

# **OKE** The Roanoke Skier & Adventurer

The Monthly Newsletter for the Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

July 2023





### **President's Message**

I recently read Americans consume 150 million hotdogs and spend 1.6 billion on beer celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Since I'm not a huge fan of either one (I didn't check out wine consumption!) I'll just say I hope you all have a wonderful and safe time with your friends and families on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Don't forget our *Trips Kickoff Party* at the Grandin Theatre on July 18<sup>th</sup>....you will be "wowed" with future trip destinations!



Liss

Jill Betters, President

To actively promote and engage our members' appreciation of the outdoors, our love of skiing, travel, and adventure.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **JULY 2023**

#### **Trips Kickoff Meeting**

- Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm 8:30pm
- Grandin Theater
- 1310 Grandin Road SW, Roanoke

#### **Happy Hour**

- Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm
- Twisted Track Brewpub
- 523 Shenandoah Avenue, Roanoke
- Indoor and outdoor seating available
- · Emily Hurst hosting

### **Adventure Trip:**

Normandy & Seine River Cruise, France

• July 4 - 15, 2023

### **FUTURE EVENTS – AUGUST 2023**

No Membership Meeting

**Adventure Trip - A Taste of Scotland** 

- August 8 -18, 2023

**Event: Salem Red Sox Ball Game** 

vs. Fredericksburg Nationals Tuesday, August 22

### **Happy Hour**

Tuesday, August 29
Parkway Brewing, 739 Kesler Mill Road, Salem 5:30pm, indoor and outdoor seating available

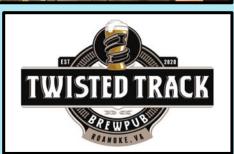
Host: Emily Hurst

### Stay tuned for upcoming fun Summer events!

Keep an eye on the Facebook Page for last minute events we may put together!

Please assess your own risk with regard to participating in RSAC activities.







# **MEMBERSHIP**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

RICHARD BAKER **MICHAEL BERRY TERRY & SUSAN CALDERWOOD** LYNN CRAIG **ANNE DeVRIES ROGER & MARION EHRICH JOYCE LIGENFELTER ANNE & RONALD MANLOVE** LOIS & ARNOLD MASINTER **ANNE & TOM MILLEHAN** WANDA NORCROSS **DEBBY & JEFF POWELL** RHONDA PRICE TRACY PRILLAMAN **MARLA RADKE JEAN SMITH CHARLES TRAIL PAT & RICHARD WHITE** 

Members, please reach out to these new members and welcome them to the club.

Total Active Members: 451

If you need help with your online profile, please contact me.

Susan Young
Membership Director
rkeski.membership@gmail.com

# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

Dates are being scheduled for the following activities during July and August. Be on the lookout for emails to sign up!

### July

- E-biking with Roanoke Mountain Adventures
- Axe-Throwing

### August

- Twin River Tubing
- Winery Visit

Cathy Kern
Activities Director

# **NEWS**

## Happy Hour at 'Mac & Bob's, June 5th

Perfect temperature and a beautiful sky welcomed over 65 RSAC members to Mac And Bob's June happy hour. We filled their back deck with our members. A good time was had by all.

Emily Hurst, Host















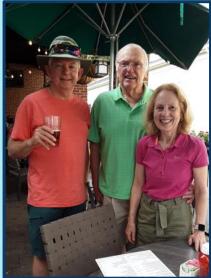




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# **TRIPS**

# SKI TRIPS 2024

Hello skiers and winter adventure seekers,

Send your Ski Trip Application and deposit to the Trip Leader ASAP.

Trip applications received on or before July 15th are considered "on" the trip.

If a trip is oversold (more applications received by July 15th than trip will accommodate) then our Lottery Policy will be enacted.\*

\*see trip policies listed on RSAC website for complete details

#### Ski Trips will fill up quickly!

First deposit amounts and mailing addresses for each trip are located on the Trip Flyer.

Please see flyer below and click on the trip, that you are interested in, to pull up the flyer posted on the RSAC website.

Marla Kemsey Ski Trip Director

"We travel not to escape life, but for life not to escape us."

# 2024 Ski Trips An Exhilarating Season!



Jan 27th - Feb 3rd

We will have a memorable week at The Zephyr Mountain Lodge, the premier ski in/ski out Winter Park four star destination. Enjoy spectacular mountain views from the 3 bedroom condos with a fully equipped kitchen, fireplace, and a short distance to the Village restaurants and shops. Experience a scenic 10-person gondola ride from the Village at Winter Park up to an elevation of 10,700 feet.

