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Meet the Candidates



Ruth D'Alessandro
For President



Bill Johnston
For President



Beverly Ashcraft
For Board of Directors



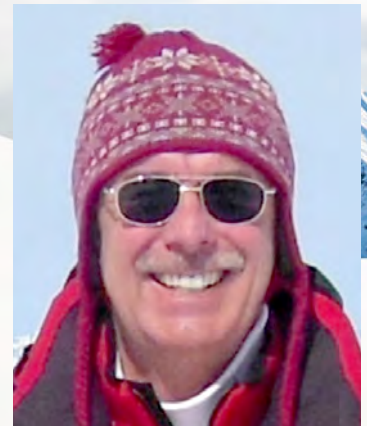
Leo Boelhouwer
For Board of Directors



B J Barger
For Board of Directors



Mary-Jo Swinimer
For Board of Directors



Larry Langer
For Board of Directors

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I am writing my last President's message before our annual election in April and I have a few comments to make about the past year and the future of the club.

SCWDC's "Year" runs from May 1 to April 30 in both financial terms and running events: COVID virus became a national risk in March and SCWDC shut down some of its planned events, like Happy Hours and monthly social meetings. We did manage to hold our annual picnic

outdoors in July and the "Back to the Slopes" (BTTS) ski trip rollout in September. Our hardworking Flights Committee had planned 12 different trips, and these were advertised beginning July 1 with then-known COVID precautions. Ultimately, only five were run. The Eastern Co-chairs were able to run a very successful Canaan Valley, WV trip.

National medical spokespersons believe that the Covid-19 vaccines will be widely available for inoculation from spring through summer of 2021 and later. But the same experts are saying that masking and social distancing may still be required well into 2022, so "getting back to normal" in terms of our club activities may not

be 100% achievable until sometime in 2022.

I inform members of the following:

- When the number of events is limited, then members have fewer reasons to continue their membership. We have seen a significant decrease in membership; about 400 members have not renewed since October 2019.
- This year's budget anticipates a \$43,000 loss but it may balloon to an \$60,000 loss – partially due to just \$3,000 in Ski Trip income instead of the \$30,000 to \$40,000 we have gained in past years.
- Our business model for the last 40 years has included owning a townhouse, which used to be a major hub for volunteer activities but now it is limited to offices for our staff (office manager and financial manager) and as storage unit for large quantities of unused historical and financial records. This means we have expenses that must be covered by our shrinking membership income and our much smaller Ski Trip portfolio, 5 versus 12-15 trips, and only 110 skiers versus 400. I am not optimistic about 2022 ski season sign ups reaching anywhere near the 400-skier level when our membership has dropped so far.
- We are experiencing a major drop in volunteer service members and we have a large number of current volunteers who have been serving for many years, entitled to retire, although I don't see any replacements in the wings. I think this is a consequence of far fewer personal connections between officers, current volunteers, and members and this did not happen overnight – the trend has been affecting us for years. It is normal to experience a cycle of new volunteers coming in, serving for a time, then retiring having fulfilled their personal objectives. As of now, we are depending on a large number of long-serving key volunteers to continue to serve and unfortunately, we have NEVER been able to attract and keep a significant number of younger members involved in running the club.

I believe future officers should consider changing the business model of the club and try harder to recruit new volunteers to assure the survival of SCWDC.

This is a "warning message" to those of you who may be holding back, thinking about volunteering, but you were not sure. Below is my personal information to contact me if you would like to ask questions about volunteering. I sincerely regret not being able to meet members due to the COVID limitations.

Bill Johnston

Bill Johnston,
SCWDC President

Bill Johnston, Cell/703-597-6310; emails bjohnston2@aol.com or scwdc.president.2020.2021@gmail.com.

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SKIING

The Western/International Committee has tentatively scheduled 14 trips for the 2022 season (included 3 with BRSC), though projected dates and locations are still pending and subject to change. Here is our current list of proposed trip locations for the 2022 season in approximate order:

Winter Park, CO
Snowbird, UT
Whistler, BC Canada
Park City & Deer Valley, UT
Jackson Hole, WY (BRSC)
Aspen, CO
Beaver Creek, CO
Soelden, Austria (BRSC)
Alyeska, AK
Jay Peak, VT (BRSC)



2021 SCWDC ELECTION

Due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Club's upcoming membership meetings in March and April will be conducted virtually via "Zoom". On March 30, 2021 we will conduct a membership meeting to "Meet the Candidates" and to listen to their campaign speeches. Nominating petitions signed by no fewer than five (5) active members will also be invited. If feasible, we may also invite questions and comments from interested members in attendance.

Electronic voting will be enabled on April 1 and continue until the annual Election Meeting on April 9, when the votes will be tabulated, and the results announced. SCWDC will send electronic ballots to all active SCWDC members via email. To submit an electronic ballot, members must use the voting button enclosed in the email. If you did not receive such an email, your SCWDC membership may have expired.

VOTING RULES:

Only Active SCWDC members may vote. Members may only submit one ballot. For Family memberships, if two or more members share the same email address, only one member may submit an electronic ballot. This is because the membership database uses the email address as the Member ID. Other family members that use your email address may submit an Absentee Ballot.

