



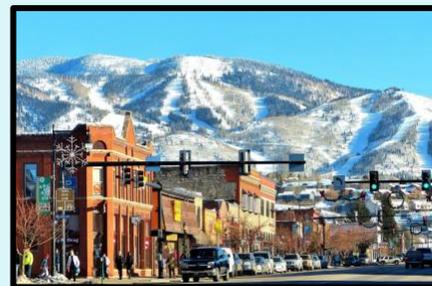
The Roanoke Skier & Adventurer

The Monthly Newsletter for the Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

President's Message



We're on The Go



Our first monthly meeting was a huge success with at least two new members joining the Club at the Grandin Theatre showing of "Winterland". Each of the three pre-screening get-togethers (Village Grill, Taaza & Community Inn) was also well attended providing a great opportunity to mingle with the public. Remember, this is our primary means of generating interest via word of mouth and public interaction, so please continue supporting all of the "Happy Hours" and social activities throughout this coming year, and don't forget to get your reservation in online for the February 5th Spaghetti & Lasagna dinner at the Holiday Inn, Valley View.

Our first ski trip of the year is by now completed in Banff, Alberta, Canada. All signs point to a great trip with this winter snow fall being substantial by any measurement. On that note, you've already received and returned this year's Ski survey for the 2021 season and should be receiving the Adventure survey any day now. Please be sure to return it by the 23rd of February for your voice to be heard.

In addition to the many trips and activities that we generate each year, we are also deeply committed to supporting our local children in need of winter protection. This year we actually reached a lofty goal of \$6,000 and 225 winter vests & coats being donated to area children. Thank you all for your generous support for this winter season.

As it is now February and often the beginning of the changing of the elected guard process, I wanted to assure our membership that thru 2020-21 there will be no changes to your elected Board members. I will again be serving as your President along with Linda Harrison as V.P., Steve Worman as Treasurer, and Cathy Kern as our Secretary. Should anyone desire to join us in the steering of this Club through future challenges, please know that your input is always encouraged and there is currently even space to join us on the Board itself... if desired? Just contact any of our eleven Board members to advise us of your interest.

Thank you for your continued support and happy, safe skiing.

Don Hanley, President

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

Event Summary:

RSAC Meeting at the Grandin Wednesday, January 8th



Upcoming Events:

Be on the lookout and/or Save the Date!

Membership Meeting -

- [Wednesday, February 5th at 6:30pm](#)
- Spaghetti and Lasagna Dinner (pre-payment required)
- Holiday Inn at Valley View
- 3315 Ordway Dr. NW, Roanoke
- Presentation by Mr. Bill from [Mr. Bill's Wine Cellar](#)

**Location
Change!**



Happy Hours

- Thursday, February 13, at 5:30pm
- Shakers
- 1909 Valley View Boulevard,
- Roanoke VA
- Emily Hurst hosting



Social

- Friday, February 21, at 5:00pm
- Art by Ruth Cline and member, Susan Young
- "Join us for Art, Appetizers, Music and Wine"
- 3520 Kingsbury Lane, Roanoke
- [See flyer on page 10](#)



Future Events:

Membership meeting and Chili Cook Off
[Sunday, March 8th at 2:00pm](#)
Chaos Mountain Brewing

Happy Hour at Jimmy V's
Wednesday, March 25th, at 5:30pm

Membership meeting
Wednesday, April 1st
Hidden Valley Country Club

Dorothy, Activities Director

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!](#)

TRIPS

While our first ski trip (Banff) for this season is underway, we are busy looking forward to the 2021 ski season. We have received your responses to our survey and are busy evaluating the results in order to determine where the club will go next year. A total of sixty-seven members indicate they will ski with the club on at least one trip next season. Now we will select the resorts based on your responses and start the negotiations with trip providers to get the best price available for our destinations. The Adventure Trip Survey will be released the first week in February so look for it in your email.

In the past we have published Melinda's travel tips for the ski season. Many of these apply to Adventure trips as well. It never hurts repeating good advice.

HAPPY SKIING!!!!!!!

Bill Fleshman
Trip Director

TRIP LINEUP FOR 2020

The following is a summary of the 2020 trips. More detail is posted on the website, <http://roanokeskiclub.org/trips.htm>.

