

June 2023

June General Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 6

New Berlin Banquet Center • 16000 W. Cleveland Ave.

(Meeting rooms on east side of building)

- 6 pm: Check-in at Welcome Area begins
- 6:30 pm: Socializing & event sign-ups
 - 7 pm: General Meeting
- 7:45 pm: Dancing to the music of Sound Therapy

Guests welcome – \$10 admission

Note that we are meeting on a **Tuesday** this time. And be sure to come early, as seating is limited. Welcome the new board – including meetings director Greg Larson. Let him know how you like the band and which others you'd like to hear.

Sign up in advance

 Please register for the meeting online, call (414) 732-9749 or email Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com

Reminders

- ✤ Wear your Vagabond name tag
- Park on either side of the building
- Update your name tag at the meeting if you renewed your membership online.

Dinner plans?

- For a meal beforehand, you might try the New Berlin Ale House (in the same building as our meeting, but on the west side).
- No food or beverages may be carried into the meeting rooms.





Sound Therapy is a high-energy, five-piece cover band playing rock and country rock hits from today's top artists. Formed from former members of some of Milwaukee's favorite bands, Sound Therapy features talented, experienced musicians.

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Thank you to those of you who voted in the annual election. I am happy to announce that **Les Radtke** and **Carol Gavigan** were re-elected to the board for two-year terms, and that **Greg Larson** was elected as a new/returning board member. I was elected your president. **Denise Kremel** and **Jan Breitbach** are current members.

We say Thank You to two members leaving the board.

• **Linda Horn** leaves the board after serving for 10 years in many positions: president, vice president, director of racquet sports, international travel, our go-to person for technical support and instructor on Wild Apricot. We are pleased that Linda will continue to contribute to the board as an at-large team member. She will still be our expert consultant for technical support and also our liaison for international trips.

• **Tom Wendt** leaves us after three years organizing our general and board meetings, as well as booking bands for every monthly meeting. We appreciate his input at our meetings.

We are also happy to announce that **Joyce Szulc** will continue to be a team member at-large as ski activities coordinator and as our liaison with the CMSC and MMSC.

As always, we express a big **Thank You** to all the wonderful volunteers in our club on so many different levels. But, as always, we need more people to come forth with your ideas, suggestions and leadership. We have so many activities, but we can have more because we are a social Club!

My suggestion: Let's get more people at our monthly meetings. Let's make our new members welcome by mingling and talking to each other. Let's remain an active club with all of **you** involved. Personally, I want to meet more people. I'll see you at our next meeting -- Tuesday, June 6. (We'll resume Wednesday meetings in July.)



Welcome New Or Returning Members

(For up-to-date information, see the online directory at VagabondSkiClub.com)

Roger & Mary Feldmann • Kathy Haggith • Marge Pelkofer Kathleen Radaj • Michelle Ryan

The club is always looking for friendly and smiling faces to assist at the Welcome Desk on meeting nights.

Email Jan.Breitbach@gmail.com or call (414) 732-9749.

From the Meetings Director **Greg Larson** A lert: Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 6. Be sure to come early and sign up for events. Also meet the new board of directors. We have a terrific lineup of bands set for the year, but I welcome suggestions.

June's meeting will feature Sound Therapy. Come and have fun. See you there.



Drop-in Tennis

Vagabonds meet and play tennis at 10 a.m. Saturdays at Nathan Hale High School. There will be drop-in tennis Monday, May 29, at Elm Grove Village Park. The Summer Monday Night Tennis League begins June 5. Monday drop-in tennis will resume in August after league play is over. There is no fee, and no sign-up is necessary. Just show up and get on a court with others at your ability level.

Coordinator: Diane Schmitt, (414) 690-4689.

Summer Tennis League

June 5 to Aug. 21 • 6-7:30 pm (Every Monday except July 3) Elm Grove Village Park and Whitman Middle School

The registration deadline for full-time players has passed, but there are still openings for substitute players. The one-time fee to be a substitute is \$15 for the entire season.

