

50+Ski Club

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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 16th, 8:00 PM

SYOSSET – WOODBURY COMMUNITY CENTER

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Holiday Party: The 50+Ski Club Holiday party is once again going to be at Per Un Angelo Restaurant at the Jones Beach Hotel off Merrick Rd, near Cedar Creek Park, 3275 Byron Street, Wantagh. The cost will be the same as last year, \$35 per person including tax and gratuities. Drinks will be at Happy Hour prices, half off. House wine is available at \$20 a bottle. It'll be Tuesday, December 5, from 6 – 9 PM. Make checks out to 50+Ski Club and mail to Eleanor Tokar, 40 Linden Blvd. Hicksville, NY 11801.

Trips and Events

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

January 20 – 26, 2018: Ski Winter Park, Colorado: Vintage Hotel located 300 yards from lifts, \$1449.00. Includes 6 nights at the hotel, round trip nonstop air via Southwest Airlines, (no baggage fees) NY/Denver/NY. Includes round trip transfers, welcome party, full breakfasts daily, 4/5 dinners, tax & gratuities. \$500.00 needed immediately. Checks made out to Ski.com. Mail checks to Eleanor Tokar, 40 Linden Blvd. Hicksville, NY. 11801. Limited space available.

January 7-11, 2018 Stratton, Vermont. 4 nights at Black Bear Lodge (formally named Stratton Mtn. Inn). Includes 4 breakfasts, 2 dinners in Wentworth Room, 4 day lift ticket. Price is \$485.00 double occupancy based on 10 rooms. Full payment by Nov. 16th. Checks made out to We Luv Traveling, mailed to Eleanor Tokar, 40 Linden Blvd. Hicksville, NY 11801.

February 2/11 – 2/15 Okemo, Vt. Pointe Hotel. Details to follow.

March 4 – 9 Vermont trip. Details to follow.

TRIP INSURANCE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

MIDWEEK SKIING by Gary Schorr: It's time to make sure your skis are waxed and edged and your bindings are adjusted. Skiing is just around the corner and forecasts are for a cold and snowy winter. If you have time midweek and would like to ski without lift lines, let Gary know, gss12@optonline.net, to put you on the midweek skiing list. If you've been on it in the past you'll be on it this year.

Windstar Cruise by Bob Tamulinas: The trip from Barcelona to Lisbon last month proved to be, as in past Windstar cruises, a most enjoyable experience. The boat is similar to being aboard a private yacht. With its limited capacity, there is no feeling of crowding and a quiet spot is always available for socializing etc. Add sails and a crew that caters to your every need, and you feel like royalty. One of the highlights was the on deck BBQ with live music for entertainment. The moon and stars add to the ambiance, and the food seems to be never ending.

Each day we visited a different port and each held a unique adventure. Some of the tours included walking, kayaking, horseback riding, and a tour of Cartagena, Spain by Segway which proved to be lots of fun. After 2.5 hours cruising effortlessly through crowded streets, up a mountain road to a promontory overlooking the harbor, we all became experts. Although, Bert found out that a Segway will not go off a curb without causing some chaos. But it all turned out OK.

Our trip also included a day in Tangier, Morocco with a guided walking tour of the town, including a trip through the Casbah.

Every day was sunny except for the first in Barcelona where we had rain. We toured the city on a hop on, hop off bus, and jumped off at all the sites we chose to see and sometimes got wet. Temperature was in the 70's throughout the trip so even getting wet was not so bad.

A final bus tour through Lisbon for all the late or next day departures, topped off the trip. And then on to home.

Mid-Week Biking by Neal Pisanti:

October started with a ride through the Pine Barrens, led by Chris Ruona. It was a pleasant ride through forests and farmland. The scenery was beautiful and we took photos in front of a dairy farm with a giant plastic cow in the field. Thank you Luis Paniagua for sweeping.

Our next ride, again led by Chris Ruona started and ended at Pellegrini Winery. Chris first led us to the shore of Peconic Bay with wonderful views of the south fork and Robbins Island. We then headed up to the Long Island sound with views of Connecticut. We ended with lunch at the winery. Thank you Al Berlingieri for sweeping.

The third week of October had rides scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday. Chris Zimmet and Joanna Miller took a ride along the Bethpage trail on Tuesday. Six of us took a 22 mile ride from Cedar Creek Park to Tobay and along the Jones Beach Boardwalk followed by coffee and/or lunch at the Diner by the park.

The weather is turning colder and the biking season is coming to an end. It's time to turn our attention to skiing. For those interested, here is a link to ski exercise program;

<https://www.skinsee.com/get-shape-ski-season-6-week-plan/>

As the biking season winds down I would like to thank Luis Paniagua, Chris Ruona, Lou Sabatini and Hugh Parkhurst for being the leaders or sweeps for most of the rides. If I left anyone out, I apologize

Dues for 2018 are now due. Single \$30.00, Couple \$45.00. **Dues mailed must be postmarked by December 31st 2017.** If paid thereafter, a \$10.00 initiation fee will be assessed for a single, and a \$15.00 initiation fee will be assessed for a couple. Bring to a meeting or mail to: Eleanor Tokar, 40 Linden Blvd, Hicksville, NY 11801. Make check payable to 50+Ski Club. **Note:** With your dues payment, you are eligible for a 50+ membership card. This card is useful for discounts at various ski areas and ski shops. Pick one up at the next meeting or request one with your dues payment. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Eleanor along with your dues payment for receipt by mail. If you are picking your card up at the next meeting, pay dues at least one week prior to the next meeting to allow time to make up the card.