



OC Ski Club Liftline

June 2026

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President's Corner

John Wimmer

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Hello OCers!

Well, this is my first Liftline article as we begin our new season. This will be my fifth season with the Club and I look forward to it. I've also appreciated working (as Treasurer) with/for Mark and the rest of the Club these last three years, and certainly learned a lot over that time.

Looks like the nice weather has finally arrived to stay. Like everyone else in the OCs, I am looking forward to enjoying some of the outdoor activities that summer presents such as biking, volleyball, motorcycling, and camping to name a few.

The Club has a lot going on as well over the summer. For the second consecutive year, we are having our volleyball tourney at Collins Park, on September 12. This is our largest fundraiser and we are always looking for volunteers to help out. Our annual picnic will be in either August or early September. If you have any ideas on location, just bring it up at a meeting or online... And, of course, one of my favorites will be the golf outing to be held October 3 at Brookhaven. It's always a good time.

Also don't forgot our two Happy Hours each month, and meetings just once a month till October.

See you around the Club!

John

[Upcoming Events](#) webpage

Rich Livsey
VP for Skiing
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Hello OC members,

This is my first Lifeline report as VP for Skiing and I am looking forward to the upcoming exciting year. Even though the snow has melted and everyone has summer outings on their minds, your committees are already working hard planning trips and lining up day buses for the 2026-2027 ski and board season.

Trips include the West and Europe. I don't want to spill the beans so I'll let your trips committee chair, Lynda Heaney, make the announcement. I can assure you, no disappointments.

With that said, if you see something of interest, sign up early to secure your spot. As a reminder, the trip forms need to be filled out accurately and completely. We don't want members to miss out because of a small forgotten formality. The trip signup forms are also being tweaked to keep them more streamlined and eliminate any confusion.

Let's all have a safe and fun summer, till the snow flies again.

Rich



If you've ever thought about leading a trip. . .

Now's your chance. We're actively looking for trip leaders for upcoming OC Ski Club trips. If you're interested, send an email to skiing@ocskiclub.org with:

- The trip(s) you'd like to lead
- A short summary of your qualifications (travel experience, prior leadership, Club involvement, etc.)

Trip leaders play a key role in making these trips run smoothly—from planning to execution—and we're always looking to bring new people into the mix alongside our experienced crew.

If you're organized, good with people, and want to take a more active role in the Club, reach out. Let's build a strong lineup for the season.





OC Ski Club's 2026-2027 Ski Trip Schedule

Updated May 26, 2026

Location	Date	Type of Trip	Open spots Date Opens
Whiteface New York	Dec 11-13	Weekend 2 nights	Great weekend
Smugglers Notch Vermont	Jan 15-18	Ski in Ski Out 3 or 4 day ski	Annual holiday weekend
Bolton Valley Vermont	Jan 19-22	Ski In Ski Out	Back by popular demand
Revelstoke Canada	Jan 23-30	7 nights slopeside Optional air	On the Powder Highway! Open 6/10 - 24 spots
Sunday River Maine	Feb 7-12	Ski In Ski Out Sun-Fri 5 nights	Year's biggest trip
Steamboat Colorado	Feb 20-27	7 nights base area Optional air	Champagne Powder Open 6/24 - 34 spots
Tremblant Quebec	March 7-12	Ski In Ski Out 5 nights	Annual grand trip
Dolomites Superski Italy	March 12-23	Side trip LAKE GARDA	Annual European Trip Open 6/10 - 40 spots
Indian Head Resort, New Hampshire	March 16-19	3 nights Includes meals	Great trip, great price
Whistler/Blackcomb Canada	March 19-26	7 nights Village base area Optional air	Canada's largest resort Open 6/24 - 16 + spots
Jay Peak Vermont	April 2-4	Ski In Ski Out Weekend	Many options to choose from

To get detailed information about ANY trip

[Go to The OC Website](http://www.ockiiclub.org)

Questions email alpinetrips@ockiiclub.org

Sign Up for Trips at OC Happy Hours!

Thinking about signing up for one of our trips? Come join us at Happy Hour to chat about the trip, meet other members, ask questions, and secure your spot! See the Happy Hour page in every issue.

To sign up, please bring your deposit payment by cash or check. You'll be asked to complete a short online questionnaire from your cell phone. This first form will create your official timestamp and place in line for the trip.

You do not need to have all your trip details ready at Happy Hour. However, after the event, you will receive a link by email to complete the full trip application. The detailed application will require more information and includes questions that cannot be skipped.