Trip Leader: Ted Borny

Click here for more details of this trip

# AUSTRIA- KITZBUHEL & INNSBRUCK

Feb 9th - Feb 19th

Anyone who loves snow is in the right place in Kitzbühel. Year after year this popular Alpine town attracts winter sports enthusiasts with miles of ski routes and the best cross-country ski runs. You are sure to see the most diverse downhill categories, the finest snow, the greatest modern lift and gondola systems and an attractive range of offers on and off the slopes. The ski area alone is not the only magnet for adventure seekers at Kitzbuhel.

Trip Leader: Alisa Colpitts

Click here for more details of this trip



# Two Week Ski Trip February 25th – March 9th BIG SAVINGS

Combine Snowbird / Alta and Snowbasin / Powder Mountain with round trip airfare from Roanoke and Saturday transfer between resorts!

Click here for more details of this trip

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey



# snowbird 💗

Feb 25th - Mar 2nd

Just ask anyone who's been to Snowbird-Alta and they'll tell you three things stand out: the snow, the terrain, and the tram. With 500" of annual snowfall, 3,240 feet of vertical, 4,700 skiable acres, and a tram that takes you to Hidden Peak at 11,000ft, this is a skier's dream week. Stay at one of North America's most iconic ski lodges, The Cliff Lodge, a luxurious four star ski-in/ski-out hotel with three restaurants, two lounges, and two swimming pools.

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

Click here for more details of this trip



Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mar 9<sup>th</sup>

Enjoy 7 nights in the town of Ogden UT with its rich history of a lawless frontier town and larger-than life legends. Ski 4 days at Snowbasin, the site of the 2002 Winter Olympics with the Men's and Women's Super-G downhill, with wide-open bowls, world class groomers, and steep tree runs. Powder Mountain is North America's largest ski resort with 8,484 skiable acres and on the busiest day you will only find one skier per two acres. Ski the back country for one of the most unique ski days you will ever experience.

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

Click here for more details of this trip

## **ADVENTURE TRIPS 2024**

July 18th at 6:30pm at the Grandin Theater.

It's official, 7 Adventure Trips in 2024. We hope that at least one of these trips is the one for you. We will introduce all the Adventure Trips to the RSAC membership at the Trip Kick-off Party on

Trip Leaders will be set-up at tables in the front of the theater ready to hand out Trip Flyers, Trip Applications, and Trip Sign-up Procedure documents as well as answer any questions you may have about their trips before and after their brief trip presentations.

We expect trips to fill up quickly so plan to hand deliver or mail your application and first payment to the trip leaders as soon as possible. The deadline for receipt of Adventure Trip applications & payment is August 1st, 2023.

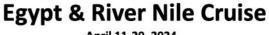
If you are applying for more than one trip and will go on all of them if your applications are accepted, please remember to rank your preferences on the Trip Application. Please do not send in more than one Trip Application or rank your preferences if you do not intend to go on more than one trip.

If a trip is oversold (with more applications than the trip will accommodate) our Lottery Policy will be enacted. See "Trip Sign Up Procedures" for complete details.

See you at the Kick-Off Party.

Bob Strickland
RSAC Adventure Trip Director





April 11-20, 2024

Join us on our journey through Egypt, a sightseer's paradise, with a multitude of exciting sights to discover. At the top of the must-see list is the Great Pyramids Complex of Giza, just outside Cairo. Here, we will explore all three great pyramids, the famous Great Sphinx, and the Temple of Valley. On our second day in Cairo, we will see the Citadel of Salah El Din, the Alabaster Mosque, the Egyptian Antiquities Museum, the Khan El-Khalili Bazaar, and perhaps the new Grand Egyptian Museum. Our third day will be dedicated to Alexandria. On day four we will fly from Cairo to Luxor, where we will board the M/S Farah Cruise Ship for our four-day cruise of the Nile. Our cruise will include plenty of time for relaxing, enjoying the scenic beauty, touring the most magnificent ancient sites in the world, and dining on amazing culinary delights. Each day will be filled with a combination of cruising and land excursions to historical and cultural sites such as: the Luxor Temples, the Temple of Karnark, the Valley of the Kings, Memnon Colossi, the mortuary Temple of Hatshesut, the temple of Horus at Edfu, the Kom Ombo Temple, the Aswan High Dam, and The Temple of Isis (Philae). On our final evening of the cruise, we will have farewell drinks on the top deck followed by a Gala dinner & party in the main dining room.









