

The Lebanon Ski and Sport Club met at Heisey's Diner on November 13, 2018. Approximately 34 people attended. President Jane Miller called the meeting to order at 7:34 P.M.

Happy Veteran's Day to all who served.

Minutes were posted to the Ski Club website for review prior to the meeting. Motion made to approve meeting minutes as posted on website, motion by Gerald Kreider and seconded by Don Bemederfer.

Gordon Shutter then gave the Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$36,776.45
Deposits	\$25,762.00
Expenses	<u>\$ 9,484.18</u>
Month end balance	\$53,054.27

Motion made by Deb Binkley to accept and seconded by Jack Billmyer.

Reviewed Upcoming Winter Trips:

Killington trip – January 16 to 18: Deb has 34 people signed up and still room available. The bus will leave in the morning at 9:00 a.m. from Sunset. Please pack your lunch for the ride up.

Elk/Montage weekender – January 4 and 5: The Dandy Little Trip. Ron Birch is the trip leader. Book the Comfort Suites at a bit cheaper rate and has a hot tub. Phone number is available in the newsletter. Manzoni's is the dinner restaurant and Ron will make reservations. Book your hotel on your own and then let Ron know as he will coordinate lift tickets.

Aspen/Snowmass Trip – February 9 to 16: No bus is available to get to the Philly airport. Everyone will need to carpool/drive on their own. The mountain is opening on the 17th. Gordie will send out an email to everyone to let them know the final payment amount. He will also send out the trip itinerary. Let Gordie know if anyone wants a six day pass. There is a variety of options for the "rest day." Nothing will be planned as a group.

Whitefish – March 2 to 9: Currently 33 people are signed up. There is a bus going to Newark. There will be some planned side trips to Glacier. Do need a single male for air/room. There are still rooms available but not air.

Other News:

Make sure you are paid up on your 2018-2019 memberships.

December meeting is the Christmas dinner. There will be multiple prizes and surprises.

January's meeting will be about heliskiing.

February meeting will be modified as many will be on the Aspen/Snowmass trip. More details to come.

Blue Mountain Ski Group. Currently there are three, week day passes at Blue Mountain on sale for \$99. Jack and Ken will be collecting names and contact information of those who are interested to ski during the week. Will need to purchase tickets on your own. There may be additional specials for Black Friday as well.

Tonight's Program – World Cup Ski and Cycle:

- The guest speaker is Lee Gonder from World Cup Ski and Cycle in Camp Hill.
- The focus in the ski industry is all about light weight – poles, skis, jackets, etc. Using concepts of car racing in terms of lighter and faster.
- Showed and discussed the following skis:
 - Atomic Vantage women's ski that has less materials in the middle and adjusting the material on the sides. Has a wood core with metal called titanium tank mesh.
 - Stockli – a Swiss ski company. Everything is done by hand during the build of the ski. Unique feel when skiing on them. The top sheet of the ski is metal and the graphic doesn't scratch or chip.
 - Head Kore – the ski's top sheet is polyester fleece. Keeps the top durable and creates a lot of surface area. Graphene is the strongest material known to man. It bends well and has great capabilities. They use this in tennis rackets as well.
 - Liberty – small ski company originally based out of Colorado. Built with bamboo core as well as carbon. Vertically laminated metal instead of the typical horizontal sandwich layers. Super smooth and great grip. .
 - The sizes compared to older skis are slightly different due to contact points and the material used. Most skis are cambered (bent in center) with contact points at tip and back of ski. Now skis may be built as rockers and the contact points are all different. Rockers are used to provide more versatility. However there are differences in the rockers compared to East or West skiing. Majority are still universal right or left skis.
 - The value in the ski industry is \$599 with binding right now across the board.
- Updates to the boots:
 - Lighter boots is the trend. On average, boots way 8 pounds each. The new boots are about 6 pounds each. The shell is different with less material in certain places and used different materials to keep it lighter than traditional boots.
 - Most boots carried in the shop are heat moldable not only the inside but the outside. New technology allows the heating to all occur ahead of time and less issues while skiing the first few times.
 - Head has a new boot that is liquid fit. It mostly around the ankle and heel area. It is heat moldable as well. The material can be added or removed depending on fit and feel.
 - Talked about Apex boots – a boot you can unstrap and walk in after skiing. Not a bad boot but not as performance based.
- Updates on poles:
 - Scott is making the poles with the hand grips again.
- Bindings:
 - Best advice – ski fast as everything will come off! Bindings are set with a machine in the shop. All based on height, weight, age and ski ability.
 - Types of binding settings: -1, 1, 2, 3, or +3. Average skier is 2. 1 is a beginner or timid skier. Type 3 is faster and more difficult slopes and do not want binding to come off. +3 skis stay on no matter way. -1 skis come off when sneezing. Under 10, get bumped down a level. 50 and over, get knocked down a level.
 - Bindings do get outdated – no longer safe or usable. So then have to get new ones.
- Footbeds
 - Used a lot more back in the day to help fit the boots back in the day. But now that heat molding is used, just need support under the foot. Lots of options for footbeds as well.

If interested in board positions, please let Anne know as there will be a few open positions.

Working on planning spring and summer events as well as 2020 ski trips. Jack mentioned the board is currently researching locations with Vail Resorts for slope side lodging and using the Epic pass to capitalize on discounts. Possibly three separate trips throughout the ski season.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m. The next meeting will be held December 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Allison
Secretary