

RA SKI & OUTDOOR CLUB

More than just a ski club

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NOVEMBER 2025 WINTER PROGRAM GUIDE

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NEWS FROM THE COUNCIL

HELLO AGAIN!

We welcome new and returning members to our 2025-2026 season. We hope you enjoyed the many hiking, biking, and social outings of our incredibly warm summer that rounded out our 2024-2025 season.

LAST YEAR

Was successful for several reasons - for the first time since January 2020, we returned to Europe with an extremely successful weeklong trip to Chamonix France, with a couple of day visits to Courmayeur Italy (to ski) and Geneva, Switzerland (to sightsee). We enjoyed 4 months of skiing locally and trips to the Tremblant region's Domaine St-Bernard and Sunday River, and almost 8 months of recreational hiking, cycling, ball games and theatres in the park.

Council members meet virtually, for convenience, but we were happy to continue our in-person presence at the 2024 and 2025 Ottawa Ski Shows, 2024 open house at MEC and hold our Open House (2025 is coming in November) at the RA Centre once more. Thanks to interest in our year-round programming our numbers grew a bit.

THIS YEAR

Have a look at our winter programmes in the following pages.

On behalf of the RA Ski & Outdoor Club Executive, Jaime Impey Vice Chair, Weeklong Coordinator
weeklong-2025@raski.ca

RA SKI CLUB OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, Nov. 12, 7:00-8:30 PM

RA Centre, Courtside B room (east end of the building)

- Meet club members!
- Learn about our programs.
- See a PowerPoint of our activities over the past year.
- Join us in the Fieldhouse after for a drink.

RA SKI CLUB COUNCIL

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WEEKLONG 2026 – VAL GARDENA, ITALY

January 23-31, 2026

Ski the Italian Alps and the famous Sella Ronda! An IKON destination.



Registration CLOSSES: Sunday, November 16 at NOON

Price: Double \$4,499
Single in a Double \$5,189
Single \$4,794 (limited-Sold Out)

Trip Information Package: Full details are available at https://www.raski.ca/images/2026_WEEKLONG_TRIP_INFORMATION.pdf

REGISTRATION

Registrations will be accepted on a first-come basis, **subject to availability**, until November 16, via email - OR - in special circumstances, at the RA Centre East Desk along with payment details in an envelope clearly marked "To the attention of RA Ski - Weeklong Coordinator – Jaime Impey". Ensure that you have emailed the Coordinator to **advise the Coordinator** that you will be dropping it off to their attention off that the date and time submitted are written on your envelope by the desk staff.

DETAILS

Standard Package includes:

- Round-trip private coach between Ottawa, Montreal
- Round-trip flights between Montreal & Munich
- Current flight taxes and fuel surcharges
- 1 carry-on, 1 checked luggage included
- Dedicated airport/hotel motor coach transfers
- Coach drivers' gratuities
- 7 nights' accommodation Hotel Dolomiti Madonna 3*
- Half-board: Breakfast and 4-course Dinner daily
- Public ski transportation to Dolomiti ski areas
- 5-day Adult Dolomiti Super Ski Pass
- All local hotel taxes and resort fees

Options:

- Adult 5-day ski pass included
- Adult 6-day ski pass add \$ 90.00
- Senior (65+) 5-day ski pass deduct \$ 55.00
- Senior (65+) 6-day ski pass add \$ 25.00
- No lift pass or IKON holders deduct \$ 530.00
- Adult IKON 6th day add \$ 145.00
- Senior (65+) IKON 6th day add \$ 125.00
- Land Only ^[1] (no flights) deduct \$ 1,580.00
- Flight delay package add \$ inquire *
- Insurance add \$ inquire *
- * Rates provided by Skican at time of booking

^[1] Transfers to/from Ortisei will be provided if your flight times correspond with the group.

NOT Included in Price:

- Optional travel insurance
- Gratuities (except coach transfers)
- Items of a personal nature, bar or beverages, and other meals or services not specifically shown as included in package.
- Land transfer, if purchasing a Land Only ^[1]
- ETIAS not required, starts 2026 Q4.