#### **Trip Details:**

- · Luxury Charter Bus to and from Wash/Dulles (IAD)
- Direct Non-stop Flights between Wash/Dulles & Cairo
- All flights (trans-Atlantic & domestic within Egypt) will be on Egyptian Airlines
- VISA entry will be required into Egypt. Application and acquisition of VISA to be done on-line by each traveler.
- · 2 full days in Cairo and 1 full day in Alexandria
- · 3 nights in 4-star Cairo "Steigenberger El Tahrir Hotel"
- Breakfast provided daily in Cairo & on the Cruise Ship.
- Lunches provided 2 days in Cairo, 1 day in Alexandria, and daily on cruise ship.
- Welcome Dinner in Cairo local restaurant on 1st night.
- Dinners provided nightly on the cruise ship.
- 4 days & 4 nights aboard the "M/S Farah Cruise Ship", sailing from Luxor to Aswan
- Basic excursions are provided in the cruise ship cost at each port of call. Optional added excursions are available for an additional cost.
- Entrance fees included in trip cost for tours of citadel, mosques, museums, and historic sites.
- Trip cost includes all ground transportation and associated transportation gratuities.

#### Base Price: Ground, Cruise & Airfare = \$5,296

(p/p; dbl. occupancy) (Base price is subject to change based on potential changes in Airfare)

Optional Added Excursions: (at various ports of call).

- Camel Rides in Giza \$20 p/p
- Interior tour of Great Pyramid \$TBD p/p
- Interior tour of Tutankhamun Tomb \$TBD p/p
- Abu-Simbel Tour \$160 p/p
- Sound & Light show @ Philae Temple \$70 p/p
- Sound & Light Show @ Karnak Temple \$70 p/p
- Nefertari & Valley of the Queens \$125 p/p

4 Trip Payments: #1 Due: Aug 1,2023 (\$1,324); #2 Due: Sept 25,2023 (\$1,324); #3 Due: Nov 20,2023 (\$1,324); #4 Due: Jan 15,2024 (\$1,324)

Make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Mail or hand deliver trip applications and first payments to the trip leader for receipt by August 1, 2024:

Bob Strickland (trip leader) 4324 Fox Croft Circle, Roanoke VA, 24018

Questions: 540-588-3889 / bobtwo02@gmail.com













# Visit the Land of Fire and Ice

May 16th - May 26th, 2024

Join us on the Ring Road tour! You'll find our <u>All-Coach (10-day)</u> <u>Iceland's Classic Circle Tour</u> provides the perfect mix of culture, nature, and great value. You'll visit all the main attractions of the legendary Ring Road.

You'll have a complete overview of "must-see" attractions such as the Golden Circle, the Glacier Lagoon, Lake Myvatn, Dettifoss and Snæfellsnes Peninsula. You'll see the amazing diversity of Iceland's landscapes from volcanoes and glaciers to fjords and thundering waterfalls. We've also included some great experiences that show you Iceland's unique culture and geology.







#### TRIP DETAILS:

- Luxury Charter Bus to and from Wash / Dulles (IAD)
- Direct Nonstop Flight to and from Reykjavik on Icelandair
- · 3 nights in Reykjavik / 4-star "Fosshotel"
- · 6 nights in 4-star hotels in the countryside
- · Welcome and Farewell Dinners provided.
- 6 (three course) dinners provided in the countryside.
- · Breakfast provided daily at hotels.
- Entrance fees included in trip cost for tours to museums, and historic & scenic sites.
- Blue Lagoon stop on Day 1 to be determined.
- Several optional side trips to baths, lagoons, whale watching, and horse riding for additional cost will be available.
- Trip cost includes all ground transportation and associated transportation gratuities.
- <u>Note:</u> This trip is rated as Easy- Moderate Activity Level

BASE PRICE: Ground & Airfare = \$5032\* (p/p; dbl. occupancy) / (\*Current Airfare is an estimate, (Final Cost TBD in Oct 2023)

4 Trip Payments: (Price per person)

-#1 Due: \$1,258 (Aug 1, 2023)

-#2 Due: \$1,258 (Sept 25, 2023)

-#3 Due: \$1,258 (Nov 20, 2023)

- #4 Due: \$1,258 (Jan 15, 2024)

Make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Mail trip application and first payment to the trip leader for receipt by August 1, 2023:

