

July 2023

July General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

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 Advance Classic Rock & Roll

Guests welcome – \$5 admission

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.



Advance features Vagabond member and webmaster Nick Pumilia performing some of the best rock-and-roll classics: songs you will instantly recognize and enjoy! Be prepared for some blues, jazz, country and folk as well.

The band's repertoire includes songs by artists such as Van Morrison, the Beatles, Eric Clapton, the Cin Blossoms, Bob Seeger, Bruce Springsteen, Johnny Cash, the Bodeans, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, the Rolling Stones, Third Eye Blind, Pink Floyd and Elvis.

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uly 4 is a special day to celebrate our liberty and our great country. We pray for blessings on our country.

We can celebrate our club (which is more than 60 years old) each and every day because we have wonderful members and volunteers who keep the club moving. We see our membership growing, and we know that the new members joined us because of our awesome activities. We are so pleased to see so many of them participating.

Another good way for all of us to meet each other and to get involved is at our monthly meetings. Our membership grows, but attendance at our meetings doesn't grow.

Let's put the missing pieces together!

Over the years, our club has been recognized as one of the best, and we want to keep it that way.

We would love to have more people -- new and old members -- getting involved in the club as leaders. It's only with volunteers that we keep our club active and vital as one of the best clubs.

If you have an idea for an event or a suggestion, contact any board member to express it. If you observe that help is needed anywhere, step up to help as a volunteer.

Let's keep these compliments such as "awesome," "great," "friendly," "interesting," "fantastic" **alive** in our club. We need all of you!

I'll see you at our next monthly meeting, Wednesday, July 5.

Mary Beth



Dancing to the music of Sound Therapy at the June meeting.



Ski Activities Joyce Szulc

Vagabond Ski Trips

Complete details on both of the 2024 Vagabond ski trips will be announced when registration opens July 1. Watch your email, the club website and this newsletter!



WINTER PARK, COLORADO Zephyr Mountain Lodge Condos Jan. 6-12 (Saturday – Friday) Sign-ups start July 1



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

 $T_{\rm and\ members\ of\ the\ race\ team.}$ to all Vagabond skiers

The Zermatt 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





ASPEN/SNOWMASS, COLORADO Top of the Village Condos Feb. 10-17 (Saturday – Saturday) Sign-ups start July 1

destinations, nestled at the foot of one of the world's most iconic peaks.

The group is staying at the 4-star Hotel Alex within walking distance of major lifts, including the Gornergrat Bahn Station, the Sunnegga Funicular, and the Furi Gondola (HotelAlexZermatt.com/).

A four-night extension to Milan, Italy, is included in the trip price, staying at the Ritz StarHotels with daily breakfast.

Visit the CMSC website (<u>skicmsc.com/ EuropeTrip.htm</u>) for more details.

Questions? 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

Estimated Price: \$2,398 (not including airfare, tourist taxes, lift tickets or optional tours)

Trip information has been emailed to all Vagabond skiers and members of the race team.

Join us for a phenomenal ski and travel adventure to Val Di Fassa, Italy. Ski Sellaronda is in the Trentino area of the Dolomiti Mountains. The trip includes a three-night extension to Venice. The four-star accommodations include some meals, transportation, welcome party and more.



Please note that airfare is **not** included in the base price listed above. We are arranging group air from either Chicago or Milwaukee.

Details

- Seven nights at Dolomiti Schloss Hotel (Saturday, March 2 to Saturday, March 9) includes breakfast and dinner. Prestige Double (Split King) based on two per unit. Includes Fassa Card, which offers discounts. Single room available at additional cost.
- Private round-trip bus transfer between airport and Dolomiti Schloss Hotel plus Private Water Taxi between Venice Airport and Hotel Carlton Grand.
- Three nights with breakfast at Hotel Carlton Grand Canal (Saturday, March 9 to Tuesday, March 12) based on two per unit. Single room available at additional cost.
- Optional day in Cortina or Bolzano & Legendary Winery (at additional cost).
- Does not include transportation to Chicago and back (if flying to and from O'Hare).

A deposit of **\$700** is required at time of registration to secure your spot. Make your check payable to Metropolitan Milwaukee Ski Council (MMSC) and mail to **Mark Harris**, 18741 West Silver Spring Drive, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051.

Please note: Fluctuation of the Euro exchange rate may affect the price of the trip.

Questions? Contact Mark Harris at (414) 453-6914 or <u>Harris 53051@yahoo.com</u>





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.

Full details online at <u>VagabondSkiClub.com</u> and click on Travel. Contact Trip Leader **Bob** at (414-276-6331).



Membership Jan Breitbach

Welcome New or Returning Members (For up-to-date information, see the online directory at <u>VagabondSkiClub.com</u>)

Mike Fries & Robin McLemore • Dennis Gralinski Diane Gralinski • Dennis & Karla Gustafson Arlene Kaul • John Lanham • Mary Zierke

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

80/30 Club – If you think you may qualify for 80/30 status (80 years old and 30 or more years with the club), contact Jan.



Sporting Activities Mary Beth Braun

Sunday Bike Rides

Arrive by 1:30 p.m. and be ready to ride at 1:45 pm.

- All rides will have 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.



The first bike ride of the season: Waukesha to Wales on the Glacial Drumlin Trail.

July 2. No local ride due to the holiday.

July 9. Hank Aaron Trail – new starting location

Meet in front of the Twisted Fisherman Restaurant, 1200 W. Canal St., Milwaukee. We can park on either side of Canal Street, just west of the restaurant. Watch out for "No Parking" sign if you go too far west. Do not park in the restaurant parking lot during the ride.