CANDIDATES:

For the office of President, elected for one year: **Ruth D'Alessandro, Bill Johnston**
For the Board of Directors, elected for two years: **Bev Ashcraft, B. J. Barger, Leo Boelhouwer, Larry Langer, Mary-Jo Swinimer, (you may only vote for four candidates)**

Write-in candidates may be entered in the "Other" category.

PROPOSED CHANGE TO CLUB RULES OF PROCEDURE:

The Nominating Committee (*Rules of Procedure Article IV, Section 7, para. d.*)
Currently: "A nomination may be presented from the floor, provided that four (4) Club members second the nomination."

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Proposed: strike the last sentence of Section 7, para. d., and add the following sentence in para. e.: "A nomination may be presented by meeting attendees at the annual meeting or at a membership meeting not more than 30 days before the annual meeting. Four (4) Club members are required to second a nomination for it to go forward.

Reason: Precision of language. The proposed change expands the "nominations from the floor" process to allow the nominations at a "pre-election" that could possibly be a virtual meeting.

Members can request an Absentee ballot from the club office, by sending an email to scwdc@scwdc.org. Your membership will be confirmed, and you will receive, via reply email, a PDF ballot to be used for one vote. For a family membership, each individual wishing to vote via Absentee Ballot will need to request and file a separate ballot. Your ballot must be received in the Club office by April 8. Members who wish to vote in person can do so at the Club office from April 1 to April 9, but must call ahead **(703-532-7776)** to ensure that the Office Manager will be present to register their vote.

CANDIDATES:

Any Active Club member who has been a member for one year or more may run for the position of Director. Any Active Club member who has been a member for three years or more may run for the office of President. Candidates must agree to serve if elected. The President and at least four of the Directors must be skiers. Members may run by petition, and nominations may also be made from the floor at the Election Meeting. For more detailed information about the Club's Bylaws, Rules of Procedure and/or Policies regarding Club Elections please refer to the SCWDC Policy Manual.

The Club's Nominating Committee has approved the following slate of candidates:

For the office of President, elected for one year: **Bill Johnston, Ruth D'Alessandro**

For the position of Director, elected for two years: **Beverly Ashcraft, B J Barger, Leo Boelhouwer, Lawrence Langer, Mary-Jo Swinimer** (you may only vote for four candidates)



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Write-in candidates may be entered in the "Other" category.

2021 Official SCWDC Main Election Ballot

Member number (can be obtained from My Profile on website): _____

For **President**, vote for no more than one:

☐ **Ruth D'Alessandro** ☐ **Bill Johnston**

☐ Write in _____

For the **Board of Directors**, vote for no more than four:

☐ Beverly Ashcraft ☐ B J Barger
☐ Leo Boelhauwer ☐ Lawrence Langer

☐ Mary-Jo Swinimer

☐ Write in _____ ☐ Write in _____

Club Name in Bylaws (Bylaws Article 1, Section 1)

Currently:

"The principal purposes of this Club are mutual improvement and the development of skiing . . ."

Proposed:

"The principal purposes of the Ski Club of Washington, D.C. (stated as "the Club" in this document) are mutual improvement and the development of skiing . . ."

Rationale: The legal name of our Club does not appear explicitly in the text of the Bylaws. This change fixes that.

For _____ Against _____ (A 2/3 "For" vote is required for passage)

Electronic BOD Meetings (Bylaws Article IV, Section 4)

Currently:

"Except as otherwise specified in these Bylaws and Rules of Procedure, the business meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors shall be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised".

Proposed: Add this sentence at the end:

"Board of Directors meetings may be held either in person or electronically."

Rationale: According to Robert's Rules of Order, an electronic Board of Directors meeting can be held only if authorized by the Bylaws to do so. The Bylaws already allow members to vote electronically for candidates and Bylaws proposals. It is in the same spirit to allow Board of Directors members to vote in their electronic meeting for their motions.

For _____ Against _____ (A 2/3 "For" vote is required for passage)

Nominations from the Floor (Rules of Procedure Article IV, Section 7)

Currently:

"A nomination may be presented from the floor, provided that four (4) Club members second the nomination."

Proposed: Strike the last sentence of Section 7, para. d., and add the following sentences in para. e. "A nomination may be presented by meeting attendees at the annual meeting or at a membership meeting not more than 30 days before the annual meeting. Four (4) Club members are required to second a nomination for it to go forward."

Rationale: This additional phrase specifies what "the floor" refers to, so as to avoid any possible misinterpretation.

For _____ Against _____ (A Majority "For" vote is required for passage)

Printed Name _____ Signature _____

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CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

Bill Johnston



When a current officer runs again for the same office, the standard question is: What is your record? Why elect you again? I will answer in two ways:

Before the COVID plague, I was going to plan and run a "Thank You for Skiing with SCWDC" party, free to

the 2020 ski season's 400 leaders & skiers who took our trips (Columbia Ski Club does this); resume monthly social meetings with themes, finding interesting speakers like: orthopedics & arthritis doctors and travel guides, we used to find speakers like that. If re-elected, I may be able to plan these when the COVID risk are minimized.

