

# The Avalanche

**NOVEMBER 2017**

Photo from Park City Resort, by Tom Burt

## From the Summit



Greetings and Happy Holidays to you! Yes, it's that time of year again – leaves are falling, the frost is on the pumpkin, and we're inching closer to that wonderful time when the ski lifts start spinning! As we head into the season of giving thanks I'd like to thank you for the privilege of serving the club as President over the last three years. It has been an honor. The club is in good hands with a strong board of directors (thank you board members, I appreciate your work and concern for the welfare of the club) and a growing membership. I'd like to thank the entertainment committee for putting together dinners and raffles and making the monthly meetings a fun place to be. I'd also like to thank the trip leaders who really make this club go...literally. We need more people to step up, make viable trip suggestions, and connect us with great travel destinations!

Inside this newsletter you'll find a revised schedule for this winter. As those of you who attended our October meeting know, we have had to abandon our planned day trip schedule as the cost of transportation, combined with the low numbers of participants, added up to a losing proposition. We have substituted, instead, a couple of drive-yourself overnight trips. These are two-days of skiing and one night's lodging trips. The first, in early January, will go to Sugarbush in Vermont. The second will go to Attitash/Wildcat in New Hampshire in early April. The pricing is attractive, the drives are reasonable, the lodging is first class and we hope the club will support the concept. If all you did this year was sign up for Club trips, you'd have the chance to get in 22 days of skiing! That's pretty good considering how far from the mountains we are!

We ask for your patience as we branch out in different directions, trying to find the best fit for our group. While it might be unsettling to see changes, I'm certain we'll find the best path forward—we always do. It's important to note that many ski clubs, not just ours, are going through similar experiments, and it's great to see new travel and entertainment options being developed. If there's a trip, event, or activity that you think would be a good fit for our club, by all means, suggest it, plan it, and let's make it happen! Don't be afraid to think outside the box.

I hope to see you all at the annual Christmas Party/Yankee Swap on December 7 and also hope to see a strong turnout of Club members for the Falmouth Christmas Parade – we were prize winners last year! Again, many thanks for the opportunity to serve the Club.



See you on the slopes,  
**Scott Northrop**, outgoing President



# 2018 Trip Schedule

Date	Location	Trip Leader	Price	Time
January 10–11	Sugarbush, VT 	Len Hills	\$199	DY
January 21–26	Sugarloaf, ME	Bud Shaw	\$440	DY
February 7–9	Mt. Wash./Bretton Woods	Scott Northrop	\$299	DY
March 3–10	Breckenridge, CO	Bud Shaw	\$1785	FLY
March 18–21	Killington, VT	Michael Finegold	\$280	DY
April 4–5	Attitash & Wildcat, NH 	Scott Northrop	\$215	DY
April 29–May 6	Croatia Bike & Boat	Michael Finegold	\$1799+	FLY
July 7–14 	Bruges–Amsterdam Bike & Boat	Michael Finegold	\$1449	FLY

## Mt. Washington Hotel Bretton Woods

A grand masterpiece of Spanish Renaissance architecture, the resort was a two-year labor of love for 250 master craftsmen. Conceived by industrialist Joseph Stickney, this National Historic Landmark opened in 1902 and has been attracting generations of families ever since.

Enjoy skiing and snowboarding season at New Hampshire's largest ski area, Bretton Woods, which boasts 464 acres of pristine skiing and snowboarding fun. Designed with numerous trails and glades and three terrain parks, we've recently been voted "Best Ski Resort in the East for Snow, Grooming, Service & Weather" by Ski magazine. Visit Bretton Woods for an unforgettable experience for both beginning and advanced ski enthusiasts.

### February 7–9, 2018

- 2 nights lodging
- 2 days skiing
- \$299 ppdo
- \$249—lodging only
- \$20—additional ski day



**Next Meeting: Thursday, December 7**



# BIKE & BOAT

*April 29—May 6, 2018*

**\$1799—\$1949**  
*(not including airfare)*

Currently  
Sold Out!

