

The EDGE



HUDSON VALLEY
SKI CLUB

NEWSLETTER OF THE

2021-2022 Ski Season Sees Record Crowds

The following is from a really terrific podcast/newsletter called 'The Storm' which I highly recommend to anyone interested in following the ski industry. Stuart Winchester writes an insightful yet irreverent take on skiing, interviewing owners of the big resorts as well as the mom and pops. Go to Substack to sign up – there's a free version and a paid one with extra benefits and no ads.

~ Alan

"Yesterday, the NSAA confirmed that we had, indeed, been in the midst of record crowds: U.S. ski areas hit an all-time high 61 million skier visits for the 2021-22 ski season (which is technically ongoing, but with negligible daily visits). That's a 3.5 percent increase over 2020-21, and a .75 percent increase over the record 2010-11 season. The new all-time high hit in spite of a mediocre snow year, with an average of 145 inches nationally – 21 inches below the 166-inch 10-year average. The West



region (as defined by the NSAA), hit a record 25.2 million skier visits. Visits also increased year-over-year in the Midwest, Northeast, and Southwest, but decreased in the Southeast and Pacific Northwest.

"This record visitation signals that the U.S. ski industry

is healthy, and that the demand for outdoor recreation remains strong," read the NSAA's press release announcing the record. "There were signs of this during the 2020-21 season as the realities of the Covid-19 pandemic



led more people to seek outdoor activities. Strong skier numbers bode well for the long-term health of the sport, especially since participant numbers have been relatively flat over the past decade."

The NSAA report underscored the crucial role of season passes to driving increased visitation, noting that passholders accounted for 51.9 percent of skier visits, and that "ski areas of all sizes, from small to large, in all regions of the country saw an increase in number of season passes sold."

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Club Information

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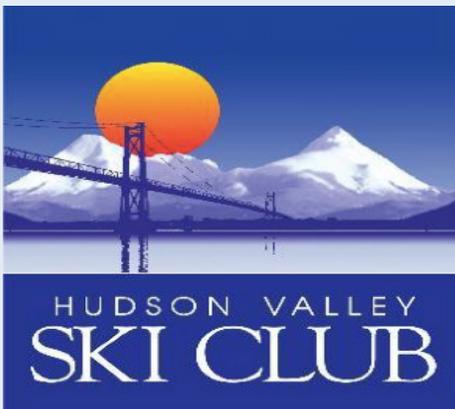
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Events:	Vacant
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Contact information is available in the
Online Membership Directory
on the club website.

www.hudsonvalleyskiclub.org

Or queries may be sent to
info@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org



President's Message



Gone Fishin'... Be Back Soon!

Summer Meetings

The June meeting will be during the Membership
Appreciation Picnic on Sun June 5, 2PM - 5PM.
There is no meeting on Wed, June 1.

During the months of July and August the
Hudson Valley Ski Club will meet once a month
on the first Wednesday of the month.

Newsletter Content Submission Deadline

The next newsletter deadline for the July Edge is
June 20. Please send all content, stories & photos
to Alan Imhoff @ alanimhoff@gmail.com

Social Media Submissions

The HVSC social media coordinator is Melanie Michon.
If you have events or announcements you would like
posted on the Club's Facebook or Instagram pages,
please contact Melanie @ melaniemichon@yahoo.com

Picnic Time!



The Hudson Valley Ski Club MEMBER APPRECIATION PICNIC

Sunday June 5th, 2-5PM

American Legion Hall, 55 Overlook Rd, Poughkeepsie

**Hamburgers • Hot Dogs • Sausage & Peppers •
Salads • Non-Alcoholic Drinks • Games • Cash Bar**

Club Members Free, Guest \$5

Please RSVP by June 1 so we can get a head count.

We also need volunteers to help with planning, errands, setup and cooking for this event.

