

# SANDY SLOPES

The Official Newsletter of the Hilton Head Island Ski Club, Inc.

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# **President's Report:**

Dear Members,

Are we free, I think so. I enjoyed being out with 70 members and renewing friendships. I am excited to have booked the first vacation in over a year on one of Sue's cruises.



Getting the vaccines has made us free to start enjoying our lives again.

Stay safe all and enjoy your freedom!



# **Membership Report:**

Dear Members,

We would like to welcome our new members:

Lynn and Bruce Pitkin and Stu and Nancy Leer.

Please remember to send your renewals by July 1st.

**Theresa** 

Leslie

#### **Social Calendar:**

#### **2021 TGIF:**

June 11th - Driftwood Eatery 5 Waterway Lane

July 16th - Hickory Tavern -44 Shelter Cove Lane

August 13th - Black Marlin 86 Helmsman Way

September 25th - Kickoff Party -Golf Club of Indigo Run

#### 2022 Adventures:

Caribbean Cruise
January 12th - 23rd
(see p. 4-5 below for details)

The Charter at Beaver Creek, Co. February 5th - 12th (see p. 6 below for details)

Copenhagen to Boston Cruise July 16th - August 3rd (see p. 7 below for details)

Vancouver to Alaska Cruise September 11th - 18th (see pp. 8-9 below for details)



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# Social Report:

Dear Members,

Our Ski Club picnic was a great success with over 60 people attending.

LOTS of food from One Hot Mama's.

The day was spectacular with everyone sitting on the deck by the lake.

Ballot results were announced for our newly elected officers for 2021-2022.

We would like to thank Ron for all his help this year jumping in at the last minute as social director.

Sue

# **Trip Highlights for May 2021**

Hi Everyone,

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Things are starting to look more normal for us. The cruise lines are starting to sail as of July out of Fort Lauderdale. Those sailing must have had both of their vaccines. So, January for our first trip looks more hopeful.

**January 12th-23rd** - a cruise in the Caribbean round trip Fort Lauderdale - 11-day Southern Wayfarer on board the Nieuw Statendam.



The MS Nieuw Statendam is the sixth ship in Holland America's history to bear the name Statendam. Like sister-ship the Koningsdam, the Nieuw Statendam is one of the largest in the fleet and combines classic hallmarks of the cruise line with innovative venues. Guests can enjoy some of the finest dining at sea by indulging in Pacific Northwestern dishes at Pinnacle Grill, brasserie-style seafood at Sel de Mer, authentic Italian at Canaletto, or exotic Asian cuisine at Tamarind. For more relaxed meals, try al fresco dining by the pool at Dive-In or grab a slice at New York Pizza. Wine connoisseurs and novices alike can experience the art of winemaking at BLEND by Chateau Ste. Michelle. America's Test Kitchen features live onboard cooking shows and hands-on workshops where guests can learn techniques and recipes from experienced chefs. The Greenhouse Spa & Salon is the perfect spot for pampering with facials, massages, thermal pools, heated ceramic lounges, and more. Visit the Digital Workshop and learn how to edit, display, and share videos and photographs. Kids will have plenty to do onboard at Club HAL, Holland America's kids club, and fitness buffs can enjoy the sport court, jogging track, fitness center, and two swimming pools. Nightlife options abound on the Nieuw Statendam, with entertainment venues such as B.B. King's Blues Club, Lincoln Centerstage, World Stage, and the casino. Guests have an array of stateroom options to choose from, including family ocean view staterooms and signature suites. All staterooms come equipped with luxurious bedding, flat-panel TV, bath amenities from Elemis Aromapure, and premium massaging shower heads.

We have had 9 people sign up for this cruise to date. Rooms are very scarce for this cruise.

Date	Arrive	Port
Wednesday, January 12		Fort Lauderdale, FL
Thursday, January 13		At Sea
Friday, January 14		At Sea
Saturday, January 15	8:00am	St. Maarten
Sunday, January 16	8:00am	St. Lucia
Monday, January 17	8:00am	<u>Barbados</u>
Tuesday, January 18	8:00am	Fort-de-France, Martinique
Wednesday, January 19	8:00am	St. Kitts
Thursday, January 20	8:00am	St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands
Friday, January 21		At Sea
Saturday, January 22	8:00am	Half Moon Cay, Bahamas
Sunday, January 23	7:00am	Fort Lauderdale, FL

This cruise includes a beverage package which means up to 15 drinks per day per person. There is a one-night dining promo that will be set up by the cruise line. Wi-Fi for 2 passengers in the room and 2 excursions up to \$100.00 a piece per person. Prices start at \$1959.00 for an inside room with all these amenities.

