



# The Roanoke Skier & Adventurer

The Monthly Newsletter for the Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club

February 2021



## President's Message



### Ski trips have begun...

At this time many of our members are skiing at Solitude and Brighton in Utah and will be returning by the 6<sup>th</sup>. Current weather and snow conditions seem good. Our next Ski trip begins on the 21<sup>st</sup> to Winter Park in Colorado. Hopefully, it too will proceed without any hitches.

We expect to be launching our first Adventure trip by July 12<sup>th</sup> to Lisbon, Portugal for the Douro River cruise. Let's keep our fingers crossed for all to proceed as planned.

Given everything that is happening with regards to COVID, it is anyone's guess as to what will actually unfold for this year's trip schedules. We can only hope that we all can get our shots and that mutations are minimized and addressed successfully. Having said that, you can be assured that we are watching closely the changing environment and acting quickly to update membership as to rescheduling options (if needed) and status of refunds (again, if needed).

By now you have probably noticed the Ski Survey in your in box. We are busy planning for 2022 and need your input by February 1<sup>st</sup>. If you don't ski, but are interested in joining our skiers at the many beautiful venues, know that you will be entirely welcome. Please note, however, if you fill out the survey a note in remarks that you will likely not be skiing would be appreciated. The Adventure Survey will be sent out in early summer for 2022 trips and it is likely that we will be restricting destinations to domestic locations, possibly including Canada.

Stay healthy and sane and feel free to contact any of your Board with any questions.

**Don Hanley,**  
**President**

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

# NEWS



## **186 COATS DELIVERED! TO ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL CHILDREN**

Thank you to all of the RSAC members that participated in this very important fundraiser.

Your donation of a brand new winter coat is making many Roanoke children very happy!

**OPERATION<sup>®</sup>**  
**warm**  
more than a coat<sup>®</sup>

# UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY, 2021

NO Membership Meeting

## Happy Hour

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At this time no Happy Hour events, social activities, or activities such as hikes are scheduled for the months of January, February or March unless conditions change dramatically. Should the Governor reduce restrictions we will re-evaluate our activities.

We still encourage our membership to use good judgement when joining with other Club members by using proper masking and distancing for the protection of all.

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

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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

## TRIPS IN A COVID ENVIRONMENT

We are still optimistic that our newly planned (2021) and rebooked trips will go as scheduled. We are, however, monitoring the progress of getting the COVID pandemic under control, especially vaccine availability. With respect to international trips, there are additional issues not only of access into the country visited but also requirements for reentry into the US. We will need to feel confident that these issues are resolved.

As you know we built flexible cancellation provisions into our 2021 trip contracts. As a result, this week we cancelled the Yellowstone/Grand Teton trip in accordance with the cancellation provision in that contract. We are hopeful that it may be rescheduled at a future date.

Our first ski trip to Solitude is underway now. While there are some COVID restrictions at our ski resorts, our members will be able to enjoy a week of great powder doing what they joined our club to do. Let's all wish them safe travel

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](mailto:sworman@gmail.com)

### **Winter Park, Colorado**

February 21-28, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

[marlakemsey1@gmail.com](mailto:marlakemsey1@gmail.com)

### **Copper Mountain, Colorado**

February 28-March 5, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

[marlakemsey1@gmail.com](mailto:marlakemsey1@gmail.com)

### **Double trip**

February 21-March 5, 2021

Trip Leader: Marla Kemsey

[marlakemsey1@gmail.com](mailto:marlakemsey1@gmail.com)

## ADVENTURE TRIPS

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

~~June 19-26, 2021~~

~~Trip Leader: Jim Leese~~

~~[hlcc@rijim@gmail.com](mailto:hlcc@rijim@gmail.com)~~

**CANCELLED**

### **Lisbon and Portugal River Cruise (Group 1)**

July 12-23, 2021

Trip Leader: Bob Strickland

[bobtwo02@gmail.com](mailto:bobtwo02@gmail.com)

### **Canadian Rockies by Rail and Luxury Coach (new)**

August 5-12, 2021

Trip Leader: Dave Harrison

[dgh@cox.net](mailto:dgh@cox.net)

### **Switzerland by Rail and Lake Como, Italy**

September 5-15, 2021

Trip Leader: Bill Fleshman

[Bill.fleshman1@gmail.com](mailto:Bill.fleshman1@gmail.com)

### **Lisbon and Portugal River Cruise (Group 2)**

October 31-November 11, 2021

Trip Leader: Dudley Parks

[sdparks4@msn.com](mailto:sdparks4@msn.com)

### **New Zealand and Sydney Adventure**

November 7-19, 2021

Trip Leader: Dave Cohan

[dcohan@associatedasphalt.com](mailto:dcohan@associatedasphalt.com)

# SKI TRIPS, 2021

## Traveling Under COVID Guidelines

With respect to travel in the near term, our guidance regarding COVID will follow direction and advice from the CDC. In addition, RSAC policy on “Mobility and Fitness to Travel” (contained in the trips brochure) provides some additional guidance that may be helpful to you. Most importantly, **it is ultimately the responsibility of each member to adhere to these guidelines at all times**. The Trip Leader is available to help facilitate implementation of the guidelines during the trip if COVID is suspected or confirmed.

