



NEWSLETTER

SKI CLUB

AUGUST 1998

HOTLINE: 810-447-2228

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Thursday
August 13th

GENERAL MEETING

8:00 pm

Doors Open

8:30 pm

Announcements
will start promptly

Mitchell's
Restaurant

14 Mile Rd. west of Crooks

Meetings Feature DJ, Dancing,
and a cash bar.

Guests are always welcome.

ANNUAL GM SKI CLUB PICNIC

Saturday, August 8th, at Stoney
Creek Metropark

Meet at Eastwood Beach - Noon till Dark

Rain or Shine

\$12 per person - ADVANCE TICKETS

\$15 per person - DAY OF EVENT

Please purchase in advance for food planning
purposes. We need a head count.

No phone calls 3 days prior to the event, please.

The picnic will feature an **Original Texas Barbecue** by Chef Tom Grabowski, with smoked brisket, BBQ chicken, BBQ ribs, baked beans, cole slaw, bread, pop, munchies, and hot sauce. *Special note:* Tom marinates the meat for 3 days prior to the event which will make them a mouth watering experience.

Activities will include socializing, roller blading, biking, swimming, volleyball, any lawn games you want to bring, cards, windsurfing (if you have one), and water weapons (if you dare).

For Tickets: Send check payable to: GM Ski Club With Self Addressed, Stamped Envelope c/o

Tom Grabowski

Phone (xxx) xxx-xxxx

or at any General Meeting or Board Member in person.

Houseboating Adventure Told

(July 5th - 9th) by Alan Toomey

What a wonderful time at Lake Cumberland in Kentucky. Everyone arrived at State Dock early this year. Last year one group got lost and did too much sight seeing on the way. Our entire group was ready on time and anxious to get started. It was quite a scorcher with temps in the mid 90's and high humidity, so it was great to get settled into the houseboat and get underway onto the lake.

We spent the nights moored in some wonderful coves. The scenery was great. Kathy Weekly was the only one to bring fishing gear. No big catches but she made a good effort. Everyone else spent their time relaxing by floating, swimming, reading, or sunbathing. If not relaxing, others spent their time on the runabout water-skiing, tubing, or sightseeing.

We made a trip to 76 Falls which is one of the lake's popular hangout spots. The 76 is somewhat of a mystery (maybe 76 feet from the normal water datum?). It is a moderate size falls. One of the "coolest" things to do is to take a tube and paddle yourself under the falling water and get pounded by 10 degree colder water. With the lake water in the 80's, this was very exhilarating. Sandy Benniner and Alan Toomey climbed the crude trail to the top of the falls where they could look out over the cove. From there they jumped off the falls in front of an audience of hundreds of spectators. Alan instructed Sandy on proper cliff jumping form, then demonstrated what poor form is (unintentionally). Sandy made her jump with perfect entry into the water. (continued page 4)

Bring A Friend Night at the September General Meeting

Any member who brings a guest to the September meeting will receive FREE admittance to the General meeting. The Guest who accompanied the member to the General Meeting will also receive free admittance.



GM SKI CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Alan Toomey, xxx-xxxx

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Vacant

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Roman Karwowski, xxx-xxxx

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Restaurant of the Month

Tom Grabowski, (xxx) xxx-xxxx

Diane Bera, (xxx) xxx-xxxx

The board meets once a month, the Monday after the General Meeting

TO JOIN THE GM SKI CLUB:

Please send completed application below along with check (payable to "GM Ski Club") to:

GM Ski Club

Or sign-up at our General Meeting. Membership runs Oct. through Sept. Mail changes of address to the above.

Please Note: You don't have to work for General Motors to belong to the GM Ski Club!

FREE MEMBERSHIP!

Members can get their 98-99 membership fees refunded or waived if they recruit three (3) new members for the '98-'99 membership year. These cannot be renewal members from '97-'98. Couples need four (4) new recruits to have the couples' dues refunded or waived. To be eligible, you must be identified as the referring member on the new membership application at the time of submission. You must then contact the membership committee upon submission of the final qualifying New Member application and identify the other New Members you have referred for verification. Contact a Board Member for more information.