Clive Hillyard (trip leader) 4717 Whipplewood Drive Roanoke, VA 24018 Questions: 540-529-4761 cahillyard@outlook.com































# Rhone / Saone River Cruise in Provence June 10 - 20, 2024

Join us on an adventure aboard the MS Van Gogh cruise ship through Provence, perhaps the most beautiful part of France. We will fly United Airlines from Wash/Dulles to Geneva, Switzerland, where we will spend our first day touring Geneva; our first night in the 4-Star+ "Hotel Bristol" and have a welcome dinner in a local traditional restaurant. The following morning, we will travel from Geneva to Lyon, France by bus. During this drive we will stop in Annecy, France where we will participate in a guided walking tour (in the old town), some free time and lunch on your own. Upon arrival in Lyon (the culinary capital of France) we will board the MS Van Gogh and begin our 7 Day / 6 Night cruise adventure. Traveling through Provence we will experience incredible scenic beauty, amazing manmade structures, delectable culinary delights, and wine to die for. Each day will be a combination of cruising and ground excursions from Lyon to Martigny with stops in Macon; The Beaujolais Vinyards; Tain-L'Hermitage - The Vercors; Avignon; and Arles - The Camargue. After departing the ship in Martigny we will transfer to Marseille and a two-night stay in the Aix-En-Provence 4-Star "Hotel L'Escaletto". Our final night in France will include a farewell dinner at a beautiful Provencal bastide, "The Chateau de la Gaude".

#### Trip Details:

- Luxury Charter bus to and from Wash/Dulles (IAD)
- · Direct Non-stop flight with early arrival into Geneva Switzerland
- "Essence of Geneva" tour (on foot & by bus)
- · One night stay in the 4-Star+ Geneva "Hotel Bristol"
- · A Welcome Dinner on the first evening at a local restaurant
- · Breakfast each morning (provided in hotels and on cruise ship)
- 7 Day / 6 Night Cruise aboard the CroisiEurope / MS Van Gogh on the Rhone & Saone Rivers (Starting in Lyon with stops in Macon; The Beaujolais Vinyards; Tain-L'Hermitage - The Vercors; Avignon, Arles - The Camargue; and ending in Martigny)
  - Cruise includes all meals and drinks, except for Champagne & premium
- · Transfer to Marseille with guided walking tour of Marseille
- Two-night stay in the 4 Star Aix-En-Provence "Hotel L'Escaletto"
- Last full day in Aix-En-Provence we will participate in a "Food Rally" or a food tasting crawl as we discover more of the city and all its secrets.
- Farewell Dinner in a beautiful Provencal bastide (Chateau de la Gaude)
- Return flight to USA will depart Marseille late morning with a single stop in Frankfurt and final arrival in Wash/Dulles in the evening.

#### Base Trip Price: Ground, Cruise & Airfare = \$4,844

(p/p; dbl. occupancy) (Base price is subject to any changes in airfare).

Optional Classic Excursion Package is an excellent value with tours offered by CroisiEurope at each port of call (An additional fee of \$518.00 p/p\$)

Limited number of Upper-Level Cabins (May be available for an extra \$175.00 p/p)

#### 4 Trip Payments (Price per person)

- #1 Due: August 1, 2023; \$1,211 with trip application.
- #2 Due: October 1, 2023; \$1,211 or (with Excursion Package \$1,529).
- #3 Due: December 1, 2023; \$1,211 or (with Cabin Upgrade \$1,386).
- #4 Due: February 1, 2024; \$1,211.

Please make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Mail trip applications and first payments to the trip leader for receipt by August 1, 2023:

Jerry & Jill Betters, (Joint Trip Leaders)
4821 Farmington Place Court
Roanoke, VA 24018
Contact Information:
Jerry @ 540-597-4087/ jerbetters@hotmail.com
Jill @ 540-597-4250 / jbetters@live.com



#### CRUISE STUNNING CROATIA AND TOUR CHARMING SLOVENIA



LUXURY COACH TOUR OF SLOVENIA AND CROATIA-LJUBLJANA/BLED/ZAGREB/ PLITVICE LAKES NATIONAL PARK/TROGIR/SPLIT CRUISE ALONG THE CROATIAN COAST- SPLIT/(BOL)/HVAR/BIŠEVO(BLUE CAVE)/ VIS/KORČULA/MLJET NATIONAL PARK/SLANO (STON)/ DUBROVNIK

