



# OC Ski Club Liftline

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Summer is definitely in full swing, with recent temps in the upper 90s. So, who's thinking about ski trips in this weather? Well, we are! As you slather on the SPF 30, we already well into planning the ski trips for next season. Several contracts have been signed and some trips have already opened. More trips, including to Europe, are still being negotiated. Fair warning, you may notice higher prices this year, especially to Europe.

But, now back to summer.

The volleyball league is in full swing Monday and Tuesday nights at the PCC. The Volleyball Tournament, which is a ways off in September, is also being planned now. Stay tuned for the golf scramble, picnic and other possible events. If you have any ideas for additional activities or events that would interest your fellow OCer's , please let us know!

And also, as always, we welcome volunteers to help run a committee and/or events. Have a happy and safe Fourth of July! Cheers,

*Mark*



The summer meeting schedule is typically the first Thursday of June, July, August and September. Always be sure to check the [Upcoming Events](#) for any changes to this schedule

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Are you itching for an exciting trip filled with adventure and fun? Well, look no further because we have a simple guide on how to sign up and secure your spot for the upcoming OC trip!

First things first, head over to our website and download the application form. Once you have it in hand, fill out all the necessary details. Don't forget any important information! Next, shoot an email with the completed application form to the Trip Leader. Make sure to attach a copy of your membership card, and passport if required. This step is crucial for finalizing your registration.

Now, let's talk money. To secure your spot, make a deposit payment via PayPal. No PayPal account? No worries! You can process the transaction as a guest -- easy peasy. Exciting news! The deposit to hold your spot is now \$200 for our western trips and European adventures. You can mail a check for the remaining amount directly to the trip leader. Contact trip leader for the mailing address. Just remember, your spot will only be held for a week, so be sure to complete the payment on time. If you miss the deadline to submit all required documents and payment, we may have to release your spot to someone else eagerly waiting to join the fun.

For that extra peace of mind, we highly recommend purchasing Trip insurance (see below). It's a small price to pay for added protection, starting at just 7.25%. Consider adding it when making your initial deposit.

Prefer the personal touch? You can sign up in person too! Just remember to bring your completed application form with you. Get ready for an unforgettable OC trip by following these simple steps to secure your spot. We are beyond excited to have you join us on OC Ski Club incredible adventure

### *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! Enjoy your winter holiday without worrying about unexpected mishaps. From flight cancellations to lost luggage, a good policy has you covered. And it's not just about the financial protection – it's also about the comfort of knowing you're in safe hands no matter where you are.

Travel insurance comes in various forms. Whether you're a frequent traveler or just heading out for a short trip, there's a policy for you. And if you love to travel year-round, you can even opt for a blanket policy 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!

# Ski Trips Update

Get ready for an awesome adventure on the slopes this winter as Jackson Hole. It is set to open on July 1st online. So, mark your calendars and get ready to secure your spot on July 1st online at 7:30 pm. Whiteface trip is scheduled to open by July 4.

Jackson Hole, a dream destination for any ski enthusiast, offers a total of 30 spots with airfare included, with an additional 10 spots available for those arranging their own travel. With limited availability, these spots are sure to be snatched up in no time, so act fast to secure your place on this exciting journey.

As if that wasn't enough excitement, Vail is also on the agenda. If you're eager to experience the breathtaking beauty of Vail, don't hesitate to reach out to the Trip Leader at [vail@ocskiclub.org](mailto:vail@ocskiclub.org) to express your interest for the wait list.

But the adventure doesn't stop there! A thrilling trip to Copper Mountain awaits, where you'll be staying at the base of the mountain from March 22nd to the 29th. Make sure you have your Ikon Base Pass ready for this unforgettable experience on the slopes.

While Palisades Mountain won't be on the itinerary this time around due to pricing concerns, fear not, as plans are in the works for a European escapade. Keep an eye out for updates as we explore the possibility of a trip to the picturesque Kitzbuhel in Austria, promising breathtaking views and unforgettable memories.

