



OC Ski Club Liftline

October 2026

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President's Corner

John Wimmer

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Hope everyone had a great summer! Now that Autumn has arrived, we have been greeted by this soaking Nor'easter hopefully we will see many of these systems up here during the winter!

We are about to finish up a typically busy month for the Club. We had another successful VB tournament, our largest fundraiser of the year. Thanks to all who helped out over that weekend which made the event possible. Special shout out to Gail who once again ran and oversaw the event from start to finish and Lynda who made sure every task was adequately staffed. Then last Saturday, thanks to Lynda, we participated in the Oktoberfest in Glenville for the first time ever. We signed up several new members (despite the rain).

Looking ahead don't forget our budget vote 10/08 accompanied by a bake sale. Then we will be at the Ski Expo 10/24-25 now in Saratoga Springs (had been in Albany). It is an opportunity for us to recruit new members... Should be a nice winter/ski vibe up there for the weekend. Halloween party 10/29 Kate has the details. Then on November 5th will be our annual New Member Party. As always, many prizes will be raffled out.

See you around the Club.

Cheers
John

[Upcoming Events](#) webpage

**New Member Party
November 5th
At the PCC
We'll be posting details
to the website soon**

Annual Budget Vote Oct 8th (and Bake Sale!)

Budget & Consitution Details [CLICK HERE](#)



We need you to donate your favorite bake goods to make this this year's Bake Sale the BEST!

NORTHEAST WINTER EXPO

This year's Snow Expo is in Saratoga on Saturday October 24 and Sunday October 25th. You can get all the details on this [webpage link](#). Please note that the OC Ski Club will have a booth at the Snow Expo promoting our Club along with an awesome membership special for any new members who sign up at the Snow Expo. This Special Offer will only be available at the Snow Expo booth so tell all your friends to come up to see us!



Hello fellow OC members,

We're getting closer to that magical time of year! There's a nip in the air, the anticipation is building, and before we know it, we'll be sliding down the mountain again.

We have some exciting trips coming up, so it's time to start thinking about your skis, boards, and favorite cold-weather gear!

Upcoming Trips:

Smugglers' Notch — January 15–18

Smuggs is now open, and we'll be heading there in January for a weekend of great skiing, good times, and plenty of mountain adventure.

Whistler Blackcomb — March 20–27

This is the big one! Whistler Blackcomb is the largest ski resort in North America, with an incredible **8,171 acres of terrain**, **36 lifts**, a summit lift elevation of **7,500 feet**, and an average annual snowfall of **422 inches**.

March is an especially exciting time to visit, with warmer temperatures, longer daylight hours, and the possibility of catching an occasional big snow dump. With its legendary terrain and spectacular scenery, Whistler Blackcomb should be on every skier's bucket list.

Jay Peak — April 2–4

We'll wrap up the season with a trip to Jay Peak in April. Spring skiing, longer days, and hopefully some classic Jay Peak snow — what better way to finish the season?

The mountains are calling, so get ready! Winter will be here before we know it, and we can't wait to hit the slopes with everyone.

See you on the mountain!

— Out of Control Ski Club

Richard Livsey, V.P. of Skiing

THERE'S PLENTY OF WINTER AHEAD!

Yep, it's fall - and if you haven't made your winter plans yet, you're late! Be sure to grab your spot and join the OC's for some amazing winter adventures. We've got Vermont weekends, Western trips, New Hampshire, and plenty of fun ahead.

And the best part? Signing up is easier than ever. Choose your trip, complete the application, submit your deposit, and watch for confirmation from your Trip Leader.

OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

Smugglers' Notch

Smuggs is open! Choose a 2- or 3-night MLK Weekend getaway and settle into spacious condo-style lodging. This is a fun, easy winter escape with skiing, riding, and plenty of OC time together.

Jay Peak - Opening Soon

Jay Peak is opening soon for registration. If Jay is on your winter list, keep an eye on the weekly email and Facebook so you can jump in when registration opens.

FILLING UP

Whiteface

Whiteface is filling up nicely. If Lake Placid is calling your name, don't wait too long. It's a great way to get the season rolling and enjoy a classic early-winter OC weekend.