Link to itinerary: https://my.umapped.com/v2/itinerary/3249914915650003826

August 20 to August 31...3 nights/4 days on a luxury coach tour of Slovenia and Croatia...7 nights/8 days on the private charter ship, MV Maritimo, cruising the beautiful Croatian coastline



Experience stunning Croatia and charming Slovenia which delight with natural beauty, astonishing cultural heritage, and healthy, fresh, delicious food. Explore the amazing inland scenery of Slovenia and Croatia by luxury coach including Plitvice Lakes NP and Bled Island. Discover the paradise that is Croatia and the Dalmatian Coast on-board a superior deluxe privately chartered ship. This Dalmatian island hopping cruise is an unforgettable exploration of the islands and coastline of the Adriatic Sea. It is the perfect combination of adventure and relaxation as you indulge your senses

while exploring inspiring destinations, charming fishing villages, unique national parks, gorgeous waterfalls, and picturesque coves. Your comfortable, deluxe vessel has all modern facilities and is the perfect size to moor in the small ports and bays as you cruise south from Split to Dubrovnik



MV Maritimo is a spacious modern ship, fully air conditioned...this is a **private charter** and features the latest state-of-the-art equipment and amenities... Enticing jacuzzi...bar... Complimentary Wi-Fi...











Exceptional personal service....
personal tour manager onboard,
Swimming platform...tender boat,
swimming & snorkeling equipment...

Trip includes: 10 buffet breakfasts, 9 three-course lunches with drinks, 4 dinners, 2 welcome cocktail receptions and dinners; professional tour guide for land and ship; wine(2), oyster, and olive oil tastings; 3 deluxe superior hotels; park and attraction entrance fees; porterage; luxury coach transportation; and, much more..daily tours, excursions, city walking tours, optional hikes, and all tips (except the ship's crew tip) are also included. Bikes, kayaks, scooters, & convertible cars are available as rentals in the national park. The only passengers on the ship and all tours will be RSAC members.

Travel by luxury coach to/from IAD...air from IAD to Ljubljana and from Dubrovnik to IAD

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TRIP COST (per person double occupancy)

Base trip price: \$5192 per person. (Base price is subject to higher/lower airfare.)

Cabin upgrade to Upper Level: \$340 pp. (Since this is a full boat private charter, there is a passenger limit of 36 and requested cabin levels are not guaranteed, but all cabins are large, modern, and well appointed.)

4 TRIP PAYMENTS base price per person #1 Due with Trip Application: \$1,298 #2 Due November 30: \$1,298

#3 Due January 31: \$1,298 #4 Due March 31: \$1,298

Make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski and Adventure Club.

Questions? Call Dave Brammer

Mail to: Da

540-529-7392 or dbrammer973@gmail.com

Mail to: David Brammer...3366 Kingsbury Cir...Roanoke, VA 24014













September 25-October 5, 2024

Highlights of our trip:

- Two days exploring Athens from Hadrian's Arch to the Parthenon and the original Olympic site and the Old City.
- Then board the newly renovated ship Celestyal Journey for an 8-day cruise on a romantic and effortless odyssey to sun-soaked shores, quaint fishing villages and iconic historical sites of the islands:
  - Thessaloniki Land of Alexander the Great and the historic capital of the Macedonia region founded in 315 BC
  - Ephesus, Turkey where legend says Mary spent her last years and is the 10<sup>th</sup> Century spiritual site settled by Ancient Greeks.
  - Santorini, the pearl of the Cycladic archipelago and the land of white painted houses clustered among narrow winding roads
  - Mykonos is more synonymous with carefree times, glitz and glamour and famous for white homes with blue doors.
  - Crete to visit the Palace of Knossos and the walls of Koules Fortress.
  - Milos where ruins of an ancient theater where in 1820 the Venus de Milo was discovered
  - · Daily options to relax on island beaches or explore on your own.















#### TRIP DETAILS:

- Charter Bus to and from Dulles IAD
- Direct R/T Nonstop Flight to Athens
- All transfers
- Private City Tour Guide of Athens
- Two nights at the Radisson Blu Park Hotel in Athens, breakfast included
- Welcome dinner in the Old City of Athens
- Experienced Tour Guide in Athens
- Eight-day cruise aboard the recent \$20 million refit
   Greek ship Celestyal Journey including:
  - o All Junior Balcony Suites on preferred deck
  - All meals in any of 7 new restaurants and the exclusive Chef's Table
  - o Daily entertainment/shows aboard
  - o All meals with select drinks included
  - All port charges and gratuities included
  - o Exciting excursions available for extra charge
  - On board casino and Spa

#### TRIP COST: \$4452 \* (p/p; dbl. occupancy)

Airfare included but is an estimate only at this time.