So, gear up, ski enthusiasts, and get ready to embrace the thrill of skiing in some of the most beautiful destinations. The mountains are calling, and adventure awaits. Are you ready to answer the call?





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## Ski Trips Update

### Ski Trips with Airfare Included (USA, Canada & Europe)

Jan 25 to Feb 1 **Jackson Hole** \$1490 **OPENS July 1** [ski trip link](#)

Feb 23-March 1 **Vail** \$1,975 **SOLD OUT**, sign up for wait list

March 22-29 **Copper Mountain** This trip is a go, details coming

European Trip is still in the construction phase

### Eastern Resorts USA trips

Dec 13-15 **Whiteface** starts at \$245 **OPENS JULY 3** [ski trip link](#)

Jan 7-10 **New Hampshire** \$TBD 3 nites, 2 dinners, 3 breakfasts, drive up

January 17-20 **Smugglers Notch, VT** - ski in ski out - [Martin Luther King Weekend](#)

Feb 9-14 **Sunday River** starts at \$490 **OPENS July 15** [ski trip link](#)

Under Construction - **Burke Mountain, VT** and/or **Bolton Valley, VT**

April 4 -6 **Jay Peak, VT**, drive up trip, details coming



Detailed Information about Ski Trips is posted to the OC Website

Some trips are OPEN for sign ups and selling FAST

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR THE OC WEBSITE TRIPS PAGE

# Ikon Pass Raffle

## Drawing July 10th at the OC Happy Hour!

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

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

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

Exciting news for all OC Ski Club members - we've got an exclusive deal on Epic and Ikon season passes for our upcoming out west ski trip! With trips on our schedule to incredible destinations like Copper Mountain, Jackson Hole, and Vail, this is a winter adventure you won't want to miss. When you purchase your pass 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. It's a one-time discount that adds even more value to your ski season!

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.

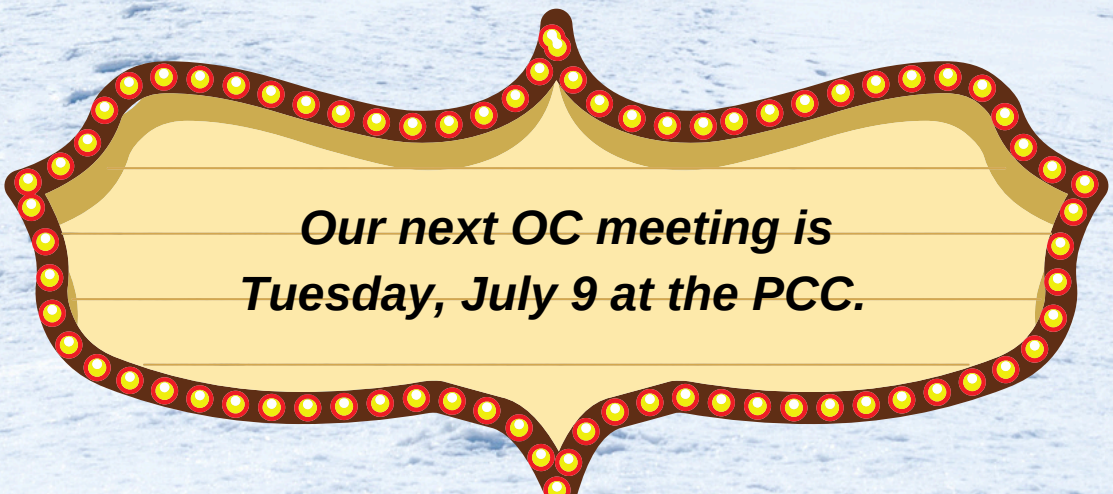
Renewal pricing is even \$10 less! Please note that there's no group pricing program for the Ikon Base Plus pass

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!

For more information or to secure your pass, reach out to Lynda Heaney at [skiing@ocskiclub.org](mailto:skiing@ocskiclub.org). She's here to answer any questions you may have and help you make the most of this amazing opportunity.