DESTINATION

Dolomiti Superski features an incredible range of on-piste trails, and delivers one high alpine glacier and miles of perfectly groomed trails great for families, beginners, and intermediates alike. When hunger strikes, the Italian alps stage is set for lavish long lunches, visions of vino, beautiful panoramic views, and multi-course dinners amongst the fabulously friendly locals. Ortisei, together with Santa Cristina and Selva, is one of the three municipalities of the Val Gardena, considered one of the most popular tourist destinations in South Tyrol because of its uniquely beautiful location and the hospitality of its inhabitants. Val Gardena is one of the 15 largest and one of the five best-rated cross-country skiing areas in Italy. As the main village of Val Gardena, Ortisei has a wonderful pedestrian zone with shops, cafés and restaurants.



Jaime Impey, Weeklong Coordinator
weeklong-2025@raski.ca

CROSS-COUNTRY / DOWNHILL MID-WEEK

LE GRAND LODGE, TREMBLANT, QUEBEC Wednesday, February 11 – Friday, February 13, 2026

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025

PRICE (tax included)

- per person (double occupancy in a studio) \$536
- Single Occupancy - \$806
- per person (double occupancy in a studio) \$584

CAR POOL - 2 hour drive



PACKAGE INCLUDES

- two nights' accommodation
- Buffet breakfast Thursday & Friday
- 3 course dinner Wednesday and Thursday
- Gratuities and taxes
- Does not include ski passes

HOTEL

Le Grand Lodge offers an indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna, game room and more. Spa services can be booked with the hotel. It is at 2396 rue Labelle, Mont-Tremblant

Website: www.legrandlodge.com

ACCOMODATION

Studio rooms have 2 queen beds.
There are also suites available with a king size bed, murphy bed in the living room, 2 bathrooms and a kitchenette.
There is limited availability of all rooms.



Le Grand Lodge

SKIING

Cross-Country

Domain St. Bernard is a short drive from the hotel with over 80 km of groomed ski trails and a lodge. They connect to the trails from Mont Tremblant.

The cost of a ski pass last year for adults was \$16. In the past, there have been discounts for CAA members, Gatineau Park pass holders and seniors.

There is a free bus that connects the hotel with various spots in the area, including the village at the ski resort of Mont Tremblant. An easy trip for alpine skiers wishing to use their SkiMax passes!

Downhill

Alpine skiers can join us. An easy trip for alpine skiers wishing to use their SkiMax passes!

Snowshoeing

There are also 31 km of snowshoe trails in the park, covering a variety of terrain.

NOTES:

1. There are NO refunds.
2. If you are interested in car-pooling, contact me and I will try and help out.
3. Non-members can register for an additional 10% if they are sharing a room with a member

Louise Cameron, XC-2025@raski.ca

DOWNHILL DAYS

Our 2025-2026 downhill day program is shaping up to be a full calendar of day outings to local hills and beyond.

The last two years we partnered with the Bytown Ski Club to offer bus trips to Tremblant with group rates and, this was so successful, there will be five bus trips this year with pickup & drop-off at the RA. Registration & cost details will be posted shortly.



March 14 – DH skiing at Camp Fortune

Back by popular demand are our “Fortune Fridays” – an informal meet-up at Camp Fortune with friends, family, and anyone who wants to come out and enjoy a ski day.



March 21 - Fortune Friday

Most hills last year moved to an online purchase system for day passes, and some savings for purchasing lift tickets in advance can be realized. However, we will continue to search for any promotions or savings that might arise throughout the ski season so that we can pass them on to you. Hope to see you on the hills!



Feb. 12 – DH skiing at Edelweiss

DOWNHILL DAY PROGRAM

- **20 Meet n' Ski days** with carpool, trip leaders, and local destinations.
- **17 “Fortune Fridays”** where skiers can just show up at Camp Fortune Main Lodge at 10 a.m. and look for some familiar friendly RAski members to enjoy a ski day.
- **Day Bus Trips**
 - Five bus trips to Tremblant - Fridays (Jan 16, Jan 30, Feb 13, Feb 27, Mar 13)
- **“POP-UP” ski days**, where a local ski destination will be announced on the Sunday preceding the destination date. If you have a destination in mind, let us know and we'll be glad to promote it.



