

# VSSC NEWSLETTER

## VALLEY of the SUN Ski Club

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Issue 1

### Koni's Corner

Greetings VSSC Family!

I Hope you had a wonderful summer and are enjoying the fall. Are you getting excited about winter just being around the corner, and the two great trips we have planned!

Our first meeting is just a few weeks away so mark your calendars. November 7th will be here before you know it.

As a reminder, if you have not paid your dues or made your full payments for the trips, please do so. Our final payment to the vendors is coming up and your payment will secure your reservation. **THE CLUB NEEDS MORE SKIERS ON BOTH TRIPS.**

Koni Hohnbaum  
VSSC Communications Coordinator

### Trip Reports

**Telluride, CO: January 26<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

Traveling via MOTORCOACH.

Traveling via MOTORCOACH to our favorite hotel in Telluride. The Telluride Hotel is a boutique hotel with a lovely lobby filled with stuffed chairs and couches to gather near the fireplace. Rooms have a small refrigerator, microwave, and a coffee brewer. There is a small restaurant near the lobby serving breakfast 7am – 10 am, Après ski 4pm – 5pm, and dinner 5pm – 10pm. The hotel stores our skis in the lobby and has a shuttle to take you to the gondola, which goes to the slopes OR Lift 7 which is just a few blocks away. The hotel shuttle will take you to dinner downtown or you can walk to the corner and catch the **Galloping Goose**, which circles the town. There is also a grocery store, **Clarks Market**, just a block away.

**You are responsible for getting your (EPIC PASS) AND MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR THE DAYS YOU WANT TO SKI.**

### 2024-2025

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Meetings are held at The Foundation, Grand Canyon Room, 14465 RH Johnson Blvd.

**Our next meeting is Thursday, November 7th - Social Hour at 5:00, Dinner at 6:00. Prepaid dinner reservations are required – deadline is 9pm Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.** It's a BYOB event.

▪ Remember to bring non-perishable donations and toiletries for charities.

**Snowmass, CO: February 23<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Traveling via AIR.

**We will fly directly to Aspen on American Airlines. Depart Phoenix February 23rd 9:30 am on flight #6686 and arrive in Aspen at 11:29am.**

We will shuttle to The Stonebridge Hotel. The Stonebridge is a smaller hotel but has a bar with tables to gather for a beverage, lunch or dinner. The hotel is undergoing renovations so there will be a remodeled restaurant and bar. Rooms have a mini refrigerator and a Keurig coffee brewer. This destination is world renowned as a supreme environment for skiing on all levels. It is a quaint village with lots of restaurants and shops within walking distance of our hotel. Skiers have a short walk to the Snowmass slopes. There is a free shuttle for skiers to ski at the other three mountains (Buttermilk, Aspen Highlands, and Aspen). Don't forget to pack your swimsuit. There is a huge pool and spa area outdoors, and an inside workout room as well.

**The return flight #4882 depart from Aspen Friday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 12:02pm and arrive in Phoenix at 2:10pm.**

Sun Trac can purchase **LIFT TICKETS** for Aspen/Snowmass at a great group price, **BUT WE MUST have 20 skiers** to qualify for these low prices. Please let Mary Ann know if you want to purchase your lift ticket from Sun Trac ASAP! If you purchased your ticket from IKON, please give Mary Ann your ticket number so we can use it toward our required 20.

**CANCELLATION Policy:** Please read the cancellation policy in your Hold Harmless Agreement or online at <https://vsscskiclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/HHA.pdf> and put the cancellation dates on your calendar. It is important that you **call** or **email** Mary Ann Vangelisti if you need to cancel a trip. You will receive a full refund if cancellation is received more than 90 days before the departure date. We will start a waiting list for all trips as soon as they are full. Consider purchasing trip insurance.

