

MARCH INSIDE EDGE

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Modesto Ski Club



Welcome,

Thank you to all our members who joined us for the zoom general meeting on February 9. We had a total of 19 members as well as one prospective member. The meeting was fun because we were able to chat with many friends. It was great to see everyone. **We will have another zoom meeting on March 9 at 7:00.** Allan and Pat will be sending out the access code to all of you. Please try to attend, I promise you will have fun.

As you know the term for the Board of Directors is coming to a close and we have filled all the vacant positions. Allan and Pat Ramsey will be retiring this year and Ellen Rinne will be handling our Membership. Kim Ruth will also be retiring, and Sandra Serrano will take over the reins as of April 13, 2021.

We have had an update on dining and skiing up at the Lodge. The city of Truckee is now open for outside dining. Most of the resorts are honoring reservations from folks who have season passes. Contact your favorite resort regarding buddy passes because there are some restrictions on them. Plenty of snow for everyone. Did you know we have a consignment shop in Truckee for slightly used ski clothes? It is located at 11400 Donner Pass Rd. It is open daily and you can call them at 530-582-0909.

We have some ski activities scheduled for the upcoming months. Check out the activity sheet.

The Aspen trip is January 30, 2022 through February 5, 2022. The BAC convention will be in San Diego at the Mission Inn Marriot, October 7 through 10/2021. Maarten will have flyers for us as the dates get closer.

I hope all of you are practicing social distancing and wearing your masks in public and in the Lodge in the common areas. Since the COVID19 vaccine has arrived in Stanislaus County, if you are comfortable, please get your vaccination. It should help slow the spread of the virus and help us get back to our new normal. Here is something to brighten your day:

JOKE OF THE MONTH

What type of sandals do frogs wear? Open – toad.

Your Prez,

Sharon





MSC Lodge News

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Greetings! Well, this month will bring the 1st Day of Spring. I sure hope we will get more snow and rain. The snowpack is only around 50+ % and our rainfall here in the valley is very low for this time of year. Let's keep doing the snow and rain

dance.

The Lodge has been getting some use. We have a limited amount of space since we are trying to follow Covid-19 guidelines. I am not able to put members and guests in the same room if they are not from the same household. With that said, if someone requests it because they are in the same circle and have traveled in the car together then I will put them in the same room.

Be sure to CLEAN before you go home. Be sure that all the windows are closed and locked. Do not leave food out or in the refrigerator that is perishable. Please always dump the trash compactor bag and replace with a clean bag. Please only take the ashes out of the fireplace if they are cold. DO NOT throw ashes out in the snow. Do NOT USE the Vacuum cleaner to clean any part of the fireplace or hearth. Please use the broom to sweep the hearth. Turn lights off when not in a room or area and for sure when you leave to go home from your stay at the lodge.

Please let me know if the Lodge needs attention or any supplies. Best way to make a reservation is to email me. My email is mnighte@aol.com. The other way to make a reservation is to use my home phone number and leave a message on the message machine. 209-571-8125

Michelle Nightengale,
Lodge Chairperson



Trustees updates

Basement Fire alarm upgrade

We have made some changes to the basement fire alarm setup. The old unit in the kitchen pantry has been deactivated and replaced with a new up to date smoke and fire detector.



Old unit, NO longer active

The new units have two smoke and fire detectors in the basement. This is tied to a third unit in the stairway area. If there is fire in the basement all three units will sound notifying anyone in the building.



Basement alarm also one in the wood area.



Stairway

Please check the basement for smoke or fire if the stairway alarm sounds. In case of fire call 911.

Thanks to Rand Morrow for researching and installing the new alarm system.

Bed coverings

We have sheets for each bed at the lodge and extras stored in the closet closest to Siberia.

We ask in the times of COVID 19 that you wash, dry, and fold the sheet you used and place it on the foot of the bed, so the next person knows that it is clean. PLEASE do this before leaving. You can bring your own sheet instead of using the ones at the lodge and wash it at home. A flat sheet is best in case your room assignment changes.

You must have a sheet on the bed. Even if you are just using a sleeping bag, you still need a sheet.

On my last trip I noticed that some of the mattress covers were dirty and looked like people have been sleeping on them directly. Please do not do this. With the help from others at the lodge we washed several rooms of mattress covers and sheets.

We want to keep the lodge clean and ready so the next person can enjoy the mountains without having to clean first.

Thank you.

Trustees



2021 MSC MEETINGS

Modesto Ski Club



General Meeting

General meeting in March will be held on Zoom. Tuesday, March 9 at 7:00pm.

Rich Ulm- 1st VP



MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

The Modesto Ski Club is happy to welcome Kirk and JoAnna Brennan and family as our newest members. When our activities return to normal let's make them feel very welcome, but in the meantime we hope to see them at our Zoom Meeting. Our Membership drive is over for the year except for New Member Applications of course. As of now, our Membership is down from approximately 206 to 177 Members. Hopefully, this will increase as times return to normal.

