



OC Ski Club Liftline

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The usual comment heard around this time of the year is "Hot enough for you?". But hold on, it's just another 5 months until ski season! And it may be even sooner if we run a bus to New Jersey again this year. Stay tuned, but in the meantime, continue to enjoy the summer fun.

We are still looking to have a picnic and maybe a Lake George boat cruise this season. Happy Hours are of course every month. If you have any ideas for off ski-season events, let our new A&E chair, Kate Karlok, know. It's always fun to try new things.

In September we will again have our annual Volleyball Tournament. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year as well as a major social event. We are beginning the process of organizing it and will be asking for volunteers to help out with setup the Friday before, on the day of the tournament, and takedown Sunday after. Many hands make light work!

Some ski trips have opened and sold out already! But more trips will be opening soon, so there will be enough opportunity for all who are interested. And if the trip you are interested in is sold out, get your name on the wait list. You will probably get on. So for now, enjoy the summer with your favorite activity and a cold beverage!

Cheers,
Mark



The summer meeting schedule is typically the first Thursday of June, July, August and September. Check the [Upcoming Events](#) for any changes to this schedule. **Our next OC meeting is Thursday, Aug. 8 at the PCC.**



VP for Skiing
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Exciting Trip Updates: Your Adventure Awaits!



Hey there, fellow adventure lovers! I'm bursting with excitement to share some updates about our upcoming escapades, and I can hardly wait!

Tremblant Update

So, I have a little hiccup to share about our Tremblant getaway — our hotel has overbooked. But don't worry! We've rescheduled our trip, and I promise it's going to be an exhilarating winter escape. I can already envision us gliding through the snow, carving up those slopes — it's going to be epic!

Europe Package Update

Who's ready to jet off to Europe? We're working on an incredible land package! We've got some lovely hotel rooms secured, and we're just waiting to finalize the airfare. Stay tuned for more info — I can feel the excitement brewing!

Riders Hotel in Laax, Switzerland

For those looking for a truly unique experience, I can't recommend the Riders Hotel enough! This minimalist hotel is the perfect blend of nature and culture. Just imagine starting your day with calming yoga classes and winding down in the evening with some live music in the lobby. And the best part? It's right at the lift station in Laax — how convenient is that? [Learn more](#)

I'm genuinely excited about the adventures ahead, and I can't wait for you to join in on the fun! Let's keep making those unforgettable memories together!

Lynda Heaney - VP for Skiing





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Ski Trips Update

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

Jan 25 to Feb 1 Jackson Hole, WY \$1490, airfare included **SOLD OUT!**

Feb 23-March 1 Vail, CO \$1,975 airfare included, **TRIP IS OPEN, just 1 male spot left**, so grab it while you can!

March 9-16 Switzerland, Flims, LAAX. Contract pending. Keep your fingers crossed!

March 22-29 Copper Mountain, CO Airfare included, **OPENS IN AUGUST**

Eastern Resorts USA trips

Dec 13-15 Whiteface drive-up, starts at \$245 **OPEN for signups!**

Jan 7-10 Indian Head Resort, NH starts at \$379 Three nights & meals **OPENS IN AUGUST**

January 17-20 Smugglers Notch, VT - ski in ski out, drive-up - **Martin Luther King Weekend**

Feb 9-14 Sunday River, ME - starts at \$490 Drive-up or Coach **STILL OPEN!**

February 23-27 Tremblant, Quebec, Price \$460 plus bus. Drive-up, bus option possible

April 4 -6 Jay Peak, VT, drive up, stay tuned for updates

Possible trips on the horizon!

Ski Trips in the Construction Phase

Bolton Valley, VT

Burke Mountain, VT

For more detailed information about any OC Ski Trip
go to the OC Website

Some trips are OPEN for sign ups and selling FAST
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR THE OC WEBSITE TRIPS PAGE

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AS THE SKI TURNS - OC SNOWSPORTS SCHOOL

Back again is an early season "Sharpen your Skills" trip with instructors available for the entire weekend.

December 13-15, Whiteface Mountain

Accommodations: The Golden Arrow, Lake Placid

Last year we had great early season skiing with a happy hour Friday and Saturday afterwards. It's a great way to start the season right with some feedback on your skills.