Sunday River

Sunday River is moving fast. Some lodging and rooming options are already selling out, so get your application in if you want to be part of this OC favorite.

Steamboat

Steamboat is nearing capacity. The Trip Leader is working through condo assignments now. If you're interested, contact steamboat@ocskiclub.org directly for the latest availability.

LIMITED AVAILABILITY

Whistler

Whistler still has room - and we'd love to get this group to 20! Big terrain, a legendary village, great apres-ski, and a full week with the OC's. If you've been thinking about it, this is the time to make the move.

HELP US GET WHISTLER TO 20!

A few more travelers can make this a full OC adventure.

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Revelstoke

Revelstoke has limited lodging left. There is one additional condo with a king bed and two twin beds, plus a one-bedroom condo with a king bed. Resort lodging also includes a pullout couch. Airfare is booked separately by each traveler.

Questions? Email revelstoke@ocskiclub.org

WAITLIST

Italy waitlist is open! That one is officially full.

TURN TWO TRIPS INTO ONE GREAT VERMONT WEEK

Smugglers' Notch + Bolton Valley

Want more than a long weekend? Make it a full Vermont ski week.

Combine three nights at Smugglers' Notch with four nights at Bolton Valley for seven nights of winter fun.

7 NIGHTS - STARTING AT \$1,271 PER PERSON

Based on double occupancy

Smuggs condo lodging + Bolton Valley studio lodging

Bolton Valley lift tickets are additional

NEW HAMPSHIRE IS COMING

New Hampshire will open for online registration within the next two weeks.

Watch Facebook and your weekly OC email for the announcement.

Indian Head Resort + St. Patrick's Day

This one has party written all over it. Our Indian Head Resort trip falls right over St. Patrick's Day, so along with the skiing and mountain time, we're expecting one phenomenal OC party. Great skiing, good company, a little green, and the OC's together in New Hampshire - what could go wrong?

ST. PATRICK'S DAY + THE OC'S

This one should be a blast.

DON'T WAIT TOO LONG

Winter is getting closer, trips are filling, and lodging turnback dates don't wait for us. If there's a trip you've been thinking about, now is the time to grab your spot.

Check your weekly mailer and visit ocskiclub.org for trip dates, details, and registration information.

Questions? Email ocskiclubtrips@gmail.com

GET YOUR WINTER ON THE CALENDAR - SEE YOU ON THE MOUNTAIN!

OC TRAVEL CONNECTION

Have a question about an OC Ski Club trip?
Skip the search. Contact the Trip Leader directly.

EASTERN TRIPS

Bolton Valley	—	boltonvalley@ocskiclub.org
Indian Head	—	nh@ocskiclub.org
Jay Peak	—	jaypeak@ocskiclub.org
Smugglers' Notch	—	smugglersnotch@ocskiclub.org
Sunday River	—	sundayriver@ocskiclub.org
Tremblant	—	tremblant@ocskiclub.org
Whiteface	—	whiteface@ocskiclub.org

WESTERN TRIPS

Revelstoke	—	revelstoke@ocskiclub.org
Steamboat	—	steamboat@ocskiclub.org
Whistler	—	whistler@ocskiclub.org

INTERNATIONAL

Madonna di Campiglio	—	europe@ocskiclub.org
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ALPINE TRIPS CHAIR

alpinetrips@ocskiclub.org



2026-2027 OC Bus schedule

Note we offer discounted group lift pass if available.

