

THE GREAT SCHUSS

LEXINGTON SKI & SPORTS CLUB



SEPTEMBER 2023 Newsletter

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

Tuesday, 9/5/2023

6pm Social Hour

7pm Meeting

Location: Roosters

124 Marketplace Drive

Lexington, KY

(Off Man of War, just west of: Nicholasville Rd.)

GREETING FROM THE PRESIDENT!



2023 – 2024 SEASON



Hi Members,

Lexington Ski and Sports club is a group of local bluegrass area residents who love the sport of skiing and snowboarding and like to have the benefits of traveling with others of like interest to destinations for ski vacations in North America and Europe. We are a member of the Ohio Valley Ski Council which is comprised of members from 15 ski clubs in the Ohio River Valley area. This membership allows us to participate in group trips to destinations at great value for our members. Your annual membership fee for the club (\$40) allows you the benefits of traveling on all club trips (subject to space availability) and participation in all social and local skiing activities with other club members.

At our next club meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, LSSC Member Mark Miller will do a special presentation on ski tuning. I hope you will be able to attend and learn how to get your gear in shape for our winter trips.

Our trip choices for the 23/24 ski season have been finalized. We will have two “Epic Pass” trip resort destinations to travel to this year, Breckenridge CO and Heavenly in South Lake Tahoe, CA. The pricing is great for these trips! Reserve your space for them at the meeting or go to our trip page on the club website for details and a trip application. And remember, for each trip you sign up for by 10/3, your name will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a 2-day/2-night trip to Mammoth Mountain!

Please plan to attend the membership meeting (open to anyone) at Roosters South Lexington location at 124 Marketplace Ave. (In the parking lot for the Nicholasville Rd. Walmart)

If you have any questions regarding the club or our activities, please reach out to one of the board members listed on this newsletter or to me.

President, Tom O'Donnell president@lexskisports.org.

2023 – 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| September 5, 2023 (Tuesday) | 2023-2024 Ski Trip Sign-ups “How to Tune Your Own Skis” – Presented by Mark Miller |
| September 10, 2023 (Sunday) | LOCAL TRIP: Rail Explorers (FULL) |
| September 25, 2023 (Monday) | LOCAL TRIP: Rail Explorers- NEW DATE |
| October 3, 2023 | General Membership Meeting |
| October 21, 2023 | LOCAL TRIP: RRG Underground Kayak Tour and Hike |
| November 7, 2023 | General Membership Meeting |
| December 5, 2023 | Holiday party!!  |
| January 2, 2024 | General Membership Meeting |
| January 27-February 3, 2024 | Breckenridge Resort Ski Trip |
| February 6, 2024 | Presentation of Breckenridge Trip Highlights by Trip Leader |
| February 24-March 2, 2024 | Heavenly Resort Ski Trip |
| March 5, 2024 | Presentation of Heavenly Trip Highlights by Trip Leader |
| April 2, 2024 | Agenda TBD |
| May 7, 2024 | End of Season Picnic – location TBD |

A note regarding meeting attendance:

Our monthly general membership meetings are open to the public. We are always happy to welcome newcomers and encourage everyone to bring a friend (or several) to attend meetings. The meetings begin with a “social hour” at 6pm. This is an opportunity to introduce yourself and make welcome any newcomers, as well as your chance to catch up with friends and talk about your snowy adventures! At 7pm we typically have a planned presentation on a topic relevant to skiing & snowboarding. We are always seeking new ideas for topics and/or presenters. Please share your ideas with us by dropping a line via email to any board member.



Mammoth Mtn. GiveAway

**Win a 2-night stay at Mammoth Mountain
Ski Area including 2-day Lift Tickets for 2
adults!**

**Your name will automatically be
entered for each 23-24 LSSC
Western Trip you sign up for by
10/3***

**Drawing to be held at October
Membership Meeting**

***winner must be up-to-date on trip and
membership payments**

NEWS FROM THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Western Trips for the 2023-2024 Ski Season are confirmed!!

Breckenridge Resort, Colorado
January 27, 2024 – February 3, 2024 (Saturday - Saturday)

Trip Cost: \$1,649 (per person double occupancy)

Add-on: Possible Day trip to Vail (Cost: TBD)



Breckenridge has some of the best terrain in Colorado. Beginners will have no shortage of runs to choose from. There's intermediate terrain across all the Peaks at Breckenridge but Peak 7 is where you'll find plenty of perfect corduroys and gently rolling runs. Don't underestimate Breckenridge, it's got expert terrain well above the tree line unlike many Colorado resorts



Base Package Includes:

- 7 nights Beaver Run Resort (2-bedroom Suites, Ski In & Ski Out)
- Round trip airfare on United Airlines from Cincinnati (CVG) non-stop to Denver (Den)
- Round trip transfers from Denver airport to Beaver Run Resort (includes grocery stop)
- Welcome reception
- Does NOT include Lift Tickets. Lift ticket options are available on the webpage

Please click the following links for more information on Breckenridge Ski Resort and Beaver Run Resort.

<https://www.breckenridge.com/>

<https://www.beaverrun.com/breckenridge-condominiums/breckenridge-hotel-2-bedroom-suite>



For more information, trip application, and payment options, please visit the trip's webpage at:

<https://www.lexskisports.org/2024-breck-trip>

Heavenly Ski Resort, Lake Tahoe, CA

February 24, 2024 – March 2, 2024 (Saturday - Saturday)

Trip Cost: \$1,599 (per person double occupancy)



Heavenly Resort is a true heaven for intermediates with blue trails at almost every lift! Advanced skiers and riders also have their fair share of black runs including double black-diamond runs.