#### 4 Equal Payments of \$1113

Due: August 1, 2023 November 1, 2023 March 1, 2024 June 1, 2024

Note: final payment may change based on actual air cost.

Please make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Mail trip applications and first payments to the trip leader for receipt on August 1, 2023:

#### Bill Fleshman (trip leader)

425 Four Seasons Blvd Summerville, SC 29486 Bill.fleshman1@gmail.com 540 354 3417



















#### Trip Details:

- Luxury Charter Bus to and from Wash/Dulles (IAD)
- Direct Non-stop Flight to Madrid on United Airlines
- Welcome Dinner in local restaurant on first night in Madrid (meal & drinks included)
- · Breakfast & Dinner provided daily in trip cost.
- Lunches will not be provided in trip cost. Travelers will be responsible for their lunches.
- Luxury coach with driver and english speaking guide will be provided for daily tours.
- 4-Star luxury hotels will be provided for 10 nights
  - 2 nights in Madrid, "Hotel Emperador"
  - 1 night in Cordoba, "Hotel Eurostars Palace"
  - 2 nights in Seville, "Hotel Abba"
  - 2 nights in Gibraltar, "Hotel Eliott"
  - 2 nights in Granada, "Hotel Catalonia"
  - 1 night in Madrid, "Hotel Emperador"
- Entrance fees included in trip cost for tours to castles, cathedrals, museums, and historic sites.
- Trip cost includes all ground transportation and associated transportation gratuities.

### Spain: Madrid & Andalusia

October 09-20, 2024

Potential Barcelona Extension Oct 20 – 24, 2024 (there will be add on costs to be determined)

Andalucia has it all: beautiful national parks, miles of sandy coastline, iconic architecture, gastronomic delights and thriving local culture (*European Christian & North African Islamic*) — not to mention a string of Unesco World Heritage sites. Join us as we journey by luxury coach through this amazing region of Spain. Our 12-day trip offers guided tours and leisure time to explore the magnificent natural and manmade sites of Southern Spain

- <u>Madrid</u>: see the Royal Palace; the Basilica of San Vicente; Plaza de Espana; Avila; and Segovia with its Roman Aqueduct
- <u>Toledo (City of 3-cultures):</u> walk through quaint streets of Islamic, Jewish, & Christian neighborhoods; Tour the Toledo Cathedral; The Alcazar; Mosque of Cristo de la Luz; and the Synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca
- <u>Cordoba</u>: stroll along streets with flowery patios; visit the great Mosque-Cathedral; The Alcazar of the Christian Kings with gardens; and the Jewish Quarter
- Seville: Tour the Moorish Giralda Tower; the Royal Alcazar; the Seville Cathedral; and the Royal Palace & gardens
- The British Overseas Territory of Gibraltar: Meet the Barbary Monkeys; See Morocco across the strait; visit the limestone cayes of San Miguel
- Malaga: Experience Malaga & the Costa del Sol; the birthplace Museum of Picasso; and Calle Alcazabilla
- Ronda: The Puente Nuevo (New Bridge), was completed in 1793 it took 34 years to build
- <u>Granada:</u> Tour the Alhambra; Alcazaba fortress; Nasrid Palaces & courtyards; and the Cathedral & Sepulcher of the Catholic Monarchs.

#### Base Price: Ground & Airfare = \$4,368

(p/p; dbl. occupancy) (Base price is subject to change based on potential changes in Airfare and exchange rate)

#### 4 Trip Payments: (Price per-person).

- #1 Due: \$1,092 (Aug 1, 2023)

- #2 Due: \$1,092 (Nov 1, 2023)

- #3 Due: \$1,092 (Mar 1, 2024)

- #4 Due: \$1,092 (June 1, 2024)

Make checks payable to: Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Mail trip applications and first payments to the trip leader for receipt by August 1, 2024:

#### Kate Steinbacher (trip leader)

6781 Mount Chestnut Road,

Roanoke VA, 24018

Questions: 540-314-8005 / bizcoachkate@gmail.com









Join us for a **Bucket List Adventure** to one of the most stunningly beautiful destinations in the world!