Event organizers: **Cheryl Jaeger**, (262) 510-9676, and **Diana Schneider**, (414) 491-2217.

If you are a beginner tennis player and would like tennis lessons, call **Bill Gaertner** at (414) 750-1316.

Beginner Tennis

6-7:30 pm • June 13, 15, 20 & 22 Burleigh Elementary School, 16185 Burleigh Place

Tennis is a great game that offers lifelong fun, exercise and camaraderie. Here's an opportunity to learn with others. Bill Gaertner will teach beginner tennis lessons again this year. We need at least four participants. Sign up at <u>VagabondSkiClub.com</u> or reach out to Bill at (414) 750-1316. . A one-time fee of **\$15** covers all sessions.

Sizzling Summer Serving Superiority Tennis Workshops

Select Tuesdays • 9 am Elm Grove Village Park

Although a few sessions have taken place, you can still make 2023 the year you greatly improve your serve – the most important shot of the game. Get more power. Improve your accuracy. Achieve variety and deception. Commit fewer double faults. Develop some spin or slice.

Gene O'Kelly is coordinating the instruction, drills, practices, competitive serving games, and personal numerical evaluations with tracking for improvement. Even the best server will improve!



Remaining workshop dates – 9 a.m. on select Tuesdays.

June 6 June 27 July 11 July 25 Aug. 8 Aug. 22

Fee – **\$15** total for all sessions. Come when you want, skip when you want. Event coordinator: **Gene O'Kelly**, (414) 526-2719.



Onward, upward and forward at Lapham Peak and the Ice Age Trail.



Hikers soak in the sunshine and spring blossoms at Whitnall Park. Vagabond Ski & Social Club • June 2023 • **3**



Sunday Bike Rides

 ${f T}$ o ensure a safer ride for all, we are making several changes to the Summer Biking Program:

- All riders should check in with the ride leader.
 - Unless otherwise stated, we recommend that you arrive by 1:30 pm.
 - Unless otherwise stated, please be ready to ride at 1:45 pm.
- All rides will have both a leader and sweep.
- We strongly encourage riders to wear a helmet.
- The rides will be at a 10- to 12-mph pace. Riders who wish to go faster are on their own.
- Remember to bring water, sunglasses, sunscreen and your cell phone.

June 4, 1:30 p.m., Glacial Drumlin Trail

For the first ride of the season, we will ride from Waukesha to Wales and back for a total of about 14 miles. This stretch of the Glacial Drumlin Trail is paved and mostly flat. Meet at the trailhead parking lot, 810 College Ave, Waukesha, and be ready to ride at 1:45 p.m.

This trail requires a State Trail Pass. You can purchase a daily pass for \$5 or an annual pass for \$25. During the ride, we plan to stop at Leduc's Frozen Custard for those who want custard. Afterward, we will go to the Neighbors Bar and Grille, \$16 W22255 Arcadian Ave., Waukesha.

Ride leaders: **Denise Kremel** and **Dan Heidemann**. Questions? Call Dan at (414) 416-1678.

June 11, 1:30 p.m., Whitnall Park to Froemming Park on Oak Leaf Trail

Meet at the Whitnall Park Playground parking lot on Whitnall Park Drive, near Picnic Area No. 5. We will take the Oak Leaf Trail east and then southeast along the Root River Parkway to Loomis Road. We will then follow the trail across Loomis at 68th and take the Oak Leaf Trail south along the Root River to Froemming Park in Franklin. We will return on the same path from Froemming Park to Whitnall Park. All surfaces are paved asphalt. The distance is 14 miles.

After the ride, we will meet at Panther Pub and Eatery, 5651 Broad St., Greendale.

Ride leaders: **Terese and Jay Zinn**. Questions? Call Jay at (414) 708-1663.