We understand that COVID guidelines change. The Trip Leader will communicate with your resort point of contact or the Trip Provider (agent or agency) prior to departure to get current site-specific guidance regarding the COVID rules in place at the time of departure. Based on current guidance we offer the following advice that applies to both domestic and international destinations:

For domestic ski and Adventure trips we will attempt to identify testing locations near the resort that will be helpful to members if anyone exhibits symptoms and needs to be tested.

If a participant is showing symptoms and is in a condo/room with others, that person should get tested and self-quarantine until the test results are received, and that person and the roommate(s) should always wear a face covering while not in their room, to minimize the risk to others. We recommend that the roommate(s) be tested as well. Face masks are recommended when you are traveling with the group or are in a group setting.

If a participant tests positive while on the trip, the participant and others with whom the participant has been in close contact should not participate in group activities, and should self-quarantine for the appropriate time period per CDC guidelines. If necessary, the trip leader will work with the participant and tour operator to change the participant's flight and post-trip accommodations to a date when it is safe for the participant to return home.

It is always important to purchase trip insurance. But it is even more important now to purchase a policy that will cover you in the event you test positive and require medical treatment, or if you are required to quarantine.

With respect to contact tracing, the Trip Leader will disclose to others in the group that the person is showing symptoms. Then, the other group members can think about whether they may have had a close conversation or dinner with that person, or sat near that person on the bus or plane, etc. and should get tested themselves.

Hopefully we will be in a much better situation as we begin our travels and we will look to rebook if the situation deteriorates to an unsafe status. I hope it makes you more comfortable that we and you are taking appropriate measures to stay safe and have plans if we get in a situation needing a measured response.

## SOLITUDE, BRIGHTON, UT

January 30 - February 6,  
2021



**\$2,399** per person dbl. occ  
**\$2,020** per person dbl. occ, with  
IKON Pass



Trip Leader: Steve Worman  
[sworman@gmail.com](mailto:sworman@gmail.com)

**Trip closed – 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:marlakemsey1@gmail.com)

**Sold Out – Wait List – Contact Trip Leader!**



# ADVENTURE TRIPS, 2021



## 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



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/3ewNO4V>  
 Leader [dgh@cox.net](mailto:dgh@cox.net)

### 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



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.

# ALPS/LAKES of SWITZERLAND & ITALY

September 5-15, 2021

\$3,992 per person dbl. occ

Trip Leader: Bill Fleshman  
[bill.fleshman1@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:bobtwo02@gmail.com)

Dudley Parks (Gp.2) [sdparks4@msn.com](mailto:sdparks4@msn.com)

**Group 1 – Spaces available. – Contact Trip Leader!**



# 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](mailto:dcohan@associatedasphalt.com)

**Sold Out – Wait List – 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](http://www.frontlineeurosports.com)

### Winter Sports Service Rates

<b>SKIS</b>		<b>SNOWBOARDS</b>	
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 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

# MEMBERSHIP:

## NEW MEMBERS

MIKE HARPER  
KAY TURNER

### 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.

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### 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](mailto:billh1970@yahoo.com) or

Clive Hillyard at [cahillyard@outlook.com](mailto: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!

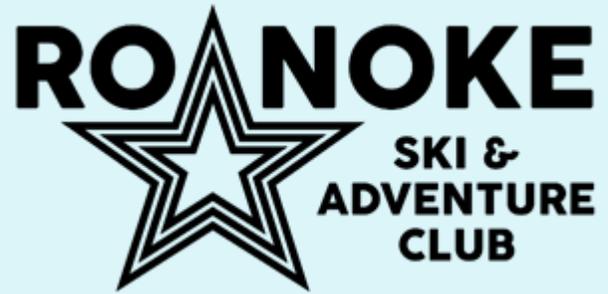
[Click the logo on the left for a direct link!](#)

Have you checked it out yet?!?



# 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](http://www.roanokeskiclub.org)**

**[Click here](#)** to follow us on Facebook!

**Contact us at [info@roanokeskiclub.org](mailto:info@roanokeskiclub.org)**

## **Roanoke Ski & Adventure Club Board Members:**

<b><u>OFFICE</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>
President	Don Hanley
Vice President	Linda Harrison
Treasurer	Steve Worman
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Marketing Director	<i>open</i>
Membership Director	Rita Purut
Activities Director	<i>open</i>
Program Director	Carol Via
Trip Director	Bill Fleshman
Webmaster	Bill Hamill
Newsletter	Clive Hillyard
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