April 10 – “Pop-up” ski at Camp Fortune

Bob Cavan, Downhill Day Chair, downhill-2025@raski.ca



DOWNHILL SKI SCHEDULE 2025-2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Fri Dec 5	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Dec 12	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Sat Dec 13	10:00	Edelweiss	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Dec 19	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Tues Dec 23	10:00	Pakenham	meet at main lodge at 10am	Meet n' Ski
Fri Jan 2	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Sun Jan 4	10:00	Calabogie	meet at main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Thu Jan 8	10:00	Mont Cascades	meet at main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Jan 9	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Jan 16	07:00	Tremblant	Bus trip w/Bytown ski club	Departs RA 7am
Fri Jan 16	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Wed Jan 21	10:00	Edelweiss	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Jan 23	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Jan 23-31		Weeklong – Dolomites, Italy	Details at www.raski.ca	
Mon Jan 26	10:00	Vorlage	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Jan 30	07:00	Tremblant	Bus trip w/Bytown ski club	Departs RA 7am
Fri Jan 30	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Sun Feb 1	10:00	Calabogie	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Thu Feb 5	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Feb 6	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Wed Feb 11	10:00	Edelweiss	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Feb 13	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Feb 13	07:00	Tremblant	Bus trip w/ Bytown ski club	Departs RA 7am
Tue Feb 17	10:00	Mont Ste Marie	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Feb 20	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Feb 27	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Feb 27	07:00	Tremblant	Bus trip w/Bytown ski club	Departs RA 7am
Wed Mar 4	10:00	Calabogie	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Mar 6	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Sun Mar 8	10:00	Mont Ste Marie	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Mar 13	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Mar 13	07:00	Tremblant	Bus trip w/Bytown ski club	Departs RA 7am
Tue Mar 17	10:00	Pakenham	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Mar 20	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Wed Mar 25	10:00	Edelweiss	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Mar 27	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Sat Mar 28	10:00	Vorlage	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Wed Apr 1	10:00	Calabogie	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Apr 3	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet at main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Wed Apr 8	10:00	Edelweiss	meet in main lodge at 10am	Meet n'Ski
Fri Apr 10	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday
Fri Apr 17	10:00	Camp Fortune	meet in main lodge at 10am	Fortune Friday



CROSS-COUNTRY

XC Day Trips

Overview

Our day trips to Gatineau Park, the Greenbelt and City trails will begin in mid-December and run until mid-March, snow conditions permitting. Outings are scheduled on weekdays and weekends and are open to all RA Ski and Outdoor club members. More outings may be added as conditions permit and more members volunteer to lead. We also encourage everyone to use our Facebook group, RA Ski & Outdoor Club of Ottawa, to initiate meet ups with other interested members.



Feb. 26/03 – XC ski to Pink Lake

As we all know, COVID, colds and flu are always with us. If you are not feeling well (cough, sniffles, headache) please stay at home and keep us all healthy.

Arrangements

We will meet at the trailhead or parking lot indicated in the trip description. Note that start times will vary but, generally, we meet at 10:00 or 12:00 for weekend trips and 10:30 for weekday trips. Check the calendar on our web site for particulars on each trip. If you require transportation to the trail head/parking lot, let the trip leader know and they can ask other participants if anyone is available to carpool from the RA Centre.

Members are asked to register with us the day before. This makes our job as leaders much easier especially on cold mornings. It also means the trip leader can notify those who have registered of any last-minute changes. And, of course, we ask that you arrive on time. If you are using skis requiring waxing, please wax before leaving home. The Gatineau Park ski conditions website posts suggested ski waxes.

We normally ski for 2 to 3 hours and bring a snack or small lunch. Sometimes we stop at a local restaurant for a post-ski meal.

Check the Web Site and Facebook

Outings are dependent on the weather and ski conditions. For a variety of reasons, the date, trail, destination or start time can change. We may also add additional ski outings to take advantage of some good conditions. **So...it is very important to check regularly for updates on our website raski.ca and our Facebook group, especially before heading out.**

If you can snowplow . . . ?

We welcome skiers of all levels. Gatineau Park does have hills **so our only requirement is that you be able to comfortably execute a snowplow stop, and a snowplow turn before joining us.** Trails on the Ontario side are generally much flatter but there is the occasional small hill.