Discount NYCDSC For Stratton, included with OC Membership

Buses leave from Crossgates Commons at 7:00 am

Buses leave the ski resort at 4:30 weekdays & 5:00 weekends

Bus fee for Members is \$12 Bus fee for OC Guests \$22

DATE	SKI AREA	XC AREA	DAY	2 nd Stop	3 rd Stop	Notes	Pass
12/6/2026	Killington		Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20	Jello Posse	IKON
12/11/2026	Whiteface		Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Connect with trip	SKI3
12/18/2026	Killington		Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20		IKON
12/20/2026	Stratton		Sun	Troy		Santa Competition	IKON
1/3/2027	Stratton	Nordic Stratton	Sun	Troy		Pvt Lesson Day	IKON
1/8/2027	Gore	Garnet	Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Pvt. LD/Heaney Roast	SKI3
1/9/2027		Destination TBA	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	XC Destination Snow	
1/10/2027	Pico	Mt Top	Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20		IKON
1/14/2027	Belleayre	Nordic Belleayre	Thu	none	none	Bus leaves Albany	SKI3
1/29/2027	Sugarbush		Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Bus leaves 6:30 am	IKON
1/30/2027		Sagamore	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	Great Camp Special	
1/31/2027	Whiteface	Mt Van Hoev	Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20		SKI3
2/5/2027	Sugarbush		Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Bus leaves 6:30 am	IKON
2/6/2027		Destination TBA	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	XC Destination Snow	
2/17/2027	Jiminy Peak		WedPM	Special stop		Happy Hour Bus leaves Albany at 5 pm	IKON
2/20/2027		Sagamore?	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	Rain Date	
2/24/2027	Stratton	Nordic Stratton	Wed	Troy		NYCDSC discount day	IKON
2/26/2027	Gore	Garnet	Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Pvt LD/Heaney Roast	SKI3
2/28/2027	Whiteface	Mt Van Hoev	Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20		SKI3
3/5/2027	Pico	Mt Top	Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Winter Carnival Pvt. Lesson Day	IKON
3/6/2027		Destination TBA	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	XC Destination Snow	
3/17/2027	Jiminy Peak		WedPM	Special Stop		St Pats Happy Hour Bus leaves Albany at 5 pm	IKON
3/20/2027		Destination TBA	Sat	Exit 12	Exit 20	XC Destination Snow	
3/26/2027	Stratton		Fri	Troy		Good Friday Bus	IKON
4/4/2027	Gore		Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20		
4/9/2027	Sugarbush		Fri	Exit 12	Exit 20	Bus leaves 6:30 am	IKON
4/11/2027	Killington		Sun	Exit 12	Exit 20	Tail gate Last bus	IKON

Schedule is subject to change due to weather & ski conditions

Always check [Bus sign up page](#) for the most up to date information

Hello Skiers and Boarders

I hope you have your equipment ready and the passes purchased. We are ready to roll. The price for bus seats is still \$12 for members and family, \$22 for guests. We have completed the bus schedule for the upcoming season. The first bus is to Killington Dec. 6, and the last bus is to Killington, April 11. We have surprises for you.



Besides the regular mountains – Killington, Pico, Sugarbush, and Stratton (Ikon pass); and Belleayre, Gore and Whiteface (Ski3 pass); we have added Jiminy Peak (on the Ikon pass) for 2 Happy Hour buses mid week. The first is Feb. 17 when the kids are out of school and the school programs take the week off and the second is Mar. 17, St Patrick's Day. School programs are over and you are ready to party. The bus will leave Albany at 5pm and we will have a 2nd stop on Rt 9& 20 at the Hannaford Plaza where the road meets Rt 4. The bus will leave Jiminy at 10:30 pm. Twilight lift ticket and time to meet at the bar to brag about your runs. You get to ride or ski under the lights and party afterwards and have a nice safe ride home. We scheduled it so that the employed in the Club get to enjoy the HH. We added a couple of Wednesday and Thursday buses in order to make it possible to ski locally between the overnight trips. 11 trips have really used up our Friday and Sunday schedule. We are going to Whiteface to meet with those who are on the weekend trip.

X-Ctry is not forgotten. We have again added the Destination Snow buses on Saturdays. Sagamore is also on the list. Since their dates don't firm up until end of October, we did our best guess for this season. If the first one is canceled due to weather, then we scheduled the February date as the rain date. Anyone who likes to snowshoe or X Ctry ski, will love this trip to the Adirondack Great Camp. Lunch is included in the entry fee.

We scheduled Winter Carnival at Pico, March 5th. \$60 lift ticket is our special price. We will have a Weenie Roast and raffle off a few nice prizes. Be sure to schedule your day off now with your boss. You won't want to miss the party.

Pray for lots of snow!

