

**NORTHERN KETTLE MORAINÉ NORDIC SKI CLUB**  
Application for Membership (please print clearly)

Name _____		Personal Phone _____	
Address _____		Work Phone _____	
City/State _____	Zip _____	Email _____	
<u>Please circle type of membership:</u>		<u>Return with fee to:</u>	
Individual (\$30)	Family (\$40)	Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Ski Club W6681 Esker Ridge Elkhart Lake, WI 53020	
Supporting (\$55)	Patron (\$105)		
Additional Donation to support (please circle one) trail / lights / grooming: \$ _____			

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A Newsletter of the Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Ski Club

FALL 2017

## President's Message

The great thing about preparing the Fall Flake is that it causes me to do some reflection on the previous ski season, the season ahead, and most importantly, the joy I receive from kicking and gliding through the forest on skinny skis. For me, the 2016-17 season was disappointing. My log says I clipped into skis only 40 times, and for the first time in many years I was unable to ski any races, either due to cancellations or my personal schedule. Of course, the great thaw, which brought down the Birkie, was a huge bummer; however, while reviewing my ski log I was also reminded of some of the great days of skiing I did have last season, especially the ones with friends. There was the early season road trip to Ironwood and ABR where we pounded for three days in heavy snow or the crisp, blue-sky day of back-country skiing in early February near Crooked Lake on 10 in of fresh snow that fell the day before. Those are the experiences that put a smile on my face and bring excitement for the upcoming season. Here's hoping for lots of snow and many more happy times with friends on snow!

Preparations are or have been underway for the upcoming ski season. Grooming equipment and Brown Trail lights are being serviced. Ski trails are being mowed and cleared of limbs and downed trees. The shelter woodbox is being filled. The Board of Directors has met to elect officers and establish a budget. The coaches, parents, and team members of our youth ski team, The Storm, are very busy getting ready for the season. In addition, the Board approved the establishment of a Nordic Rocks program for elementary school children in Plymouth.

This is the time to renew your membership and commitment to support the Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Ski Club. Your support enables continued trail maintenance and grooming at Greenbush, provides opportunity for area youth to be part of an outstanding ski team, introduces young children to skiing, and most importantly, promotes the positive benefits of Nordic skiing. Dues are remaining the same as the past two years. The financial contributions, the volunteer hours of service, and the excellent trail grooming provided by the members of our club are significant. It is that support combined with our productive partnership with the DNR, that make Greenbush our little piece of Nordic Heaven and one of the premier cross country ski destinations in the upper Midwest.

Be sure to make plans to attend our Annual Fall Meeting. In addition to a brief business meeting, Dave Haase, owner of Attitude Sports will present a program on his Race Across America experiences. The meeting will be held November 8, at the Generations Building in Plymouth, 7:00 PM (see details below).

Please use the enclosed form to renew your membership today. The Club's board of directors would also like everyone to consider an extra donation to help defray increasing costs of grooming and to prevent us from having to conduct a fund-raising activity. Remember, all dues and donations go toward club efforts to groom and maintain Greenbush Trails, to introduce others of all ages to the spirit and benefits of Nordic skiing, and to encourage physical fitness throughout our community. Please do your part.

Think snow,  
Clark Reinke

## Fall Membership Meeting

**When:** Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 PM

**Where:** The Generations Building,  
1500 Douglas Dr., Plymouth

**Program:** Race Across America - Dave Haase

**Refreshments:** Beer, Wine, and Hors D'oeuvres Provided  
(Donations Accepted)

## Youth Ski Team *Update*

Despite challenging snow conditions, The Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Storm Cross Country Ski Team had a very successful 2016-17 season and are preparing for the upcoming campaign. The Storm, sponsored by the NKMN Ski Club brings approximately 50 Gr. 5-12 participants together from East Central Wisconsin each year. The team's mission is to come together to learn good Nordic ski (and waxing) technique, stay in shape, compete as a team, meet other skiers, and to have fun!

The team is part of the Wisconsin Nordic Ski League (WNSL) consisting of 24 school and club-sponsored teams from across the State and has a schedule of 10-12 weekend ski trips and competitive meets from mid-December through early March. The team practices on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 pm at the Greenbush Trails beginning Monday, November 6. The team does dry land training until there is enough skiable snow.

**SKIER/PARENT ORIENTATION** – Sat., Nov. 4, 9:00-11:00 am, APEX Athletic Performance (Former Batavia Elementary School, W7140 School Drive, Batavia, WI – off of Hwy 28). Note: This is also a back-up practice location. A team practice will be conducted while parents attend the orientation meeting. Completed Athlete/Parent Information Form and signed Waiver Form are due by this meeting.

More information about the team and registration materials can be found at [www.greenbushusa.com](http://www.greenbushusa.com). Click on 'Youth Ski Team Info.'

## Nordic *Rocks*

A partnership between Plymouth School District's Community Education, the CXC Nordic Rocks for Schools Program, the Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Ski Club and PSD's Horizon Elementary School will provide a Nordic ski program to local elementary students. Thirty pairs of skis, storage bins, resource materials and educational support will be provided by the Central Cross Country Skiing (CXC) organization. CXC requires a grant matching donation to support the program. The Kettle Moraine Nordic Ski Club has pledged \$500.00, Horizon PATH has pledged \$250.00 and Community Ed has pledged \$500.00. Support of the CXC Nordic Rocks for School Program covers donated resources and supports continue growth of the program throughout Midwestern states.

This endeavor supports the need to grow youth skiing in the community. Horizon Elementary houses students grades K-4. The Nordic Storm Ski Team support youth skiing for ages grades 5-12. Skiers can, therefore, easily transition to the K-4 program to the 5-12 program. Families of K-4 skiers will also be introduced to the culture of Nordic skiing through this program. Thus supporting growth in membership of the KMNSC and the Nordic Storm Ski Team.

## Ski Trip to Telemark Dec 4-11

Dick Roeber is again organizing a ski trip to Telemark Condominiums in Cable, WI. The dates for the ski trip are yet to be finalized, but will be either late November or early December. As an owner at Telemark, Dick can arrange accommodations for up to 30 people with a per-week or three-day special rate. For further details or to book a condo call Dick Roeber at 920 467 6054 or email [dickroeber@charter.net](mailto:dickroeber@charter.net).



# SKI SWAP



## Saturday, November 11, 2017

The Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic Storm Youth Ski Team is hosting a Ski Equipment Swap/Sale on Saturday, November 11, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at Bicycle Works in Sheboygan Falls.

Since the sale is open to the public, this is a great opportunity to move that 'gently used' cross country ski and snow shoe equipment that you would like to sell or donate out of your storage areas, or to purchase inexpensive used equipment in order to give these sports a try.

Those interested in selling must drop off ski equipment from 4-7 PM on Monday, November 6th at Bicycle Works in Sheboygan Falls and the Ski Team will try to sell it on Nov. 11th. The youth team especially needs both classic and skate racing skis for youth weighing 100-140 lbs. and racing boots of all sizes. Sellers are to mark each of your items clearly as either:

- **“Donation”** – in this case the donor will receive a receipt for a non-cash donation.
- **“Priced”** with the amount the seller wishes to sell each item for. 25% of the proceeds will be kept by the Ski Team.

Cash donations to the Ski Team will also be accepted! Only cash or checks will be accepted for purchases.

Pickup of equipment that did not sell will be from 2-3:30 PM, Saturday Nov 11th. If it is not picked up, then it will be considered a donation to the team.

For more information, go to <http://www.greenbushusa.com>. Click on 'Calendar of Events' for the Ski Swap/Sale and click on 'Youth Ski Team' for more information about the team.