

MAY UPDATE

UPDATE FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT

2010/11 has been an interesting year so far. The Nordics have a newly designed website with exclusive member content and a more sophisticated public appearance. During the summer, we will be activating Pay Pal so members can renew memberships and pay for ski trips with their credit card. Membership has held steady for the past couple of years at just over 200 members (counting 2 per household membership). Between the good snow in the area and Lapham Peak Snow-Making project, it seems that cross-country skiing is rebounding in the area.

Jim Zimmerman and Becky White have opted not to serve another term on the Board of Directors. I would like to thank both of them for their time, dedication and wonderful input and support. And welcome back Paula Brookmire! Paula has served in the past and will be a terrific asset going forward. Thank you Paula for serving on the Board once more.

The Board is making membership meetings a priority. We are determined to move the meetings back to Friday evening. That night seems to work best for the members. Please send suggestions for meeting topics to any of the board members.

I'm looking forward to seeing lots of Nordics at our warm weather events all summer. Play safe and have a great time!

- *Katie Bivens*
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EXPLORING CUISINES

Tuesday, May 12



Our May Cuisines will be Charro restaurant, 17800 W. Bluemound Ave. in Brookfield. Charro offers

Central and South American food. Entrees include Enchiladas (\$12), Pollo Ahumado (\$19) And Ropa Vieja (\$15). Small Plates like Torta Sliders (\$8) are also available. As always, we will meet at the restaurant at 6:30pm. If you would like to join us, please call Cindy Wiktorek at (414) 483-5912 *by Monday May 9.*

FRIDAY FISH FRY WITH LIVE MUSIC BY THE NORDICS VERY OWN DAVE IMPERL

Friday, May 13

Live at Callanan's
Parkway Pub at 9pm
11505 W. National Ave,
West Allis

Friday Fish Fry:
Open to Close
Drinks: 6pm to Close

\$7.95 - Beer Battered Cod
\$8.95 - Baked Cod

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Update your profile today!
<http://www.nordicskiclub.org/>

For more information or questions, contact Dave Imperl at (414) 870-1213 or dimperl@att.net

NORDIC SKI CLUB



Nordic Ski Club of Milwaukee, Inc. (NSCM) is a membership-based outing association active year-round since 1971.

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RIDE OF SILENCE

Saturday, May 18

May 18th is the Ride of Silence bike procession to honor bicyclists injured or killed. (It is always the 3rd Wednesday of May)* This is a free ride that asks its cyclists to ride no faster than 12 mph ... TIME: 7pm* I will be attending this in Waukesha, where the starting point is at Waukesha State Bank on St. Paul Ave. Any Nordics whom are interested are welcome to join me. We could meet afterwards at a local restaurant for a sandwich or go to Gelato's for yummy Italian ice cream. Please call Jean Jantzen if you plan to attend the one in Waukesha at (262) 446-0030. More information and other locations for this ride can be found at www.rideofsilence.org

GOT IDEAS?

If you have a fun activity to suggest - or better yet, to lead, please contact Chairperson Paul Keber or any committee member. Ideas can range from simple events, such as a hike or gathering for a summer concert, to bigger events...the more creative, the better!

SERVICE AUCTION

Did everyone have fun? Special Thanks to Carol Doebler, Anne Riendl, Craig Sanford and Resa Tekus for the outstanding job they did organizing the 2011 Nordic Service Auction. And the auctioneer stylings of Paul Keber kept us entertained and the \$\$\$ flowing. Thank you also to the Bicycle Doctor for supporting the auction by donating the profits from a bike. But without the generosity of the Nordics, we would not have been able to raise \$1750 to support the Nordic Ski organizations that contribute to our enjoyment of Nordic skiing. Look for the recipient list in the next newsletter. *Thank you everyone!*

LAKE COUNTRY CLASSIC BIKE RIDE

Saturday, July 16

SAVE THE DATE!

Enjoy scenic lake country while you pedal. 5 routes - you choose the distance: 100, 65, 45, 25, 15 miles. Only \$20 (\$25 late regis.) for an entire day of fun and free food. Contact Dan Gannon, danielg@warshafsky.com **before June 15** if you want to sign up as a Nordic Group. The group rate is \$15/rider for 10 or more riders registering together at one time. Or you can register on your own and look for other Nordic members at registration or on your ride. To register online, visit: www.bayviewbikeclub.org. More details will be provided in the June Newsletter,

SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OUR FUN CLUB!