What I actually did:

- Improved the web site for better communication with these new SCWDC web site pages: "Meet Your Officers" / photos and personal writeups; "Seeking New Volunteers; "Why Join"/the benefits of belonging to our club especially for group travel discounts;" Recognition Slope," honoring past volunteers who gave thousands of hours to the club; "History of SCWDC" is updated with inclusion of the new Snow Sports Museum in Davis, WV where SCWDC built its ski slope.

- Prepared the current club budget and reduced expenses by just under \$20,000, using my experience as prior Budget and Finance chair and club president.

- Posted to the "President's Message" page, a "Club Status" report which describes key facts about the club. Very important: Our club experienced a 350 member drop from December 2019 to December 2020; and there may be as much as an \$57,000 loss in this year's budget.

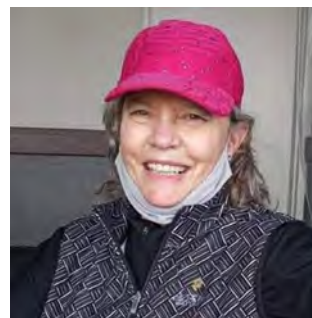
This leads me to say that this club needs to adjust to earning less income to pay for expenses, many are related to maintenance of an office. The office used to be a hub of volunteer activity; now it is mostly 2 floors of a storage unit for records, & we rent out a third floor. Meetings are no longer held there; the BOD and Flights committee are using a Zoom subscription. Our membership income, once in the \$70,000 range, is \$30,000 or less for this year. Regardless of who is elected, the next President and BOD need to begin to make tough choices, reducing club expenses by \$30,000-40,000 to assure the survival of this club. If they don't, there will be a day of reckoning when our current "financial cushion" from a money market fund is used up. WE CANNOT KEEP RUNNING THE CLUB LIKE WE USED TO.

Finally, we officers as a group, have lost awareness of our volunteer culture, the club has big unmet volunteer needs,

we have long serving volunteers entitled to retire, and we need a training program, now missing.

I would like to close by recognizing the club's current volunteers beginning with our Flights, Eastern, Sports, and Social Chairs and Committees which kept planning and running events, even in the face of COVID threats. Also, "Behind the scenes", other volunteers and staff helped with web site maintenance, leader selection, policy administration, financial management especially for credit card use, and membership records. The President and BOD doesn't do this work...we support it, but the 2020-2021 volunteers and staff made the difference to keep the club going. The SCWDC is going forward to our next year with the hope that the COVID threat will be much reduced through inoculations and medical treatments.

Ruth D'Alessandro



I am honored to be nominated for President of SCWDC now DBA (doing business as) Ski and Sports Club. I have been a member of our club for over 35 years. Initially, I participated in tennis parties, instructional tennis, weekend trips, weekly tennis at Haines Point, and played softball. I began skiing 3 years after

I joined our club and benefited from many one day and weekend learn to ski trips. Over 30 years, I have attended approximately 3 ski trips a year. I was the race coordinator on several ski trips, assisted leaders and hosted several pre-trip parties at my house. I have participated in Club Med and Viking Cruise trips. Last year, I led the Park City/SFF ski trip; this year I was trip leader for Squaw Valley which was cancelled due to COVID. Several years ago, I began playing in our Wednesday evening golf program. Since then, I have led weekend golf trips to Blue Ridge Shadows in VA and this year added a safe and successful weekend golf trip to Shenvalee, VA. I have met many interesting people and made numerous lifelong friends while enjoying being active in our club.

Last year, I wanted to give back more to our club; I was nominated and elected to the BOD. I learned about our operations and budget. It has been a difficult year due to COVID and we have suffered financially. We made prudent decisions to cancel some events. We discussed cancelling all events for the year including golf, tennis, and softball. However, the BOD determined that would be detrimental to our club and membership; many of our members wanted to participate in outdoor activities. These activities were implemented with extensive safety measures in place. In addition to promoting outdoor/weekend activities, I initiated a Club Med trip to Sandpiper Bay in May 2021. To date, we

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have 41 members on this trip. I also volunteered to work on the Nominating Committee to nominate candidates; we were able to nominate several club members during this process.

I have been described by friends and colleagues as enthusiastic, dedicated and hardworking. I have ideas/incentives to entice new volunteers for our programs, new

events and to recoup financial losses. Zoom is great but it does not take the place of human interaction and contact. Lastly, I worked for Fairfax County Public Schools for 32 years as a Social Worker and an Administrator. The organizational, human relations and leadership skills utilized in my career have benefited me as I have been a volunteer, trip leader, member of the BOD and I hope to be your next President.

CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Beverly Ashcraft



Financial Manager (1 year)
Board Member (2 years)
Western Trips Committee (9 years)
ALEC Committee (8 years)
Meetings Chair (3 years)
Trip Leader (Ski and Non-Ski Trips)
Activity Leader (many)

I've been a member since 1997 when I moved to DC and was looking for new ski friends. I got more than I expected since I also tried new non-ski activities and made more friends doing those. SCWDC has been a big part of my DC social life, and I want to help ensure that the club continues to provide a variety of activities. SCWDC offers something for everyone no matter the season – skiing, tennis, golf, hiking, adventure trips, and many social events.

SCWDC has just weathered one of the most financially challenging years in its history and needs board members with a wide range of expertise to address how the club will meet new challenges in the future. I have been the club's financial manager for the past year and have learned a tremendous amount about the club's finances and how we operate as a non-profit organization. If I am elected as board member, I plan to bring my knowledge of the club's financial state along with my expertise from leading numerous activities and serving on both the flights and ALEC committees to address SCWDC's upcoming challenges.