Without the additional amenities, pricing starts at \$1409 for an outside cabin. There is a reduced deposit to signup which is \$600.00. The port charges are \$195.00.

## February 5th -12th

### Ski Trip to The Charter at Beaver Creek, Colorado



Registration has begun for our trip to the slopes. Nine people have signed up. We have 4 condos, 10 Q/Q rooms and 2 Kings reserved this year.

The Charter is a ski-in/ski-out facility, which also has two restaurants, spa, fitness center, multiple pools, and hot tubs as well as a ski rental facility.

Pricing for our trip is as follows:

Lodging- \$900.99 (2b/2b condo) or \$1194.39 (Lodge QQ or King hotel)

Ground transfers-\$90.24

Lift Tickets-\$392.00

Air-\$470.84 Round trip Denver from Savannah

Right now, Sports America has special pricing for Epic Passes which can be accessed on their website. See <a href="https://www.hiltonheadskiclub.com">www.hiltonheadskiclub.com</a> for more information.

# July 16th - August 3rd - 18 Day Viking Passage from Copenhagen to Boston on the Nieuw Statendam 7



See info on the ship above in the January Cruise.

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Saturday, July 16	Copenhagen, Denmark		5:00pm
Sunday, July 17	At Sea		
Monday, July 18	Alesund, Norway	8:00am	5:00pm
Tuesday, July 19	At Sea		
Wednesday, July 20	Akureyri, Iceland	8:00am	5:00pm
Thursday, July 21	Isafjordur, Iceland	8:00am	5:00pm
Friday, July 22	Reykjavik, Iceland	8:00am	
Saturday, July 23	Reykjavik, Iceland		7:00pm
Sunday, July 24	Grundarfjordur, Iceland	7:00am	5:00pm
Monday, July 25	At Sea		
Tuesday, July 26	Prince Christian Sound,		
Wednesday, July 27	Qaqortoq, Greenland	8:00am	5:00pm
Thursday, July 28	Nanortalik, Greenland	7:00am	1:00pm
Friday, July 29	At Sea		
Saturday, July 30	St. John's, NL, Canada	11:00am	7:00pm
Sunday, July 31	At Sea		
Monday, August 1	Halifax, NS, Canada	8:00am	11:00pm
Tuesday, August 2	At Sea		
Wednesday, August 3	Boston, MA	7:00am	

Pricing begins at \$4279.00 for an outside cabin. This cruise includes a beverage package including tips, a dining package, free Wi-Fi, 2 excursions per passenger up to \$100.00 each. Port charges are \$290.00. Without amenities, pricing starts at \$3379.00. 13 people have signed up.

# September 11th-18<sup>th</sup>- 7 Day round trip from Vancouver to Alaska through the Inside Passage on the Nieuw Amsterdam



The second of our Signature-class ship, Nieuw Amsterdam celebrates historic New York City with its inspired design and art collection valued at more than \$3 million. While on board enjoy regional cooking demonstrations and food and wine tastings with EXC Port to Table programming. Dine in your choice of specialty restaurants. Or rejuvenate in the Greenhouse Spa & Salon.

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
Sunday, May 1	Vancouver, BC, Canada		4:30pm
Monday, May 2	Inside Passage, <u>AK</u> (Cruising)		
Tuesday, May 3	Juneau, AK	1:00pm	10:00pm
Wednesday, May 4	Skagway, AK	7:00am	9:00pm
Thursday, May 5	Glacier Bay National Park & Preserve, AK	7:00am	4:00pm
Friday, May 6	Ketchikan, AK	10:00am	6:00pm
Saturday, May 7	Inside Passage, <u>AK</u> (Cruising)		
Sunday, May 8	Vancouver, BC, Canada	7:00am	

This cruise includes a beverage package including tips, a dining package, free Wi-Fi, one free excursion per passenger with a value of \$100.00. Veranda pricing starts at \$1799.00; Signature Suites start at \$2199.00, and Pinnacle Suites start at \$2899.00. Without amenities, pricing starts at \$749.00 for an outside cabin. We have 8 signed up.

To sign up for any of these cruises, please contact Grace Van Brunt at gvbtravel@aol.com.