<u>Ski Trips</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Trip Leader(s)</u>
Banff /Lake Louise, Canada	Jan. 25-Feb.1, 2020	Jack Orsinger
Snowmass, CO	Feb. 22-29, 2020	Marla Kemsey
Steamboat, CO	Feb. 29-Mar.7, 2020	Marla Kemsey
Back to back Snowmass/Steamboat	Feb. 22-Mar.7, 2020	Marla Kemsey
Big Sky, MT	Mar. 14-21, 2020	Steve Worman

<u>Adventure Trips</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Trip Leader(s)</u>
Lisbon/Duoro River Cruise	Apr. 2-13, 2020	Bob Strickland
Lisbon/Duoro River Cruise	Apr. 19-30, 2020	Dudley Parks
Alps/Lakes of Switzerland and Italy	Sept. 6-16, 2020	Bill Fleshman
New Zealand and Sydney Adventure	Nov. 1-13, 2020	Dave Cohan/Dave Harrison

Melinda's Top 10 Travel Tips

#10 Call your bank and cell phone provider to be sure your card and phone plan work at your destination. There's nothing more frustrating than going to pay for dinner at a restaurant and your card is declined or flagged for fraud. This is especially important for those traveling overseas.

#9 Print out your particulars. Make a list of your medications and supplements and keep it in your wallet with your insurance card. Also, make a copy of your ID and the front/back of the credit cards you'll be taking. Save this in a secure place in your carry-on bag. If you lose them or something happens to your original documents while traveling, it will be easy to get them replaced and get home!

#8 Leave extra room (weight) in your bag for souvenirs and items you want to return with. There's nothing more embarrassing than checking in your baggage at the airport only to find out you've gone overweight...then you've got to open your suitcase and all your personal items are in view for the whole airport to see.

#7 Know your surroundings. If you're going to be at high altitude, make sure you give yourself time to acclimate. If you're going to a foreign country, make sure you have contact numbers, translation guide for the language, and conversion apps so you know how to convert money at restaurants, shops, etc. The more aware you are of your surroundings, the less stress and more fun can be had.

#6 Find a "buddy" or two or three that is at your same skier/activity level. When you play in groups, it's just way more fun (and safer too!)

#5 Hydrate. Travel can be dehydrating. Did you know that airplanes take the humidity level to below 20% (your home is typically at 30%) and sometimes as low as 11%?! This can have an adverse effect on how you feel on and after travel days; leaving you lethargic, weak and sometimes even dizzy (not to mention what happens when you factor in high altitudes). Since caffeine and alcohol have a diuretic effect (causing more urine to be produced), it is wise to limit consumption of such beverages during long flights... not to mention you won't have to pee as much on the flights!

#4 Carry a list of participants' cell phone numbers for easy contact. Once you arrive at your destination you'll want to meet up with different people. Be sure it's easy for you to contact them.

#3 Attend the pre-trip party. Each trip leader will host a pre-trip party. Not only is it fun to meet everyone else going on the trip and have a fun social gathering, the trip leader also provides you with answers to frequently asked questions, resort materials, itineraries, rooming lists, swag and more. Check with your trip leader for the date and details for your specific pre-trip party.

#2 Travel insurance. A small investment can create huge peace of mind (and maybe even save you \$8,000 like it did for Dave Cohan). See your trip leader for the details on obtaining this ASAP!

#1 Get to know those going on your trip. Your trip leader will provide you a roster list of participants. Make a point to introduce yourself at club happy hours, membership meetings and even find them and "friend" them on Facebook.

2020 TRIPS

BANFF – LAKE LOUISE, CANADA

January 25 – February 1, 2020



\$1,988 per person dbl. occ, with Lift Ticket

\$1,732 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Jack Orsinger

jack.orsinger@gmail.com



Completed!

ASPEN - SNOWMASS, CO

February 22 - 29, 2020



\$2,100 per person dbl. occ, with Lift Ticket

\$1,716 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

marlakemsey1@gmail.com



Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!

STEAMBOAT, CO

February 29 - March 7, 2020



\$1,860 per person dbl. occ, with Lift Ticket
\$1,446 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey
marlakemsey1@gmail.com



Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!

Two back-to-back weeks Ski ASPEN - SNOWMASS, & STEAMBOAT, CO

February 22 – March 7, 2020



\$3,528 per person dbl. occ, with Lift Ticket
\$2,700 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey
marlakemsey1@gmail.com



Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!

BIG SKY, MT

March 14 - March 21, 2020



\$2,399 per person dbl. occ, with Lift Ticket
\$2,000 per person dbl. occ, with IKON Pass

Trip Leader: Steve Worman
sworman@gmail.com



Sold Out – Wait List - Contact Trip Leader now!