Leo Boelhouwer



I have been a member of the Ski Club of Washington, DC since 2000. My first volunteer position was as the chair of the Cultural program for six years. Next, I became a Board member, and then President for two years. As President, I helped celebrate the organization's 75th anniversary in 2011. Ever since then, I have been both vice president and magazine editor. It was during my presidency that I started what turned out to be a 6-year tradition of holding an annual pool-and-pizza party at the apartment complex where I lived in McLean.

More recently, I joined the Policy Committee, where we update the Club's Policy Manual with changes to the club's rules of operation.

During these twenty years I went on many ski trips with the club, both in the USA and Canada. Thanks to the club's ski school I also became a much better skier.

When the club organized its first bike-and-barge trip to my native country, the Netherlands, I helped plan the trip to make sure we visited certain prominent attractions. I later participated in a more strenuous bike-and-barge trip along the Danube that went as far as Budapest. In Vienna, we only had about a half hour to explore the city on our own. I spent it enjoying some of the best ice cream I ever had.

As chair of the Cultural program, I started the electronic version of the weekly Skigram.

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For several years I offered free yoga classes to club members and guests, both locally and during Virginia Beach weekends.

As for my professional life, I am retired from both IBM and Lockheed Martin. I was fortunate in that I rotated through many assignments. They ranged from reliability forecasting and massively parallel systems (that beat Gary Kasparov in chess) to requirements analysis and scientific computing. That experience came in handy in helping to design one version of the club's websites.

With your vote, I will be happy to continue to support the club to the best of my ability.

B J Barger



I went on my first ski trip with the club in the '90's. After a LONG hiatus (and moving to Colorado), one of my post-retirement plans was to start skiing again. I re-joined in 2016 and rediscovered how much I love to ski. Through the ski club I was able to complete some of my bucket list ski locations including Banff and Jackson Hole, as well as visiting some of my favorite Colorado venues. Unfortunately, the last two winters I was recovering from knee replacement surgeries. This year I was ready to ski again.

I have also joined the SCWDC on golf outings and trips.

I am looking to take a more active role in the club in the role of Director and help the group come back from Pandemic woes.

Mary-Jo Swinimer



My name is Mary-Jo Swinimer, and I am running for reelection to the SCWDC's Board of Directors. I have been an active Club member for over 30 years. I have enjoyed participating in a wide variety of club activities, social events and trips with an emphasis on skiing. I have met lifelong friends and tons of ski buddies. I believe in our Club's ability to bring people together and to provide great value to its members. It has been a challenging two years and I hope to continue to support the Club's mission over the next two years.

Covid has without a doubt impacted our operations. Since Covid, we have all been working overtime to manage the club and support our members. We have used Zoom for meetings and Happy Hours. We also held events that could be done outdoors in a Covid safe manner, like the Back to the Slopes Party, Summer Picnic, Golf, Sailing day trips, Ski Trips, and summer Tennis.

We have also used this opportunity to re-brand the club as the Ski and Sports Club of Washington DC to recognize our diverse activities. This coming year, the Board will need to focus on expanding membership and returning to our favorite activities that we have all missed.

Additionally, I am a member of the Ski Flight Trips Committee, which provides members with one of their greatest benefits – our excellent ski trips. The Committee has never worked so hard to plan the trip schedule, contract with tour operators to provide the best value, and support and direct trip leaders. Believe me we have never worked harder than this year. Despite Covid we have managed a few great trips for those comfortable traveling.

Professionally, I am a recently retired Diplomatic Security Officer for the US Department of State. I have managed large programs and contracts in an international environment. I know the importance of establishing consistent policies and managing large budgets. As a side benefit, I have traveled and skied around the world, giving me a unique perspective on planning and evaluating air, transportation, and lodging. I am now a Ski Instructor with Liberty Mountain and very excited about sharing my love of skiing to develop new skiers.

My goals as a Board Member will be to continue to help the Club reach out to and engage potential members and current members using social media, to identify activities that would be of interest to all, to increase member benefits, and to recruit new volunteers.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

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CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Larry Langer



I have been a member of SCWDC for over 32 years. I have been skiing with the club since I joined and early on would go on several bus trips in addition to flight trips. In recent years I typically go on couple ski trips per year. I have enjoyed meeting a lot of interesting and friendly people over the years, a number of whom I have known for over 30 years. Many of you know me or will recognize me from all the trips that I have been on. When not skiing with the club I have had a season pass at Whitetail for over ten years and can be found up there skiing during the rest of the season and occasionally at Liberty.

I retired in August 2020 from L3Harris as a Controller with a staff of seven. I am a licensed CPA in Virginia and also a Certified Management Accountant (CMA). While I was working I did not have time to volunteer for the club. Now that I am retired I would like to give back to the club. I realize how much hard work everyone who volunteers has done and are currently doing and would like to help out. I think my work experience would be helpful to the club in a number of areas particularly financial and budgeting matters. This would be my first volunteer activity with the club, but you have to start somewhere and I think my work experience, knowledge, years of participation and contacts in the club would be useful.