Base Package Includes:

- 7 nights Forest Suites Resort (2-bedroom suites). Includes daily Breakfast!
- Round trip airfare from Cincinnati (CVG) to Reno (RNO)
- Round trip transfers from Reno airport to Forest Suites Resort
- Welcome reception
- Does NOT include Lift Tickets. Lift ticket options are available on the webpage





Please click the following links for more information on Heavenly Ski Resort, and Forest Suites Resort.

<https://www.skiheavenly.com/>

<https://www.forestsuites.com/>

Ski Heavenly!!



Optional day trips to nearby Kirkwood and Northstar Resorts (both are Epic resorts)! Cost TBD.

Optional non-ski trip to Virginia City, Nevada. Cost TBD.

For more information, trip application, and payment options, please visit the trip's webpage at:

<https://www.lexskisports.org/2024-tahoe-trip>

LOCAL TRIP - SEPTEMBER



Join us this September for a new and unique adventure to Rail Explorers via the Bluegrass Scenic Railroad. We will take a 2-hour, scenic, pedal-powered ride on the rails. This adventure is suitable for all abilities as the vehicles are power-assisted. Since we announced this trip, our initial date has filled up therefore, Monday, Sept. 25th is being offered as an alternate date.

Monday, September 25th @ 2:00pm – NEW DATE!

We have 8 spots reserved for the club. To secure your reservation, payment of \$42 per person needs to be made on the club website no later than Sept 18. Click on <https://www.lexskisports.org/local-trip-rail-explorers> for more information, to make your payment and to reserve your spot.



Following is an excerpt from the Rail Explores website <https://www.railexplorers.net/>

Built in 1888, this section of the Louisville Southern Railroad once carried passengers from Lawrenceburg to Versailles and Lexington. Now you can ride the rails through the picturesque Kentucky countryside with Rail Explorers.

Passing the thoroughbred horse farms, you may see mares and foals in the fields before descending into deep cuts through the limestone hills.

Bring a drink and snack to enjoy at the turnaround area on the cliffs above the Kentucky River gorge. Enjoy the view of the Wild Turkey Distillery and the 1,659 ft long Young's High Bridge soaring 283 ft above the river.

All Explorers are fitted with the 'REX Propulsion System' - custom built electric motors that make the journey truly effortless.

LOCAL TRIP - OCTOBER

October is a popular time to visit the Red River Gorge for the fall scenery during cooler temperatures. We have planned a dual outing on Saturday, Oct 21. Join us for one or, both!

- An hour long guided classic kayak tour with The Gorge Underground. Arrive by 9:30am for check in and orientation. Tour begins at 10am.
- A hike on one of RRG's nearby trails, suitable for all abilities.

Saturday, October 21st

9:30am – Kayak Tour (reservation required – see below)

11:30am – Hike at Natural Bridge State Park



A minimum of 8 spots have been reserved for the club. The weekend times sell out very quickly, so take advantage of this group outing. To secure your reservation, payment of \$73 needs to be made on the club website no later than Oct 11. Click on <https://www.lexskisports.org/local-trip-rrg-underground> for more information, to make your payment and to reserve your spot.

The group will meet to carpool at 7:45am at Lowe's on Grey Lag Way off of Winchester Rd parking lot corner near Starbucks. We'll make a brief stop at the Slade Exit #33 rest area. Dress accordingly for 50-55-degree temperature inside the cave mine. More details will be sent to registered attendees. For any questions, please call or text Robin Jones at 859-948-2934.

PHOTO GALLERY



AUGUST SOCIAL: PICNIC WITH THE POPS

Sixteen LSSC members along with approximately 2,000 of their friends enjoyed a beautiful night at Keeneland listening to the Lexington Philharmonic and the Boogie Wonder Band perform at Picnic with the Pops. The theme was Symphonic Disc. Disco balls and sparkles could be seen all throughout the meadow. Sequenced dresses, bell bottoms and afros adorned many a concert goer. Many audience members felt the need to get their groove on and boogied to the tunes from the band and orchestra. With the good food, good music and beautiful weather, a good time was had by all.



(PHOTO CREDITS: Aggie Waninger)

If you have photo you would like featured in our Gallery section of the newsletter, please email Tara at newsletter@lexskiSPORTS.org.

MEMBERSHIP



NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!

Renewal for LSSC membership has begun for the upcoming season. Go to the LSSC website for online renewal or pay in person at the September meeting. Dues are \$40.00 per year and may be paid online or by check. Checks should be made out to LSSC.

NEW members: your membership fee will be credited against the cost of a qualifying LSSC trip for the first year.

Remember your LSSC membership automatically includes membership to OVSC which sponsors additional trip opportunities throughout the year!

Click here to pay dues online: <https://www.lexskisports.org/membership>





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LSSC Meetup: <https://www.meetup.com/Lexington-Ski-and-SPORTS-Meetup/>



<https://www.facebook.com/LexSkiSPORT>

https://www.facebook.com/groups/5285_26410566966/



<http://www.ovsc.org>



<http://skifederation.org>