Get ready to hit the slopes in style with OC Ski Club - it's going to be an incredible ski season!

**Just reach out to Lynda Heaney at [skiing@ocskiclub.org](mailto:skiing@ocskiclub.org) she will answer any questions you may have.**



*Our next OC meeting is  
Tuesday, July 9 at the PCC.*



**Dear OC Ski Club Members,**

The OC Ski Club offers lots of cool things to do in the "off season" Check out the happy Hours, bowling, Volleyball, Yankee games trip and so much more.

Need to find out more come to the Tuesday July 9th meeting at the PCC on Washington Ave ext. in Albany

VP for Administration  
Steven Ford  
[admin@ocskiclub.org](mailto:admin@ocskiclub.org)

**July is here and you need to renew  
your OC Membership**

The Club's calendar year starts on June 1st  
Please renew your membership  
Questions email [membership@ocskiclub.org](mailto:membership@ocskiclub.org)

Instructions or Renew online [CLICK HERE](#)



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

Departure locations and times: Bus leaves 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](mailto: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



## *Summer Happy Hours Are Here*

Despite the horrendous heat, the OC happy hour on June 19 had a great turnout with 45 attendees braving the outdoor temperatures of over 90 degrees! Smokey Bones generously provided a \$50 gift certificate as a door prize.



Door prize winner  
Gretchen Riley,  
with husband  
George





# TWO JULY HAPPY HOURS!

Wednesday, July 10  
*Ikon Raffle is July 10!*

Wednesday, July 24  
4-7 pm

**Korner Bar & Grille (click for link)**

1770 Central Ave., Albany 12205  
(Colonie)

Village Square Plaza  
Past Kohl's, next to Subway





**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mark Wilder, Steve Ford, John Wimmer, Gail Marotti-Hossan, Greg Bockis, Matt Fabrizio, Judy Franze  
Tewey, Fred Haefeli, Sylvia Haefeli, Doug Harrington, Lauren Harrington, Rich Livsey, Cynthia Ward  
Absent; Lynda Heaney, Jeff Kenton

**VP for Administration**

- o Membership Stats – our numbers continue to improve
- o Activities coming up: Bowling, Happy Hour(s), Yankees/Red Sox game

**VP for Organized Skiing**

- o Trips booked: Jackson Hole, Vail, Sunday River
- o In the works: Bolton, Burke, NH, Big Snow experience
- o Winter Carnival will be at Pico, on Friday, March 14

**Old Business**

Reminder that the July meeting will be moved from July 4th to Tuesday, July 9 @ the PCC

**New Business**

- o August Board meeting to be moved to a new date, TBD at the July meeting
- o Recognition Policy Updates, postponed due to lack of current information
- o PCC 90th anniversary: to support this milestone we will purchase a full-page ad
  - o OC members are welcome to attend – see Cynthia Ward's article

**Committee Appointments**

- o Alpine Buses: Sylvia Haefeli, Barbara Sorrell & Cathy Marvin
- o Ski Instruction: Jeff Kenton
- o Alpine Trips: Lynda Heaney
- o NYCDSC Rep: Cynthia Ward & rotating Board Members
- o Membership: Bob Hossan, Gail Marotti-Hossan, Gretchen Riley, Meghan Ruby
- o Elections: Gail Marotti-Hossan
- o Fundraising: Rex Lyons
- o Volleyball League: Tara Cummings, Gail Marotti-Hossan
- o Marketing: Fred Haefeli
- o Publications: Linda Mickle
- o Facilities Management: Cynthia Ward
- o Website: Fred Haefeli, Gretchen Riley

**Bus Committee final report**

- o A review of the season for the day bus trips; a little discussion on what's to come in the upcoming year

**Next Board Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9th @ the PCC, 6:30 pm

**Next Membership Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9th @ the PCC, 8:00

**Motions:**

1. Purchase a full-page ad (\$175) in the PCC 90th anniversary Gala booklet  
Motion: Cynthia Ward 2nd: Sylvia Haefeli Passed: Unanimously