This is our first time to Croatia and our 5th bike and boat trip. Come with us and see Dubrovnik and the surrounding islands on the beautiful Adriatic Sea. All cabins are ensuite, air-conditioned and equipped with a hairdryer and mirror. You will look marvelous dahling! E-Bike included, just to make things easier!

**Trip Leader:**

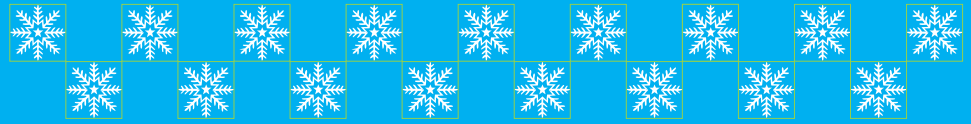
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Call me about  
a possible 2nd  
trip!

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# KILLINGTON OVERNIGHT

MARCH 18–21, 2018

3 nights at the [Killington Mountain Lodge](#). 3 out of 4 day lift ticket. Breakfast is included. Drive yourself! Amenities: 20 person hot tub, heated ski lockers, free shuttle to mountain (5 mins), fitness center, free WiFi, free parking, Pub on site with bar menu. Walking distance to Moguls Sports Pub, The Wobbly Barn, The Look-out, Baja Burrito, and many more... Extended stay may be possible. Come and ski the biggest, baddest mountain in the East! Terrain for all abilities.

Price PPDO = \$280 Including tax

Price PPDO = \$155 for Room Only option

Trip leader: Michael Finegold 774-392-2567

**NEW TRIPS**



## JANUARY 10—11 - SUGARBUSH, VT

- 1-night lodging, 2-day lift
- Trip Leader: Len Hills
- \$199 ppdo/ppto



## APRIL 4—5 - ATTITASH/WILDCAT, NH

- 1-night lodging, 2-day lift
- Trip Leader: Scott Northrop
- \$215 ppdo





# BRECKENRIDGE

Breckenridge boasts one of the highest summit elevations in the U.S. at 12,998 ft. Its 34 lifts can carry an impressive 46,800 people per hour. Terrain is expansive and varied, featuring 2900 skiable acres across five huge peaks. 600 of those acres are groomed daily. Skiers and riders of all abilities will find something appealing here.

Summit county itself is home to numerous other ski resorts within driving or shuttle distance.



## March 3—10, 2018

### Includes:

- Round-trip airfare
- 7 nights @ Mountain Thunder Town Homes
- 5-day lift ticket valid at Breck, Vail, Beaver Creek, Keystone
- Optional extra day at Arapaho Basin
- \$15 lunch voucher for each ski day

### Trip Leader:

Bud Shaw

[budco1@comcast.net](mailto:budco1@comcast.net)

508-477-3717





# SUGARLOAF®

**JANUARY 21 - 26, 2018**

**\$440 PER PERSON**

*(DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)*

Since the late 1980's, the Upper Cape Ski Club has been making an annual winter pilgrimage to **SUGARLOAF**, in Maine's Carra-bassett Valley. Not many ski trips can boast that level of popularity.

**Price and Deposit dates:**

\$190 single supplement  
\$340 lodging only  
\$220 deposit by Oct 15, 2017  
\$220 (or balance) by Nov. 30, 2017

**The "Drive Yourself" package includes:**

- Condo lodging on the mountain
- Daily access to Sugarloaf Fitness center
- Daily Perfect Turn Clinic
- 5 1/2 Day Lift Ticket
- Monday Night Welcome Party

*Your membership must be up to date to attend this event. Cancellation charges are date dependent. The club will make every effort to match singles, but the final responsibility is yours.*