Contact Patrick Cummins @ 845 519-7585 or pecummins22@gmail.com



**Connect
on Facebook**

Check the [HVSC Facebook page](#) to connect with members on current club events and happenings.

Be sure to check our spring/summer activity schedule on the HVSC Website and also the HVSC Facebook page to connect with members for current club events and happenings.

Planning an outing? Want to hike, bike, or hit the road for a day but need a buddy? Post the details on our Facebook page and find other club members to join you.

Don't go it alone, that's why you joined a club! Post on our Facebook page and invite your HVSC friends.



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Join Us For These Upcoming Events

Hello Ski Lovers! I'd like to introduce myself as one of your new Board of Directors for this wonderful Ski Club. My name is Jay Brenner, and this is my 2ND year being a member of your club. I moved to Garrison from Huntington Long Island last year. Now that I am more familiar with the Hudson Valley, I would like to let you know about some of the activities we are undertaking (since there won't be any snow for the next 7 months).

1. Hudson Valley Renegades Baseball Night Dutchess Stadium, June 10th

We had a group of 24 people last year and it was a blast. This year it will be even better, at a price of \$38.⁰⁰ per seat. The cost includes a picnic area inside the ball park, two hours of all you can eat: hotdogs, hamburgers, side dishes, dessert, water and soft drinks. It also includes a seat for the game. But wait, there is more!! There will be a fireworks display as well!



There will also be a cash bar for those who want adult drinks. And yes, I will bring the Cracker Jacks again!! The game starts at 7PM and we get to start our picnic at 5PM.

Please email me at Jay@brennerphoto.com ASAP.

2. Sharon Playhouse "Guys and Dolls" - August 11TH

After a 2-year Covid break we are bringing back the wonderful Sharon Playhouse with an entertaining performance of "Guys and Dolls" on Thursday evening August 11TH. The performance starts at 8:00PM. I am not sure about a picnic BYO beforehand. I am looking for volunteers to help organize this so we can have a great afternoon into the evening. The price for the show is \$20.⁰⁰ for great seats. We have reserved 20 seats, so please email me ASAP if you are interested in this.



Please email me at Jay@brennerphoto.com.

3. Ride the Rails-Catskill - June 23RD at 1:30PM

Let's try something completely different!

"Ride the Rails" is an outdoor, fun experience riding with foot power and electric assist on an historic part of the Catskill railroad system. It is about a two-hour experience where



you ride in a custom four-person wagon on the actual rail. We can bring snacks and adult beverages and make a great day of the outing. The ride starts in Phoenicia, travels for an hour, then they turn the carts around while we snack and head home.

Please watch the video at the link below to see more about it.

[Ride The Rails Catskill](#)

The cost of this event is \$45.⁰⁰ per person, and we can accommodate up to 45 people with a guarantee of 10.

4. Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival: "Mr. Burns: A Post-Electric Play" - July 21ST

Yes, the pandemic is over and the wonderful HVSF has moved their tent to Garrison and across from my driveway! I have picked something other than Romeo and Juliet since we all know how that ends.

The picnic can start as early as 5:30PM with the most spectacular views of the Hudson. The show starts at 7:30 PM with an intermission included.

The description of the play:

"In a not-so-distant future where the grid has failed, society has crumbled, and memories can no longer be stored on hard drives, a group of survivors come together to recreate their vanished world through the life-affirming act of telling stories under the stars. A love letter to live theater, and a hymn of survival and resilience (sung by America's unlikeliest hero, Bart Simpson!), Mr. Burns is an exhilarating exploration of how the pop culture of one era might evolve into the mythology of another."

Sounds great!!!

We have reserved (20) center seats for a wonderful price of \$65.⁰⁰ per seat.

I will organize and help with the picnic for all that are not familiar with this event. It is always a most wonderful evening with friends, libations, food and culture!

RSVP by July 10TH to Jay@Brennerphoto.com

Well, that's it for now and I have put my skis away for the season. 😞

I look forward to seeing you all this summer!



