a month, the club members meet at an area bar or eatery. Join us for a couple of hours of libation and friendly conversation.



Check for last minute changes on our Website at trailsweepers.org/calendar.html

June

- 7 **Mariners Harbor**, 1 Broadway, Kingston
- 21 **Front Street Tavern**, 63 North Front Street, in Kingston

Upcoming Events

Check for last minute changes on our Website at trailsweepers.org/calendar.html

Regular Meetings:

At 7:30 PM on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at TONY'S PIZZERIA, 582 Broadway, Kingston. Varies during holidays, check Website calendar above.

June

- 8 **Almost Summer Bash**
- 11 **NO First Meeting during summer months.**
- 18 **Meeting**
- 23 **YMCA Annual Tour de Kingston**

For Sale

Women's Fuji C 10 Supreme Carbon Road Bike.

Small 50 cm.

Used 3 Seasons and well maintained by Bike Brothers (Dave Schlede)

Asking \$1,000.

845-246-1742

Kayaks:

Hobie Mirage Drive; price new \$1995 + \$165 tax. (note: the Mirage Drive option by itself sells for \$650). TWO for sale @ \$890 ea., but buy the pair for \$1650 and the car roof double mounting rack comes **free!** Includes paddles, seat, and car tie downs.

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Details and pictures on trailsweepers.org/fleamarket