Your hardworking Day Bus Committee

Sylvia Haefeli, Josh Nixon, and Barbara Sorrell



Jeff Kenton
Snow Sports Instruction
skiinstruction@ocskiclub.org



AS THE SKI TURNS - October 2026

SAVE THE DATES

Thursday October 22-PCC 5:30 PM- FUNCTIONAL MOVEMENT SCREEN aims to identify imbalances in mobility and stability during fundamental movement patterns, where the patterns are given a numerical score. Once deficiencies have been identified, a program of corrective exercises can be developed with the goals of improving performance and preventing injuries. For those wishing to participate in the test, wear Gym clothes. Conducted by Brian Mieczkowski, O C Snowsports School Technical Director. TESTING WILL BE LIMITED - sign up at a meeting or contact Jeff Kenton at skiinstruction@ocskiclub.org for more information. Advance sign up is not needed if you come to observe.

Thursday November 19-PCC 6:00PM-STANCE & BALANCE BOOT CLINIC - An annual clinic on what you need to know about ski boots and how they affect your skiing comfort and performance. Also, an opportunity for an update on the latest with all ski equipment. Garrick Dardani - Steiner's Sports master boot fitter will present.

Thursday December 17-PCC 6:00 PM - CONDITIONING & PREVENTING SKI INJURIES – Injuries and wear and tear on the knees and other weight bearing joints are unfortunately common among skiers. Learn about types of ski injuries and how to prevent them with Kelly Chang, a physical therapist and avid skier. The clinic will include 15-20 minutes of education followed by a strength and conditioning circuit designed specifically for skiers to build strength and prevent injuries. Wear Gym clothes if you wish to participate.

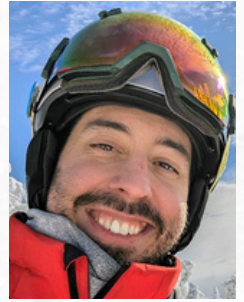
Thursday January 14, 2026-PCC 6:00 PM-SKI CARE & TUNING CLINIC-Another annual clinic where you can learn how to take care of your skis, minor maintenance and repairs for the do it your selfer, what to look for when buying used skis, Etc. A complete sharpen and wax tune up will be done at this clinic. This clinic will be led by O C Snowsports School Director-Jeff Kenton.

O C SNOWSPORTS SCHOOL - A reminder, we will have our annual pre-season meeting for instructors at the PCC on Thursday October 8 at 6:00 PM sharp in the upstairs room.

LET IT SNOW !!!!!

Jeff Kenton

O C Snowsports School Director



VP of Admin Report - October 2026

Hey OCers,

As the leaves begin to change and temperatures start to drop, we are looking forward to another exciting ski season! Whether you're a seasoned skier or just getting started, we hope you will join us for another great winter of skiing, socializing, and fun. Beginning in October we are back to weekly meetings Thursday night at the PCC. Be sure to mark your calendar for all the great events we have in October.

- On Saturday October 3rd, we will be having our annual golf outing at Brookhaven Country Club located in Porter Corners.
- Thursday October 8th will be the budget vote. This is our annual meeting to review the proposed ski club's budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. This year there is also a vote on some proposed changes to the OC Constitution.
- On Wednesday October 14th, we will be having a happy hour at BJ's Brewery located at 3 Wolf Road, Colonie. Great food and drink specials until 6 pm.
- OC Snowsport Clinic will be held at the PCC on Thursday October 22nd beginning at 5:30 pm. A perennial preseason favorite. The clinic aims to identify imbalances in mobility and stability.
- The Adirondack Sports Winter Expo will be Saturday, October 24th and Sunday, October 25th at the Saratoga Springs City Center located at 522 Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY.
- Wear your best costume for our weekly meeting at the PCC on Thursday, October 29th beginning at 6:30pm.
- Finally, a preview. The new member party will be Thursday, November 5th at the PCC. One of our largest events of the year.



Secretary's Note

October 2026

Board members present: John Wimmer, Gloria Quackenbush, Mark Wilder, Judy Franze Tewey, Josh Nixon, Rich Livsey, Kate Karlok, Cynthia Ward, Greg Bockis, Fred Haefeli, Sylvia Haefeli, Bob Karandy, Jeff Kenton, and Lynda Heaney.