In conclusion, I would like to do more volunteering with the club going forward in particular with the ski programs, Western, Eastern and one day trips. Hopefully this COVID thing will end and next year's ski season will be more normal.

SAILING



Ahoy Sailors!

The SCWDC Sailing Program will get underway again around May 1, 2021. The Sailing Program has a long history of teaching new sailors how to sail and to experience the thrill and excitement of operating sailboats from 19-foot Flying Scots to 40-foot plus yachts. We focus on crew safety while developing our sailing skills, as well as having fun on the water.

In the past, the Sailing Program consisted of Tuesday evening "social sailing" on Flying Scots with qualified skippers on the Potomac River. We also sponsored day sails on 40-foot plus yachts on the Chesapeake Bay in addition to occasional sailing regattas in the British Virgin Islands or Belize.

The program has been dormant during the pandemic, but our intentions are to start re-building the program soon with Tuesday evening "social sailing", where you can meet some new people and

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enjoy a pleasant two-hour sail on the Potomac. We are also sponsoring a Sailing Regatta in the British Virgin Islands in Spring 2022 in which we will charter several cruising yachts.

We hope to resume our Saturday instructional classes by ASA-certified instructors sometime this summer. Watch for our announcements in the Monday Ski and Sports Club SkiGram and come join us!



TEAM SPORTS

Friday Night Bowling

Date and Time: Friday nights 7:00 p.m.

Leader: Pete, pcampbell@scwdc.org/703-532-7776

Location: Bowl America in Falls Church

Each week we send out an email to see who is interested in bowling on Friday and will reserve the necessary lanes to accommodate. This of course will be dependent on lanes available. That's right, you will not need to commit to bowl every Friday; only those Fridays you want to. Emails will be sent out to all those who are interested in keeping up-to-date on what is going on. Email Pete to get onto the list.



Tuesday Evening Spring and Summer Softball

Date and Time: Every Tuesday 5:00 till Dark

Leader: Bill Wilkinson, 703-861-1171/reliablebillw@yahoo.com

Location: Annandale Community Park in Annandale, Virginia

Cost: \$2.00 for field plus softballs and whatever you pay for beer and pizza.

Email Bill so he can put you on the softball email list.

Wednesday Night

Golf at Jefferson District Park

Date and Time: Weekly, starting in Wednesday, March 17th. Tee times will be approximately 3:57 to 4:15 PM with late tee time 5:18 and 5:27. See Web site for details.

Leader: Geoffrey Pennoyer, 202-702-6044/cometjeff.gp@gmail.com

Cost: \$20 for nine holes. Pay at the course.

Location: Jefferson District Park, 7900 Lee Highway, Falls Church VA 22042, 703-573-0443.

Planned Golf Weekend Outings – Locations and Dates

April 9 – 11 Caverns Country Club, Luray, VA

May 28 – 30 Shenvalee Golf Resort, NEW Market, VA

June 25 – 27 Down River, Iron Masters, King Valley Golf Courses, Bedford, PA

August 20 – 22 Shenandoah, Bowling Green, Blue Ridge Shadows Golf Courses, Front Royal, VA

October 22 – 24 Caverns Country Club, Luray, VA

Other golf weekends are being planned for July and September.



VOLUNTEERS

The SCWDC has been operating for its entire life, from 1936 till now, by engaging volunteer members to plan and run events. We began with skiing opportunities and branched out into year-round sports and social activities:

- We offer from 7 to 15 ski trips a year to Western and international locations.
- Plus several Eastern ski trips in the mid-Atlantic and Northeast.
- Club Med-type trips, Viking cruise trips, bike-and-barge trips in Europe.
- Locally, we offer golf, tennis, sailing, bowling, hikes, and social events.

To organize all the above, we use a combination of outside experts and club members who volunteer their time and talents. We employ tour operators and travel agents to run the ski trips and travels abroad. For local events, such as annual member picnics or a crab feast, we rely on member volunteers.

In a typical year, we enjoy the assistance of over one hundred volunteers to turn our plans into reality. Thus, there is a constant need to replenish the pool of people who help out. In SCWDC, there is a place for both leaders and supervisors, as well as "behind the scenes" helpers with skills in budgeting, writing, web editing, etc.

Some people have already joined the cadre of volunteers this year:

Recently Filled Positions

- Assistant Elections Chair
- Sunday Instructional Tennis Coordinators - 2
- Candidates for BOD & President – 2021 Election – 7 candidates

We are currently seeking:

Outdoor Activity Leaders

- Saturday Hiking Coordinator to plan one or more monthly Saturday local hikes.
- Saturday Morning Sailing Program Coordinator – Every other Saturday at Belle Haven Marina.
- Social and Cultural Chair to plan our annual (July) summer picnic with the help of other volunteers.

