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"Ski News"

March 2019

Message from the President of Austin Skiers

Planning has already begun for the 2019 Ski Season!

We had a fabulous 2018 ski season with but one trip left to go - Vail which left on March 2. Believe it or not it's already time to start planning our trips for 2019. We look forward to participating in the **Texas Ski Council Bid Fest** on **April 12-14** and this year it will be held in Austin! [Registration](#) has already opened - so please sign-up to participate to learn how the TSC trips are chosen. A request for volunteers to help at **BidFest** will be sent out once we have more details. This year we are planning for not only 2020, but 2021 as well. We will share the results in the May newsletter.

Thanks for your continued support of Austin Skiers!

Several TSC club members visited **Yellowstone National Park** on Monday and Tuesday via snow coach and snowmobile tours. The beauty of this natural geological wonder during winter is breathtaking and a must see if you are in the area.

Race day started early Wednesday morning giving us the exciting opportunity to race on one of the steepest **NASTAR** courses in the country! While it was a bit challenging for many of us it was a blast! Dave Belz and the Big Sky race department did a great job keeping it running smoothly.

On Thursday evening, we **recognized top racers** and **winning clubs** during our awards ceremony and a special tribute to Gene Gillum was presented by Rollo Gurs in recognition of Gene's contributions to the Texas Ski Council. The evening celebration continued with a fabulous dinner and dancing until late. The Big Sky banquet staff did a wonderful job of impressing our 158 participants with a delicious and abundant spread. Check the [TSC website](#) for a complete report of the race results - Austin Skiers showed well!

A special thanks goes out to Josh Pelczar and the Big Sky staff for hosting our ski week in style, Marcie Hawks with [Ski.com](#) for working her magic and finally every trip leader for their dedication in making this trip a BIG success!

Cheers!

Jackie Bayly, TSC Trip Coordinator Traditional 2019



Jackie Bayly, President: President@austinskiers.org

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FULL-Register on Wait List

2019 Remaining Ski Trip Schedule

(Subject to change)

[Mar 2-9: Vail, CO](#)

IN PROGRESS

2019 - Texas Ski Council Trips

(If interested check the [TSC website](#))

We encourage our members going on our trips to consider trip insurance for those unexpected emergencies before or during your trip. Here is a link for more information on [Trip Insurance](#).



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Visit [Texas Ski Council](#) for more information

Mark on Your Calendars – TSC Trip Presentation (BidFest)

Ok Austin Skiers the annual "BidFest" that in recent years been held in San Antonio, but it's coming to Austin this year! We encourage all Austin Skiers to register and attend to see how the TSC trips are selected. It will be held **April 12-14** at the Embassy Suites (Central) located at I35 and Hwy 290. Click here for more information and to [register](#) for the 2019 "BidFest."

6:30 - 8:30pm

[MAP](#)

Austin Skiers Only:

Snacks & Beverages will be served

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Save the Dates - Austin Skiers Future Club Meetings

- * **Annual Business Meeting (May 15)** - More details to follow.
- * **Summer Party (June 30)** - to be held at Fiesta Gardens
- * **Trip Presentation Meeting (August 22)**



Elisabeth Poigin, VP Programs: programs@austinskiers.org

Nominating Committee seeks Candidates

Our Austin Skiers Nominating Committee is looking for willing and time-abled members to serve! Contact Nominating Committee Chair, [Dave Anderson](#) if you are interested or have questions about serving on our Board for next year!

2019 Trips!

The 2018-19 ski season is drawing to a close with one trip remaining (Vail, CO), which left March 2. Check out this [great video](#) of our past trips in 2017-18.

We're a club that doesn't just ski, but we love to travel! This coming summer we have **two trips** planned, which includes a **scuba diving** trip to **Cozumel** from **June 1-6** and a **Wine Country Tasting tour** to California scheduled for **August 23-28**. Both trips are open to for sign-up. The **Cozumel trip** has **20 spots available** with **9** already filled! The **San Francisco/Sonoma Wine Country Tasting Tour** **registration** opened on **March 1** and with **24 spots available**, we already have **8** going! If you're interested in either activity please contact Jake Sullivan at tripplanning@austinskiers.org.

