



# PANHANDLER

GREAT FALLS SKI & BOARD CLUB NEWSLETTER April 2024 Issue



**Club's Mission:** Promote skiing in Central Montana by sponsoring special events and fun ski trips locally and abroad.

## PRESIDENT'S MOGUL

Hello Everyone,

As the new president, this is my first Mogul article, and I plan for it to be a good one! This season is winding down with some great times to look back on. The chili/cornbread cookoff was very successful with ten chili entries and eight cornbread entries. The raise a pint event was excellent, good friends, and a 50/50 raffle.

Some unfortunate news; our annual mannequin jump event had to be cancelled because lack of snow, but there is always next year and this event just keeps growing, so come on down and enjoy a drink, bring the kids, and watch some mannequins go off a jump next spring!

Looking forward into our summer activities, we still have plans for the annual River Party which is graciously hosted by Fen Keggi on July 13-14. Also, our annual Big Float is planned for August 3. We will be using the the Signup Genius for text reminders and sign ups for the events, AD FREE! So if you haven't already, go to [SignUpGenius](#) to get on the list.

Last, but not least, our last general membership meeting is April 17, and it is beach themed. So wear those Hawaiian shirts, pull out the sandals and enjoy Burgers, Tots, and dessert with beach themed music. We will see you there!

Cheers,

Cody Brandt

President

## Cheeseburgers in Paradise at April Meeting

Our last meeting of the 23-24 season is scheduled for April 17 at the Elk's Lodge. The Does will be serving cheeseburgers and tater tots. Wear your tropical attire appropriate for the theme. You can come at 6, eat at 6:30, and attend the business meeting at 7 p.m. We are scheduling a slide presentation, covering highlights of this past season for your entertainment. See you there. It will be our last general meeting for the season. The next meeting will be the third Wednesday in September to kick off the 24-25 season.

## March 20 Chili-Corn Bread Cook-off Was Best Yet

Once again, our annual Chili-Corn Bread cook-off event had a great turn-out. We had 14 delicious chili and 8 cornbread entries. Thanks to everyone who made the effort to prepare and present their entries.

From the large variety in each category, here are the winners.

Alan Korslein won the Chili category. It turns out he's not only an innovative engineer, but is handy in the kitchen, too.

Emma Brandt was the winner of our delicious Corn bread entries. Good job, Emma.

Each winner received a voucher to Showdown.

## Summer Fun Coming Your Way

In case you are wondering what you are going to do when the snow's all gone, you don't have to go to Argentina, the Club has events throughout the summer.

Highway Cleanup-The Club conducts this traditional community service activity. The Club contracts with the Highway Department to clean-up the barrow pits along the highway for about a mile above and below Memorial Falls parking lot three times a summer. It's an easy, hour-long walk, one group goes uphill from the lot and the other covers the downhill section. Be sure to wear appropriate walking/hiking shoes. The club will provide safety vests (required) and gloves. We meet at 10 a.m. and afterward, we will have an option for lunching together in the area. Currently scheduled dates are:

May 26 with Bob's Bar lunch

June 23 with Cougar Canyon lunch

September 1 with Neihart Senior Center Breakfast

Additionally, the Club will sponsor the river party on July 13-14 and the big float on August 3. Additional details will be provided in next month's newsletter.



Great Falls Ski and Board Club is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to promote skiing in Central Montana by sponsoring special events and fun ski trips both locally and abroad. Membership dues are \$35.00 per eligible adult. Membership may be renewed by mail, on-line, or at the next general meeting. Further information can be found on the internet at [greatfallsskiclub.com](http://greatfallsskiclub.com), e-mail address at [gfskimail@gmail.com](mailto:gfskimail@gmail.com), or at P. O. Box 166, Great Falls, Mt. 59403. If you have questions or input about the editorial content, feel free to contact your editor at [wlcjb@mt.net](mailto:wlcjb@mt.net).

**Next Board meeting is Tuesday, May 7 at Dascoulias Realty. Board meetings are normally held the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:00p.m. with exceptions for holidays at locations to be announced. Summer Board meetings are held at board member's houses. The April General Membership meeting will be the 17th at the Elk's Lodge. During the season, meeting night for General Membership meetings is typically the 3rd Wednesday of the month with exceptions for holidays. Business meeting starts at 7 p.m. Light meals will be served at 6:30 p.m. and members will receive one drink ticket at regular General Membership meetings.**

## *Great Falls Ski and Board Club Activity Calendar 2023-2024 Season*

4/19/24—**Cabin Fever**—Malmstrom AFB  
4/20/24—**April General Meeting**—7 p.m. Elks Lodge  
5/2/24—**May Board Meeting**—6 p.m. Dascoulias Realty  
5/26/24—**Highway Cleanup**—10 a.m. Memorial Falls  
6/23/24—**Highway Cleanup**—10 a.m. Memorial Falls  
7/13-14/24—**River Party**—Fenn and Laura Keggi  
8/3/24—**Big River Float**  
9/1/24—**Highway Cleanup**—10 a.m. Memorial Falls

### **GF Ski and Board Club Has Joined Instagram**

Reminder, the Great Falls Ski and Board Club is now on Instagram! Be sure to follow us and tag us at [GFSKIBOARDMT](https://www.instagram.com/GFSKIBOARDMT) with all of your skiing and snowboarding activities: meetings, special events, movies, fundraisers, and, of course, MOUNTAIN fun! Hey, just tag us now, for fun.