#### TRIP DETAILS:

- ✓ Charter Bus & Flights to/from Dulles
- ✓ 4-Star Crowne Plaza Queenstown (5 nights)
- ✓ Oakridge Resort, Wanaka (2 nights)
- ✓ Distinction Luxmore Hotel, Te Anau (1 night)
- ✓ Queenstown Skyline Gondola & Dinner
- ✓ All breakfasts, 5 dinners, 6 lunches included
- ✓ All Ground Transportation included
- √ 5-Star Quay West Sydney (3 nights)
- ✓ Luxury Dinner Cruise on Sydney Harbour
- ✓ Limited to 24 participants

Activities are designed to suit moderate fitness levels. E-bike option available. Any activity can be skipped if desired.

Early November in New Zealand is early May in U.S. The perfect time to travel!











Hike • Bike • Glowworm Caves Steamship Cruise • Wine Tasting Explore Queenstown • Jet Boat Milford Sound Cruise Sydney Harbour Dinner Cruise











4 Payments of \$1,500 + Final payment TBD based on airfare Aug 1, Nov 1, Feb 1, April 1, June 15

Total: \$5,469/person dbl occ + air (approx. \$2,000)

Mail trip application & deposit (payable to RSAC) to: Dave Cohan • 1201 Persinger Rd SW Roanoke, VA 24015 • 540-330-3312

dcohan@associatedasphalt.com for full itinerary

# **ADVENTURE TRIPS 2023**



#### **Caribbean Royal Clipper Sailing Cruise**

March 24 - April 1, 2023

Carol Quarles 540-750-0218, jcquarles@verizon.net

Completed



#### **Outer Banks Beach Trip**

May 20 - 27, 2023

Jerry Betters 540-597-4087, jerbetters@hotmail.com, and Jill Betters 540-597-4250, ibetters@live.com

Completed



### Normandy/Paris/Versailles and a Seine River Cruise

July 4 - 15, 2023

This trip is full, however if you are interested in this trip, please contact trip leader to get on waitlist.

Dave Brammer 540-529-7392 or daveb@vt.edu



### A Taste of Scotland

August 8 -18, 2023

This trip is full, however if you are interested in this trip, please contact trip leader to get on waitlist.

Bob Strickland 540-588-3889 or bobtwo02@gmail.com



#### **Exploring The Best of Italy**

September 17 - 28, 2023

This trip is full, however if you are interested in this trip, please contact trip leader to get on waitlist.

Bill Fleshman 540-354-3417 or bill.fleshman1@gmail.com

S Link to flyer on RSAC website

### Trip Leaders are needed for Ski Trips and Adventure Trips

Part of what makes our RSAC Trips so successful is the outstanding performance of our Trip Leaders. We have had a history of recruiting club members that are dedicated to providing our membership with terrific destinations that are affordable, scenically beautiful and great fun. With our membership growing as it has it is now very important that we recruit more Trip Leaders to handle the demand for more trips (skiing and adventure). If you have ever thought about being a trip leader now is the time to volunteer or look into what it takes to lead a trip. Yes, there is time and effort required to run a trip but the rewards for being a leader are substantial. You get to plan the great trip(s) you always wanted to travel on, you get to develop a better relationship with the travelers on your trip(s), and you have the potential for receiving price breaks on the trips you run. We have an established trip accounting software that we utilize on all of our trips, and we will train everyone on how to use it.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact:

#### **Ski Trip Director**

Marla Kemsey

Email: marlakemsey1@gmail.com Phone & Text: 540-230-4844

#### **Adventure Trip Director**

**Bob Strickland** 

Email: <a href="mailto:bobtwo02@gmail.com">bobtwo02@gmail.com</a>
Phone & Text: 504-588-3889

Thank you and please volunteer.



