



The Roanoke Skier & Adventurer

The Monthly Newsletter for the Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

December 2020



President's Message



Thanksgiving remembered

This Thanksgiving was like no other Thanksgiving I've ever known, what with all the Covid-19 restrictions and all. I certainly hope you were able to spend quality and safe time with your friends and loved ones over this special day. You may have found that for the required "small" groups, finding a "small" turkey was certainly a challenge. However, giving thanks is really what it is all about and who knew what was coming a year ago. The day was beautiful, and the Presidential elections are OVER. All in all, I'd say a good month!

Now Comes the Real Winter

The days are short. Often our dinners begin with darkness outside. The old haunts are mostly closed by 10 while many of our friends have chosen to stay at home altogether. Currently, the best we can do is to join Emily Hurst and friends for our final "Happy Hour" of this glorious year. We'll meet at the Hotel Roanoke from 5:30 to 7:30 in the new Pine room. As an enticement to join the fun, the Club will pick up the tab for the first drink of the evening for current Club members. Read on to get further details.

As we did last year, we are again focusing on Operation Warm as a means of insuring that our children will be dressed appropriately for the winter weather to come. Though the Covid has had an impact, it hasn't slowed the generosity of our Club. We have already passed the \$1,500 and donations are coming in all regularly. Please remember that every child is one of ours and we need them to feel loved. Use this link [Roanoke Ski and Adventure Club for Operation Warm 2021-22](#) to donate to this ever so worthy a cause.

Lastly, your entire Board and I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.

Don Hanley, President

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

NEWS

Hike and visit to Parkway Brewery

On November 15, more than 20 RSAC members enjoyed a beautiful fall hike on the Timberview Trail at Carvin's Cove, followed by beers and snacks at Parkway Brewing. Although there was rain in the forecast, we had a wonderful rain free 3 plus mile hike and everyone had a great time socializing outdoors. Linda Harrison picked a great hiking trail for us and we need to do this again!



November Happy Hour / Member Meet

On November 17, 20 RSAC members got together on a very chilly night to enjoy good drinks and good food at 419 West. Everyone had a great time seeing their ski and adventure friends and many attendees thanked RSAC for the free drink! Thank you Emily Hurst for hosting this event!

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

NO Membership Meeting

Happy Hour

- [Monday, December 7, 5:30 pm](#)
- **Hotel Roanoke**, in the newly renovated Pine Room
- There will be 2 large trees suitable for photos
- Hosted by Emily Hurst



JANUARY, 2021

NO Membership Meeting

Happy Hour at Mac and Bob's

- **Thursday, January 14, 2021, 5:30 pm**
- 316 East Main Street, Salem
- Dress accordingly for outdoor seating. Patio has a fireplace and heaters.
- Emily Hurst hosting

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

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

[Click the dates to easily add the events to your Google calendar.](#)

OPERATION WARM

We have raised already over \$1,500 and donations are still coming in.



**Our 2020 GOAL IS TO GIVE
200 WARM WINTER COATS**

Your donation can help bring hope, happiness and warmth to children living in-need in Roanoke, with the gift of a brand new winter coat



Please send your donation check made out to:

Operation Warm

210 South Main Street, Blacksburg, VA 24060

Or

Visit the RSAC fundraising website to donate online

Please CLICK the link below to connect to

[RSAC Operation Warm Donation Page](#)

HOLIDAZE SKI TOURS®

The time has come," the skier said,
To talk of travel-ling
Of tours--and trips-- and sailing ships
And all the good times they bring.
Of snow covered mountains, majestic and tall
Of schussing down ski runs with nary a fall

Winter resorts abound for skiing or riding
Let's kill this stupid virus-it's time to stop hiding
Domestic-International, wherever you may go
You can't beat skiing or riding on beautiful snow
Great ski towns of the World are there and await you
We're here at Holidaze and ready to take you

Here, there and everywhere, we are up to the task
Perhaps on the slopes, you won't need a mask
A helmet and face mask will sure do the trick
To keep away the virus so as not to get sick
So put aside the stress, the strain and the worry
And get set to get out, of town in a hurry