Jan. 11 – Socializing at Biscotti's after skiing from P8 to P9

Seeking New Trip Leaders

We are a club that depends solely on member volunteers to make it a great club. We always welcome volunteers to lead trips for our XC program. You can contact any one of us at xc-2025@raski.ca for more information and to answer your questions.

Winter Season Passes for Gatineau Park

There is a fee to access the cross-country ski trails in Gatineau Park. You can purchase a daily pass or a season pass. There are discounts for seniors age 60 and older, as well as for buying a season pass early. The greatest discounts apply between October 15 and November 9. There are lower discounts between November 10 and November 30, and passes are full price as of December 1.

TO ORDER:

Go to <https://ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/gatineau-park-winter-passes>

Have a digital head-and-shoulders photo ready to upload; you can crop it online.

This year, due to the postal strike, season passes purchased online will not be mailed and must be picked up at the Gatineau Park Visitor Centre.



XC Ski Lessons

The RA ski club does not offer ski lessons. During winter, the City of Ottawa's Terry Fox Athletic Facility (2690 Riverside Drive) is transformed into the Mooney's Bay Ski Centre.

The centre offers 5 km of groomed and well-lit trails for classic and skate skiing, changing facilities, waxing room, and ski rentals.

Once you've taken some lessons, come and join our day trips to put some of those new-found skills into practice!

The ski school offers lessons for children, youth, and adults from experienced and qualified instructors. Classes are for all abilities from beginner to advanced and cover classic or skate skiing lessons. Registration is found on the City of Ottawa website www.ottawa.ca in their Recreation and Parks section.

Notes

We recommend you purchase a trail map at one of the NCC Visitor Centres or at one of the outdoor stores in Ottawa and Gatineau. The NCC website also an interactive map <https://ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/cross-country-skiing>. You can also access the Gatineau Park winter and summer trail maps on the Aventus app.

Gatineau Park cross country ski conditions can be found at <https://ncc-ccn.gc.ca/places/ski-conditions>



Mike Dewing & Louise Cameron
Cross-Country Ski Co-Chairs

XC Day Trip Schedule

At the time of writing this newsletter, these are the day trips for which we have trip leaders. If you have suggestions for other trips or destinations, or if you are willing to lead a trip, contact us at xc-2025@raski.ca.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKI SCHEDULE 2025-2026

- **Sat Dec 13** — 10:00 am — Gatineau — P8 to P9 (Trip leader Bob Cavan)
- **Fri Jan 2** — 10:30 am — Greenbelt — P19 Leitrim Rd (Trip leader Bob Cavan)
- **Sat Jan 10** — 10:30 am — Gatineau — Relais Plein Air (P2) to Chemin de la Mine (Trip leader Jane Maxwell)
- **Sat Jan 17** — 10:00 am — Gatineau — P16 to Herridge Chalet (Trip leader Marie-Reine Fournier)
- **Thurs Jan 22** — 10:30 am — City — Britannia Winter Trail (Trip leader Jane Maxwell)
- **Sun Jan 25** — 12 noon — Gatineau - P6 to Pink Lake (Trip leader Louise Cameron)
- **Thurs Jan 29** — 10:30 am — City — Chelsea Community Trail (Trip leader Gillian Huntley)
- **Sat Jan 31** — 10:00 am — Gatineau - P19 to Lusk Cabin (Trip leader Jane Hilliard)
- **Tues Feb 3** — 10:30 am — City — P27 Heritage East City Trail (Trip leader Mike Dewing)
- **Sat Feb 7** — 10:00 am — Gatineau — P17 to Brown Cabin (Trip leader Jane Hilliard)
- **Feb 11-13** — *Laurentian multi-day trip (Le Grand Lodge Mont-Tremblant)*
- **Sun Feb 15** — 12:00 noon — Greenbelt — Ottawa West Winter Trail (Trip leader Bob Cavan)
- **Wed Feb 18** — 10:30 am — City — Rideau Winter Trail (Trip Leader Jane Hilliard)
- **Sat Feb 21** — 10:00 am — Gatineau — P9/P10 to Huron Cabin (Trip leader Bob Cavan)
- **Tues Feb 24** — 10:30 am — Limoges — P7 Larose Forest (Trip leader Mike Dewing)
- **Sun Mar 1** — 10:30 am — City — Jean D'Arc — Heritage East City Trail (Trip leader Mike Dewing)
- **Sun Mar 8** — 10:30 am — Greenbelt — P20 Anderson Road (Trip leader Mike Dewing)
- **Wed Mar 11** — 10:30 am — Nakkertok South (Trip leader Bob Cavan)
- **Sat Mar 14** — 10:00 am — Gatineau — P19 Lac Philippe (Trip leader Jane Hilliard)

