



March 2019 Update

www.omahaskiclub.org

2018-2019 Season's Trips Completed

All of this season's trips have been completed.

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Time to renew your membership...

In accordance with Article II, section 4.C. of our bylaws, membership applications received will now be valid through the 2019-2020 season, until May 31, 2020. Memberships increase by \$5 after September 30th. See page 9 for a membership application.

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Three Board Positions to Be Filled this May

The terms of three of our board members, Phil Bintz, Teri Hammon and Bill Hronek, expire at the end of May. This leaves three board positions to be filled at this May's election. Any current member can run for a board position; anyone interested should contact one of two people: our president, Phil Bintz, at 402-630-4753 (president@omahaskiclub.org) or our secretary, Ben Novograd, at 402-291-5704 (secretary@omahaskiclub.org). The club bylaws require us to prepare and distribute the election ballots to current members by two weeks before the election party; to do this, we need candidate information by the end of April. Ballots will be mailed during the first week of May.

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If you would like to run for a board position, now is the time!

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Upcoming Events

March 24th (Sunday) 5:00 p.m.

**Social Gathering and Utah Post-Trip Party
Legends Grill and Patio, 6920 Pacific St, Omaha**

At the former Caniglia's location on the north side of Pacific St a little east of 72nd St. Everyone welcome

April 12th (Friday) 7:00 p.m.

**Board Meeting
Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha**

At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

April 16th (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.

**Italian Buffet Dinner
Valentino's, 5022 S 108th St, Omaha**

On the west side of 108th St a little south of O St. All members welcome.

May 7th (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.

Board Meeting

Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha

At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

May 19th (Sunday) 5:00 p.m.

Election Party

El Siebert's residence, 3215 Belvedere Blvd

All members (new and old) welcome. Bring a side dish to share and BYOB.

June 4th (Tuesday) 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting

Peony Park Hy-Vee #5, 7910 Cass St, Omaha

At the north end of 78th St beyond Cass St. All members welcome.

Do you have an IKON Pass?

This year, we are planning trips around the IKON Pass. ***NOW*** would be the perfect time to purchase your pass. As we plan for trips, the IKON BASE Pass will get you unlimited access to Copper Mountain and Winter Park. It will also get you 5 days at Steamboat where we will be for the FSA trip. If you had an IKON Pass last year, your cost will be \$619, otherwise the cost will be \$649. ***This price is good only until April 24th.*** After that date the price increases to \$749. They do offer discounts on child passes with the purchase of an Adult IKON Pass. More information can be found at <https://www.ikonpass.com>.

Teri Hammon
VP Trips

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FLatland SKI Association

STEAMBOAT 2019

SKI AND RACE WEEK WRAP UP



CONGRATULATIONS to all of the clubs and individual who competed in the various races this year at Steamboat. Special congratulations to those winning medals, and to the clubs taking top honors! Thanks to all the Race Chairs, FSA Club Representatives, and Trip Captains for all of your hard work to make this event a success! A special “THANKS” to Penny Morgan for once again ordering the trophies, medals, and special awards. And for the great new look this year, too!



- 1st Place – **Kansas City** (2,833 Points)
- 2nd Place – **Tulsa** (2,720 Points)
- 3rd Place – **Cornhuskers** (2,184 Points)
- 4th Place – **Oklahoma City** (1,949 Points)
- 5th Place – **Omaha** (1,072 Points)
- 6th Place – **Columbia** (788 Points)
- 7th Place – **St. Louis** (486 Points)
- 8th Place – **Topeka** (306 Points)
- 9th Place – **Wichita** (222 Points)



Each club’s Race Chair received a copy of all of the race results, so you can contact *your* Race Chair for more detail, or visit the FSA’s Website: www.flatlandski.org.

In addition to the medals and team trophies, the FSA also hands out special awards each year. More information on these can be found at www.flatlandski.org, too!



The **Judy Cup** is awarded by the FSA Board in recognition of someone who exemplifies the spirit of the FSA. It is awarded in honor of Judy Nania of the St. Louis Ski Club, a true Flatlander and racing fan! This year’s winner was **Bill Nees** from the Kansas City Ski Club. Bill has been an enthusiastic participant, racer, and volunteer for the FSA for many years, in addition to serving his own ski club. He’s always encouraging others to participate and willing to provide racing tips. Congratulations, Bill, and thanks for your service!