We ask that all applications be within 24 hours to guarantee your spot on the trip. If the application is not completed within that timeframe, your spot may move to the back of the line.

Please note:

- Completing the online form alone does not confirm your spot on the trip.
- **Your spot is only confirmed once your detailed application is fully completed, your payment is received and accepted, and you receive an email confirmation from the Trip Leader.**

When completing the detailed application, please be prepared with information such as:

- Emergency contact information
- Roommate requests
- Ski/pass information
- Membership information
- Passport information (for international trips)
- Airline-required details including your full legal name exactly as it appears on your ID or passport
- Any additional air travel information requested for ticketing purposes

We've updated this policy because many trip applications have remained incomplete, creating a significant amount of follow-up and administrative work for Trip Leaders. Our goal is to make the sign-up process smoother, more accurate, and more efficient for everyone involved.

Having your information ready before filling out the detailed application will help avoid delays and reduce the need for Trip Leaders to chase down missing information later.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone at Happy Hour and kicking off another great trip season!



Contact the Alpine Trips Chair
Lynda Heaney
alpinetrips@ocskiclub.org

VP for Administration
Steven Ford
admin@ocskiclub.org



Hi OCers!

If you were there, you know - we had a great time rocking out at the OC Installation Banquet at the Normanside Country Club!

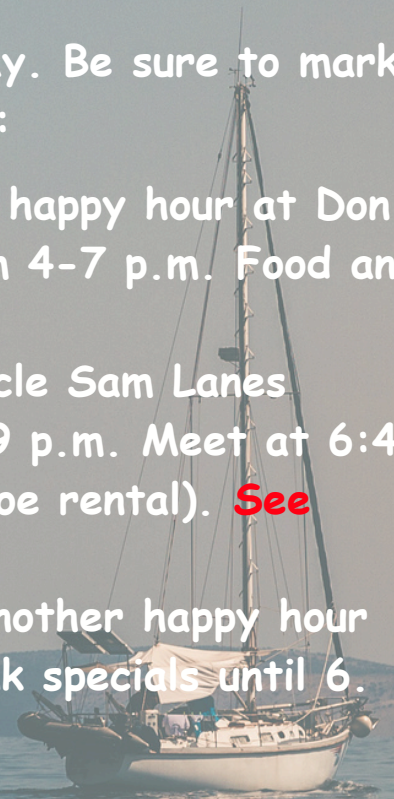
Another ski season is in the books and it seems very appropriate to take a moment to thank all those who help make the Club run smoothly. In particular I would like to thank: Kate Karlok for making the Installation Banquet and other parties happen, Judy Franze Tewey for organizing the amazing happy hours every month, Bob Karandy for helping me out with the fundraising table, and Cynthia Ward, Bill Corbin, and of course Fred Haefeli (and team) for all their hard work in marketing, website, and social media. A big heartfelt thanks to all of you.

The snow may be gone, but the fun is here to stay. Be sure to mark your calendar for the following OC events in June:

- On Wednesday, June 10th, we will be having a happy hour at Don Tequila's located at 219 Wolf Rd. Colonie from 4-7 p.m. Food and drink specials until 6.
- On Tuesday, June 16th, the OCs take over Uncle Sam Lanes located at 600 Fulton Street in Troy from 7-9 p.m. Meet at 6:45 and bowl at 7:00 for only \$10 (plus \$2 for shoe rental). **See Cathy's announcement on the next page.**
- On Wednesday, June 24th, we will be having another happy hour at Don Tequila's from 4 -7 p.m. Food and drink specials until 6.

Enjoy the summer!

Steve



Secretary (FY 2025-2026)

Gail Marotti-Hossan

secretary@ocskiclub.org



PLEASE NOTE:

The May Board meeting minutes were submitted by Gail Marotti-Hossan, who is concluding her term as OC Secretary for the 2025-2026 fiscal year which ended May 31. As of the July *Liftline* issue (which will include the June 2026 minutes), our new Secretary, Lynda Heaney, will assume this role.



