

50+ Ski Club

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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 15th, 8:00 PM

SYOSSET – WOODBURY COMMUNITY CENTER

On entering park, turn right at stop sign and follow the road to the end,



Trips and Events

For trip info, call Lois at 518 945-2667 or Eleanor at 516 938-7078

February 11 – 14: Sunday to Wednesday OKEMO MT. VT.

Trip cancelled due to low participation.

March 18-22 Killington, Vt. Killington Grand Hotel, on the Mountain. Ski in/ski out. Four nights lodging. Room w/2queen beds, three breakfasts, includes daily senior lift ticket, taxes & gratuities. Enjoy outdoor, heated pool, hot tub, etc. Price per person based on 18 participants \$473.00 total. Payment due no later than Feb. 23rd to hold space. Bring checkbook to the Feb. meeting.

TRIP INSURANCE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Midweek Skiing by Gary Schorr: It's been a very good year for eastern skiing. We've had wonderful days at Windham, Belleayre, and Hunter. The snow's been good and more is in the forecast. We plan on visiting other areas including Cata-mont, Jimminy Peak, and one or two Pocono areas. It's a most pleasant day, starting with a carpool from Christopher Morley Park. If you'd like to join us, please e-mail Gary at gss12@optonline.net. Include your mobile number. If you were on the list last year there's no need to ask to be included again.

Stratton Ski Trip: by Neal Pisanti

Our 2018 trip to Stratton had a totally different feel than our last visit. Dinner this year was served in a private room and there was plenty to go around; not gourmet, but quite acceptable.

Thanks to the storms of the previous week, the conditions were enjoyable on Monday and all the skiers got to put time on the mountain. Light snow, falling on and off, provided a nice touch and the perfect ambiance to the day's activities. Tuesday was kind of a repeat of Monday, and then Wednesday came along. To quote Barry, it was "***one day in a hundred***". The temperature was in the high twenties, low thirties; the sky was a beautiful blue; and the snow was fabulous. Most of us started on the black diamond named "Standard", taking pleasure in enjoying a thoroughly exhilarating day.

Naturally, the daily hot tub therapy, happy hour, and social gathering for nightcaps in front of the lobby fireplace enhanced the total experience in Stratton this year.

Thursday delivered a warm and humid day, a washout for most, however, three brave ladies were resolved to spend their last day skiing. Admittedly, the snow was heavy and wet and the skiing was slow. As they arrived safely home, they seemed pleased with their decision to stay and get the most out of the club's first ski trip this season.

Our trip to Winter Park Colorado: by Gary Schorr

I am very pleased to report that the club trip to Winter Park from January 20-26 was a tremendous success. Until days before our arrival the area hadn't received much snow. This was also true for many of the other ski areas in the west. Fortunately, Colorado received a very significant snowfall days before the Saturday we arrived. Our first ski day, Sunday, dawned with deep powder covering the whole area. It was my first day skiing in the west and adjusting to the soft stuff was an adventure. By Monday, however, the mountain was groomed, allowing even those of us not used to the deep stuff to explore the area.



Thank you, Louise Stoeber, for the picture

Most of us took advantage of the guided tours of the ski area given twice a day. I spoke to one of the guides after our tour. She commented on how well we skied and how she was able to ski faster because of our skills.

Skiing works up an appetite and Lois arranged for tasty meals in our hotel's facility, the Aspen Room, as well as two of the local restaurants, Vertical Bistro and SmokenMoe's Restaurant. Daily breakfasts at the hotel were a welcome way to start the day.

This was my first trip out west to ski and my first trip with the club. I was very impressed with how well organized everything was, including boarding the plane at LaGuardia, having a coach take us to the hotel, distributing the lift tickets, transportation when necessary for dinner, and traveling back to Denver International Airport and checking in there for our return flight.

New Year's Day Hike: by Barry Faharar. What did you do on the first day of the New Year? Sit on the couch, stay in bed, read a book? If you did any of the above you missed a really great New Year's day party. Five hearty souls and one dog ventured out on the path in Blydenburgh County Park to partake in a long standing New Year's Day ski club tradition. It was a little colder this year but most of us have skied in weather much colder. Three of us and the dog made it all the way around the pond and the remaining two went nearly half way then turned back to base. Rich Drab stayed behind and had a fire going and the hot dogs and baked beans on the grill; waiting for our return. We then enjoyed the best lunch of the year; washed down with the finest \$6 champagne (up from \$5 last year) money could buy. Julie and I hope you will join us next year for our New Year's hiking party.