The **Dave Vannett Trophy** is awarded by the Race Committee in recognition of someone who has contributed to the spirit of racing with the FSA. It is presented in memory of Dave Vannett, a true racing enthusiast! This year the committee chose **Charlie Wood** from the Oklahoma City Ski Club as the recipient. Charlie has been a member of the Oklahoma City Ski Club since 1984 and was recruited by Dave Vannett. He is always helpful and encouraging, and promotes the FSA and racing both in his own club and throughout the FSA. Congratulations, Charlie, and thanks!





As you know, the FSA selected **STARS** (*Steamboat Adaptive Recreational Sports*) as the nonprofit we would support this year and in 2020. STARS was formed 12 years ago to help provide improved winter recreational programs and equipment for people with disabilities, underprivileged youth, and other programs for veterans. Over the years they have also expanded to offer summer programs, too, and they're in the process of opening a new ranch this coming summer.

We're happy to announce that this year we netted **\$2,956.00** for STARS between our raffle ticket sales and direct contributions made to them at the Welcome Party. Thanks so much for your support. And, if you'd still like to do something, visit their Website at www.steamboatstars.com!

Of course, nothing gets done without dedicated officers and volunteers, either! In addition to all of the club representatives and club race chairs, we want to give a special thank those who served on our board or in other ways for 2018-2019. (*And thanks to all of the unnamed volunteers who pitched in and helped in so many different ways. You're greatly appreciated!*)

Michael Messimore (*Tulsa*) – President
Scott Branum (*Kansas City*) – Vice President
Candy Girth (*St. Louis*) – Secretary
Mary Herring (*Kansas City*) – Treasurer
Matt Knechtel (*Kansas City*) – Past President
Paul Snyder (*St. Louis*) – Activities Director
Kelli Kinnamon (*Oklahoma City*) – Race Director
Ryan Breeding (*Oklahoma City*) – Race Assistant/Race Data
Daphne Reitz (*Kansas City*) – Webmaster

And, congratulations to those who have been elected to serve, or continue to serve, for 2019- 2020. Thanks for volunteering your time to benefit us all!

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Candy Girth (*St. Louis*) – Secretary
Mary Herring (*Kansas City*) – Treasurer
Michael Messimore (*Tulsa*) – Past President
Teri Hammon (*Omaha*) – Activities Director
Penny Morgan (*Topeka*) – Race Director
Daphne Reitz (*Kansas City*) – Webmaster

Remember: If you have information to share with other clubs, send it to Daphne. Or if you have photos from this year or prior FSA events. She'd like to update the photo gallery at our Website. Send to: daphne0602@gmail.com

We'll see you all again next year in Steamboat!



Winter Park CO Trip February 20-24, 2019



Thirteen members of the Omaha Ski Club arrived in Winter Park on Wednesday. Some of us drove out, while others took the Amtrak train into Frasier. The train was convenient, comfortable and the arrival time was early enough to get a half day of skiing in. We stayed at the Best Western Alpenglo Lodge in downtown Winter Park. The accommodations were comfortable, spacious and within walking distance of many of the restaurants and shops. We were across the street from the bus stop going to the mountain, and at the bus stop when returning to the hotel. There was a large, warm hot tub in a separate building just out the backdoor of the hotel. We enjoyed hot breakfasts daily at the hotel.



Wednesday evening, we walked to the New Hong Kong for Chinese dinner. It was nice to visit with everyone in a relaxed sitting. We decided on times for catching the bus and who was skiing together. By the end of the evening, our stomachs were full and it was time for bed.

Thursday, we skied all day with a short break at Lunch Rock. Mark found a hot dog for lunch. He was a happy camper. We took Tom up the Panorama Lift to see the views while the sun was shining. The trees off Panorama were great. There were fresh powder stashes all over! It was so good, we did it twice. Tom and Amy went to ski a few easier runs. Unfortunately, on the last run of the day, Tom hit a bump and fell backwards, hitting his head and shoulder. He suffered a concussion and was not able to ski the rest of the trip. Pebbles and Jordyn were in lessons all day. This was Pebbles second time on skis and her first time on a big mountain.