**Trip Leader:**

Bud Shaw  
budco1@comcast.net  
(508) 477 3717

# Election Results!

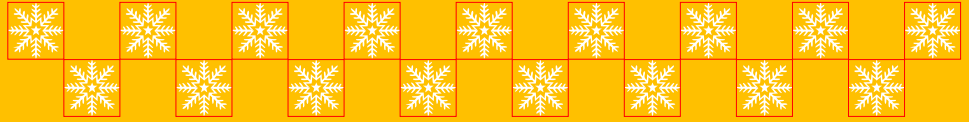
**Congratulations** to our newly elected slate of officers! Winning this year's election (by a landslide!) were the following candidates:

President: Rick Howe  
Vice President: Scott Northrop  
Secretary: Dave Beauvais  
Treasurer-for-life: Len Hills

Thanks for accepting these positions!

## ~ Deposit/Refund policy ~

Deposits help ensure that a space is reserved for our members. These deposits apply to bus trips, weekend trips, week-long trips and more. Late cancellations are not entitled to a refund, nor is the club responsible for finding a replacement for you. You must find your own replacement, although we will endeavor to help you whenever possible. Deposits are further subject to the conditions imposed upon us by our suppliers, agents or other providers. We make every effort to refund as much money as possible but cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Inquire of your trip leader for specific information regarding your particular trip. The club recommends that you consider trip insurance whenever possible.



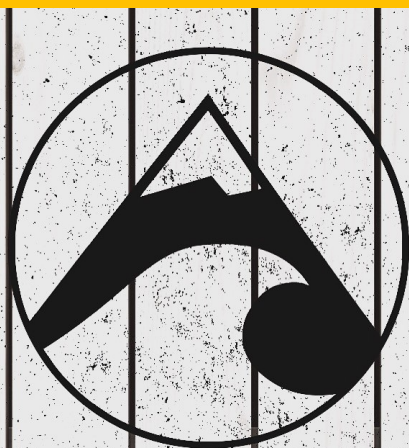
**NEW  
TRIP!**

# Bruges to Amsterdam

## July 7 to 14

Join us for a trip to historic Bruges and beautiful Amsterdam. We will bicycle and boat our way through a most interesting part of Europe. Our boat, the Zwaantje, has 12 cabins of which we have reserved 7. Join us on an adventure that includes great food, super boating, fabulous company and tremendous sights as we bicycle through the Dutch and Friesian countryside. Airfare not included.

Note there are no single cabins available—you must have or accept a cabin mate. Trip Leader is: Michael Finegold - 774-392-2567 or [mfskier@comcast.net](mailto:mfskier@comcast.net).



**SPORTWORKS**

## **Ski Tuning!**

A deal you simply can't refuse!

Sportworks, Ltd has once again offered \$15 tune-ups for interested members. Drop your skis off at The Courtyard on Wednesday, 11/15 between 7:00 and 8:30pm. Please put your name/email/phone on tape on your skis. They can be picked up at the December meeting.



# YANKEE SWAP!

**DECEMBER 7**

**7:00P @ THE COURTYARD**

TO PARTICIPATE, BRING A WRAPPED GIFT VALUED AT \$10 TO \$20 AND TAKE HOME AN EQUALLY GREAT GIFT! NO BRINGING YOUR LEFTOVER CRAP! IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING YOUR FELLOW MEMBER WOULD APPRECIATE AND ENJOY. IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE SKI RELATED.



## **- Mark Your Calendar -**

**Sunday, December 3**

Marchers wanted for the annual  
Falmouth Christmas Parade!

Details TBA.



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## Who we are...

The Upper Cape Ski & Sports Club is a group of outdoor enthusiasts that love to enjoy a variety of activities with friends. We're a casual and social group, never particularly serious about anything. Skiing and Snowboarding is our primary interest, although we do throw in other activities such as biking, kayaking, traveling, bowling, and more. Our goal is to provide fun and affordable activities that folks of all ages and abilities can enjoy. Families are always welcome, as are non-members.

<http://www.uppercapeclub.com>