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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Meghan Ruby
President

Happy August! I hope everyone stayed as cool as possible during the July heatwave. Dreaming about making turns on beautiful corduroy is one way that I tried to beat the heat. I can't wait until it becomes a reality.

In the meantime, I'm going to try to attend as many OC Ski Club events as possible. I hope other members will join in too. It was great to have the members

who attended at the summer picnic. Additionally, let your friends know if you plan to attend and ask them to join you. OC events are always more fun with larger crowds.



The sooner we can get an idea of how many people want to attend, the better we can plan for the events. The venues where we hold events also have deadlines for when we give them numbers. If we don't reach the minimums that they request, we risk having to pay penalties or possibly even cancelling the event(s). We also want to make sure that we don't over or under buy supplies that we'll need.



Check out the rest of this Liftiline for upcoming Happy Hour locations, information about some of our Fall events, and a list of the planned weekend and weeklong trips that we have planned so far. As always, if you have any questions about what's happening in/with the Club, please feel free to email me at president@ocskiclub.org. Committees are also looking for help so contact the committee chairs or either of the Vice Presidents.

Meghan Ruby - President, OC Ski Club



ORGANIZED SKIING



Cynthia "Princess Snowflake" Ward
Vice President for Organized Skiing

SNOW WHAT?

Summer is flying by and soon the snow season will be upon us. Plans are already well underway and I would like to welcome the individuals who have been appointed and approved by the board to serve as committee chairs for the coming club year. These are the individuals who work tirelessly throughout the year to make our winters so much fun and activity-packed that the winter flies by even faster than



the summer seems to. I am delighted to announce that everyone who has so faithfully served in the past year has agreed to return.



looking for another volunteer to serve in that capacity, so please let me know of your interest.

Eileen Finn-LeMatty and Matt Wakefield will also continue to plan for the Family Committee. Traditional weekend family trips to Smuggler's Notch (mid- March this year) and Jay Peak will be offered as in the past and, conditions permitting, perhaps a return to some of the other family-oriented activities they have organized in the past.



Continuing Bus Chair Lynda Heaney has already started the wheels turning on the plans for next season's bus schedule.

We hope that circumstances will allow a return to a bus season more like what we have had in the past.

Jeff Kenton is working on the schedule for ski instruction for next season. As is the case with most of the plans for the future, these are still uncertain times and our plans are tentative. That is also the case for Mark Pavlus, Racing Chair, and Bob Priest, Cross Country Chair.



So, the snow season is shaping up to be another wonderful adventure with our club and I hope you will find everything to your liking. Let me know if you have any ideas, suggestions or if you would like to volunteer. Remember that you, the members, and the volunteers are what shapes our club and makes it what it is.



Snow in Love - Princess Snowflake.



Gail Marotti-Hossan, returning chair of Alpine Trips, has already finalized some trips including Quebec, Schweitzer (ID), Breckenridge, Sunday River, Zermatt (Switzerland) and is actively pursuing

Julie Parker has also agreed to continue as the OC representative to the New York Capital District Ski Council. I am still

ADMINISTRATION



Erin O'Brien
Vice President for Administration



Greetings OCers,

I hope that you all survived the heat of July by finding someplace cool to be-literally and figuratively! It certainly helped me out to be near, or in, a body of cool water! Speaking of water, our annual summer picnic was held on Sunday, August 21 at Grafton Lakes State Park. There were all kinds of water activities and food! We had prizes for the best appetizers and food for the OCers with culinary skills.

More fun can be had by joining your fellow OCers on Friday, August 26 in the PCC beer garden from 4-8pm. Live music at 5pm. Let's come out and support the spot that has given us a home base for so many years! The next HH will held at Maggie McFly's in Crossgates Mall on Wednesday, August 24th. The specials run from 4-7. See you there!



Save the date - Sept. 10th - for the always fun trip to Hampton Beach and their Annual Seafood Festival!