After skiing, we met up with everyone at the Derailer Bar at the base, socialized and had a drink to end a good day of skiing. From there, we caught the bus back to the hotel, changed clothes and went to The Peaks for our Welcome Party. We ordered nachos and six pizzas for the thirteen of us. We welcomed Pebbles Jacobo, Sharon Janovsky, Tom Cave and Karen Musgjerd into our group. They joined us

this year and decided this was a good trip. I am happy to have everyone with us. After dinner, we enjoyed a soak in the hot tub. It felt good to relax and soak our sore muscles. After checking on Tom, we called it a night.



We were up early, ready to go ski. Well, first there was coffee then breakfast. Now we were ready to go. We caught the bus and off we go for another great adventure into the trees! We had a beautiful day to ski. The temperature was relatively warm and the wind was calm. Snoasis was the spot for lunch where Mark found another hot dog stop. We continued to ski until we were done-in from all the powder and trees. What a fun day! Everyone met in the hot tub for awhile before we went to the Smokehouse BBQ for dinner. They had good brisket, ribs and burgers. We waddled back across the street to the hotel, checked on Tom and off to sleep we go!

Saturday, it was cold, partly cloudy and very windy. The snow was still nice, especially in the trees. We enjoyed the nice conditions and found some nice mogul runs on Sleeper and Derailer. We stopped at the base of Mary Jane where Mark found yet another hot dog for lunch. We continued to ski the trees and finished the day with a run down Outhouse. Great day! We took the bus back to the hotel, soaked in the hot tub for a while, then went shopping. We found many funny tee shirts and checked out the ski jackets. It was fun just hanging out downtown. We decided to go to Deno's Bistro for dinner. The burgers were great as was the \$42 pork chop! Tom joined us for shopping and dinner. He was feeling better, but continued to have headaches. We went back and began to pack for the trip home in the morning.



Sunday morning. Coffee, breakfast, load the car and travel home. We had dry roads all the way home after the pass. I want to thank everyone for making this a great trip. It was nice to meet our new members. I wish Tom a speedy recovery and hope you will join us on our next great adventure!



*Teri
Hammon
Trip
Captain*



Amy, Phil, Tom, Mark & Teri on Panoramic Lift

FLATLAND SKI ASSOCIATION



SUMMER 2020

GRAND CANYON RAFTING TRIP **REGISTRATION DETAILS**

REGISTRATION is now open for our **2020 Rafting Trip** down the **Colorado River** through the **Grand Canyon!** Remember ... this is *next* summer, but you must register **NOW** if you want to be sure of a spot! Why? These trips fill up extremely quickly, and the rafting companies will only hold “group” reservations open for a limited time. After that, they’ll start filling the open spots with anyone who’s looking for a trip at that time!

DATES: Sunday, May 31, 2020 through Sunday, June 7, 2020

Actual trip departs Monday morning; overnight stay at the starting point on Sunday is included.

For those worried about how much time you’ll need off work ... basically 1 week. You’ll be flown out of the canyon early Sunday morning and either back to the starting point or the Las Vegas airport ... your choice. That way, for those who have to be back at work on Monday June 8th ... it can be done! (*You’ll confirm travel plans with **Hatch** closer to the trip.*)

COST: \$3,224.00 per person

This includes the week of rafting with all meals while on the river, sleeping gear/tent, Sunday night pre-trip lodging at Cliff Dwellers Lodge (double occupancy), helicopter out of the canyon + flight back, \$7 Grand Canyon Fund (optional), and \$20 NPS entrance fee (waived if you have an NPS pass). Does not include your personal items or any alcohol which you might wish to bring.

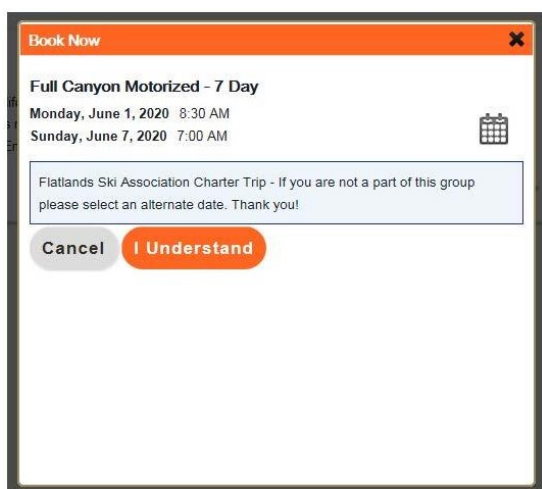
INFO? Go to www.hatchriverexpeditions.com

Click “Explore Trips” then choose “Motorized Trips” and then “7 Day Full Grand Canyon Expedition.”