CATSKILLS

GREAT OUTDOOR EXPO

JUNE 11, 2022

hiking
paddling
foraging
camping
gardening

biking
fishing
climbing
birding
dude-ranching

Join HVSC at the Catskills Visitor Center on Saturday, June 11, 10AM to 3PM for The Catskill Great Outdoor Expo.

The Catskills Great Outdoor Expo features the best the Catskills have to offer in year-round activities, including hiking, paddling, bicycling, skiing, snowboarding, and all outdoor recreation. This one-day Expo will be filled with dozens of exhibitors from the outdoor tourism industry and nonprofits in the Catskills. There will be activities for all ages, food, presentations, raffle prizes, and the Catskills Great Outdoor Gear Sale.

HVSC will sponsor a table at the Expo to get the word out about our club. Come and help out at the table or just come browse the event. Check out [Catskill Expo](#) for more information.

If you are interested in helping out at our table, contact Pat Marsh, 914-388-2191 or h2oopr2@gmail.com

HVSC's **Iceland** Adventure, October 8-14, 2022

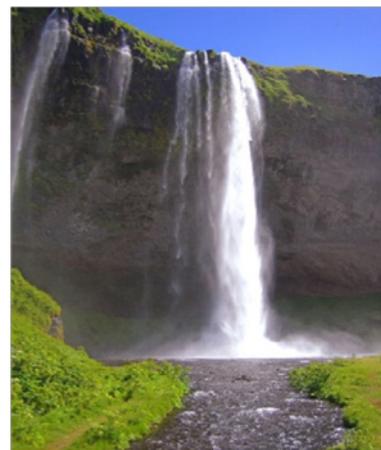
Explore Iceland's natural wonders, including hot springs, glaciers, waterfalls, and the opportunity to see the Northern Lights.

The trip includes transportation to/from Newark Airport, roundtrip flights, hotel, guided sightseeing, and breakfast & dinner.

Sign up online:

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1065927>

Contact: Nonie Kelley (914) 443-9163 nkelley902@gmail.com



*Save
The Date*

Summer Garden Party

at the home of

Frank Van Zanten

Tentative Date: Saturday, August 6



West Point Football

Army Black Knights

vs.

Villanova Wildcats



Saturday, September 17
Michie Stadium, West Point

Come join your fellow HVSC members and guests for pre-game tailgating at Buffalo Soldier Field, West Point. Then walk or take a shuttle to Michie Stadium.

Carpooling only – every 4 tickets purchased receives a car pass.

Meet at McDonald's parking lot at I-84 and Rt 9.

Tickets are \$55 each.

Contact Betty Mostachetti at 845 264-1012 or bmostachetti@gmail.com for details.

January 28 – February 4, 2023



Steamboat is known for capturing the best snow in Colorado on its 3,668’ vertical, 165 runs, 2,965 acres that delight experts and intermediates.

We fly into nearby Hayden airport.

Steamboat Springs is an authentic Western town with a variety of restaurants & shops and nearby hot springs. Our double occupancy rooms are in the Holiday Inn, with frequent free buses to the slopes and to town.



Lift Ticket Options included in tour package	Package Price	Deposit (June '22)	+ 7 Monthly payments (July '22 – January '23)
#1) 5-day Lift tickets	\$2032	\$254	\$254 ea.
#2) 6-day Lift tickets	\$2136	\$267	\$267 ea.
#3) without Lift tickets	\$1552	\$194	\$194 ea.

Prices are double occupancy; single supplement add \$840.

Group lift ticket prices are the same for Adult and Senior.

IKON Base Plus Pass or full IKON Pass allows skiing at both Steamboat and Snowmass/Aspen. Contact Jim Gahn (914-213-7250) if interested in an IKON Pass instead of Group ticket options above.

