



OC Ski Club Liftline June 2024 www.ocskiclub.org

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It's June already. Another year down the drain. Just kidding! It's actually been a decent ski year even with the light snowfall. By now, I assume even our most die hard skiers have hung up the boards and turned to the summer toys and activities. I hope you all had a good ski season.

Next year's trips are already starting to open and will sell out quickly, so pay attention to the announcements. You don't miss out. When we tell you we have to turn back rooms or air by a certain date, that's given to us by the vendors and we have no say in that and may not be able to get them back. You don't want to get shut out. As the ski club year ends, I want to thank the officers and board and committee chairs for keeping the Club running. The trips, buses and all other functions of the Club are run by volunteers. Members just like you! And thanks to the new officers and board members who have graciously stepped up for the upcoming season. And as the summer season unfolds, we have golf, biking, kayaking, hiking and of course volleyball and Happy Hours! Something to do for everyone. So whatever you do, have a great summer and enjoy what the Club has to offer. Until I see you on the slopes again,

Cheers, Mark

New Year, New Publishing Software, New Liftline Design! Let us know what you think. Email publications@ocskiclub.org with your likes & dislikes. Also there are webpage links & email links in this newsletter. When you see underlined text in an article or heading that is a clickable link. See "Upcoming Events" link in the Summer Meeting Schedule below as an example or the email to publications in this item above



Summer Meeting Schedule

The summer meeting schedule is typically the first Thursday of June, July, August, and September. Always be sure to check the <u>Upcoming Events</u> for any changes to this schedule



VP for Skiing
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As the last snowflakes melt away and the sun starts to shine a little brighter, we bid farewell to another incredible ski season. The slopes were alive with laughter, adventure, and unforgettable memories. But fear not, fellow ski enthusiasts, for the end of one season only means the beginning of planning for the next!

As we start to look ahead to next winter, it's time to start dreaming about the fresh powder, crisp mountain air, and exhilarating runs that await us. And what better way to kick off the planning process than by checking out our webpage for the latest details on upcoming ski trips for next year! But wait, there's more excitement in store! We are thrilled to announce our end-of-the-year raffle for a season pass good for next season. For just \$10 a chance or five for \$40, you could be the lucky winner of a pass that will grant you endless days of shredding the slopes. Tickets are available online or at every happy hour leading up to the drawing on July 10. Don't miss this opportunity to secure your ticket to a winter wonderland of fun!

And speaking of winter wonderlands, mark your calendars because Jackson Hole will be opening soon! Keep an eye on your weekly email for the official date. We have limited spots available for this trip, with only 30 spaces up for grabs. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner looking to experience the thrill of the mountains, this trip is not to be missed.

So, as we say goodbye to another amazing ski season, let's look forward to the adventures that await us next year. Start planning, start dreaming, and start getting excited for what promises to be an epic winter on the slopes.

See you on the mountainside!

Vail Colorado Trip is open with 10 New Spots First Come First Serve

Trip Insurance Thoughts

Are you ready to hit the slopes or explore a new city this winter? Don't forget to pack your travel insurance for that extra peace of mind! Whether you're planning a weekend getaway or a grand adventure in Europe, having the right insurance can make all the difference.

With travel insurance, you can enjoy your winter holiday without worrying about unexpected mishaps. From flight cancellations to lost luggage, a good policy will have you covered. And it's not just about the financial protection — it's also about the comfort of knowing that you're in safe hands no matter where you are.

The beauty of travel insurance is that it comes in various forms to suit your needs. Whether you're a frequent traveler or just heading out for a short trip, there's a policy for you. And if you're someone who loves to travel year-round, you can even opt for a blanket policy that covers you for the entire year.

So, before you embark on your next winter adventure with the Club or solo, make sure to invest in travel insurance. It's the best companion you can have for a worry-free and enjoyable trip!





2024 - 2025 Alpine Ski Trips

Dates are set from some trips Some trips will be opening very soon You must be a current OC Member to sign up for a ski trip

Trip chart as of May 6, 2024

Location	Date	Type of Trip	Turn back date	Open Spots
Lake Placid	Dec 13 - 15	Drive up		80
NH Trip	possible	Drive uip		
Smugglers Notch	Jan 17 - 20	Drive up		80ish
Jackson Hole	Jan 25 to Feb 1	Air		30
Sunday River	Feb 9 - 14	Bus & drive up options		120ish
Vail	Feb 23 to March 1	Air		20
Another Eastern resort	possible			
3rd Western Trip	in the works	Air		
Europe Trip	possible	Air		
Jay Peak	April TBD	drive up		

Please be aware that this is an very early trip schedule Only the trips with posted dates are officially contracted to run

All trips are subject to change. Trip spots at this point are still in the works.

Details and sign up information will be posted to the website once those details are ready

Ikon Pass Raffle

If you are a current member of the OC Ski Club you could win a Ikon Base
Pass for the little price of a \$10 raffle tickets

The Club has already sent out an email with the webpage link to all current Members who have a email address associated with their membership account. If you missed it email marketing@ocskiclub.org

Epic and Ikon passes discounted rate thru the OC Ski Club Season pass program for Members only!

Hey everyone! As we gear up for booking our out west ski trip, we're thrilled to announce that this season we'll be exploring 2 Ikon and 1 Epic destination with our amazing tour operator.

And guess what? For those who purchase through our special link, you'll receive a fantastic \$50 land package credit for full Epic or Ikon passes, and a \$30 land package credit for Epic Local or Ikon Base passes. How awesome is that?