June 18, 1:30 p.m., Nashotah to Oconomowoc

Meet at Dickten Park, N43 W32785 Rasmus Road, in Nashotah. Take I-94 to Hwy 16 west to Exit C. Go south on Hwy C to Ramus Road, which is across from the post office in Nashotah. Go left or east about a quarter of a mile to Dickten Park, which is right next to the Nashotah Fire Department.

This is a beautiful 18-mile ride on mostly low-traffic, paved

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roads with 4 miles of paved Lake Country Trail. There are a few hills. During the ride, we will see Oconomowoc Lake and Fowler Lake and also cross between Upper and Lower Nashotah lakes. We will stop in downtown Oconomowoc to look at Fowler Lake and have a gelato at Golosi Gelato Cafe or ice cream at Mullen's Dairy Bar.

After the ride, we will meet at Boozhag's Clubhouse, formerly the Nashotah Clubhouse, for food, drink and camaraderie. The address is N44 W32998 Watertown Plank Road in Nashotah.

Leaders: **Carol Zahorik**, (262) 367-7335 or (262) 893-7467, and **Kris Hennig**, (262) 646-9311.

June 25, 1:30 p.m., Ozaukee Interurban Trail

Meet at the Mequon Piggly Wiggly parking lot, 6111 W. Mequon Road in Mequon. We will ride north 15 miles on the Interurban Bike Trail to Cedarburg and on to Grafton. Afterward, we will go to Foxtown Brewing at 6411 W. Mequon Road. Ride Leader is **Dave Nelsen**, (414) 350-1433.

July 2, No local ride due to the Fourth of July holiday

One-hour Walks on Thursday mornings

Join us Thursday mornings at 11 for our planned Vagabond midweek walks, and also have an optional lunch stop afterward at the discretion of the leader. Volunteers who lead on Thursday mornings (11 a.m. to noon) can choose their favorite park. Volunteers, please contact **Sherry Dobson** at (262) 498-4067 or <u>SherryDobs44@gmail.com</u>. Join us for a wonderful short exercise each Thursday morning.

There will be no change of day or time for our monthly **Happy Hour Walks from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays**, before heading to a restaurant. Come join us for Happy Hour even if you do not go along on the walk.

Memorial Weekend Picnic

The Vagabonds will have **Area 5 at Whitnall Park** available for a picnic Sunday, May 28. The area is open to us starting at 10 a.m. if you would like to set up a game or socialize. The weekly hike will be from 1:45 to 3:45 at the park for those interested, and followed by a picnic.

Vagabonds and guests are invited to come and bring a dish to pass if you would like. Plates and utensils will be supplied. Bring your own beverages.

GOLF LEAGUES

Brookfield Hills – Tuesdays 16075 Pinehurst Dr.

June 6 to Aug. 29 (no golf on July 4); 12 weeks of golf

This is 9 holes, with tee times 1-1:30 p.m. This league is limited to 20 golfers who are intermediate to advanced ability.

Fee: \$178 for the season. Cart rental is \$9 per person weekly.

You can sign up as a single or as a twosome; singles will be matched with a partner, and each week there will be a mix-up of twosomes so you will get to play with everyone. We will have an end-of-season pizza party. If you have a particular partner you would like to play with, specify their name on the registration form. Subs sign up for \$17, which includes the pizza party. Subs pay \$13.50 for each round of golf, paid directly to the person they are subbing for.

League captain is **Gordy Weiss**, (262) 308-2703, <u>GordyAndJeanne@hotmail.com</u>.

Songbird Hills – Wednesdays W259 N8700 Hwy 164, Hartland May 31 to Aug. 23 (13 weeks)

Songbird Hills is just south of County Line Road. The fee for 9 holes of golf each week is \$175 for the season. An option to play 18 holes is available at an extra charge. Tee times start 1:30 p.m. for 18-hole golfers and 1:52 p.m. for 9-hole players. Golf carts are \$9 per rider. Cost includes a Corn Roast/Brats/Burgers end-of-season party and prizes for hole event winners and door prizes.