Calling all instructors!

We will have our annual **pre-season meeting on Thursday, October 10** at 6:00 pm sharp in the upstairs room at the PCC. We will be discussing plans for the season, indoor and on-the-snow training, and private lesson days. For all existing instructors, I would like an update on your availability to teach, training plans, etc. For anyone interested in learning more about training to be an instructor, please contact me at skiinstruction@ocskiclub.org.

Let it snow!!!

Jeff Kenton

OC Snowsports School Director

**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 buy your pass through our special link, you will 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. Its a one-time discount that adds even more value to your ski season!

OC Discount on Ski Passes - [Click Here](#)

For more info or to secure your pass, just reach out to Lynda Heaney at skiing@ocskiclub.org and she will answer any questions you may have.

Ikon Pass Raffle Winner . . .

Congratulations to Paul Cotugno, whose \$10 investment in a raffle ticket at the July 10 happy hour paid off!



VP for Administration
Steven Ford
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Dear OC Ski Club Members,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the beautiful summer months. While the ski slopes may be far from our minds in this warm weather, it is still an ideal time to remain active and engaged in the Club. I would like to take a moment to thank Judy Franze Tewey for all her hard work in organizing the wonderful happy hours. I would also like to welcome Kate Karlock to the Activities and Entertainment Committee. Kate is a fantastic addition and I very much look forward to working with her to plan future club events.

Summer meetings are held the first Thursday of the month. Our next general membership meeting will be held **Thursday, August 8 at the PCC.**

Don't forget to check out Monday's more competitive volleyball league night or Tuesday's recreational volleyball league night at the PCC this summer.

Our next happy hour is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7th from 4-7.

We are actively evaluating other activities for the summer calendar. Keep an eye on the monthly newsletter, website, and social media for details.

Thank you for being a part of our ski club community!

Sincerely,

Steve



**August 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

Instructions or renew online [CLICK HERE](#)

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 as an example or the email to publications, above.



TWO AUGUST HAPPY HOURS!

Wednesday, August 7
4-7 pm

Wednesday, August 21
4-7 pm

Philly Bar & Lounge
622 Watervliet-Shaker Rd.
Latham, NY 12110
(518) 785-6559

[Website Link](#)

Main Bar on the First Floor
Patio Will Be Open

Everyone plan on the First Annual 🍀
Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party
Wed Sept 18th, 4 to 7pm Ryan's Wake
403 River Street, Troy
Wear your green!!

OC SECRETARY
Gail Marotti-Hossan



The OC Ski Club 2024-2025 Board of Directors met on July 9th, starting @ 6:38pm.

IN ATTENDANCE:

MARK WILDER, STEVE FORD, LYNDA HEANEY, JOHN WIMMER, GAIL MAROTTI-HOSSAN, GREG BOCKIS, MATT FABRIZIO, JUDY FRANZE TEWEY, FRED HAEFELI, SYLVIA HAEFELI, DOUG HARRINGTON, LAUREN HARRINGTON, JEFF KENTON, RICH LIVSEY, CYNTHIA WARD.

VP for Administration

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

VP for Organized Skiing

- Trips booked: Jackson Hole, Vail, Sunday River, NH, Copper
- In the works: Bolton, Burke, Europe, Big Snow experience
- Ikon drawing to be held at the Happy Hour, June 10th, 6:30 pm
 - Ikon raffle has earned \$1,040 to date; drawing 6:30pm @ Happy Hour

Old Business

- August Board Meeting: August 8th, PCC 6:30pm
- Recognition Policy Updates presented and discussed. The Funds for the Recognition Awards come from the general fund and are included in the budget which will be voted on by the Membership in October

New Business

- New Brochure: it was decided that we would continue to hand out the current brochure since we have so many but would not design/order any new ones. Instead, we will print event-specific flyers.
- OC 65th Anniversary: December 10, 2025. It's time to research and book a spot for this celebration. Suggestion that it is combined with a Holiday Party theme as done for the 50th and 60th ones.