# Treasurer's Report: May 2023

#### Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

General Account Budget & Summary Through May 2023

| FY May 1, 2023 - April 30, 2024                | As of 5/31/23<br>FY 2023/24 YTD<br><u>Total</u> | 2023/24<br><u>Budget</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|--|---|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Income Category                                |   |                          |                   |
| Membership (incl. \$2 online fee)              | 984.00  | 15,750.00                | (14,766.00)       |
| 50/50 Raffle                                   | -   | 550.00                   | (550.00)          |
| Guest Fees                                     | -   | -                        | -                 |
| Holiday Party (budgeted equal to expenses)     | -   | 5,000.00                 | (5,000.00)        |
| IKON Pass (referral commission)                | -   | 300.00                   | (300.00)          |
| Transfer from Trip Escrow Account              |   |                          |                   |
| Misc.  |   |                          |                   |
| TOTAL INCOME                                   | 984.00  | 21,600.00                | (20,616.00)       |
| Expense Category                               |   |                          |                   |
| Activities                                     | -   | 220.00                   | 220.00            |
| Insurance                                      | -   | 715.00                   | 715.00            |
| Marketing                                      | -   | 250.00                   | 250.00            |
| Membership Meetings                            | -   | 12,000.00                | 12,000.00         |
| Domain & Email (\$6/mo email; \$12/yr domains) | 6.00  | 84.00                    | 78.00             |
| Membership & Email software                    | -   | 2,667.00                 | 2,667.00          |
| Credit Card Fees - Membership Dues             | 13.35   | 314.00                   | 300.65            |
| Holiday Party (budgeted equal to sales)        | -   | 5,000.00                 | 5,000.00          |
| Office (stamps, name badges, folders)          | 55.74   | 75.00                    | 19.26             |
| Corporate (PO Box, SCC reg)                    | -   | 250.00                   | 250.00            |
| Transfer to Trip Escrow Acct                   | 675.00  | -                        | (675.00)          |
| Misc.  |   | 25.00                    | 25.00             |
| TOTAL EXPENSES                                 | 750.09  | 21,600.00                | 20,849.91         |
| NET INCOME (LOSS)                              | 233.91  |                          | 233.91            |

#### Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Treasurer's Report May 31, 2023

#### **General Checking Account:**

**Beginning Balance** 5/1/2023 \$ **13,544.96** 

Income

Membership Dues (check) (includes 90 from April\*)\$ 330.00Membership Dues (credit card) (includes 389 from April\*)\$ 654.00Total Income\$ 984.00

\*Dues received in April are recorded as of 5/1/23 - apply to new Fiscal Year

Expense

Credit Card Service Charge \$ 13.35
Officer Supplies (Susan) \$ 55.74
Grandin (Trip Kick-off Party) - transfer from Trip Escrow \$ 675.00
Google domain name \$ 6.00
Total Expense \$ 750.09

Ending Balance 5/31/2023 \$ 13,778.87

# **MARKETING**

#### **Pictures! Pictures! Pictures!**

Please email fun pictures from your favorite ski and adventure trips to us!

We are updating our social media and websites to encourage new membership, and we would love to include your memories.

Email photos to:

Bill Hamill at <a href="mailto:billh1970@yahoo.com">billh1970@yahoo.com</a> or Clive Hillyard at <a href="mailto:RSAC.newsletter@gmail.com">RSAC.newsletter@gmail.com</a> (Please note that this is not my private email address)

Thanks!

Carol Quarles Marketing Director

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# **NEWSLETTER**

Want to add an entry for the monthly newsletter? – An anniversary, a birthday pending retirement, and other significant milestones, member recognition, "In the News", "Memories".......

Please contact the Newsletter Editor.

### **ITEMS FOR SALE?**

To place a "For Sale" notice in the newsletter, please contact the Newsletter Editor.

# CLASSIFIEDS

# **Embroidered RSAC logo available!**





Take your items to:

Embroidery Concepts

146 W 4th Street

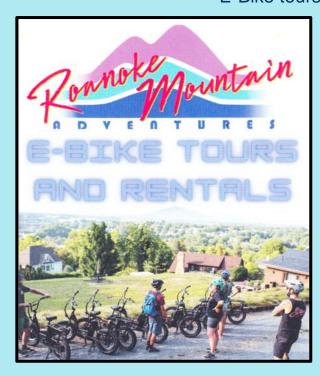
Salem, VA 24153

Phone 540-387-0517

Show your club spirit and look great on your next trip!
For only \$5 per item, you can now get the RSAC logo embroidered (as shown above) in black or royal blue on your favorite jacket, sweater, vest, shirt, hat or tote!
(No leather, please.)

# Roanoke Mountain Adventures, RAM

E-Bike tours and rentals





# THAT'S ALL FOLKS!

Stay tuned for next month's news and activities.



# WE ARE NOT JUST A SKI CLUB! CHECK OUT OUR YEAR-ROUND ACTIVITIES AT:

# www.roanokeskiclub.org

**Click here** to follow our Page on Facebook!

Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@roanokeskiclub.org">info@roanokeskiclub.org</a>

### Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club Board Members:

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