TO REGISTER FOR THE FSA TRIP:

Online: Go to: <https://hatchriverexpeditions.resmarksystems.com/res/#search:2.7755>

You’ll get to the **Hatch** site, and a box will open up showing that you’ve reached the FSA registration link. Click the “I Understand” button and continue from there!



From there you'll get a screen where you'll choose how many adults (*or youth*) you'll be paying for, and whether you want to contribute to the Grand Canyon Fund and if you need the NPS entry fee. (*Note: If you say no to that you'll need to provide evidence later that you do have a valid NPS pass!*)

(If you're thinking about bringing a youth, they start at age 7 and go to age 15. Anyone older than 15 has to be registered as an adult, even though they'll still need all of the waivers signed by their parent or legal guardian.)

Once you've done this you'll continue, and then go to the screen to choose your payment option and put in all of your personal information. You can pay the whole amount up front, just do the \$500 per person deposit and pay the balance by February 2, or pay the deposit and choose to have the balance automatically charged to that same credit card on February 2, 2020. (*The nice thing about having the trip in 2020 is that it allows you more time to save up for the balance!*)

After you're done here, you'll submit this and they will send you a confirmation e-mail. It will *also* ask you to add some missing personal data, such as gender and birthdate, and to add an electronic signature. Everyone also *must* complete a **Pre-Booking Form** within 14 days of their initial registration, or their registration will be dropped! There's a link to that form, too. You can either download it and fill it out, or complete the "fillable" version. But, even if you do the fillable form, you'll still need to print it and sign it, even if you then e-mail it back!

DON'T WORRY ... it's actually much easier than it sounds, and they send you confirmations at each step of the way!

BY PHONE: Call Hatch toll-free at **1-800-856-8966**. When they answer, tell them you want to sign up for the **Flatland Ski Association Trip** and the date of **June 1, 2020**.

NOTE: Office Hours Monday – Thursday 8:00 am until 5:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am until 4:00 pm

Arizona is on Mountain STANDARD Time!

If you want to pay by check you must register by phone. If you want to pay by credit card you can do it online or by phone, but online is the preferred method.

Hatch River Expeditions has been running trips through the Grand Canyon since 1934, and they're the best at what they do! If you're really interested in this special experience, do not delay signing up! Why?

There are only 29 total Spots available!

Our Group Sign-Up only runs through April 30, 2019!

After that, Hatch will open the trip up to others, and you might not have a spot!

Once registered, you'll get links to find out more information on what to pack, travel info, how to order alcohol for the trip, and the like!

If you have other questions about the trip not covered in the materials from **Hatch**, feel free to contact **Paul Snyder**, 2018-2019 Activities Director for the FSA, with your questions: psnyder@immanuelolivette.org or (314) 761-4797

FINAL NOTE: This trip "departs" from Lee's Ferry, near Marble Canyon (*Page*), Arizona. The FSA is not organizing any sort of group transportation to get out there! (*With the possibility of people coming from 4 states and 9 cities that's just not practical!*) Once members have registered, we *will* share the names so you can arrange group travel on your own, if you choose to do so! And remember, there's a LOT to see in the Southwest ... you might consider adding on some days to see more!

**OMAHA SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JUNE 2019 – MAY 2020**

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: NEW ____ RENEWAL ____

FAMILY \$25 ____ (\$30 if paid after September 30th, 2019)

SINGLE \$22 ____ (\$27 if paid after September 30th, 2019)

MEMBER INFORMATION - - - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Alternate Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Check this box if you are 21 years or older. For family membership, list all dependent minors on back of application.

If new member, how did you hear about the club? _____

Ski/Snowboard destinations you're interested in: _____

Activities you're interested in: Biking _____ Bowling _____ Dinners _____ Other _____
(please list)

Other Interests: (please list) _____

NOTE: BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION I RELIEVE THE OMAHA SKI CLUB, INC. (OSC) OF ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCIDENT OR INJURY I INCUR WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ANY OSC ACTIVITIES. I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM OF LEGAL DRINKING AGE IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____
(Must be signed and dated)

[OSC USE ONLY] MEMBERSHIP NO. _____ BD. _____ TR. _____ NL. _____

Mail to: Omaha Ski Club, P.O. Box 3104, Omaha, NE 68103-0104