

# The Avalanche



Photo taken at Park City Mountain Resort by Tom Burt

## From the Summit

Now that it's a new year, I wanted to look back at last year to review the milestones of my life over the last twelve months. Reviewing the last year proved to be a daunting task, so I did what any 21st century American would do—I took the easy way out. Here are a few snippets from my facebook page from December:

12/11—Youk to the Yanks. 12 Mil. Suckers! Happy for him, though.

12/11—That was a take no prisoners defeat of the AFC's top team. Texan's were shown to be mere pretenders to the throne.

12/20—Time to party like the world is ending tomorrow?

12/20—"It's the end of the end of the world as we know it and I feel fine". The whole who cares about a hangover thing is just a bonus.

12/21—Well, that's the last time I rely on an extinct tribe for my apocalyptic predictions.

12/21—There is something inherently optimistic about the winter solstice. From here out the days will get longer, the sun will rise ever higher in the sky, and even though the coldest days lie before us, that simple transition is somehow a harbinger of spring and rebirth.

12/24—Tonight NORAD is using a combination of 47 hi tech radar stations, geosynchronous satellites, Santa cams, and fighter jets to track his rotundness. Now if my naughty/nice reversal hack works, I'm golden.

12/29—Our Killington friends, who for some reason suddenly feel obligated to speak the "truth", are not being "helpful" when they ever so casually mention "the skiing is awesome". Please, say this: it's too crowded, the snow is like concrete, and the lines are so long I can't even get served at the bar. Honestly, you all sit on a throne of lies. >>sigh<<.

I'll let you decide which comments are sarcastic, and which are sincere.

Roger Stokey  
President





# Yankee Swap



*THE AVALANCHE*





DEER VALLEY



CANYONS

February 23—March 2, 2013

Skiing in Utah has long been a favorite destination for skiers and riders, due to its world-famous snow, abundance of resorts, and proximity to the airport. We'll be staying in the Park Avenue condominiums—lodging we've used before and are comfortable with. Free shuttles run regularly between the property and the three major resorts in that area (a very short ride). Additional lift tickets at group rates can be arranged for any of these resorts as well as those in nearby areas. Round up some friends and join us as we ski the "greatest snow on Earth!"

#### Includes:

- 7 nights lodging at Park Avenue Condominiums (pool, hot tub, sauna)
- 2 out of 7-day lift ticket to Park City Mountain Resort
- 2 out of 7-day lift ticket to The Canyons
- 1 out of 7-day lift ticket to Deer Valley
- Additional options for Alta, Brighton, Solitude, and others
- Round trip airfare
- Transportation between Salt Lake City airport and Park City lodging

Outline of the state of Utah, for those that are geographically-challenged.

#### Price:

- \$1495 per person, based on double occupancy

#### Contact:

- **Bud Shaw at 508-477-3717 or budco1@comcast.net**

#### Availability:

- Our initial reservation of 20 spots is currently sold out. Additional spots can be booked provided they are done so with double or quad occupancy. In other words, all our condo units are currently full and we would need to fill another condo before committing to additional spots. Alternatively, we are filling a waiting list. Contact Bud for details.

# Open Resorts!

(as of 1/2/13)

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## EVERYTHING!

Seriously, there are almost no resorts in New England that haven't opened. Even better, most resorts are reporting nearly 100% of their terrain as open. Even Mad River Glen (which has almost no snowmaking ability) is fully open, with six new inches just this morning. Sugarloaf claims their snowiest December in 17 years, with the most open terrain anywhere east of the Rockies! With temperatures remaining low for the foreseeable future, conditions should remain favorable for snow making and snow retention. It should only get better in the coming weeks!

What are you waiting for? Sign up for some trips and experience this amazing early-season skiing!