Just think of great places that you can go
Like Aspen or Mammoth or fabulous Tahoe
Cause once the virus is over, as it soon surely will be
There are others like Innsbruck, Zermatt or Chamonix
Or great cities like London or Paris or Rome
They'll all still be there when you can finally leave home

HOLIDAZE SKI TOURS® (CONTINUED)

So call us to help you plan your next tour
We will set it up well, of that you can be sure
Then soon it's off to the airplanes, and into the sky
For we can't live only, on thoughts of times gone by
So Holidayze is here and waiting for you
To set up your next trip, for '21 or '22

Obviously and apparently, I am certainly not a poet
So I thought it might be fun to glaringly show it
Cause Lord knows we all, could use a little fun
While this lousy stink'n virus makes it's run
But the vaccine is coming, of that you can be sure
For there are only so many lock-downs that we can endure

And soon there is out there, a strong vaccine from Pfizer
That will kill Covid-19, which will be, none the wiser
So when it comes time, go get the shot
Don't be the one who adamantly will not
In the meantime, a shout out to the EMT's—the Doctors and the Nurses
And a great big thanks to Mr. Carroll, for inspiring the verses

TRIP STATUS

With recent vaccine news, there appears to be a light at the end of the tunnel (and it's not a train). We are still monitoring our situation relative to the pandemic as our ski trips kick off our 2021 travel season next month. As of now we are cautiously optimistic that conditions will improve soon and resorts will be fully operational.

We still have a few openings on some adventure trips so now might be a great time to sign up. Our first Adventure trip is in June. We are hopeful that vaccines will be approved and begin distribution before the end of this year.

Our Yellowstone and Canadian Rockies trips have openings. And our July Portugal/Douro River cruise trip now has a few openings. So please contact the trip leader as soon as possible.

Bill Fleshman
Trip Director

Marla Kemsey
Assistant Trip Director for Ski Trips

SKI TRIPS

Solitude/Brighton, Utah

January 30-February 6, 2021

Trip Leader: Steve Worman,

sworman@gmail.com

Winter Park, Colorado

February 21-28, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

marlakemsey1@gmail.com

Copper Mountain, Colorado

February 28-March 5, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

marlakemsey1@gmail.com

Double trip

February 21-March 5, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

marlakemsey1@gmail.com

ADVENTURE TRIPS

The Best of Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks (new)

June 19-26, 2021

Trip Leader: Jim Beeson

hooshrijim@gmail.com

Lisbon and Portugal River Cruise (Group 1)

July 12-23, 2021

Trip Leader: Bob Strickland

bobtwo02@gmail.com

Canadian Rockies by Rail and Luxury Coach (new)

August 5-12, 2021

Trip Leader: Dave Harrison

dgh@cox.net

Switzerland by Rail and Lake Como, Italy

September 5-15, 2021

Trip Leader: Bill Fleshman

Bill.fleshman1@gmail.com

Lisbon and Portugal River Cruise (Group 2)

October 31-November 11, 2021

Trip Leader: Dudley Parks

sdparks4@msn.com

New Zealand and Sydney Adventure

November 7-19, 2021

Trip Leader: Dave Cohan

dcohan@associatedasphalt.com



Solitude



Brighton

January 30th – February 6th 2021



Ski Utah's Hidden Treasures

Typical for Utah, Solitude & Brighton Ski Resorts have light dry powder and average over 500 inches of snowfall annually. The Solitude Mountain Resort terrain includes open bowls, steep chutes, groomed cruisers, and great fall line skiing through the trees. There is also Brighton next door with another 1,000 acres of champagne powder. There is enough terrain to satisfy all ability levels and the best thing about these Mountains is that you don't have to share it with too many others. For the adventuresome folks there are also easy bus transfers to Snowbird/Alta



Ski-in and Ski-out at the Inn at Solitude

A Bavarian Lodge that blends old world charm with fine hotel amenities like a full-service spa heated pool and outdoor hot tub. The Inn sits at the base of the lifts and is truly ski in ski out. No hiking no shuttle.