Golfers can sign up as a single or as a twosome. Foursomes will be formed for play. You will be playing with the same foursome each week. Contact **Suzanne Wiedner** if you would like to request specific players for a foursome.

Cost for subs is \$15, which includes the party and prizes. Subs pay \$11.75 for their round of golf, payable to the person they are subbing for. We will have a sub list.

Event Leader: **Suzanne Wiedner**, suzieQrn333@hotmail. com, (262) 305-844

Sunny Slope – Fridays

4285 S. Sunny Slope Road, New Berlin June 2–Aug. 18 (12 weeks of golf) Fee for the season: **\$178** 9 holes of golf, tee times between 1 and 2 p.m. Carts paid weekly at \$8 per rider. Golf course walkers welcome.

You can sign up as a single or as a twosome; singles will be matched with a partner, and each week there will be a mix-up of twosomes so you will get to play with everyone. We will have an end-of-season pizza party. If you have a particular partner you would like to play with, name them on the registration form. Subs sign up for \$17, which includes the pizza party. Subs pay \$13.50 for each round of golf, paid directly to the person they sub for.

Leader: **Jean Dueling**, <u>dueling@gmail.com</u>. Call or text her at (414) 321-0258.

9 Hole Scramble – July 22 at Songbird Hills

The Golf Scramble will be July 22 at Songbird Hills this year. We have a new format of nine holes. Players of all levels are welcome. The fee of \$58 includes nine holes of golf

with cart, Italian dinner, prizes, and an afternoon of fun. Tee time is 1 p.m. with a shotgun start. Please arrive by 12:30.

If you would like to attend the dinner only, the cost is \$18. Registration opens June 1. Deadline is July 8.

Event leaders: **Suzanne Wiedner**, <u>suzieQrn333@hotmail</u>. com, (262) 305-8444 and **Wally Feierday**, (262) 501-6413. Address: 232 Reeds Drive, West Bend, WI 53095.

New Clarus Bike Trip

July 13-16 • Join the waitlist

Our annual weekend bike ride will be July 13-16 in New Glarus. There are multiple trails in the area, including the Sugar River, Badger and Military Ridge State trails. We will be staying at the Hyatt Place in Verona. Hot continental breakfast is included. We can bring chairs to sit outside and have drinks and snacks at the traditional evening gatherings. We aren't allowed to bring food into the hotel, as they serve food.

Fee: **\$295 per person**, double occupancy.

There are three restaurants within walking distance of the hotel. Pickleball/tennis courts are also close by for those who wish to play.

Any questions, contact **Dan Heidemann** at (414) 416-1678 or **Denise Kremel** at (262) 524-1023.

Door County Midweek Get-Away

Tuesday to Friday, Aug. 29 to Sept. 1

A world away yet close to home, come and enjoy Door County. Again this year, we will stay at the Landmark Condominium Resort in Egg Harbor. The Landmark has tennis courts and indoor and outdoor pools. The activities are endless in Door County: biking, hiking, golf, the arts, galleries, and the ever-challenging retail therapy. Come find your pleasure. To find out more, go to <u>DestinationDoorCounty.com</u>.

Meals and beverages are self-pay, but you can cook in your condo or visit the onsite restaurant. Each night, we will meet in the lodge for a cash bar and socializing.

A bike ride this year is TBD. A scheduled walk in Peninsula State Park will be planned.

To ensure availability, Landmark is asking us to make reservations early. Call Landmark directly and mention the Vagabond group. **Registration deadline is May 31.**

Nightly lodging rates:

One-bedroom woodside king, \$179

One-bedroom main-level waterside queen suite, \$189 One-bedroom main-level waterside king suite, \$209 Two-bedroom, two-bath woodside suite, \$225

Each unit has a full kitchen, dining area, living room and sofa sleeper.