Trip Leader: TBD

Send Checks (payable to “**HVSC Trips**”) to:
Jim Gahn 44 Far Horizons Dr. Newburgh, NY 12550-1045
treasurer@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org 914-213-7250

For more information, and Trip Registration forms, see Ski Trip section of our website hudsonvalleyskiclub.org/ski-trips-2022-2023/
Trip limited to 30; HVSC members have registration priority through June 30.



Ski Trip Registration

Trip: **Steamboat, CO**

Dates: **Jan 28 - Feb 4, 2023**

For airline transportation the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requires that the name on the airline ticket **exactly** matches the name on the government approved form of identification you will be using on the trip.

First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ Membership # _____

AA Frequent Flyer # _____ TSA Known Traveler # _____ Redress 3 _____

____ Tour Package w/ 5-day Lift ticket (**\$2,032.00**) ____ Tour Package w/ 6-day Lift Ticket (**\$2,136.00**)

____ Tour Package only (**\$1,552.00**) [Non Skier/ IKON Pass holder] ____ Single Supplement (add **\$840.00**)

____ If no Airplane seat is needed (deduct \$357.00)

Address: Street 1: _____

Street 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred Roommate: _____

If you do not have a roommate are you willing to accept a mixed room? Yes ____ No ____

Are you willing to pay a single supplement? Yes ____ No ____

If you answer "No" to both you will be placed on the wait list until you are matched with a roommate.

- If you cancel, there will be a cancellation charge. Penalties are defined in the trip flyer. If there is a wait List penalties may be waived.
- Make checks payable to HVSC TRIPS and note the destination on the memo line. No cash will be taken for payment.
- Please make additional payments on or before the due date. Failure to make payments on time will result in you being placed on the wait list.
- All requests for alterations to your trip arrangements are to be made to the trip leader. Under no circumstances are you to make changes through the tour operator, hotel, airlines, etc.
- The Hudson Valley Ski Club Board of Directors expects you to conduct yourself in a way that will contribute to the excellent reputation our club enjoys.

I understand that trip participants are welcome to plan their own group activities but only activities organized by the trip leader will be paid for by HVSC.

SIGNATURE (1) _____ DATE _____

Non-members must complete a Liability & Waiver form

March 4 -11, 2023

ASPEN SNOWMASS



Snowmass, is an intermediate skier's delight, with 91 runs on 3132 acres, and a 4,030' vertical.

On the same lift pass, Aspen Mtn, Aspen Highlands, & Buttermilk, offer a variety of trails to challenge all skiers.

HVSC is staying at the lovely Stonebridge Inn, just 600' from Snowmass slopes.

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Lift Ticket Options included in tour package	Package Price	Deposit (June '22)	+ 7 Monthly payments (July '22 – January '23)
#1) 5-day Adult Lift tickets	\$2632	\$329	\$329 ea.
#2) 5-day 65+ Senior Lift tickets	\$2600	\$325	\$325 ea.
#3) 6-day Adult Lift tickets	\$2736	\$342	\$342 ea.
#4) 6-day 65+ Senior Lift tickets	\$2680	\$335	\$335 ea.
#5) without Lift tickets	\$2192	\$274	\$274 ea.

Prices are double occupancy; single supplement add \$1144.

IKON Base Plus Pass or full IKON Pass allows skiing at both Steamboat and Snowmass/Aspen. Contact Jim Gahn (914-213-7250) if interested in an IKON Pass instead of Group ticket options above.

Trip Leader: Keith Faucher

Send Checks (payable to "**HVSC Trips**") to:
K Faucher 11 Prince Rd. Hyde Park, NY 12538-1812

krfauch@optonline.net 845-282-0387

For more information, and [Trip Registration forms](#), see Ski Trip section of our website HUDSONVALLEYSKI CLUB.ORG/ski-trips-2022-2023/ Trip limited to 24; HVSC members have registration priority through June 30.