- Round Trip Air from Roanoke
- Lift Ticket 5 of 6 days, on two Mountains
- Pre & Post Trip parties
- Lodging at the 4 star Inn at Solitude
- Group Happy Hour/Après Ski
- Ski In Ski Out
- Welcome Reception
- Ikon Pass at both Solitude & Brighton

IKON Pass Holders \$2020

Ski 4 mountains; Solitude, Brighton, Snowbird and Alta
Three Payments; \$720 August 1st \$700 Sept 15th \$600 Nov 1st

Without IKON Pass \$2399

Includes 4 day Lift Ticket Solitude, 1 day Lift Ticket Brighton
Three payments: \$800 August 1st \$800 Sept 15th \$799 Nov 1st

*Based on Double Occupancy, Single Supplement additional cost \$1099

Make check payable to Roanoke Ski and Adventure Club
Mail trip application and check: **Steve Worman, 443 Bailey Blvd., Hardy, VA 24101**
Cell (540) 484-3385 / Email: sworman@gmail.com

To sign up for this trip you must be a 2020-2021 Roanoke Ski Club Member: include a separate check with the membership application.

Openings available – Contact Trip Leader

WINTER PARK, CO

February 21-28, 2021



\$1,788 per person dbl. occ
\$1,479 per person dbl. occ, with
IKON Pass



Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey
marlakemsey1@gmail.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!

COPPER MOUNTAIN, CO

February 28 – March 5,
2021



\$1,374 per person dbl. occ
\$1,155 per person dbl. occ, with
IKON Pass



Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey
marlakemsey1@gmail.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!

12 DAY DOUBLE TRIP WINTER PARK, CO & COPPER MOUNTAIN, CO

February 21 – March 5, 2021

\$3,207 per person dbl. occ
\$2,679 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey
marlakemsey1@gmail.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!



The Best of Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks – June 19 - 26, 2021

\$3339.00 per person (double occupancy) includes airfare – Roanoke VA to Bozeman, MT

Explore Yellowstone NP and Grand Teton NP via small vans , local guide/driver with each van, allowing flexibility and access that large buses cannot offer

Yellowstone Northeast Entrance – Mammoth Hot Springs, Tower Falls & Northern Range (largest concentration of wildlife in lower 48) – Stay 2 nights in Cooke City , MT Alpine Motel



Beartooth Highway/Chief Joseph Highway Loop – Montana & Wyoming” highest road over 10,000 feet with rugged Rocky Mountain scenery. Lunch in Red Lodge, MT and travel through ghost town of Bear Creek



Yellowstone’s Lamar Valley – wildlife viewing, Rustic Falls, Norris Geyser Basin, Grand Canyon of Yellowstone and Mud Volcano. Drive through Dunraven Pass, Yellowstone’s highest road. Overnight in Canyon Lodge



West Thumb Geyser Basin, Lewis River Falls and viewpoints in Grand Teton NP, including Jenny Lake. Lunch at Jackson Lake Lodge – Overnight at Cowboy Village Resort in Jackson, WY

Grand Teton NP viewpoints on outer lopp before re-entering Yellowstone NP and visit geyser basins. Visit Old Faithful Inn and walks at Grand Prismatic Spring and Fountain Point Pots. Travel through Yellowstone Gallatin District with hiking opportunity. Two (2) nights at Huntley Lodge in Big Sky, MT.

Final Day (Day 7) Choice of the following 2 or 3 activities; Big Sky Tram with Yellowstone views – Whitewater/Scenic Rafting on Gallatin River – Horeseback Riding in Gallatin Mountains – Big Sky Zipline – Flyfishing on Gallatin River – Hiking in Gallatin Mountains. **Activity cost not included in package – individual payment day of activity.**

Trip Includes: Welcome reception and dinner in Bozeman, MT - Breakfast on Days 2, 5 & 8 -Happy Hour TBD -Box Lunches Day 1 & 5 - Farewell dinner in Big Sky , MT - All gratuities except housekeeping