VP for Administration Committee Appointments

- A&E: Kate Karlok & Judy Franze Tewey
- Ambassador: Mike Koutelis
- Audio/Visual: Bill Corbin
- Marketing Assistant: Meghan Ruby

Presidential Appointments

- Finance: Bob Hossan
 - PayPal Administrator: Christine Phillips
 - Volleyball Tournament: Gail Marotti-Hossan
- Request for reimbursement of the cancellation fees incurred, per policy, when a member had to cancel 5 trips due to an injury. A letter was written to the President/Board requesting the waiver of the policy mandated fees.
 - PCC Gala: September 7th, \$70; hors d'oeuvres, open bar, dinner, entertainment
 - PCC Happy Hours / Beer Garden: Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri starts at 4pm
 - Next Board Meeting: Thursday, August 8th @ the PCC, 6:30 pm
 - Next Membership Meeting: Thursday, August 8th @ the PCC, 8:00

Motions:

1. APPROVE THE PRESENTED RECOGNITION AWARD AMOUNTS

Motion: Gail Marotti-Hossan. 2nd: Cynthia Ward. **Passed** Unanimously

2. WAIVE CANCELLATION FEE REQUEST

Motion: Cynthia Ward. 2nd: Gail Marotti-Hossan. **Failed** Unanimously

3. APPROVE THE VP FOR ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Motion: Gail Marotti-Hossan. 2nd: Fred Haefeli. **Passed** Unanimously

Motion to adjourn

Time: 7:30 p.m. Motion: Cynthia Ward. 2nd: Fred Haefeli. **Passed** Unanimously



OC Annual Golf Scramble!

Saturday, September 28

Brookhaven Golf Club

Porters Corner, NY

Tee time TBD

Greens fee & cart included

Après-golf buffet dinner & party included

Once pricing is determined, a PayPal button will be active on the OC website.

[OC Golf event link](#)

Questions? Email golfinfo@ocskiclub.org

Fred & Sylvia Haefeli, OC Golf



The OC SKI CLUB \$5 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



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

or

Email VP for Skiing skiing@ocskiclub.org



OC Bowling Night



The next night for bowling will be **Tuesday August 13th**. Mark your calendars and send me an email at bowling@ocskiclub.org to let me know you are coming

Event details on the OC website [Click Here](#)

July 23 Bowling Night Review

We had 17 OCers show up to show off their bowling skills – NOT.....

We once again broke a lane so the guy at the bowling alley is calling us The Lane Breakers.

The winning team was Fred, Sylvia, Darcy and Jason.

Most improved woman was Darcie, 25 pins.

Most improved man was Jason, who also got the high score of 201 (94 pin improvement)

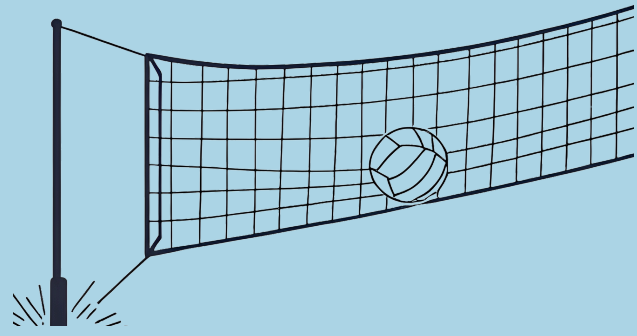
High score for women was Gretchen with a 136.

Cathy Marvin



Annual Volleyball Tournament Coming Soon!

Saturday, September 14th



We need volunteers to run this important event and make it a success! During setup, during the day, and afterwards for cleanup. If you'd like to help with this - our biggest event of the year - please step up!

Any questions or to offer your help, email vbturney@ocskiclub.org

Off-Season Fun. . .

Curious about what your fellow OCers are up to in the off season? Eager to share your latest escapades? **Post your activities on the OC Facebook group**. Our members are a diverse bunch with all sorts of cool hobbies. It's another way to find kindred spirits!



Kevin Connell (left) reports that he raced in the ADK Black Fly Challenge on June 8th, from Inlet to Indian Lake. . . and survived!





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



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



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](#)

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

Board of Directors

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