Mike Dewing & Louise Cameron
XC Co-Chairs, xc-2025@raski.ca



HIKING & BIKING

In 2025 we've enjoyed a very active season of hike and bike outings throughout the spring, summer and fall. This is due, in no small part, to our volunteer leaders who have stepped up to lead these outings. Almost all outings have incorporated a social gathering at a restaurant afterwards.

This year the Club offered 21 hikes and 14 cycle outings during the spring, summer and fall. A huge 'thank you' to all our volunteer leaders who made our hike and bike season such a success.



Aug. 20 – Biking on the Osgood rail trail
Jane Maxwell, Hiking & Biking Chair

Note we are leisurely cyclists, and take time to smell the flowers. If you are training for the Olympics, there are other cycling clubs for you.



Sept. 26 – King Mountain hike

Details of our outings are on our website www.raski.ca. Go to "HIKING>Hiking Schedule" or "BIKING>Biking Schedule" for the hiking or biking calendars.

Jane Maxwell, Hiking & Biking Chair, hikes-2025@raski.ca

TIME TO RENEW SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Renew your membership in-person at the East Guest Services desk or by phone at 613-733-51-00 ext 360.

RA SKI CLUB ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

\$60 + \$4.05 FRF* = **\$64.05 (plus tax)**

*A 7.5% Facility Renewal Fee is applied. Read more about the Facility Renewal Fee here: www.racentre.com/facility-renewal-fee



Jan. 30 - XC skiing on Chelsea old railway track trail

FINES FOR UNLOCKED CAR DOORS OR EXPIRED PLATES

Make sure you lock your car in Quebec. Police check the parking lots very regularly and give you a ticket if your doors are unlocked or if your car's license plate is expired.

CAR DOORS UNLOCKED

The fine is \$107 for leaving a car door unlocked.

It is illegal in Quebec to leave your car doors unlocked anywhere that is publicly accessible (like a ski hill parking lot.)

EXPIRED LICENCE PLATES

The fine for an expired licence plate is \$495.

Even though the Ontario government scraped the licence plate renewal fees and stickers, vehicle owners must still renew their plates every one or two years. Be sure to keep your plate up to date online via "Service ON."

HILL & STORE DISCOUNTS

RA SKI & OUTDOOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARDS

If you want a club membership card to show as proof of RA Ski membership, contact our Membership Chair membership-2025@raski.ca

SKI HILL DISCOUNTS

Note that except for Pakenham, Calabogie and Cascades, ski hills are not offering any discounts this winter.



www.calabogie.com 1-800-669-4861

With a vertical drop of 760 feet (the highest in the region), Calabogie Peaks offers 20 outstanding runs, with 35% at the beginner level, 23% intermediate, and 42% advanced. Its snowmaking capabilities cover 95% of the hill area. Calabogie also offers a 25-room inn, complete with spa and restaurant.

- 10% off full day pass with valid RA Ski ID

Directions: Highway 417 West, continue past Arnprior approximately 10 km. Take exit 194 McLean De/Calabogie, turn left onto highway 508 (Calabogie Road) and continue to Calabogie.



www.montecascades.ca

819-827-03301

There is no discount for Cascades for this year

Directions: Take the MacDonald-Cartier Bridge north and take the second exit, Highway 50, direction east to Montreal/Gatineau. Take the first exit (Archambault Boulevard) and turn right (north) onto Highway 307. Drive 15 km, then turn left onto Mont Cascades Road, and proceed 7 km to Mont Cascades.



www.mountpakenham.com 613-624-5290

Mount Pakenham is Eastern Ontario's premier family ski, snowboard and tubing area. It offers alpine and cross-country skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing. Mount Pakenham offers a wonderful winter experience for you and your family. Pakenham has 300 feet of vertical, and offers 10 alpine runs, and 6 lifts.

