# 50+Ski Club

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## Ski Club Meeting May 15- Chili's

In lieu of our next meeting on Thursday, May 15, we will gather once again for Happy Hour at Chili's in Farmingdale, 901 Broadhollow Road, at 5:00 PM. If you plan on attending, please email Gary at <a href="mailto:gss12@optonline.net">gss12@optonline.net</a> and let him know how many people you'll be coming with.

#### Recap of our Midweek Skiing 2024-25

We enjoyed several good days this winter skiing at our local New York areas. While the season was shorter than previous ones because of the early spring warmth, the conditions were good as long as they lasted. We're looking forward to keeping in shape through biking and other activities and next year returning to Hunter, Belleayre, and Catamount.

Recap of our 2024-25 Ski Trip Season

The club enjoyed a good ski season as we took several day and multi-day ski trips to the Catskills area, Vermont and New Hampshire. We started out with some very cold and windy days in January at Okemo and Mt. Snow, but temperatures moderated for the Bretton Wood/Attitash and Stowe trips. Overall, snow conditions were generally good on most of our trips. While mother nature was often a little stingy with natural snow, the cold temperatures allowed the resorts to make snow and build up good bases; hence, we were still skiing late into March.







Common Man - Lincoln, NH

Mt. Snow

**Bretton Woods** 

### Mid-Week Biking with Neal Pisanti

We are gearing up for the 2025 bicycling season. We meet mid-week for trips that usually range from 10 to 30 miles. Most rides are announced by e-mail on Sunday night. Neal will only be able to organize rides for Thursdays and Fridays this year until the end of the school year. Other volunteers are needed to organize rides on other days. Sometimes we meet afterwards for lunch, or perhaps for a glass of wine at a winery. Come ride with us. No one will be left behind. E-mail Neal at nealmichael@hotmail.com.

Helmets are required, and water or another hydration source is strongly recommended. Also, riders should carry a spare inner tube, and tools needed to change flat tires. It is important that riders follow safety protocols, such as signaling turns, calling out hazards, approaching cars, etc. Refer to the safety tips listed on the League of American Bicyclists (LAB) website <a href="https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart/ride-better-tips/">https://bikeleague.org/ridesmart/ride-better-tips/</a>.

#### Sunday River Ski Trip: March 1-6, 2026

Club members are invited on the ski trip to Sunday River next year, sponsored by the New Jersey Ski & Snowboard Council (NJSSC). We will be staying at the Grand Summit Hotel. The cost ranges from \$475 to \$750 pp (dbl occ) and does not include lift tickets or meals. Four-day lift tickets are: Adult- \$264: Adult, Senior- \$210. Non NJSSC members must pay an additional \$30 (or just pay a \$15 membership fee to join the Mid-Jersey Ski Club, an NJSSC member). The resort has 139 trails on 884 acres, with a 2,340' vertical drop. The 19 chair lifts include lifts with heated seats, a protective bubble, and a ride time of under 5 minutes. Sunday River is an IKON resort. See the attached flyer and reservation forms for more information. If you are interested and are looking for a roommate, contact Neal Pisanti nealmichael@hotmail.com. or Kathy Soviero katsovi@aol.com.



# Other Ski Trips in 2026

While it has not been finalized yet, we are considering the weeks of January 4-9, 2026, and February 8-13, 2026, for ski trips. The January 4-9 trip will probably be to Okemo, with the February 8-13 destination still to be determined. If conditions remain good, we may also attempt a trip to Stowe in mid-March. If you are interested in going on these trips, please contact either Neal or Kathy.

RED Mountain Resort - January 31 - February 7, 2026

The Metro New York Ski Council (MNYSC) is sponsoring a trip to the RED Mountain Resort in southeastern British Columbia. The mountain has nearly 3,000 ft of vertical drop, receives 300 inches of snowfall annually, and has 5 skiable peaks. Ikon Pass accessible. Prices and details are unavailable at this time, but are expected to be below \$3,000, including airfare and lodging. Lift tickets are not included. Reportedly, lift tickets are free for people 75 and older. Details will follow and be posted on our club website (www.50plusski.org), and the MNYSC website (www.metnyski.org) when available.

#### **Ikon Passes**

First-time IKON season pass buyers can get a discount through the Metro New York Ski Council. Contact Michael Calderone (<a href="mailto:skimikec@aol.com">skimikec@aol.com</a>) to get the discount code. Identify yourself as a member of the 50+ Ski club.

### **Belleayre Improvements**

Reconstruction on the upper Overlook Lodge began, which means the lodge is closed now. A reopening date has not been announced. The lower Discovery Lodge should be fully completed by the start of the 2025-26 season.

#### **NY Mets Game**

The Metro NY Ski Council will again host a group at a NY Mets game this season. The game is Saturday, September 13th @ 4:10 pm, they will be playing the Texas Rangers. We will be sitting in section 138. There are 25 tickets available for the game, but we can get more if we sell them quickly. Tickets are \$48 each. This is first come first served. Contact Mike Calderone at <a href="mailto:skimikec@aol.com">skimikec@aol.com</a> if you are interested.

#### **Chill Foundation**

The non-profit foundation is dedicated to introducing young people to board sports who would not otherwise have had the opportunity. Chill has served more than 30,000 young people across 22 locations in 9 countries. Your support is crucial in carrying Chill Foundation programs into the future and ensuring that more young people can experience the transformative power of board sports. Visit their website for more information. <a href="https://www.chill.org">https://www.chill.org</a> 2