Some fantastic savings up for grabs. First-time Ikon pass holders can enjoy \$90 off the new Ikon pass price (now \$1159 instead of \$1249), and the Ikon Base pass is available at \$829 instead of \$869. Renewal pricing is even \$10 less! Please note that there's no group pricing program for the Ikon Base Plus pass. This group member pricing offer will be valid until the beginning of September, but remember that price increases will kick in. The first deadline to lock in the lowest pricing is May 3rd, so don't miss out on these amazing deals! Just reach out to Lynda Heaney at skiing@ocskiclub.org she will answer any questions you may have.



The Alpine Bus Committee has wrapped up a really good season. For next year, the Nordic group will merge with the Alpine group. We are already setting up the new schedule. We heard your ideas: more Stratton dates, more Killington dates, Happy Hour Buses are all on our agenda. Killington dates are booked already as well as the Winter Carnival at Pico, March 14 Friday. Be sure to apply to your employer for that day off! We are considering changing the time the bus leaves the mountain on Sat or Sun only. We will try going back to the 5 pm departure time, so you have more time in the ski lodge to relax, pack up, and socialize with friends. The weekday buses will still leave at 4:30 pm. All buses will start at Crossgates at 7 am, that has not changed. The ski/ride season will begin again at Big Snow in New Jersey. We are planning on 2 dates, one in October and one in November. More about the schedule will be released in August. This will be our last article, as Barbara and I (Sylvia) enjoy our summer activities. If you have any questions or suggestions, please look for us at Happy Hours or the Board meetings. Sylvia is on the Board. Enjoy your summer and make sure you put away your equipment properly. The next bus will be here before you know it.

Barbara Sorrell and Sylvia Haefeli Your cheerful Alpine Bus Committee VP for Administration
Steven Ford
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Dear OC Ski Club Members,

I am delighted to extend my warmest greetings to you as the newly elected Vice President for Administration of the OC Ski Club. It is both an honor and a privilege to join such a group of skiing enthusiasts who share a passion for adventure, camaraderie, and the great outdoors.

As we look forward to the 2024-2025 ski season, I am eager to build upon the strong foundation laid by my predecessor and contribute to the continued growth and success of our Club. My goal is to ensure that our administrative processes run smoothly, enabling us to focus on what we love most—hitting the slopes and enjoying each other's company.

We have a packed schedule of events, trips, and activities planned. I encourage you to share your ideas and feedback with me so that we can continuously improve and cater to the needs of our members.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. It is your active participation and dedication that make the OC Ski Club such a special place. I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events and working together to create unforgettable memories both on and off the slopes.

Sincerely, Steve



Two June Happy Hours

Wed June 5th 4-7pm @ Smokey Bones
1557 Central Ave Colonie
DOOR PRIZE * full size Buffalo Bills flag

Wed June 19th 4-7pm also @ Smokey Bones Smokey Bones website link



OC SECRETARY Cynthia Ward NOTES from OC Board Meeting May 2024



VP of Administration:

The April 24th HH will be at Ryan's Wake in Troy.

The Installation Party will be at Normanside Country Club on May 3. Tickets at \$50 will go on sale as soon as the button PayPal is set up.

Membership: See Membership Statistics attachment. Memberships are up slightly.

Congratulations to all who were elected last week and a thank you to Gail for all her efforts in handling the election.

VP of Organized Skiing:

Lynda is getting quotes for trips to Vail, Palisades, Jackson Hole and Tremblant.

Epic and Ikon passes are now on sale. Ikon prices will go up on 4/18.

The Whiteface trip will be December 13-15.

Sunday River is set for February 9-14.

There were be 2 buses to Whiteface to view the total eclipse on April 8. The lift ticket was \$40.

Old Business: None

New Business: Erin brought up the idea of moving the start of the business meeting earlier to attract a larger attendance. The decision was made to continue discussion at the next meeting and with the next board and officers

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia aka Princess Snowflake



RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The NEW Club year is now offical as of June 1, 2024

Click on this <u>LINK</u> to go to the OC Website to renew your membership

The OC SKI CLUB \$5 referral program still exists.

We bet you forgot. The referral program is still in effect. You will save \$5 per referral on your membership renewal. Who is better to recruit new people but our current members!!!!

Questions email membership@ocskiclub.org

Bowling Night



Tues June 11 from 7-11pm. Spare Time at 570 Columbia Turnpike in East Greenbush. \$15/person. Pay at bowling alley.

Unlimited bowling, unlimited cheese pizza slices and shoe rental included. (No outside food or drink permitted)

I do not have to commit to the number of people for this deal, however it would be nice to know who is coming and we can make teams. If everyone enjoys it, we could do it once a month.

email <u>bowling@ocskiclub.org</u>

<u>OC Website Event page</u>

Red Sox vs Yankee at Yankee Stadium Saturday July 6, 2024

Departure locations and times: Bus leave at 7:30 from the Yankee Trails location in Rensselaer with a second pick up at Crossgates Commons (near the PetSmart)

Use the OC link to sign up OC Special link
Any questions email treasurer@ocskiclub.org John
Wimmer who has set this great trip up for the OC's

If anyone has trouble booking online, they can always call Blythe (at Yankee Trails) and he can book over the phone. 518.286.2400 ext. 216









We need your photos of all the cool places and things you have done.
Please post to the OC Facebook group page or email to marketing@ocskiclub.org





The OC Ski Club is a member of the New York Capital District Ski Council (NYCDSC). As a OC member you receive the benefits from that organization which include discount lift tickets to various ski areas in our area plus other benefits. Find out more <u>HERE</u>



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