2. Approve the VP for Admin committee appointments  
Motion: Gail Marotti-Hossan 2nd: Cynthia Ward Passed: 13 Yes / 1 No

3. Approve the VP for Skiing committee appointments  
Motion: Gail Marotti-Hossan 2nd: Cynthia Ward Passed: Unanimously  
Motion to adjourn

Time: 7:12 p.m. Motion: Gail Marotti-Hossan 2nd: Cynthia Ward Passed: Unanimously



# OC Annual Golf Scramble!

Mark your calendars:

**Saturday, September 28**

*Details will follow!*



The OC SKI CLUB \$5 referral program still exists. 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](mailto:membership@ocskiclub.org)

## Bowling Night

email [bowling@ocskiclub.org](mailto:bowling@ocskiclub.org)

[OC Website Event page](#)

On June 11th we had three teams of four bowlers vying for high scores; what we did get was a lot of laughs and pizza. And for some of us – sore shoulders and hands.

The high team score was Robin, Joyce, Joe and Eddie. Eddie also had high men's score of 190. I had women's high of 178. Fred had most improved, from game 1 to 2: a 72-point change.

The only fall of the night was me (hurt my pride more than my body). We all agreed it would be fun to do again – so join us Tuesday, July 23 at 7pm. Detail on the OC upcoming events webpage.

**Cathy Marvin**





The OC's new Publication Chairperson

**Linda Mickle**

We welcome our newest volunteer!  
Without her help you would not be  
reading this right now!



The OC's new Marketing assistant

**Meghan Ruby**

Not a new volunteer!  
Working hard behind the scenes



The OC's new Website Editor

**Gretchen Riley**

Yes she also works the membership table  
Creating magic for our awesome ski trips



The ski club is run by dedicated volunteers  
and we could use some more good souls.

It's not that hard to help out

Email VP for Admin [admin@ocskiclub.org](mailto:admin@ocskiclub.org)

or

Email VP for Skiing [skiing@ocskiclub.org](mailto:skiing@ocskiclub.org)



## *PCC 90th Anniversary - Banquet Saturday, Sept. 7*

The Polish Community Center is celebrating its 90th Anniversary this year. The PCC was initially established to provide Polish immigrants a familiar atmosphere with regard to language, traditions and social events; and to support efforts to maintain Poland's hard-won freedom and independence. Today the PCC provides the community with a venue for banquets, weddings, meetings, trade shows and various other events. The PCC has also been the home for the OC Ski Club and its weekly volleyball program for many years.

In commemoration of this milestone, a **gala banquet and dance will be held at the PCC on Saturday, September 7th**. This black-tie event will include a cocktail hour, open bar, dinner and dancing to the music of The Masters Orchestra. **The cost of the gala is \$70**. To attend, please **make your reservations with dinner preferences by August 15**.

For reservations and additional information, please contact:

*Cynthia Ward*

*Email: [wardcj127@gmail.com](mailto:wardcj127@gmail.com)*

*Text: (518) 730-6428*



We need your photos of all the cool places and things you have done. Yes these photos were here last month! Please post to the OC Facebook group page or email to [marketing@ocskiclub.org](mailto:marketing@ocskiclub.org)



The OC Ski Club is a member of the New York Capital District Ski Council (NYCDSC). As an 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 [HERE](#)



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Contact a Committee Chairperson - [Click Here](#)

### Officers

Mark Wilder - President  
Steven Ford - VP for Admin  
Lynda Heaney - VP for Skiing  
Gail Marotti-Hossan - Secretary  
John Wimmer - Treasurer

### Board of Directors

Greg Bockis	Matt Fabrizio
Fred Haefeli	Sylvia Haefeli
Doug Harrington	Lauren Harrington
Jeff Kenton	Rich Livsey
Judy Franze Tewey	Cynthia Ward