Lift Tickets: \$5.00 off the regular ticket prices with valid Ski Club ID.

Seniors (70+) ski for \$17 + HST

Children (under 6) ski for \$102+ HST when accompanied by an adult ticket holder.

Adult Ski/Board Lessons

Night Owl: (8-week program) Skiing or Snowboarding
Thursday nights 7-8 pm, starting Jan. 11
\$165 (lesson only), or \$208 (with lift ticket)

Private Lessons: Regular Price 1 hour private lesson for \$80+ tax (advanced reservations required)
\$5.00 off with valid ski club ID

Directions: Take Highway 417 (Queensway) West past the Scotia Bank Place (Kanata) and continue on 417 West. Take the Exit marked Kinburn Side Road/Pakenham. At the stop sign turn left onto Road 20. Follow Road 20 across the Stone Bridge and turn left at the stop sign. Drive through Pakenham and just past the train overpass turn right onto McWatty Road. Follow this road to the stop sign and turn right onto Ski Hill Road. Drive time from the Scotia Bank Place is approximately 20 minutes.





1-800-567-1256

www.montstemarie.com

Mont Sainte-Marie has the highest vertical (1200 feet) within an hour's drive of Ottawa. There are 3 lifts (two high-speed quads) and 24 trails spanning two mountains.

- No discounts offered for 2024-2025 ski season.

Directions: Take Highway 5 north through Hull, then catch the 105 North. Stay on the 105 and follow the signs to the resort. Approximate drive time 55 minutes from downtown Ottawa.

www.tremblant.ca



1-888-857-8001

Rising 3001 feet above the majestic lake, Mont Tremblant offers 94+ groomed trails with 13 state-of-the art lifts, more than any other mountain in the East. Tremblant offers 16 novice runs, 31 intermediate runs as well as miles of expert terrain.

Tremblant SkiMAX DH Tickets

Entirely transferable and valid during the 2024/25 ski season, these tickets give you the flexibility to ski at any day that suits you, except from December 27, 2025 to January 3, 2026 and February 15-20, 2025.

Regular price: \$149

	<u>WEEKEND</u>	<u>MID-WEEK</u>
Until Oct. 23	\$91 (save 39%)	\$83 (save 44%)
Until Dec. 9	\$97 (save 35%)	\$83 (save 44%)

To order, use the code Mx-RASKI and go to

<https://www.tremblant.ca/plan/groups-business/skimax>



www.skivorlage.com 1-877-vorlage

Located in the picturesque village of Wakefield, Vorlage is widely recognized as "The Family Ski Area" with fantastic conditions and friendly service. Complete snowmaking on 18 runs serviced by 5 lifts and a spacious chalet with a view of the slopes. The ski hill has 490 feet of vertical, 18 runs and 5 lifts.

- No discounts offered for 2025-26 ski season.

Directions: 25 minutes from Ottawa. Cross the MacDonald-Cartier bridge, follow highway 5 (the freeway) North. At exit #28, turn right into Wakefield, turn left at the "T" intersection and go through the village. Either Chemen Elmdale or Burnside will lead you right to Vorlage. Alternatively, from the freeway, turn right on Chemin Burnside at the end of the freeway, then right at the corner store.



2025 weeklong, Chamonix, France



STORE DISCOUNTS



Bushtukah Great Outdoor Gear

www.bushtukah.com

203 Richmond Rd. 613-792-1170
5607 Hazeldean Road, Kanata 613-831-3604

- 10% off all regularly-priced merchandise.
- Shop labour is not included.



Fresh Air Experience

www.freshairexp.ca

1291 Wellington Street (between Holland & Island Park)
613-729-3002

- 10% discount on merchandise except bikes



Kunstadt Sports

www.kunstadt.com

Locations:

583 Bank Street (at Heron) 613-260-0696
680 Bank Street (Glebe) 613-233-4820
462 Hazeldean Road, Kanata 613-831-2059

- 10% discount off posted regular prices on winter merchandise
- Labour/service will not be included in this program.