We will meet at 1:30 p.m. and ride from 1:45 to 3:45 pm. We will be biking on an asphalt path with some hills. After the ride, we will meet for food and drinks at the Twisted Fisherman. The ride is 15 miles long on the Hank Aaron Trail.

Ride leader is **Gary Kovach**, and sweep is **Connie Sandell**. Questions? Call **Gary** at (414) 712-3897.

July 16. No local ride due to the weekend bike trip in Verona.

July 23. Bugline Trail

Meet at Pollworth Park, on White Tail Run Road in Merton. (Please note that Google Maps may say Hartland). No state trail pass is required. There is a bathroom open at the park, but we cannot guarantee it will be open. There will be bathrooms at several other places along the route. We will go 26 miles round trip. The trail is mostly flat and paved. This route has quite a bit of shade. After the ride, we will meet near the park at Humdingers Bar and Grill (W282 N7149 Main St., Merton).

Ride leaders are **Dorothy Nolen** and **Greg Kressin**. Questions? Call **Dorothy** at (847) 445-2481.

July 30. South Shore Park Pavilion

Meet at the South Shore Park Pavilion, 2900 South Shore Drive, Milwaukee. We will ride north to Lake Park. Along the way, we will ride through Lake Shore State Park, past the Milwaukee Art Museum and onward to Lake Park. We will return on the Oak Leaf Trail. The ride distance is 20 miles. Afterward, we will go to Centraal Grand Café and Tappery at 2306 S. Kinnickinnic Ave..

Ride leader is **Dave Nelsen**. Questions? Call **Dave** at (414) 350-1433.



The Happy Hour segment of a Happy Hour Walk.

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 SherryDobs44@gmail.com. Join us for a wonderful short exercise each Thursday morning.

Our occasional **Happy Hour Walks** are from **4 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays**, when they are scheduled. Join us at the restaurant even if you do not go along on the walk beforehand.

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9 Hole Scramble

July 22 at Songbird Hills

The Golf Scramble will be July 22 at Songbird Hills, with a new format this year 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**.

Golfers can sign up as a single player or if you want to play with specific people, please note their names in the comment section when you register online (if you register with a check, call Suzanne or Wally). We will be putting together foursomes for the event.

If you would like to attend the dinner only, the price is \$18.

Registration deadline is July 8.

Event leaders: **Suzanne Wiedner**, <u>suzieQrn333@hotmail.com</u>, (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

We are looking forward to our getaway Aug. 29 to Sept. 1 in Door County. For those of you who reserved a room at Landmark Resort, please register in Wild Apricot also. Questions? Call or text **Jean Dueling** at (414) 321-0258.



Drop-in Tennis

Vagabonds meet and play tennis at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Nathan Hale High School in West Allis. 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.

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 evalua-

• tions with tracking for improvement. Even the best server will improve!

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

July 11

July 25

Aug. 8 Aug. 22

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Fee – **\$15** total for all sessions. Come when you want, skip when you want.

Event coordinator: Gene O'Kelly, (414) 526-2719.





Social Activities Denise Kremel

Scrabble



1-4 pm Tuesday, July 18 New Berlin Ale House

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

holic. Next games are July 18. (No games July 4.) Food is also available for purchase. Non-members are welcome. Contact **Lynn Kozlowski**, (414) 539-8114.

Game Night!

6-9 pm Tuesdays, July 11 and 25 New Berlin Ale House



The next game nights at New Berlin Ale House will be July 11 and 25. This is not just for Sheepshead and

Dominoes. Whatever game you come for, the

rules are the same. Bring your game and invite a few friends to come along. Non-members are encouraged to attend, and 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.)

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Supper Club outings

Tuesday, July 25 Diamond Jim's *Join the waitlist*

Our second supper club event of the season will be July 25 at Diamond Jim's steakhouse, 11811 W. Janesville Road, Hales Corners.

Cocktails begin at 4:30 p.m., dinner at 5:15. We will be ordering off the regular dinner menu.





Choices include:

- 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; tax and 20% gratuity will be added to each.

Questions? Call event leader **Lavonne Grenlie** at (262) 542-2004.

Tuesday, Aug. 22 Steakout Sign-ups start July 17



oin us for supper club dinner No. 3 of the season Aug. 22 at the Steakout, 6300 Industrial Loop, Greendale.

Attendance is limited to 24 Vagabonds who sign up online. **Registration opens July 17.**

Cocktails will begin at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6. We will order from the regular dinner menu – no sandwiches or stand-alone salads. Dinners include bread, soup or salad, and choice of a side dish. Some popular dinners:

- Spaghetti and meatballs, **\$18**
- Pork chops, **\$26**
- Norwegian salmon, **\$28**
- Filet Mignon, **\$46**
- Prime Rib, **\$45**

We will receive separate checks, which will include gratuity and tax.

Questions? Call event leader **Carol Gavigan** at (262) 632-1922.





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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 June 29

FUTURE EVENTS	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Aug. 22SteakoutAug. 29Door CountyOct. 4France	25	26	27	28	29	30	1 Tennis
Jan. 6 Winter Park Jan. 26 Zermatt Feb. 10 Snowmass	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
March 1 Val di Fassa				Golf General mtg	Walk Pickleball	Golf	Tennis
	9 Bike Ride	10 Tennis	11 Tennis wrkshp Golf Game night	12 Golf	13 New Glarus Walk Pickleball	14 Golf	15 Tennis
	16	17 Tennis	18 Scrabble Golf	19 Golf	20 Walk Pickleball	21 Golf	22 Tennis Golf Scramble
Independence Day July 4	23 Bike Ride Bike Ride 30	24 Tennis Tennis 31	25 Tennis wrkshp Golf Game night Supper Club	26 Golf Board mtg	27 Walk Pickleball	28 Golf	29 Golf Scramble