Three Payments: August 1, 2020 - \$1113, October 15, 2020 - \$1113, March 15, 2021 - \$1113 - Payable to Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club – Mail to Jim Beeson, 3324 Peakwood Dr. SW, Roanoke VA 24014



Questions? – Jim Beeson – hooshjrjim@gmail.com – 540 986 5301



CANADIAN ROCKIES BY RAIL + LUXURY COACH

**Vancouver, B.C. to Calgary, Alberta
August 5-12, 2021**

**\$4,240* per person (double occupancy)
Flying from Roanoke**

**Includes upgrade package with glass domed luxury rail car with oversized windows
and outdoor viewing area on our rail excursion from Vancouver to Jasper**

Plus luxury motor coach tour of Jasper N.P., Banff N.P., Lake Louise and Yoho N.P. to Calgary



- Explore Vancouver, walk the famous seawall and the nature paths of Stanley Park
- Overnight in the luxury of the Listel Hotel, view its collection of over 250 pieces of original art
- Three nights at iconic Whistler's Inn in Jasper

- Scenic boat cruise on the turquoise waters of Maligne Lake in Jasper
- Float trip on Athabasca River & observe wildlife or take in the view from Jasper Sky Tram
- Ride the ATV Ice Explorer onto Athabasca Glacier
- Explore Banff and Lake Louise
- Hike through stretches of wildflowers to Moraine Lake and Emerald Lake



Trip includes:

Welcome reception and dinner in Vancouver
Breakfast and lunch on train
Happy hour on Day 5 (Jasper)
Dinner on Days 5 (Jasper) and 7 (Banff)
Professional tour guide days 4 through 8
All gratuities except housekeeping



Four Payments
 Aug 1, 2020 \$1,060
 Nov 1, 2020 \$1,060
 Jan 15, 2021 \$1,060
 Apr 15, 2021 TBD
 Payable to Roanoke Ski Club
 Mail to Dave Harrison
 5305 Medmont Cir SW
 Roanoke, VA 24018-1120
 For further info click
<https://bit.ly/3ewNQ4V>
 Leader dgh@cox.net



After registering for trip, sign up here to receive group communications from trip leader <https://bit.ly/3dD0uFW>

*** Price includes an estimate of airfare. Airlines have not yet released prices for our departure date. The price is also subject to currency exchange rate adjustment. Both will be determined prior to final payment.**

NEW ZEALAND & SYDNEY ADVENTURE

November 7-19, 2021

\$4,375 per person dbl. occ + Air (approx. \$2,000)

Trip Leaders: Dave Cohan / Dave Harrison
dcohan@associatedasphalt.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!



ALPS/LAKES of SWITZERLAND & ITALY

September 5-15, 2021

\$3,992 per person dbl. occ

Trip Leader: Bill Fleshman
bill.fleshman1@gmail.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!



PORTUGAL – DOURO RIVER CRUISE

GROUP 1 July 13 – July 24, 2021

GROUP 2 Nov. 1 – Nov. 12, 2021

\$3,760 per person dbl. occ

Trip Leaders:

Bob Strickland (Gp.1) bobtwo02@gmail.com

Dudley Parks (Gp.2) sdparks4@msn.com

Group 1 – Spaces available. – Contact Trip Leader!



Embroidered RSAC logo now available!

ROANOKE



SKI & ADVENTURE CLUB

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.)

Take your items to:
Embroidery Concepts
146 W 4th Street
Salem, VA 24153
Phone 540-387-0517



Winter Sports Service Center for Skis & Snowboards



1003 ELECTRIC ROAD
SALEM, VA 24153

(540) 387-9780

www.frontlineeurosports.com

Winter Sports Service Rates

SKIS		SNOWBOARDS	
Iron On Wax	\$20	Iron On Wax	\$15
Sharpen	\$20	Sharpen	\$15
Race Sharpen	\$30	Race Sharpen	\$30
Base Level	\$15	Base Level	\$25
Stone Grind	\$40	-----	---
P-TEX	\$10	P-TEX	\$10
Binding Check/Adjustment	\$35	Binding Repair	\$15
Binding Mount	\$85	Binding Mount	\$35
Binding remount	\$105	Binding remount	\$45
Boot adjustment	By Estimate	Boot adjustment	By Estimate
Rush Fee	\$20	Rush Fee	\$20
Edge or Base Repair	By Estimate	Edge or Base Repair	By Estimate

Frontline Eurosports is located at the intersection of Roanoke Boulevard and Electric Road (the building is next to the rail track, at the turn to the Salem Civic Center).