The OC Ski Club 2025-2026 Board of Directors met May 7, 2026

Time: 6:38 PM . **May 2026 Board Meeting Minutes**

In attendance: Mark Wilder, Steve Ford, Lynda Heaney, John Wimmer, Greg Bockis, Matt Fabrizio, Judy Franze Tewey, Doug Harrington, Lauren Harrington, Kate Karlok, Jeff Kenton, Cynthia Ward. Board members absent were: Gail Marotti-Hossan, Fred Haefeli, Sylvia Haefeli. Also attending were new board members Rich Livesey, Gloria Quackenbush and Bob Karandy

APPROVAL OF AGENDA, MINUTES & TREASURER'S REPORT

Agenda: Motion: Cynthia Ward 2nd Lynda Heaney Passed

Minutes: Motion: Cynthia Ward 2nd John Wimmer Passed

Treasurers: Motion: Cynthia Ward 2nd Doug Harrington Passed

Reports

VP Admin

- o Membership Stats – continued steady increase with over 1000 members.
- o Happy Hours: Thursday HHs at the PCC are well attended and growing in popularity. May 13 @ City Line in Albany; June HHs are at Don Tequilas; July HHs are at BJs.
- o The motion to invite SWC to HHs at the PCC by Cynthia, seconded by Matt, was passed unanimously.
- o Installation Party – Friday May 15th; Normanside CC (Delmar), Blues theme as we continue to celebrate our 65th Anniversary – 65th anniversary is Sapphire.
- o Volleyball is back at the PCC on Monday and Tuesday from 6-8 pm.

MAY 2026 Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

VP Skiing

See report for an overview of upcoming trips for 2026 – 2027 season.

o A discussion concerning the Italy trip for 2027 concluded with the consensus that it will be offered.

Old Business

Constitutional revisions are needed and Mark and John will convene a committee for the July meeting

New Business

Discussion led to the decision that the July board meeting be moved to July 9.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TIME: 7:20 p.m.

Motion: Steve Ford 2nd: Lynda Heaney Passed: Unanimously

YOU
CAN
HELP

Well, another year is starting for the OC Ski Club. This ski club was founded in 1960 when a bunch of friends decided to make things formal and get organized. Their goal was to get a group of skiers together so they could share the love of the sport and to socialize. This Club was founded by volunteers to make that happen, and to this day that volunteer spirit still exists. **All the Club activities, including the business side, are run by member volunteers.**

We are always looking for volunteers and want new people to start the process of learning things, like how the Bus Committee does its thing. Every year we run ski trips and we want new people to get involved so there is a larger pool of willing skiers to take the gang out for an awesome ski vacation. There are so many positions – from small things like historian and mid-size things like the publishing the monthly Liftline newsletter, all the way up to Club Officers.

Volunteering can be a fun experience and a **great way to get to know other members** of the Club. Now is the time to get involved with the new fiscal year starting this June. **Reach out to the President or one of the VPs** to inquire what is out there to do and what spots need help now. The idea is to get new faces in the mix, willing to learn during the year so the following year maybe you can take over and become part of a team, like buses, marketing, membership, and many others.

Here are the emails to reach out to:

president@ocskiclub.org

admin@ocskiclub.org

Skiing@ocskiclub.org



Summer Meeting Schedule

June 4, July 2, August 6 and September 3
At the Polish Community Center

Come early to enjoy the PCC menu specials (below).

Happy Hour Menu



Pierogi (3)	6	Surfside, High Noon	6
Kielbasa on Roll	7	White Claw	6
With Kraut	9	Beer 16 oz Can	6
Burger/Lettuce/Tom	5	Single Pour	\$4
With Cheese	6	BUCKET SPECIALS	
French Fries	5	Domestic Beer	5/\$20
Onion Rings	6	Imported Beer	5/\$25
Tenders, French Fries	9	Seltzers	5/\$30
Pulled Pork Sandwich	7		
With Cole Slaw			



Polish Community Center Bar

Mondays to Thursdays | 4:30 PM to 7:30PM

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Bowling is Back!



Summer '26 Tuesdays: June 16 and July 14 (August TBD)

Uncle Sam Lanes would like to extend our \$10 deal (plus \$2 for shoe rental). Located at 600 Fulton Street in Troy.

We meet between 6:45 and 7:00 and then we bowl. We throw together teams; if people let me know ahead of time (by 2:00 that day), Uncle Sam's will have the names already on the screen for us. It's a fun time for all. Hope you will join us!

Cathy Marvin

bowling@ocskiclub.org



SAVE THE DATE
OC Annual Golf Outing
Saturday, October 3
Brookhaven Golf Course
More Details in August



Hello, OC friends and family,

The Installation Banquet was a great time for all who were able to attend and the food was delicious as always. A special thank you to Gail and Bob for working so hard to make it a wonderful night for all of us! You outdid yourselves on the event including the OC cookies. They were not easy to eat as they were so beautifully decorated with our OC emblems.