Invite your friends to any of our monthly meetings, events, or social get-togethers. A friend of yours is a friend of ours! Extra copies of the newsletter can be emailed from our website or printed and handed to your friends with an invitation to join. To help promote the club, business cards listing the Nordic Ski Club hotline and website are available from President Katie Bivens or Membership Chair Betty Schraith. Give the cards out liberally, and post them wherever you think there might be interest. Remember, we're a year-round recreation club. Spread the word!

EXPLORING NATURAL WISCONSIN: **HORICON MIGRATORY BIRD FESTIVAL**

Saturday, May 7

Come explore more aspects of the wildlife found in Horicon Marsh with us Saturday, May 7. The annual Horicon Migratory Bird Festival has new offerings each year. This year we'll enjoy the Wild Birds of Prey presentation, which includes live birds, at the Marsh Haven Nature Center on HWY 49 at the NW corner of the marsh from 1pm-2:10pm. There is a \$2 fee for this event. Afterward you can choose between a hike on one of the 3 looped hiking trails which traverse woodlands, grasslands and wetlands or an Introduction to Birding Hike from 2:45pm to 4pm. We'll conclude with a dinner visit to the Celtic Crossroads in Mayville. We can carpool from the Watertown Plank Park N Ride at 11:30am, and if desired, meet those coming from farther north at the Jackson Park N Ride. Please RSVP to Crystal Hoecherl at (414) 614-3034 **by Thursday, May 5** so we'll know to look for you at the Park N Ride. Here's a link to more information in case you are interested in other festival events, ranging from boat tours to night sounds hikes: <http://www.horiconmarshbirdclub.com/birdfestivalevents.cfm>

LOEW LAKE MOONLIGHT HIKE

Sunday, May 15

This hike offers both dense, dark woods and open, moonlit fields. A great mix back and forth of both experiences as we hike along through the gathering darkness. Hike 4.4 miles on the Loew Lake Segment of the Ice Age Trail. Meet at 7:30pm at the DNR's Emerald Drive parking lot in the Loew Lake unit of the KMSF. We will car pool to Monches and then hike back to the Emerald Drive parking lot. Hike is rated moderate due to hills and distance. The hike also contains two short road walks on Emerald Drive, a state Rustic Road. No State Park sticker is required. Bring along a flashlight as the woods get dark when the sun goes down and the moon comes up.

Directions: From Hwy 45 and County Line Road in Germantown, travel west approximately 11 miles on CTH Q (County Line Road). At CTH K, turn north and travel 1 mile. At Emerald Drive, turn right and travel 2.5 miles. DNR parking lot will be on your right. Look for bright yellow "IAT Event" signs along the way. For more information, contact Craig Sanford at (262) 370-3322 or craigsan@wi.rr.com.

CEDAR CREEK AYH CANOE TRIP

Saturday, May 21

Enjoy a fun canoe trip on a small but interesting river north of the town of Cedarburg in Ozaukee County. The Cedar Creek AYH canoe trip will be held on Saturday, May 21. This is a river suitable for beginners. We will meet at 9am and shuttle vehicles before beginning the trip. Please bring a bag lunch and beverage for the trip. The start and end of the canoe trip will depend on the water level. It will end at either the Covered Bridge County Park or in Cedarburg. Call AYH trip leader Lois Brown at (414) 535-0014 to reserve a spot on the trip and to get trip details such as where to meet. Identify yourself as a Nordic Ski Club member. Canoe rental cost is \$12 per person, or a \$3 activity fee if you have your own canoe or kayak. Money should be paid directly to Lois.

JEFFERSON - WAUKESHA CO. BIKE RIDE

Saturday, May 28



Come join us on bike rides in the country starting at Bicycle Doctors in Dousman on Saturday, May 28. There will be a 37-mile and an 18-mile ride. All levels of bikers are welcome. Paul Keber will lead a 37-mile bike ride beginning at 10:00 am. This ride will be mostly in the countryside, consisting of easy terrain with flat, open areas as well as rolling terrain with moderate hills. We'll take a break in the town of Rome, and will also pass through the town of Concord. An 18-mile bike ride will begin at 11:30 am. That ride will be over the same type of terrain as the longer ride till we reach the town of Sullivan. After a break in Sullivan, we will head back to Dousman on the flat Glacial Drumlin Trail. This portion of the trail is crushed limestone, and a Wisconsin Trails Pass is required. Cue sheets and maps will be available for both rides.