**Trip Liaison**

Mary Ann Vangelisti  
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[suntracusa@cox.net](mailto:suntracusa@cox.net)

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**Dinner Reservation Recorder**

Linda Norton  
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**Welcome New Members**

Patti Alexander  
Randy Croffoot  
Mark Mullozzi  
Dominick Mullozzi

**Welcome Returning Members**

Todd and Cynthia Wyatt

**2024-2025**

**Meeting Schedule**

Thursday, November 7  
Thursday, December 5  
Thursday, January 2  
Thursday February 6  
Thursday, March 6  
April, TBD

*Please mark your calendar!*

**Eve's Place**

Eve's Place continues to accept donations at their Community Center. Please bring food and toiletries to the meetings. They no longer accept clothing. Thank you.

**2025 Trip Schedule**

Destination	Dates	Price	Deposit	Balance Due	No Refund After
Telluride, CO (Bus)	Jan. 26-31 (4 ski days)	\$1377.00	\$150	NOW	Oct. 28
Snowmass, CO (Air)	Feb. 23-28 (4 ski days)	\$1794.00 Land/Air	\$150	NOW	Nov. 25

*Trip costs are per person, double occupancy. Single rooms may be available at additional cost.  
Prices are subject to change due to unforeseen airline or other vendor surcharges.*

## Reminders

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**Be prepared!!** Stretching, yoga, tai chi. Anything to prevent injury and be ready for the ski season.



**Get those skis tuned up before the rush!**

## From the Treasurer

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Important things to remember when making payments:

- Trip Application forms must be sent along with a check for dues (\$20 per person) and trip deposit(s) if you are signing up at this time.
- The Application must be filled out COMPLETELY (both sides) and SIGNED.
- The Hold Harmless Agreement must be initialed on the front and signed on the back.
- **Note carefully the dates for Balance Due and No Refund After.** If you need to cancel a trip, please call the Trip Liaison prior to that date.
- Please write, "Balance for XX trip(s)" on the Note line of your check.
- **Make checks payable to Valley of the Sun Ski Club, or VSSC, and mail to:**

**VSSC  
P.O. Box 5186  
Sun City West, AZ 85376-5186**

**Note:** If you are paying dues only, please include the Dues/Trip Application with your check. Be sure to complete both sides and sign it, along with the Hold Harmless Agreement, initialed and signed.

## Trip Invoices

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Invoices WILL NOT BE MAILED.

**TELLURIDE:** If you paid the \$150.00 deposit, your balance is \$1,227.00. If you have not paid the deposit and wish to go to Telluride, your balance is \$1,377.00.

**YOUR FINAL PAYMENT FOR TELLURIDE IS DUE OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>.**

**SNOWMASS:** If you paid the \$150.00 deposit, your balance is \$1644.00. If you have not paid the deposit and wish to go to Snowmass, your balance will be \$1794.00.

**YOUR FINAL PAYMENT FOR SNOWMASS IS DUE NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>.**

**If you know anyone who wants to join us, please reach out to me for a trip application.**

**konihohnbaum@gmail.com.** Checks are payable to VSSC and are to be mailed to VSSC, PO Box 5186, Sun City West, AZ 85376-5186.

If you need the Dues/Trip Application or any other information, you can find it on our website at [VSSCskiclub.com](http://VSSCskiclub.com). A host of information is available under the Valley of the Sun Ski Club menu. Dates for meetings, ski trips, and due dates can also be found on the Calendar page.

## Dinner Reservations

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All dinners are required to be paid in advance. For the first dinner on November 7th, please mail your check and reservation form to:

VSSC c/o Linda Norton  
21014 N. 124<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Sun City West, AZ 85375

The cost is \$24.00 for members, \$25.00 for non-members. (\$20.00 for members and guests November meeting only). It is important to make your reservation no later than 9:00 PM Sunday, November 3rd. At this meeting you will have the opportunity to pay for your dinner reservation for the following meeting. Please direct any questions to Linda Norton at 503-750-6973 or email to [thekidd5@msn.com](mailto:thekidd5@msn.com).

*Please do not include Trip Applications or deposits for ski trips with your dinner reservation.*