PORTUGAL – DUORO RIVER CRUISE

GROUP 1 Apr. 2-13, 2020
GROUP 2 Apr. 19-30, 2020

\$3,760 per person dbl. occ

Trip Leaders:
Bob Strickland (Gp.1) bobtwo02@gmail.com
Dudley Parks (Gp.2) sdparks4@msn.com

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leaders!



ALPS/LAKES of SWITZERLAND & ITALY

September 6 – 16, 2020

\$3,992 per person dbl. occ

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

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!



NEW ZEALAND & SYDNEY ADVENTURE

November 1-13, 2020

\$4,375 per person dbl. occ + Air (approx. \$1850)

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

Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!



FOR SALE

Condo for Sale

Gordon Hamilton's one-bedroom condo, No. 5410 in Silver Creek Lodge is for sale.

For details please see Red Oak Realty listing at:

<https://www.property4u.com/property/6014-5410-Silver-Creek-Snowshoe-WV-26209.d.htm>

ANNOUNCEMENT

WVTF Public Radio Presents

*Art by Ruth Cline
and Susan Young*



*"A Little Bit of This
&
A Little Bit of That"*



Join Us for Art, Appetizers, Music and Wine

**Opening Reception Friday, February 21 at 5:00 p.m.
3520 Kingsbury Lane, Roanoke.**

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.)**

Just take your items to

**Embroidery Concepts,
146 W 4th Street, Salem,
VA 24153
Phone 540.387.0517**



Membership:

Welcome to our newest members!

Regina and David Carson
Joy Dupin
Terri and Reid McClure
Dianne Woody

Announcement:

The Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club is now accepting online membership renewals and online new membership applications. Renewing members should log in with their email address. A password reset screen is available, if needed. There is a \$2 convenience fee for all online membership applications.

Membership dues are: **\$35 for individual, \$50 for family and \$40 single family.** Our Membership year runs from July 1st through June 30th of the following year. Membership applications received on or after April 1st will extend through June 30th of the following year. Please remember that your membership must be up-to-date before registering for any trips.

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! As we start 2020, and our wonderful ski and adventure trips resume, please email your best pictures. We are updating the back wall of our event tent and would like to show off the fantastic trips the Club offers.

Please contact a board officer.

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: November 2019

Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club 2019/2020 General Account Summary December, 2019 - Fiscal - Year to Date

<u>Income Category</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Membership	12,508.50	12,000.00	508.50
50/50 Raffle	707.00	900.00	(193.00)
Guest Fees & Meal Charges	580.00		580.00
Holiday Party ticket sales**	4,620.00	5,000.00	(380.00)
Ikon Pass Admin Fee	760.00	680.00	80.00
Misc.	-	-	-
	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME	19,175.50	18,580.00	595.50
<u>Expense Category</u>			
Activities	-	200.00	200.00
Insurance	574.00	574.00	-
Marketing	440.88	1,000.00	559.12
Membership Meetings	6,611.44	8,000.00	1,388.56
Website	54.07	75.00	20.93
Email & Member software	1,785.84	2,000.00	214.16
Credit Card Fees - Membership Pmts	55.24	20.00	(35.24)
Holiday Party (budgeted equal to sales) **	6,600.35	5,000.00	(1,600.35)
Office (stamps, name badges, folders)	197.56	200.00	2.44
Corporate (PO Box, SCC reg)	171.00	200.00	29.00
Ikon Pass - Member Purchases	390.00	390.00	-
Misc.	-	250.00	250.00
	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	16,880.38	17,909.00	1,028.62
NET INCOME (LOSS)	2,295.12	671.00	1,624.12

General Checking Account:

Beginning Balance	12/1/19			\$ 16,742.38
Income				
Membership Income			\$ 107.00	
50/50 Raffle			\$ 197.00	
Ikon Pass Sales Income				
Holiday Party			1,200.00	
	Total Income		1,504.00	
Expense				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Ck #</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>For</u>	
12/2/19	Debit	Affinity Pay	Credit Card Fees Membership	6.12
12/4/19	1841	Judd Poindexter	Holiday Party DJ	350.00
12/5/19	1842	Rita Purut	Holiday Party Flowers	88.33
12/20/19	1843	Hidden Valley CC	Holiday Party	6,112.02
12/31/19	Debit	BB&T Credit Card	Web Domain name registration	12.07
	Total Expense			6,568.54
Ending Balance	12/31/19			\$ 11,677.84

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

And [click here](#) to follow us on Facebook!

Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club Board Members:

Contact us at info@roanokeskiclub.org



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President	Don Hanley
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Marketing Director	<i>open</i> (past: Heidi Marer)
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Activities Director	Dorothy Pryse
Program Director	Carol Via
Trip Director	Bill Fleshman
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