The Winter Sports service started on November 3rd, 2020.

MEMBERSHIP:

NEW MEMBERS

ALLISON and TYLER BOWERSOCK
CHRISTINE FODOR
JUANITA HILL

Announcement:

The Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club is now accepting online membership renewals. Applications can be obtained via the Club website under the Membership tab, or you can [click here](#). We need the application completed and signed even if you are a returning member.

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 billh1970@yahoo.com or
Clive Hillyard at cahillyard@outlook.com
Thanks!

CHECK THIS OUT!



We will post our events to our new Facebook page so make sure you follow it and share with your friends! Now if you're wondering how to conquer any of these tasks, you'll be relieved to hear we will share these actions plus a few more at an upcoming membership meeting. Stay tuned!

[Click the logo on the left for a direct link!](#)
Have you checked it out yet?!?



Treasurer's Report: September 2020

Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

Revised Budget for
2020/2021 General Account Summary
October, 2020 - Fiscal - Year

<u>Income Category</u>	October	Revised	<u>Difference</u>
	2020/21 YTD	2020/21	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget</u>	
Membership	9,207.00	9,000.00	207.00
50/50 Raffle	208.00	400.00	(192.00)
Guest Fees & Meal Charges	-	-	-
Holiday Party ticket sales**	-	-	-
Ikon Pass Admin Fee	-	700.00	(700.00)
Misc.	-	-	-
	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME	9,415.00	10,100.00	(685.00)
 <u>Expense Category</u>			
Activities	-	-	-
Insurance	-	600.00	600.00
Marketing	-	-	-
Membership Meetings	-	5,500.00	5,500.00
Website	6.00	100.00	94.00
Email & Member software	1,728.00	2,000.00	272.00
Credit Card Fees - Membership Pmts	140.52	150.00	9.48
Holiday Party (budgeted equal to sales) **	-	-	-
Office (stamps, name badges, folders)	130.10	200.00	69.90
Corporate (PO Box, SCC reg)	173.00	200.00	27.00
New Computer for Club	775.00	775.00	-
Misc.	-	250.00	250.00
	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,952.62	9,775.00	6,822.38
NET INCOME (LOSS)	6,462.38	325.00	6,137.38

Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

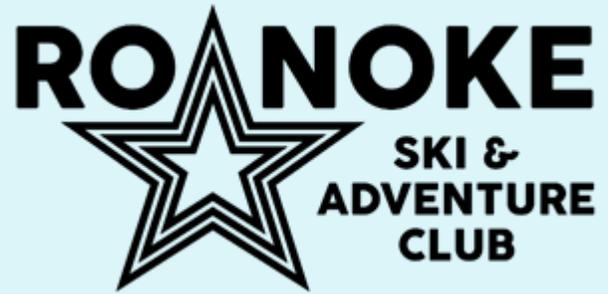
Treasurer's Report
October 31, 2020

General Checking Account:

Beginning Balance	10/1/2020			\$ 17,057.19
 <u>Income</u>				
Membership Income			\$ 300.00	
50/50 Raffle			\$ 53.00	
Ikon Pass Sales Income				
Lasagna Dinner Proceeds			-	
Total Income			353.00	
 <u>Expense</u>				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Ck #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>For</u>	
10/2/2020	Debit	Affinity Pay	CC Charge for membership	5.96
10/6/2020	1850	Steve Worman	Office supplies	63.17
10/21/2020	Debit	BB&T	Service charge	7.50
Total Expense				76.63
Ending Balance	10/31/2020			\$ 17,333.56

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 us on Facebook!

Contact us at info@roanokeskiclub.org

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