Ski Trip Registration

Trip: **Aspen/Snowmass, CO**Dates: **Mar 4 - Mar 11, 2023**

For airline transportation the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requires that the name on the airline ticket **exactly** matches the name on the government approved form of identification you will be using on the trip.

First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ Membership # _____

AA Frequent Flyer # _____ TSA Known Traveler # _____ Redress 3 _____

____ Tour Package w/ 5-day Adult lift (**\$2,632.00**) ____ Tour Package w/ 5-day Sr 65+ lift (**\$2,600.00**)____ Tour Package w/ 6-day Adult lift (**\$2,736.00**) ____ Tour Package w/ 6-day Sr 65+ lift (**\$2,680.00**)____ Non Skier/ IKON Pass holder (**\$2,192.00**) ____ Single Supplement (add **\$1,144.00**) ____ No Air seat (**-\$637.00**)

Address: Street 1: _____

Street 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred Roommate: _____

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Are you willing to pay a single supplement? Yes ___ No ___

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SIGNATURE (1) _____ DATE _____

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Trailsweepers Summer Kayak Schedule

Trips are usually a go if it is sunny, cloudy, or a little bit of rain. They are canceled if weather is not conducive to paddling. Make sure you have the proper equipment to paddle. Life jacket a must.

We would like to shove off at the times shown for each trip so plan on being at each event 30 minutes before the scheduled departure time so you have time to unpack and get ready to rumble!

For more information or if you have any questions, contact:

Yvonne @ 845-481-2898 (H) or 845-417-7144 (C) or Kayak John @ 518-719-0490.

See you on the water! Paddle On!!

Date	time	Meeting place	Description
June 4 Sat	11 am	Chodikey Lake, New Paltz	Easy paddle on a lake
June 18 Sat.	10 am	Summer Bash Freer Park	Kayak on the Hudson before the picnic
July 16 Sat.	11 am	Ramshorn Preserve, Catskill	Go up the creek with a paddle!
Aug. 13 Sat	11 am	Rondout Creek, Sleightsburg	Going up a different creek in Kingston
Sept. 12 Mon.	11am	Tivoli Bay, Input at Tivoli	Go to town of Tivoli all the way to rr tracks for input
Oct. 15 Sat.	11 am	Dutchman's Landing, Catskill	Having fun on the Hudson. Go around Rogers Island



Photo by Pat Marsh on the HVSC Taconic Ridge hike led by Herb Eschbach, Thursday May 12.



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Friday Race Training

On Friday evenings, Club members meet at an area restaurant for a couple hours of friendly conversation. We welcome new members and old.

Any questions, comments or suggestions, contact:
Susan Kokosa @ 845-229-6786 or
race_training@hudsonvalleyskiclub.org

- June 3 Millbrook Vineyards
26 Wing Road Millbrook
- June 10 Millbrook Vineyards
26 Wing Road Millbrook
- June 17 Shadows On The Hudson
176 Rinaldi Blvd Poughkeepsie
- June 24 La Puerta Azul
2510 Rt 44 Salt Point

*All event dates are subject to change.
Please use the HVSC Website Events Calendar and Facebook page for up-to-date event and meeting information.*

Calendar of Events

June

- 4 Kayak Chodikee Lake, New Paltz, 11AM
- 5 Club Meeting/Membership Appreciation Picnic @ 2PM-5PM American Legion
55 Overlook Rd, Pkps
- 10 Renegades Baseball Night
Dutchess Stadium @ 5PM
- 18 Trailsweepers Kayak & Summer Bash
Freer Park @ 10AM
- 23 Ride the Rails Catskill
Phoenicia @ 1:30PM

July

- 6 Club Meeting @ 7PM
American Legion
55 Overlook Rd, Pkps
- 16 Kayak Ramshorn Preserve,
Catskill, 11AM
- 21 Hudson Valley
Shakespeare Festival:
"Mr. Burns:
A Post-Electric Play"



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