Your Board of Directors met in September and continued preparations for the upcoming ski season.

The August meeting minutes were approved, and the Treasurer's and membership reports were presented. The Board also received an insurance update.

The Board completed its review of the proposed revisions to the OC Ski Club Constitution. A motion was made and approved to recommend the revised Constitution to the membership for consideration. The revised Recognition Policy was also accepted.

Planning for upcoming Club activities continued, including the October 29 Halloween Party.

The Board also addressed our online payment process. Lynda Heaney was appointed to head the online payments/Stripe committee, with Gail Marotti-Hossan appointed as backup for Stripe.

Marketing and ways to improve the Club's visibility were also discussed, along with the possibility of adding a classified page and/or a separate page for member discount offerings to the website.

There is plenty happening behind the scenes as we head into another busy OC season. Thank you to everyone who continues to volunteer their time and help keep the Club moving forward.

Lynda Heaney
Club Secretary



A&E Committee

Activities & Entertainment
activities@ocskiclub.org

Kate Karlok

OC Halloween Party

Come in your **BEST COSTUME**
and eat some delicious pizza
and grab a candy or two.

When: October 29, 2026		Food: Pizza for \$1.00 per slice
Where: Polish Community Center 225 Washington Ave Ext Albany, NY 12205	Drinks: Cash Bar	

Prizes for:

- 1) Best Dressed Couple
- 2) Best Dressed Single
- 3) Most Creative Home Made Costume

Pumpkin Carving Contest

Get in on the action!
Bring a pumpkin and use your creative juices
to make your pumpkin a **WINNER!!**
Winners receive a gift card each

See you there or be square.

Mark Your Calendars!

**Get Ready Ahead of Time to
Dance the Night Away at our
Annual OC Holiday Party**

Holiday PARTY

NEW

Location:

The Hedge

**Western Turnpike
Golf Course**

2350 Western Ave, Guilderland, NY 12084

Date:

Saturday, December 5th

**Wear Your
Ugliest
Sweater!**



**Good Food
Good Company
& Tons of Fun**



Time: 6 - 10 pm

Dinner: Buffet Style

Cash Bar

Raffle Prizes

50/50

DJ Stephanie Pratt

Photo Booth

Dress Code:

**Comfortable Clothes
and Dancing Shoes**

Tickets:

\$65 / Member

\$70 / Guest

DELICIOUS FOOD, MUSIC, DANCING, AND PRIZES

October marks the return of once per month off site Happy Hours:

*Wednesday October 14th,
4-7pm at*

*BJ's Brewery
3 Wolf Rd
Colonie*

Great food and drink specials until 6pm



Judy Franze Tewey



*Coming
November 12
Gear swap of
Alpine & Nordic
items*

Out of Control Ski Club

Social Media

[Facebook Group](#)

[Instagram](#)

[Facebook Page](#)

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.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP**

The OC's calendar year is from June 1st to May 31st.

So that means that your membership from last season is now expired. We thank the ones who have renewed so far, renewals started on April 1st for the following season.

If you are looking to sign up for one of the current ski trips that are open, your membership needs to be current

Also to attend an OC event, your membership needs to be current or you will need to pay the guest fee instead.

You know you are going to do it so why not NOW???

Here is the OC webpage to renew or to sign up as a new member

[Membership Web Page](#)

**Welcome to our new OC members who
signed up in September 2026**

Todd Gerber
Jeffrey Sachs
John O'Connor
Gary Guadagno
Jeff Mirarchi
Meric Livingston
Matthew Stott
Michele Rose

Richard Rosenberg
Sydney Sachs
Laura Guadagno
Gary Ghezzi
Timothy Livingston
Mark Caccioppoli
James Rose

*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 Lifeline 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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Website - <https://ocskiclub.org/>

Instagram - [OC Ski Club](#)

OC Facebook Group - [Out of Control Ski Club](#)

OC Facebook Page - [OC Ski Club, Inc](#)

Contact a Club Officer or Board Member - [Click Here](#)

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

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