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Thanks Again, looking forward to concluding a **Great 2019** ski season and hope to see you on one of the two summer trips!!



Jake Sullivan, VP of Trip Planning: tripplanning@austinskiers.org



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The Texas Ski Council is a member of the National Ski Council Federation. Which means Austin Skiers are members and have some great benefits. Please check them out and register at [National Ski Council Federation](#).

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Proud sponsor of Austin Skiers is [Sun & Ski Sports](#). We appreciate their sponsorship for the past **two years!** Please remember to **let their staff know** that Austin Skiers enjoy a **15% discount** on many items in the store. Check out their ski/snowboard bundles - goggles, ski poles, boot bags and snow apparel! Follow them on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and other social media sites listed on their website.



Tere Mayne, Director: director@austinskiers.org

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Happy Hour Socials/Events

March Happy Hour

In North Austin

for

Thursday, March 7

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Brio Tuscan Grille - Arboretum



10000 Research Blvd.

Austin, TX 78759

512-794-1234

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March Happy Hour
South Austin
Thursday, March 21

5:00 - 7:00 pm



[Moontower Saloon](#)

10212 Manchaca Rd.

Austin, TX 78745

512-712-5661

[MAP](#)

Save the Date for April/May 2019 Happy Hours!

On **April 4** Happy Hour in **North Austin** is at "[The Park](#)" in the Domain

On **April 18** Happy Hour in **South Austin** is at "[The Park](#)" on S. Lamar

On **May 9** Happy Hour in **South Austin** we are at "[BJ's](#)" on Brodie



Holly Ice, VP Special Activities - activities@austinskiers.org

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Message from the Membership/Communications Chair

Gary's Tidbits.....

Active Membership now stands at 486!

Well, the 2018 ski season is coming to a close with the March 2-9 trip to Vail, CO. I hope you had an opportunity to go on at least one of the nine trips. I had the good fortune to go on the Japan/Thailand and Snowmass/Aspen trip. Both were GREAT trips!

There are those of you that receive this newsletter who have been members of Austin Skiers in the past. We encourage you to consider the many benefits Austin Skiers offers for a low annual membership of [\\$40/year for Individuals](#) or [\\$55 for Family](#) (up to 6). The **membership year** runs from **June 1 - May 31**. We not only do Great ski trips averaging 9 per year, but non-ski trips as well. We want you to think about us throughout the year not just during ski season (January - March). This summer we already have **two non-ski trips** scheduled - [Cozumel Dive Trip](#) runs June 1-6 and the [San Francisco/Sonoma Wine Country Tour](#) planned for August 23-28. Registration for both trips are now open. Check out the marketing page links here on our home page for more information on both trips.

You may have noticed on our website and in the newsletters since last October references to a new Austin Skiers **smart phone App**. I know you probably have too many apps on your phone already - I do. However, this one provides a number of benefits as a member:

1. You can reach out to other members via email or phone (based on their profile);
2. Have at your fingertips a list of Current "Events" e.g. trips & Happy Hours;
3. List of "Events" you've participated in the past;
4. Your Profile, which comes with a Membership Card (My Card); and
5. **REGISTER** for a trip e.g., **Cozumel** and **San Francisco/Sonoma Valley Wine Tour**.

So - you no longer need a computer to sign-up as long as you have the app and an internet connection! How more convenient can you get? You not only have the ability to keep up with the "goings-on" of Austin Skiers, but also sign up for trips at a time when you may not have access to your computer. Besides **who goes anywhere without their phone!**

Check it out and see for yourself by downloading (**Wildapricot Member**) either the [iPhone](#) or [Android](#) app and sign-in with your username/password as you would with the website.

[Click here to renew your membership.](#)

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