Thinking of the Cajun swordfish and the lobster claws is making my mouth water! Prices to be announced soon! Thank you to Mike Koutelis who has offered to run it again this year!



Please help to support your club by attending these events. A lot of work goes into the planning of them. If no one shows any interest, we won't bother to plan them! So come out and have some fun with your ski club buddies in the summer! And if you have any ideas or requests for more fun things to do, please see me and I will look into them!

See you out and about,

Erin O'Brien



OC SECRETARY

Gail Marotti-Hossan

OC BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – MAY 2022

The **July Board Meeting** was held on Thursday, 7th of July. Below is a summary of what took place at the Board meeting. Complete approved minutes are found on the website after the following Board Meeting.

The usual reports were delivered to the Board: previous month's minutes, Membership stats, and Treasurer's Report. The VP's reports were also shared and notes below reflect some of the discussion generated by these reports as well as our Old & New Business topics.

VP for Admin: Committee Chair appointments were offered and approved for the admin side of the house. Happy Hours will continue to be scheduled. Summer Picnic date has been changed to August 21st due to low signups for July date. Seafood Festival Bus will be scheduled for Saturday, Sept 10th.

VP for Organized Skiing: offered (and was approved) Ray Sokol to be Assistant Trips Chair. Questions were posed about day bus sign up procedures – no changes to discuss at this time.

Signups for skiing / events: Are there any options beside PayPal to make it less expensive? Answer is not really. If we had our own vendor account to accept credit card payments we would have to pay the bank a monthly vendor account fee plus a minimum of 6% on each transaction.. cost would need to be passed onto member.. PayPal is just a little over 3%.

Website: Discussion on content and how to manage old events. Our new Webmaster will keep working on the site.

Expo: Still no confirmation on resumption of show this year.

Volleyball Tournament coming up. We need volunteers for each of the 3 days. Friday – setup 9am – 2pm; Saturday 7am – 9pm; Sunday 10am – 1pm. Just a couple of hours of your time will help make a difference to our major fundraising event.

There are a lot of holes in our committees and we truly need the help of our membership. There are also many who are currently volunteering who are ready to step down and would like to entice members to come learn the ropes and maybe take on some of these important functions that keep the Club running.

OC HAPPY HOUR • WEDNESDAY AUGUST 24TH • 4PM - 7PM



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CROSSGATES MALL RD, ALBANY, NY

The theme this year is:

PLAY LIKE A **ROCK STAR** 50th ANNUAL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Our annual volleyball tournament is one of the largest outdoor volleyball events in the Northeast. Your entry fee is the ticket to lots of volleyball, plenty of tasty food and beverages, and lots of fun and excitement. Competition levels for 6-person teams include Recreation and Advanced. We will also have 4 person teams at either Womens or Mens Height.

A note for Club members: This is the Club's LARGEST EVENT as well as being our largest party and fundraiser. The fundraising part is important to you because it helps to maintain our overall costs for club membership dues.



Maple Ridge Ski Area
2725 Mariaville Road
Schenectady, NY 12306



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO PUT THIS EVENT TOGETHER!

September 16th:
Volleyball Tournament Set up

To Volunteer:
VBTourney@ocskiclub.org

September 17th:
OC SKI CLUB 44th Annual
VolleyBall Tournament

For Tournament Inquiries:
Gail Marotti-Hossan:
Home: 518.439.5842
Cell: 518.956.4363

September 18th: Clean Up Day



2022 - 23 MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL FORM

Items Marked
With an * Are
Required

* Renewal Status

Member

Applicant

* Member Number

*Date of Birth:

* Last Name

Grid for last name

Suffix

Grid for suffix

* First Name

Middle Initial

Grid for middle initial

* Address 1

Grid for address 1

* Address 2

Grid for address 2

* City

Grid for city

* State

Grid for state and ZIP

* ZIP

Work Phone

* Home Phone

*Email Address

Cell Phone

I have read, understand, & agree to abide by the Constitution, By-Laws and Polices of the OC Ski Club.