GM SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: (day) _____ (Evening) _____

Date of Birth (you) _____ (spouse) _____

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|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER | <input type="checkbox"/> Single \$30 | <input type="checkbox"/> Couple \$45 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SUMMER ONLY | <input type="checkbox"/> Single \$10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Couple \$15 (May - Sept 30) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL | <input type="checkbox"/> Single \$30 | <input type="checkbox"/> Couple \$45 |

In consideration for me being able to join the GM Ski Club, I agree to abide by the GM SKI Clubs By-Laws and constitution. Membership runs October through September.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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How did you hear about the GM Ski Club? Friend Newspaper Hotline

Racing Event (list) _____

Skiing Interest: Downhill Racing X-country Snowboard

Skiing Ability: Beginner Intermediate Advanced

I'd like to help: Ski Trips Publicity General Meetings

Activities Other (list) _____

• **Referral:** I am a New Member and was referred to the GM Ski Club by:

Members Name: _____

Payment made by: Cash Check Check # _____

COUPON

BUY 1 DINNER
GET 1 DINNER
AT HALF PRICE

MITCHELL'S

14 Mile Rd. west of Crooks

Coupon Good Thurs., August 13th ONLY



Hallo Weekends

Saturday Oct 10th

Carpool 8 AM Gates Open 11:00 AM

The GM Ski Club would like to bring together interested people so that we can car pool to Cedar Point Saturday Oct 10th. The last weekend Cedar Point is open is Oct 10th & 11th. If you are interested in going with other fun people and car pooling or meeting there, contact Alan Toomey xxx-xxx-xxxx in order to be put on a contact list for this event. The Cost is \$23.95 + \$5.00 parking. Let us know if you can get discount tickets for the group. The park is open 12 noon to 12 midnight, gates open at 11:00 am. The meeting place for car pooling is the Oakland Mall (14 Mile Rd) at the "Mall" sign next to I-75 at 8:00 AM. We will agree upon a suitable parking spot for the day and depart at 8:15 am. If you have any questions concerning Cedar Point, contact them at 419-627-2350.

Contact: Alan Toomey xxx-xxx-xxxx

Activities Meeting!

Thursday, August 20th - 6:30 pm

Steak & Ale (across from the Oakland Mall)

Come on out, support your club and share your ideas. For information call Connie Casey: xxx-xxx-xxxx. Your input is very valuable to the GM Ski Club.

The Board would like to hear from anyone who has feedback concerning operation of the Club in general, or for any specific event you may have participated in. With feedback we can constantly strive to make changes that improve the Club and will make it more enjoyable for everyone.

Houseboating (continued) Every water skier had their opportunity to hone their skills or try his/her hand at wake boarding (kind of like surfing). For those who couldn't do either, they were forced (not really) to endure a stint on the tube. Sandi Folkening had not tubed before but overcome her reluctance since she would be accompanied by Chris Johnson in an adjacent tube. She could be heard screaming from the moment the rope become taught until all motion was stopped. She had a great time and later was requesting another ride. Sharon Marshall and Les Skrzycki also performed dual tubing (two tubes at the same time). Les, being the veteran watersports person that he is, was showing the first timer Sharon how to be properly thrown out of the tube. I think Sharon was satisfied to just watch Les get flipped out and stayed tucked in her own tube.

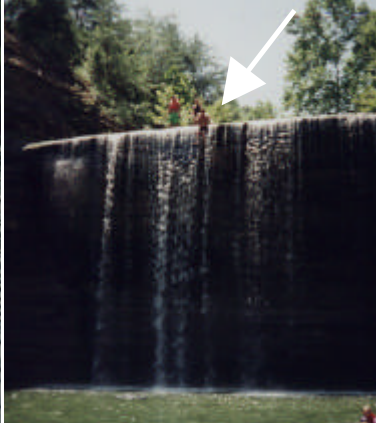
Each evening was highlighted by a wonderful dinner. Chef Tom Grabowski lead the group by providing wonderful pasta, steak, and pork loin dinners. Everyone pitched in with the cooking by creating the side dishes and made each dinner special. We ate dinner out under the stars and amongst the nighttime fireflies most nights. One evening and throughout the night it decided to downpour. This is no loss on a houseboat. Dinner was still excellent and company was great. Afterwards a group shuffled out the cards while others watched some action packed video movies.