It was great to see friends at the last General Membership Zoom meeting in February and we are looking forward to our next meeting on March 9 at 7:00 pm. You will be receiving a link to that meeting closer to the date. We hope to see you there!

Pat and Allan Ramsay
Membership



MSC Activities 2021



Modesto Ski Club

Ski Club Activities 2021 (All activities subject to cancellation due to COVID)
10 days prior to event, cancellation will be sent to members via email if necessary

Until further notice, all general membership meetings will be held by Zoom hosted by Sharon Wolinski- President

- March 2021:** Mar. 8th(Mon.) Kirkwood ski day Meet at plaza 8:30. Email Rich Ulm at rulm1955@aol.com if interested.
- April 2021:** Apr. 23-25 (Fri.-Sun.) MSC work weekend at the lodge
- May 2021:** May 22nd (Sat.) Hike- Calaveras Big Trees State Park Hike and Murphy's Wine Tasting (John and Alison Peltier)
- June 2021:** June 8th (Tues.) Summer meeting, "Cluck n' Fun" at Bernie Fairfield and Sharon Wolinski's home
June 26-27 Bike ride /music fest at the lodge (Rob Orr-music/Peltiers bike ride)
- July 2021:** **July Luau CANCELLED**
July 13th (Tues.) Summer meeting at home of Dave Garcez.
- August 2021:** Aug. 10th (Tues.) Summer "Brew and BBQ" at Alison and John Peltier's home.
Aug. 21 (Sat.) Wine Tasting -organizers Bernie Fairfield and Sharon Wolinski.
- September 2021:** Sept. 7th (Tues). Summer membership meeting -location TBA
Sept. 24-26th MSC work weekend at the lodge
Sept. Lodi wine tasting and train trip (Sarah and Noah Vandenburg/Sharon Wolinski).
Weekend Date TBA
- October 2021:** Oct. 12th (Tues.) Membership meeting and Taco Truck (Randy and Denise Cook)
- November 2021:** Nov. 13th (Sat.) Chili Cook off (Randy and Denise Cook)
Nov. 20 or 21 – Kayak trip /Salmon run (Greg Debree)
- December 2021:** Christmas party dinner - Skewers restaurant, Modesto, date TBA



Activities Update

As vaccinations are here, we can be hopeful that activities may begin to resume. Rich has sent out an email about the Kirkwood Ski Day on March 8th. Email him at rulm1955@aol.com, if interested in joining that event. Our next event organized by Michelle Nightengale is our biannual lodge work weekend on April 23-26. You will be updated in April as to its status. Join our general membership Zoom meetings to connect with members, hear about skiing, and generally shoot the breeze !!! Let's be hopeful for Spring snowstorms !

Alison Peltier

Second Vice President / Activities

Kirkwood Ski Day March 8, 2021

COVID restrictions are still in place, but that doesn't mean we can't enjoy some time together on the slopes! We are going ahead with the event but it will have to be an all outdoor, bring your own food and drink affair. Meet on the main plaza 8:30-9:00 am. Lifts open at 9:00. We will reconvene (weather permitting) on the plaza at noon for an outdoor, socially distanced (bring your own) lunch break. Kirkwood also has some "grab and go" food available nearby. Hopefully the weather will cooperate with some fresh snow beforehand and bluebird skies on the 8th but as always we may have to cancel if it looks like it will be too nasty. If you are interested in joining the group on the 8th please email Rich Ulm (rulm1955@aol.com) with a cell number we can use on that date so we can keep everyone in the loop as to what is happening and know who to look for in the plaza.



Praying for Snow

Rich Ulm



March 2021

2/28	3/01	3/02	3/03	3/04	3/05	3/06
						
3/07	3/08 Kirkwood Ski Day Happy Birthday! Pat Moody	3/09 General Meeting Zoom 7:00 pm	3/10	3/11	3/12 Happy Birthday! Marlene Hutton James Rogowksi	3/13 
3/14	3/15 Happy Birthday! David Strong	3/16	3/17 Happy Birthday! Melissa Farrell	3/18 Happy Birthday! Ron Allen Scott Ferrell	3/19	3/20 Happy Spring Equinox Happy Birthday! Alan Stender
3/21	3/22	3/23 Happy Birthday! Gary Ferrell	3/24 Happy Birthday! Ardyth Little	3/25	3/26	3/27 Happy Birthday! Tammie Vandenburg
3/28	3/29 Happy Birthday! Joan Ferrell	3/30 Happy Birthday! Maxine Binn Merriman	3/31 Happy Birthday! Henry Colombo			

Current MSC Board

President – Sharon Wolinski

First Vice President / Programs – Rich Ulm

Second Vice President / Activities – Alison Peltier

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