Helping the Club Work, Usually Behind the Scenes

- Ski Trip Planners: Skiers who would like to join the SCWDC Flights Committee to plan and manage trips, our club's highest priority. The committee needs some additional members with suitable backgrounds to create the plans and contracts for about a dozen 2021 ski season trips.
- Two Web Editor Assistants to support our web site's multiple purposes – event advertising, membership records, and accounting for our events – critical to our club operations.
- SCWDC Historian Assistant to work with our current Historian and eventually take over this effort.
- Chief Planner and Committee members to organize SCWDC's 85th Anniversary celebration.
- Meetings Chair to plan future in-person meetings when COVID restrictions are relaxed, which may occur in summer or fall of 2021.
- Communications Assistant: a member who can assist the BOD and volunteers with techniques for using Zoom and Social Media Live Streaming.
- Budget Assistant to create an annual budget for events and club expenses. This person would join our Budget and Finance Committee.
- Skigram Content Contributor so our Skigram can continue to communicate our plans to members and guests.
- Training Program Editor to compile training aids from various sources, making it possible for new volunteers to learn how to perform the duties of various positions.

2020 SCWDC Audit

SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED APRIL 30, 2020 AND 2019

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Ski Club of Washington, D.C.
Arlington, VA 22207

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ski Club of Washington, D.C. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of April 30, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ski Club of Washington, D.C. as of April 30, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Supplementary Information - Comparison of Budget to Actual on page 11 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Government & Non-Profit Audit Group, PLC
Certified Public Accountants
Chantilly, Virginia

September 21, 2020

SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION April 30,

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 199,461	\$ 278,779
Accounts receivable, net	27,896	5,556
Prepaid expenses	182,552	119,687
Total Current Assets	409,909	404,022
Property and Equipment		
Land	44,928	44,928
Building	138,733	138,733
Furniture and equipment	11,907	12,189
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(137,400)	(136,285)
Total Property and Equipment	58,168	59,565
Total Assets	\$ 468,077	\$ 463,587
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 31,257	\$ 9,029
Activity deposits	180,370	174,105
Prepaid membership dues - current portion	5,317	6,543
Total Current Liabilities	216,944	189,677
Long-Term Liabilities		
Prepaid membership dues, net of current portion	4,473	5,290
Total Long-Term Liabilities	4,473	5,290
Other Liabilities		
Security deposit payable	2,000	2,000
Total Other Liabilities	2,000	2,000
Total Liabilities	223,417	196,967
Net Assets		
Net assets without donor restrictions	244,660	266,620
Total Net Assets	244,660	266,620
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 468,077	\$ 463,587

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES For the Years Ended April 30,

	2020	2019
Revenues and Support Without Donor Restrictions		
Activity fees	\$ 1,048,620	\$ 977,909
Membership dues	36,080	38,353
Other income	20,696	23,874
Lease income	16,846	16,558
Interest income	358	357
Total Revenues and Support Without Donor Restrictions	1,122,600	1,057,051
Expenses		
Program Activities		
Activities	1,041,432	970,277
Membership	25,454	12,545
Supporting Activities		
Management and general	77,297	70,649
Total Expenses	1,144,183	1,053,471
Change in Net Assets Before Taxes	(21,583)	3,580
Taxes on Unrelated Business Income	(377)	(103)
Change in Net Assets	(21,960)	3,477
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	266,620	263,143
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 244,660	\$ 266,620

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

For the Year Ended April 30, 2020

	Program Activities			Supporting Activities	Total
	Activities	Membership	Program Subtotal	Management and General	Expenses
Expenses					
Activity expenses	\$ 1,006,916	\$ -	\$ 1,006,916	\$ -	\$ 1,006,916
Office staffing expenses	13,731	4,577	18,308	27,461	45,769
Other office expenses	12,878	4,293	17,171	25,756	42,927
Office building expenses	5,531	1,844	7,375	11,062	18,437
Membership services	-	11,970	11,970	-	11,970
Board of directors expenses	-	-	-	7,305	7,305
Public relations	-	-	-	3,431	3,431
Publications expenses	2,376	339	2,715	679	3,394
Membership meetings	-	2,431	2,431	-	2,431
President's accounts	-	-	-	1,175	1,175
Other business expenses	-	-	-	428	428
Total Expenses	\$ 1,041,432	\$ 25,454	\$ 1,066,886	\$ 77,297	\$ 1,144,183

For the Year Ended April 30, 2019

	Program Activities			Supporting Activities	Total
	Activities	Membership	Program Subtotal	Management and General	Expenses
Expenses					
Activity expenses	\$ 937,828	\$ -	\$ 937,828	\$ -	\$ 937,828
Office staffing expenses	12,883	4,295	17,178	25,768	42,946
Other office expenses	9,397	3,133	12,530	18,795	31,325
Office building expenses	5,743	1,914	7,657	11,486	19,143
Board of directors expenses	-	-	-	8,934	8,934
Publications expenses	4,426	632	5,058	1,264	6,322
Membership meetings	-	2,335	2,335	-	2,335
Public relations	-	-	-	2,027	2,027
Other business expenses	-	-	-	1,944	1,944
President's accounts	-	-	-	431	431
Membership services	-	236	236	-	236
Total Expenses	\$ 970,277	\$ 12,545	\$ 982,822	\$ 70,649	\$ 1,053,471

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended April 30,

	2020	2019
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (21,960)	\$ 3,477
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash (used in) / provided by operating activities		
Depreciation	1,397	1,624
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) / Decrease in accounts receivable	(22,340)	35,655
Increase in prepaid expenses	(62,865)	(92,451)
Increase in accounts payable	22,228	1,427
Increase in activity deposits	6,265	160,342
Decrease in prepaid membership dues	(2,043)	(535)
Net cash (used in) / provided by operating activities	(79,318)	109,539
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(79,318)	109,539
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	278,779	169,240
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 199,461	\$ 278,779
Supplemental Cash Flow Information		
Cash Paid During the Year for:		
Income Taxes	\$ 377	\$ 103

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 – Organization and Summary of Accounting Policies

The Ski Club of Washington, D.C. ("the Club") is a non-profit organization established for the social and recreational benefit of its members. The organization was started in 1936 and recognized by the IRS as a tax exempt organization in 1963. Its primary sources of funds are from membership dues and activity fees collected from the participating members. The Club conducts over 150 ski, recreation or social events and activities for its members each year.