# 12 / 13 Trip Schedule

DATE	DAY	DESTINATION	COST	TRIP LEADER	TIME
January 9	Wednesday	Stratton, VT	\$75	Mimi Schlichter	5:00
January 16	Wednesday	Okemo, VT	\$75	Steve Carr	5:00
January 20-25	Sun-Fri	Sugarloaf, ME	\$380	Bud Shaw	DY*
February 5	Tuesday	Cannon, NH	\$75	Len Hills	5:00
February 13	Wednesday	Sunday River, ME	\$75	Scott Northrop	4:30
Feb 23-Mar 2	Sat-Sat	Park City, UT	\$1495	Bud Shaw	FLY
March 6	Wednesday	Mount Snow, VT	\$75	Brenda Purdy	5:00
March 20	Wednesday	Wildcat, NH	\$75	Camille Morgan	5:00

*Were you hoping for a specific mountain or particular day not listed? Sunday day trip? Weekend overnight? Let us know!*

*We value your feedback and can always add trips if there is sufficient interest!*

- Trips highlighted in **GRAY** are overnight trips
- \*DY—Drive Yourself
- All trips subject to our deposit and liability policies, found elsewhere in this newsletter and on our website.
- Non-members are subject to a \$15 surcharge.
- Don't sign up at the last minute! You may incur additional fees!
- Live on the south shore or Middleboro area and want to attend our trips? We can stop either on Route 3 (for NH and ME trips) or 495 (for VT trips). Just let the trip leader know!



## 12/13 TRIP LEADERS

<b>Roger Stokey</b> 508-292-8370	<b>Bud Shaw</b> 508-477-3717	<b>Camille Morgan</b> 508-759-7616	<b>Mimi Schlichter</b> 508-548-3278
<b>Steve Carr</b> 508-563-9498	<b>Len Hills</b> 508-563-3941	<b>Brenda Purdy</b> 508-540-4268	<b>Scott Northrop</b> 508-563-6731

# Stratton, VT January 9, 2013

To the mountain, to the mountain, to the mountain...



For a long fun day!



Stratton is a club favorite, with eleven lifts including a high-speed base-to-summit gondola and four six-passenger chairs, 93% snow-making, and 2003 feet of vertical. Stratton ranks in the east top 10 (SKI Magazine) for snow, grooming, lifts, terrain parks, service, lodging, dining, on-mountain food, apres and nightlife. Sign up on the website today!

\$75 member rate (bus & lift ticket)

Trip leader: Mimi Schlichter—(508) 548-3278



## OKEMO

Skiing Vermont terrain at Okemo is quite the treat as its winter operations consistently receive accolades and win awards for snow quality, grooming, terrain parks, family programs, slope-side lodging, resort dining and its friendly, professional staff. The mountain features 632 acres of terrain, 96% snowmaking coverage, and 2,200 feet of vertical drop, the most vertical in southern Vermont.

Cost: \$75. Trip Leader:

Steve Carr—(508) 563-9498

3102 94 Avenue

# SUGARLOAF, MAINE

January 20—25, 2013

**\$380**

- White, White, World Week
- 5 nights condominium lodging
- 5 1/2 day ski pass
- Free group lesson each day
- Singles can be accommodated (fee)
- Monday evening “Welcome Social”
- Daily use of the Health Club

**Deadlines:** \$190 due November 15 (you're late, you procrastinating bum!)  
\$190 due December 15 (you'll miss this one too if you don't act fast!)

**Contact:** Bud Shaw @ 508-477-3717 or budco1@comcast.net

**Note:** Membership dues MUST be paid prior to sign-up

**Agenda:**

## January 3 Meeting:

- Can you guess that mountain?
- Raffle!
- Trip Sign-up!
- Free food!
- 7PM start @ The Beach House



# Membership & Trip Special

- Are you a new member? -or-
- A prior member that has not joined in at least 3 years (09-10 season)?

**\$99 gets you a one-year membership and a day trip of your choice!**

Contact: Michael Finegold (774-392-2567) or Len Hills (508-563-3941)

### ~ 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.

### Contact Us?



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