The houseboat left the final cove at diplomatic speed Thursday morning on the way back to State Dock. We unloaded and checked out. Part of the group left immediately due to some upcoming weekend plans. The rest of us met again at the boat launch to take out the runabout and ready it for the trip back to Michigan. We said our good-byes to each other and to Lake Cumberland, taking away with us the memories of the trip (and some souvenirs). Ah, the end of a great vacation.

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Pictures Above: 1) The Houseboat. 2) Sandi Folkening and Chris Johnson tubing (AAAHWEEYEEEEHAAA). 3) Christine Bolitho and Tom Grabowski floating (notice who has the oars?). 4) Sandy Benniner showing off as first time wakeboarder (can you see the confidence in her face?).





Pictures:
 5) The runabout that gave us mobility on the lake. Alan waving good-bye as the houseboat moves to the dock.
 6) Thanks to Diane Reaser for bringing the umbrellas. It kept our spirits high and dry the evening it rained.
 7) Diane Reaser attempting to blend in with the pine trees on her palm tree raft.
 8) 76 falls where the speck is a brave jumper.

Andiamo Bistro Restaurant

GM Ski Club's Restaurant of the Month

The time to try new places and meet new friends.

Andiamo - 24026 Jefferson Ave. St. Clair Shores MI (810) 773-7770

Thursday, August 27th

Your Choice **\$11.50 or \$15.50** (Includes Tax & Tip) **Cash Bar** Meet 6:30 PM with Seating 7:00 PM

Make checks payable to "GM Ski Club"

Deadline August 24, 1998

For \$15.50, Select from one of the following:

- Hot Rocks - Chicken or Bay Scallops (\$2.50 more for Shrimp or Beef)

(What's a Hot Rock? - A marble slab heated to 400 degrees, it is placed on a platter, surrounded by marinated chicken breast and assorted fresh vegetables. It is brought to your table where you pile everything on top of the rock, cover it with a napkin and let it steam all the flavors in for about four minutes. A trio of dipping sauces is served along side for your enjoyment.)

- Any Pasta Specialties
- Split Roasted Spring Chicken

For \$11.50, Select from one of the following:

- Any JJ's Gourmet Pizza
- House, Caesar, Lakefront or Traverse City Salad



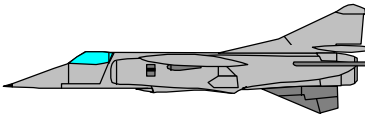
Send to: **Tom Grabowski**



For more information contact

**Tom
or Diane Bera**

**(xxx) xxx-xxxx,
(xxx) xxx-xxxx**



AIRSHOW 98 - Selfridge Airbase

Saturday July 25th - Gates Open 8 AM



Did you ever want to go to the Airshow but didn't want to go alone? Or have you gone before and want to go again? The GM Ski Club is organizing a round-up to go to the Airshow. The plan is to seek out who would be interested in going, establish a meeting place, and go together. The cost, if any, is usually per car for parking so car pooling would be advantageous. This year the Air Force Thunderbirds will be demonstrating as well as all the other military and civilian aircraft. There will be military as well as vintage warbirds on display. Selfridge Air National Guard Base is located north of Metro Beach Metro Park. Details of the Airshow have not been fully promoted at this time. If you are interested in going as part of the group, please call so you can be included and kept informed of any changing details.

Note: Karen Lampson has graciously invited everyone over to her place (nearby) afterwards!!!!