* Please Sign Here:

ONLY ONE (1) RENEWAL PER FORM

Note: Mark the Box that applies to your Renewal and Enter related dollar amount under Costs Column on the line

Renewal Item	FEE	Amount Enclosed
Membership Renewal (must be a member currently in "good standing" to renew)	\$36.00*	\$
Applicant Renewal (NEW applicants must come to the applicant table to join)	\$41.00*	\$
Membership Late fee (if mailed after 08/27 or paid after September 3, 2022)	\$10.00	\$
Lamination Fee (in advance of pickup, not applicable for Applicant Cards)	\$ 1.00	\$
* \$1.00 has been added to cover costs of mailing your card to you	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX

* Total Remittance

\$

OTHER RENEWAL INFORMATION

NOTE: If you intend to mail in your Membership renewal:

1. Make your check or money order payable to: **OC Ski Club, Inc. - DO NOT SEND CASH**
2. Mail your completed Dues Renewal Form and check or money order to:

OC Ski Club, Inc.

P.O. Box 13901

Albany, NY 12212-3901

Attn: Membership Committee

3. **M e m b e r** renewals **MUST** be postmarked by **August 27, 2022**, or hand delivered to the Membership

Table by **September 1, 2022** to ensure that your renewal is processed without a **Late Fee of \$10.00**

Renewals received AFTER August 31, 2022 will be assessed a \$10.00 Late Fee as prescribed in the OC Ski Club, Inc. Membership Policy Guidelines & no card will be issued until fee is paid

4. No need to supply a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your Dues Renewal Form – we have your mailing label ready to go!!!!

NOTE: Dues Renewals may be dropped off during any OC Club Meeting at the Membership Committee table but the cards will not be on-site

OC SKI CLUB Alpine Trips - Ski Season 2022/23 as of 08/16.22

Destination	Family Friendly*	Trans.	Dates	Opening online/In Person	Avail Spots	Prices	Notes
Quebec City, CAN	No	Coach	12/30/22 - 1/2/23	8.19 / 9.1	50	\$585 +	+ lift ticket options (incl Sr. Rates), Single room
Schweitzer, ID	No	Air	01/21 - 01/28	8.19 / 9.1	30	\$2,520	Price listed is full pkg (air/xfr/lodging/tickets) Trip Sellout => rebate for all IKON Pass accepted
Smuggs, VT	Yes	Drive Up	January				
Sunday River, ME	Yes	Coach OR Driveup	2/5 - 2/10	8.19 / 9.1	150	\$475+++	Includes Lodging & Group Dinner Add ons: Bus, 4 or 5 day skiing Ikon Pass accepted
Breckenridge, CO	No	Air	2/11 - 2/18	8.19 / 9.1	30	\$1,800	Brand new Residence Inn!!! Trip Sellout => rebate for all No Lift Tickets - Purchase EPIC Pass (options)
Tremblant, QB	No	Coach	January	8.24 / 10.1			No Lift Tickets... Purchase Ikon Pass (options)
Bolton Valley Mid	Yes	Drive Up	3/7 - 3/10	8.24 / 10.1	32	Options	Ski In/Ski out, lift tickets. Indy Pass accepted
Bolton Valley Wkend	Yes	Drive Up	3/10 - 3/12	8.24 / 10.1	32	Options	Ski In/Ski out, lift tickets. Indy Pass accepted
Zermatt, Switerland +	No	Coach/JFK/Coach/Train	3/10 - 3/18(21)	8.19 / 9.1	42	\$2,600+	+ Rm upgrades +3 day Vienna Extension Purchase Ikon Pass
JayPeak, VT	Yes	Drive Up	Mar/Apr			Many Options	See the trip article and flyer for details

**** ALL Trips have a non-Alpine lift ticket option to accommodate passes & online purchases**

ALL TRIPS: Everybody, adult or child, must be registered as a member or guest of the trip and pay the applicable fees. Any member found to have an unregistered guest, of any age, will be held accountable to the OC Ski Club Board of Directors