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed in the preparation of these financial statements.

a) Basis of Accounting – The Club prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, which involves the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenues and gains are recognized when earned, and expenses and losses are recognized when incurred.

b) Basis of Presentation – The Club is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions.

- Without Donor Restrictions – represents resources which have met applicable award restrictions and/or resources generated by sources other than from the award.

- With Donor Restrictions – represents resources recognized as restricted support until such a time when all associated restrictions have been met or contains a stipulation that permanently restricted the use of such funds but allows earnings from the funds to be used in a certain manner prescribed by the donor. As of April 30, 2020, and 2019, the Club had no net assets with donor restrictions.

c) Support and Expenses – Contributions received and unconditional promises to give are measured at their fair values and are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished) in the reporting period in which the revenue is recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

d) Statement of Cash Flows – The Club considers substantially all highly liquid investments with an initial maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

e) Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

NOTE 1 – Organization and Summary of Accounting Policies (continued)

- f) Concentration of Credit Risk – The Club occasionally maintains deposits in excess of federally insured limits. These items are identified as a concentration of credit risk requiring disclosure, regardless of the degree of risk. The risk is managed by maintaining all deposits in high quality financial institutions. The Club has not experienced any losses on its cash accounts.
- g) Income Taxes – The Club is a nonprofit organization exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code on all income other than unrelated business income. The Club has been classified as an organization that is not a private foundation. Unrelated business income, from non-members, advertising and interest income, for the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019 totaled \$1,493 and \$2,464 respectively. Federal and state income tax incurred for the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019 was \$116 and \$377, respectively.
- h) Uncertain Tax Positions – As of April 30, 2020, the Club had no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. The tax years subject to examination by the taxing authorities are the years ended April 30, 2017 through 2019.
- i) Accounts Receivable – Accounts receivable are reported net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts. The allowance for uncollectible receivables is provided based on management's evaluation of uncollectible accounts at year end. The accounts receivable balance on the statement of financial position consists of receivables from members for activities completed during the fiscal year and a tour company. The allowance for doubtful accounts as of April 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$-0- and \$-0-, respectively. Bad debt expense for the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$-0- and \$3,884, respectively.
- j) Property and Equipment – Purchased property and equipment are recorded at cost for any item in excess of \$500. Contributed property and equipment is recorded at its fair market value on the date of contribution. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged against income as incurred; betterments, which increase the value or materially extend the life of the related assets, are capitalized.
- Depreciation and amortization expense are computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. Depreciation expense for the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$1,397 and \$1,624, respectively. The estimated useful lives are:
- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Furniture and Equipment | 3 to 10 years |
| Building | 35 years |
- k) Advertising Cost – Advertising costs are expensed when incurred. Advertising expense for the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019 were \$-0- and \$-0-, respectively.

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

NOTE 1 – Organization and Summary of Accounting Policies (continued)

- l) Recently Issued Accounting Standards – In 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The guidance in this ASU supersedes the leasing guidance in Topic 840, *Leases*. Under the new guidance, lessees are required to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than twelve months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, including interim periods within those fiscal years. A modified retrospective transition approach is required for lessees for capital and operating leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, with certain practical expedients available. The Club is currently evaluating the impact of their pending adoption of the new standard on its financial statements.

NOTE 2 – Donated Services and Materials

A number of unpaid volunteers have made contributions of their time in conjunction with the activities the Club conducts. The value of these contributions is not included in these financial statements, since they do not require specialized skills and are not susceptible to objective measurement.

NOTE 3 – Lease Revenue and Subsequent Events

The Club has an operating lease agreement to lease the top floor of its office condo. The lease is on a month to month basis. The lease calls for monthly lease payments of \$1,404. For the years ended April 30, 2020 and 2019, lease income was \$16,846 and \$16,558, respectively.

NOTE 4 – Prepaid Membership Dues

Club members have the option to purchase their membership in increments of one year, three years, five years, ten years or life. Prepaid membership dues are recognized over the duration of membership. Life memberships have an estimated duration of 25 years. The prepaid membership dues will be recognized as follows:

For the fiscal years ending April 30.	
2021	\$ 5,317
2022	2,932
2023	388
2024	142
2025	142
Thereafter	869
Total	\$ 9,790

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Concluded)

NOTE 5 – Functional Allocation of Expenses

The Club's operating costs have been allocated between program, and management and general expenses based on direct identification when possible, and allocation if a single expenditure benefits more than one program or function. Expenditures that require allocation are allocated on either a personnel-cost or square-footage basis, whichever is more reasonable for the expenditure.