Contact: **Alan Toomey xxx-xxx-xxxx** Selfridge ANGB Airshow Info 810-307-4011 press 2

MULLIGAN'S GOLF CENTER *3951 Joslyn Rd Auburn Hills 248-332-4653*

Friday August 14th 7 PM Cost \$5 (+tax)



A new place has just opened called Mulligan's Golf Center. It is located on Joslyn Rd (exit 83 from I-75) just south of the I-75 overpass. The name of the game is putt-putt. Mulligan's has 36 holes of miniature golf, replay is an additional \$2.50, which means all 36 hole for just \$7.50. Come join in for some evening fun. Sign-up is at the club house. Afterwards we will decide on visiting a local Pub for some food and drinks. The Golf Center also has a driving range if you would like to come early to smile a few balls. Please call if you plan to attend so we can look for you.

Contact: **Alan Toomey xxx-xxx-xxxx**

WHIRLYBALL *Friday September 11th 8-10 PM*

Cost \$22 Members \$25 Non-Members! Limited to 25 People!

5600 Drake Rd Bloomfield Hills (248) 788-8900

3/4 miles North of Maple (15 Mile Rd) 1 block South of Walnut Lake Rd



The game is a combination of Jai-Alai, Hockey, Basketball and Polo, played in a bumper car-like machine. Teams are pitted against each other and score points by either shooting the ball in the opponents basket or by penalty points assessed against the opposing team for infractions of the rules. The umpire is located on an elevated chair and keeps score and calls all penalties. It is loads of fun. Play will consist of 5 teams rotating through play. Please Note: Although collisions with excessive speed or head-on are prohibited, this game is full of bumps and is not recommended for those with bad backs, necks, etc.

While not playing, the observers can watch, play other video games, socialize, or eat pizza, salad, or drink pop.. The Club has purchased the Unlimited Pizza, Salad and Pop Deal.



For information or to sign-up contact:

Alan Toomey xxx-xxx-xxxx

(make check payable to the GM Ski Club)

GM SKI CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| | | | |
|------------|----|----|---|
| JUL | 25 | Sa | Selfridge Airshow - 8 am Alan Toomey (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| AUG | 8 | Sa | Club Picnic - Stoney Creek - Eastwood Beach Tom Grabowski (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| | 13 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 14 | Fr | Mulligan's Golf Center - 7 pm Alan Toomey (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| | 20 | Th | Activities Meeting - Steak & Ale 6:30 pm Call Connie Casey (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| | 27 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TDB |
| SEP | 10 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 11 | Fr | Whirlyball - 8-10 pm Call Alan Toomey (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| | 17 | Th | Activities Meeting - Steak & Ale 6:30 pm Call Connie Casey (xxx) xxx-xxxx |
| | 24 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TBA |
| OCT | 8 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 10 | Sa | Cedar Point |
| | 22 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TBA |
| | 24 | Sa | Black & White Party - HELP |

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| NOV | 12 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 14 | Sa | Square Dance - HELP |
| DEC | 10 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 12 | Sa | Holiday Party - HELP |
| JAN | 9-10 | Sa-Su | Race Weekend #1 GS/SL - Boyne Mtn |
| | 14 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 28 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TBA |
| | 23-24 | Sa-Su | Race Weekend #2 SL/GS - Boyne Mtn |
| FEB | 6-7 | Sa-Su | Race Weekend #3 SL/DGS - Boyne Mtn |
| | 11 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 25 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TBA |
| | 19-21 | Sa-Su | Race Weekend #4 GS/S/GSL Boyne Mtn |
| MAR | 5-7 | Fr-Su | Marks Race Weekend #5 - Boyne Mtn |
| | 11 | Th | General Meeting - 8 pm Mitchell's |
| | 25 | Th | Rest.-of the Month - TBA |

GM SKI CLUB HOTLINE: 810-447-2228
MDSC Website: www.mdscski.org

General Meeting Fun Congratulations to **Peggy O'Neil, Gretchen Wnukowski, and Linda Pendergast** for being the lucky winners during the July General Meeting prize giveaway. Michael will come up with a new raffle for August's General Meeting. Every member or guest who pays for admittance to the meeting will qualify. Be sure to ask for your ticket at the door because tickets can not be distributed past this point. This activity is hosted by the hospitality committee chaired by Michael Bourke.



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MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES
ON LABEL DATE