To get to the start of the ride, exit I-94 at Hwy 67 and head south to Hwy 18. Turn right on Hwy 18 and go 0.5 miles, then turn left on Main St. and go south 0.7 miles. Please park in the lot across the street from Bicycle Doctors. The rides will end in the parking lot around 1:30 pm from where we'll head to a local restaurant for food and drink. Bike helmets are not required, but are strongly recommended. Please contact Paul at 262-547-4827 to let him know what ride you will be doing and to ask him any questions. Call the Nordic Ski Club Hotline at 414-299-9639 to confirm the event if the weather is questionable.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

- 7 Exploring Natural Wisconsin
- Crystal Hoecherl (414) 614-3034
- 10 Exploring Cuisines Restaurant
- Cindy Wiktorek (414) 483-5912
- 13 Friday Fish Fry with Live Music
by Dave Imperl at Callanan's Parkway Pub
- 15 Loew Lake Moonlight Ice Age Trail Hike
- Craig Sanford (262) 370-3322
- 18 Ride of Silence Bike Ride
- Jean Jantzen (262) 446-0030
- 21 Cedar Creek AYH Canoe Trip
- Lois Brown (414) 535-0014
- 28 Jefferson - Waukesha Co Bike Ride
- Paul Keber (262) 547-4827

JUNE

- 12 Local Hike
- Paula Brookmire (414) 527-0040
- 15 Milwaukee River AYH Twilight Paddle
- Bill Ross (414) 332-1889
- 25 Bark River AYH Canoe Trip
- Mike Craig (414) 552-5011

JULY

- 4 July 4th Fireworks
- Paula Brookmire (414) 527-0040
- 16 Lake Country Classic Bike Ride
- Dan Gannon (262) 673-7683
- 17 Lower Fox River AYH Canoe Trip
- Gary Johncox (262) 534-2131
- 21 Exploring Cuisines Restaurant
- Cindy Wiktorek (414) 483-5912
- 23 Local Canoe / Kayak Trip
- Jim Walsh (414) 517-8330
- 31 Long Lake Summer Picnic
- Nancy Zoltowski (414) 254-0523

Nordic Ski Club events may be changed or canceled up to the last minute. For the latest information, always call the Nordic Hotline. 414-299-9639

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SPRING!!!
(Wheeeeeeee!)**

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NORDIC SKI CLUB OF MILWAUKEE

AUGUST 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4 July 4th Fireworks Paula Brookmire Gary Braun	5 Program Committee Meeting	6	7	8	9
10	11 Board Meeting	12	13	14	15	16 Lake Country Classic Bike Ride Dan Gannon
17 Lower Fox River AYH Canoe Trip Gary Johncox	18	19	20	21 Exploring Cuisines Restaurant Cindy Wiktoresk	22	23 Local Canoe/ Kayak Trip Jim Walsh
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Long Lake Summer Picnic Nancy Zoltowski						

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	1 Program Committee Meeting	2	3	4	5	6 Upper Rock River AYH Trip Mike Craig Ravina Cindy Wiktoresk
7 Lulu Lake AYH Canoe Trip Marge Brewer	8 Board Meeting	9	10	11	12 Kewaskum Moonlight Ice Age Trail Hike Craig Sanford	13 Brewers vs Pirates Game Paul Keber
14	15	16	17 Milwaukee River AYH Twilight Paddle Bill Ross	18	19	20 Bike Ride & Cookout John & Chris Pantazon
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Oconomowoc River AYH Canoe Trip Mike Craig
28 Cream City Century Bike Ride Katie Bivens	29	30	31			

INFO? HOTLINE # 414-299-9639

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SEPTEMBER 2011

NORDIC SKI CLUB OF MILWAUKEE

OCTOBER 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 Peninsula State Park Camping Trip	5 Peninsula State Park Camping Trip	6 Program Committee Meeting	7	8	9 Peninsula State Park Camping Trip Julie Amundson	10 Peninsula State Park Camping Trip 
11	12 Board Meeting	13	14	15	16 Monthly Meeting	17 Local Hike Kayleen Kauffman 
18 Pedal the Kettle Bike Ride Katie Bivens	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Program Committee Meeting	4	5 Winter Ski Trips Leader Training Paul Keber	6	7	8 West Bend Fall Colors Ice Age Trail Hike Craig Sanford
9	10 Board Meeting	11 Exploring Cuisines Restaurant Cindy Wiktorek	12	13	14	15 Local Hike Barb Johnson 
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Ski Trips Signup Meeting	29 Board Games Night Al Burrill
30	31					