For reservations, **call Sonja at (920) 868-5164 by May 31.** Then visit VagabondSkiClub.com to follow up and register in Wild Apricot. Questions? Contact **Jean Dueling** at (414) 321-0258.



Ski Activities Joyce Szulc

2024 Vagabond Ski Trips



WINTER PARK, COLORADO Zephyr Mountain Lodge Condos

Jan. 6-12 (Saturday – Friday)



ASPEN/SNOWMASS, COLORADO

Top of the Village Condos

Feb. 10-17 (Saturday – Saturday)

Details on these two Vagabond-sponsored trips will be available soon! Mark your calendars and watch your email, the club website and this newsletter.

Questions about anything related to the Vagabond ski program? Please contact **Joyce** at 262-902-3248 or jszulc@wi.rr.com.

CMSC Trip to Zermatt

The Chicago Metro Ski Council is going to Zermatt, Switzerland, and Milan, Italy, in 2024 Jan. 26 – Feb. 7 Price: \$3,997

Between Zermatt and Breuil-Cervinia at an altitude of 12,740 feet lies the highest ski area in Switzerland: the Matterhorn Ski Paradise. Guests can use modern lifts and cable cars, including the Matterhorn Glacier Ride.

The ski area is divided into three sections: Rothorn/Sunnegga, Gornergrat, and the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise up at Klein Matterhorn, including the Schwarzsee area. A fourth area, which makes Zermatt an international resort, is Cervinia, Italy. Zermatt is one of the world's most magical destinations, nestled at the foot of one of the world's most iconic peaks.

Our group will stay at the 4-star Hotel Alex within walking distance of the lifts, (<u>HotelAlexZermatt.com/hotel/?lang=en</u>) including the Gornergrat Bahn Station, the Sunnegga Funicu-

lar and the Furi Gondola.

On a four-night extension to Milan, Italy, we will stay at the Ritz StarHotels, with daily breakfast.

For details on the CMSC trip, go to <u>SkiCMSC.com/_EuropeTrip.htm</u> or contact **Steve Patzer** at (630) 297-1964 or <u>scpatzer@hotmail.com</u>.



MMSC Trip to Val Di Fassa

The Milwaukee Metro Ski Council is going to Val Di Fassa and Venice, Italy in 2024

March 1-12

Price: \$2,398 (does not include airfare or lift tickets)

This trip will include a seven-night stay at the Dolomiti Schloss Hotel in Val Di Fassa, located in the center of Canazei, near the Gondola Canazei-Pecol (main Sellaronda access). If you do not wish to walk to the lift, there is a bus stop right behind the hotel.

The price includes round trip transfer from the airport to the hotel with breakfast and dinner each day.

For lift tickets, use the Ikon pass or a Dolomiti Super Pass.

A three-night extension in Venice at the Hotel Carlton Grand Canal will include daily breakfast.

The hotel offers easy access to the city, situated in front of the railway station Santa Lucia and next to the automobile terminal Piazzale Roma. Optional day trips to Cortina d'Ampezzo and Bolzano.

> For details on the MMSC trip, contact **Mark Harris** at (414) 453-6914 or <u>hrris 53051@yahoo.com</u>.

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Social Activities **Denise Kremel**

Scrabble



1-4 pm Tuesdays, June 6 and 20 New Berlin Ale House

Scrabble is every other Tuesday from 1-4 p.m. at the New Berlin Ale House. Cost is **\$1 per person** for the server tip along with a purchase of one beverage, either alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Next games are

June 6 and 20. Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are invited. Contact Lynn Kozlowski, (414) 539-8114.

Game Night!

6-9 pm Tuesdays, June 13 and 27 New Berlin Ale House



The next game nights at New Berlin Ale House will be June 13 and 27. Bring your game and a few friends. Non-members are encouraged to attend. All levels of play are welcome!

Everyone is responsible for ordering at least one item from the menu: a drink or something to eat, and include a tip. (The separate \$1 admission fee is not considered a tip.) Call **Jae Hartnell**, (608) 712-7440..