PLAY IT AGAIN SPORTS

Play It Again Sports www.playitagainsports.com

- 4210 Innis Road 613-830-5077
- 3161 Greenbank Road 613-843-9711

Contact: Matt Shelly, Store Owner

- 10% off regular priced ski & snowshoe items



Rebec & Kroes Cycle & Sport

www.rebecandkroes.com

2639 B Alta Vista Drive at Bank St. 613-521-3791

- 10% off all regular priced merchandise.
- Discount does not apply to service.
- Discount cannot be combined with any other offer.



Trailhead Paddle Shack

www.trailheadpaddleshack.ca

2148 Carling Ave 613-722-4229

- 10% off all regular-priced merchandise.
- Discount does not apply to service
- Discount cannot be combined with any other offer.

RA Ski would like to extend our thanks to the above merchants for their generous support of the Club in the form of personal time, discounts or donated prizes.



May 2025 – End-of-season potluck dinner



RA SKI WEBSITE

Our amazing RA Ski website contains everything you wanted to know about the ski club, but were afraid to ask.



Check it out! www.raski.ca

UPDATES ON SOCIAL MEDIA

You can find or receive news and updates about Club activities through a number of methods:

- **SKI-MAIL**

Find out about last-minute additions or changes, club news, and upcoming events, by subscribing to Ski-Mail, our e-mail newsletter.

Send an email to: RASkiClub+subscribe@groups.io using the email address you wish email to be sent to.

- **WEBSITE**

www.raski.ca

Our website covers everything you wanted to know about the RA Ski Club, but were afraid to ask. Last-minute updates to all of our activities are covered in the "Upcoming Events" section.

- **FACEBOOK**



Visit us on Facebook to learn about upcoming events, read members' comments, and much more! Go to **RA Ski and Snowboard Club of Ottawa** and ask to join.

PHOTOS & TRIP REPORTS

Photos and trip reports from most of our outings are on the RA Ski web site (www.raski.ca).

TRIP REPORTS

Trip reports for all our outings over the last year are put on our web site www.raski.ca. Click on "TRIP REPORTS" on the menu at the top of our home page.

PHOTOS

For photos, click on "PHOTOS" on the menu at the top of our home page.

Then click on the appropriate album ("Cross-country", "Downhill", "Snowshoeing", or "Biking Hiking Golf & Theatre".) To see the photo larger, double-click on it.

To see the photos as a slideshow:

1. Double-click on the little square icon on the top right under the number of photos. Wait a few seconds and the slideshow will start. Click on the right arrow to advance to the next slide.

Downloading photos:

(Unfortunately you now need a Yahoo account.)

1. Double-click on the photo.
2. On the bottom right, click on the down arrow with the bar underneath it.
3. Click on the size you want (i.e., "Original".)
4. Click on "Save File", then click on "OK."

Your file will be downloaded to your directory "Downloads."

We also put "RA Ski Photos of the Month" at the bottom of our home page raski.ca.



June 7 – Tour of Governor-General's residence



MORE PHOTOS



July 26 – Roger's Roddle along the St. Lawrence River



Sept. 17 – Biking the Prescott Russell rail trail



Aug. 23 – Socializing after walk to see ambassador's homes



Oct. 9 - 9/11 tour – monument at US embassy



Aug. 8 – Ottawa Titans baseball game



Oct. 15 – Hike to Western cabin



Jan. 26 – XC ski to Pink Lake



March 3 – DH skiing at Sunday River, Maine



Feb. 4 – XC ski on Ottawa Heritage trail east



March 21 - Fortune Friday



Feb. 18 – DH ski at Mont Ste-Marie



Feb. 25 – XC skiing at Larose Forest

WEEKLONG 2025 – CHAMONIX, FRANCE



2024 weeklong, Chamonix, France



2024 weeklong, Courmayer, Italy



2024 weeklong, Chamonix, France



2024 weeklong, Courmayer, Italy, après-ski



2024 weeklong, Chamonix – Our trip leader is on the left.



2024 weeklong, Chamonix, France

SUMMER SKIING IN CHILE – AUGUST 2008, 2009 & 2011



Portillo, Chile, Aug. 2009



El Colorado, Chile, Aug. 2008



Portillo, Chile - Tio Bob's cafe, Aug. 2011



Nevados de Chillan, Chile, Aug. 2011



Llaima ski centre, riding on the groomer, Aug. 2011



Valle Nevado, Chile, Aug. 2011