Everyone looked fantastic in their "Blues" attire too. What a way to celebrate our 65 years of being a dynamic Club and welcoming our new Board of Directors, officers and members. And we honored our hardworking officer, **Lynda Heaney, for her tireless work, as OC Outstanding Member** (see next page). Congrats, Lynda!

Thank you all again for showing your support to those who volunteer to make our Club a special and successful one! Our next A&E gathering will be our annual picnic. It is in the works so look for more details to come. Any suggestions are welcomed. Please send an email message at activities@ocskiclub.org

Stay safe and plan ahead for your 2026/27 ski trips. There are many to choose from and they'll fill up quickly. Thank you for being the special people you are and the best Club skiers around. You are simply the BEST!!

Love, peace, care and blessings always,

Kate



See next page for more great pics of the Banquet!



Kate and Gail our party organizers



OC Cookie



Congratulations to Lynda Heaney for this year's OC Outstanding Member!



Judy Franze Tewey

There will be 2 Happy Hours per month
June through September.

Wednesday, June 10 and 24 4:00-7:00 p.m.

[Don Tequila's](#)

219 Wolf Rd., Colonie 518-512-3469

Great food and drink specials until 6:00. Patio will be open.



Due to the closure of Smokey Bones, our **July Happy Hours**
on both July 8 and July 22 are changed to:

[BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse](#), 3 Wolf Road, Suite 101
518-315-3570
See you there!



Out of Control Ski Club

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[Facebook Group](#)

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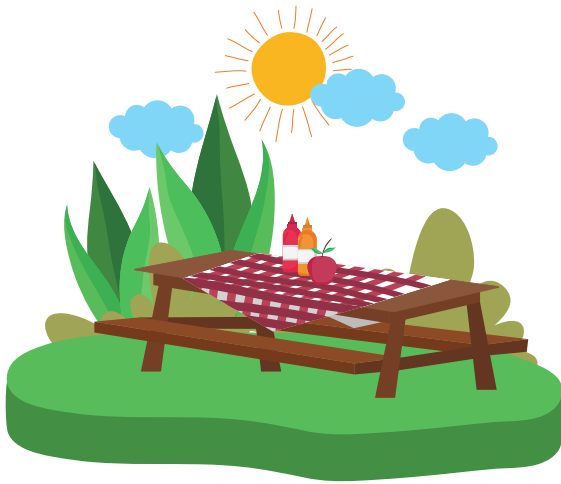
Sign up for news & updates with the [Weekly Email blast](#)

Email Committee Chairs - email address links are on the OC website on
each webpage. Click on "Questions"

Be patient as we are volunteers. Your email inquiries will be returned
within 24 hours.

PICNIC

The OC summer picnic is in the planning stage. The date and location have not been finalized, so **STAY TUNED** for details!



Our Club members enjoy many great off-season activities. Got any ideas?

Shoot me an email at activities@ocskiclub.org



To our new OC members who signed
up in May 2026

Joe Fierro, John Verbal Jr, Cole Partridge,
Zak Wagor, Anthony Bogdan, Gabriel Gibney,
Kelsey Fox, Kyle Dempsey, Ethan Kim,
Colleen Wyatt, Rafi Khan, Sophie Estep,
Jordan Glazier, Natalia Szumilo,
Aleksandra Szumilo, Linda Rossi, Chad Buckley,
Abigail Olm, Mark Smisloff, Damaris Williams,
William Bird, Pamela Bird, Alexander Recker,
Jacob Citone, James Daley, Stephanie Barajas,
Lauren Glindmyer, Makayla Slane,
Nicholas Anastasio, Owen Spolyar,
Navya Malhotra, Heidi Budd, Joshua Baskin,
Thomas Mulyca

*We appreciate all our new members from this season!
You are who makes this Ski Club thrive.*

We would love to show **your awesome photos** in the Liftline and on our website. But first you need to send them to us.

Go to this [WEBPAGE](#) and upload to our private cloud storage. Photos and videos will only be used for OC Ski Club business.



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

John Wimmer - President
Steven Ford - VP for Administration
Rich Livsey - VP for Skiing
Mark Wilder - Treasurer
Lynda Heaney - Secretary

Board of Directors

Greg Bockis	Jeff Kenton
Judy Franze Tewey	Bob Karandy
Fred Haefeli	Josh Nixon
Sylvia Haefeli	Gloria Quackenbush
Kate Karlok	Cynthia Ward