Rodeo

7 p.m. Saturday, June 10

Join us for a night of Pro Bull Riding and more at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at State Fair Park in West Allis. The event features: Barrel Racing (cowgirl competition with horses and barrels) and bull riding.

Tickets are **\$21**, parking **\$10**. **Sign up by June 8**. One of our members won over \$1,000 last year in the 50-50 raffle. Hosts: **Jim Shelbrock** and **Joann Jacobs**, (262) 751-2693; joannjacobs424@yahoo.com.

Supper Club outings

Tuesday, June 27 Hobnob Restaurant *Join the Waitlist*

The Vagabonds begin the supper club season with an evening at the Hobnob, a classic Wisconsin supper club on the shores of Lake Michigan in Racine. We have reached our capacity, but you can join the waitlist by contacting event leader **Joyce Szulc** at (262) 902-3248 or jszulc@wi.rr.com.

Tuesday, July 25 Diamond Jim's *Registration starts June 5*

Join us for our second supper club dinner of the season July 25 at Diamond Jim's Steakhouse, 11811 W. Janesville Road, Hales Corners. Attendance is limited to the first 22 Vagabonds who sign up online. Registration opens **June 5**.

Cocktails will start at 4:30 p.m., with dinner at 5:15. We will order off the regular dinner menu -- no sandwiches or standalone salads. Dinners will include soup or salad. Some features of the menu:

- Prime Rib, queen cut, **\$34.95** Filet, 8-ounce, **\$37.95**
- Grilled Shrimp, **\$22.95**
- Half Rack of Ribs, **\$19.95**
- Filet and Shrimp, \$44.95

We will receive separate checks, and a gratuity of 20% will be added to each one. No exceptions. Questions? Call event leader **Lavonne Grenlie** at (262) 542-2004.

From the Vice President Linda Horn

International Trip

Vagabond Ski & Social Club's Spectacular 15-Day Enchanting Paris, Rhone River & Southern France

Oct. 4-19 • \$5,994

Be part of this phenomenal Vagabond trip to Paris, Southern France and Rhone Riverboat Cruise on the Luxurious AMA Waterways River Vessel, with a maximum of 168 passengers. All staterooms are Fixed Window or French Balcony. We will visit Paris, then Nice, followed by a 7-Night Cruise to the most



Famous Vineyards - Wine Spots - in France. Visit <u>VagabondSkiClub.com/Travel</u> for full details. Contact Trip Leader **Bob** at (414) 276-6331.



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Help us find new members through Facebook: Click Like on the Vagabond Ski & Social Club page. You can also post pictures from club events.

Stay Informed

For up-to-date information on club events and activities, including news and photos, visit <u>VagabondSkiClub.com</u>. DATED MATERIAL

Deliver by May 27

FUTURE EVENTS	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
July 13 New Glarus bike trip July 22 Golf Scramble July 25 Diamond Jim's Aug. 29 Door County	28	29	30	31	1 Walk Pickleball	2 Golf	3 Tennis
Oct. 4 France Jan. 6 Winter Park Jan. 26 Zermatt Feb. 10 Snowmass	4 Bike Ride	5 Tennis	6 Tennis wrkshp Scrabble Golf General mtg	7 Golf	8 Walk Pickleball	9 Golf	10 Tennis Rodeo
March 1 Dolomites	11 Bike Ride	12 Tennis	13 Golf Game night	14 Golf	15 Walk Pickleball	16 Golf	17 Tennis
HAPPY.	18 Bike Ride	19 Tennis	20 Scrabble Golf	21 Brewers game Golf	22 Walk Pickleball	23 Golf	24 Tennis
Flag Day • June 14 Father's Day • June 18 Juneteenth Day • June 19	25 Bike Ride	26 Tennis	27 Tennis wrkshp Golf Game night Supper Club	28 Golf Board mtg	29 Walk Pickleball	30 Colf	1