NOTE 6 – Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

The Club monitors its liquidity so that it is able to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments while maximizing the investment of its excess operating cash. The Club has the following financial assets that could readily be made available within one year of the balance sheet to fund expenses without limitations:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$199,461
Accounts receivable	27,896
	<u>\$227,357</u>

NOTE 7 – Uncertainties

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a coronavirus (COVID-19) a pandemic. As a result, economic uncertainties have arisen which are likely to negatively impact the Club's scheduling of activities and net income. Other financial impact could occur though such potential impact is unknown at this time.

NOTE 8 – Evaluation of Subsequent Events

The Club has evaluated subsequent events through September 21, 2020, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C. COMPARISON OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL For the Year Ended April 30, 2020 (See Independent Auditor's Report)

	Actual			Budget	Difference
	Revenues and Support	Expenses	Net		
Activities and Income					
Social	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ 20
Cultural	6,436	6,331	105	-	105
Recreation	182,523	171,742	10,781	17,400	(6,619)
Sailing	407	790	(383)	1,250	(1,633)
Sports	15,838	13,397	2,441	2,000	441
Tennis	53,314	48,961	4,353	4,000	353
Ski School	-	2,966	(2,966)	(3,000)	34
Eastern Ski	16,213	16,598	(385)	-	(385)
Western Ski	773,869	746,131	27,738	40,000	(12,262)
Membership	36,080	-	36,080	37,000	(920)
Membership activities	13,439	11,945	1,494	10,000	(8,506)
Interest income	358	-	358	300	58
Lease income	16,846	-	16,846	15,876	970
Other income	6,179	-	6,179	1,200	4,979
Total Activities and Income	<u>\$ 1,121,522</u>	<u>\$ 1,018,861</u>	<u>\$ 102,661</u>	<u>\$ 126,026</u>	<u>\$ (23,365)</u>
Expenses					
Office staffing expenses	\$ -	\$ 45,769	\$ 45,769	\$ 46,806	\$ (1,037)
Other office expenses	-	42,927	42,927	35,900	7,027
Office building expenses	-	18,437	18,437	21,360	(2,923)
Membership meetings	1,078	2,431	1,353	3,000	(1,647)
Publications expenses	-	3,394	3,394	3,250	144
Board of Directors expenses	-	7,305	7,305	9,500	(2,195)
President's accounts	-	1,175	1,175	1,050	125
Other business expenses	-	428	428	1,360	(932)
Public relations	-	3,431	3,431	2,350	1,081
Member services	-	25	25	500	(475)
Taxes on unrelated business income	-	377	377	-	377
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 1,078</u>	<u>\$ 125,699</u>	<u>\$ 124,621</u>	<u>\$ 125,076</u>	<u>\$ (455)</u>
Change in Net Assets			<u>\$ (21,960)</u>	<u>\$ 950</u>	<u>\$ (22,910)</u>

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SKI CLUB OF WASHINGTON, D.C.
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SCWDC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Ski Club of Washington, DC...

Great Sports For All Seasons

Fill out the membership application below and mail it to the Club office at the address indicated. For Family Memberships, spouses, partners, and juniors (age 18 or younger) must reside at the same address. Membership term is 12 months from initial signup, and annual renewal date thereafter.

Your membership information is confidential, and will only be visible to Club administrators, unless otherwise specified in your user profile. Your valid email address will serve as your Membership ID, and is used for most member communications, such as confirmation of event registrations and payments, membership renewal notifications, and election notices.

Find us on the web at <https://scwdc.wildapricot.org/>.
Contact the office at 703-532-7776, M-F, 9 AM – 5 PM
Email the office at scwdc@scwdc.org

Please **sign** the application at the bottom & mail a check, payable to **SCWDC** for the correct amount, and this completed application to:

Ski Club of Washington, DC, 5309 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207 (703) 532-7776

Last Name		First Name		MI	Suffix	Gender (M/F)
Address				City / State		Zip
E-Mail Address				Home Phone		Mobile Phone
Spouse/Partner Last Name		First Name		MI	Suffix	Gender (M/F)
E-Mail Address				Home Phone		Mobile Phone
Juniors: (18 or younger)		First Name	Birth Date	First Name	Birth Date	First Name
Membership type		One Year	Three Year			
Single		<input type="checkbox"/> \$45.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$105.00			
Couple/Family		<input type="checkbox"/> \$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$166.00			

Release of Liability: By joining **SCWDC** as a member on behalf of myself and all those joining on my membership, I hereby release **SCWDC**, its officers, directors, employees, event leaders and volunteers from any liability, damages, or claims arising from injury or property damage sustained by me related to any **SCWDC** activity or event.

As a member, I will abide by the bylaws and policies of **SCWDC**. View bylaws and policies at <https://scwdc.wildapricot.org>.

Not Valid Unless Signed (hand-written signatures)

Member Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____

Spouse/Partner Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____

Total Fee Enclosed \$ _____
Make checks payable to **SCWDC**.

Notes: Contributions or gifts to the **Ski Club of Washington, D.C., Inc.**, a non-profit 501(c)(7) organization, are not deductible as a charitable contribution for Federal Income Tax purposes. Multi-year memberships are non-transferable and non-refundable, and are only good for the term length paid, and must be made in one lump-sum payment.