Cross Country Ski and Snowshoe Trip to Val David, Quebec- Feb. 4-9, 2018

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In 2013, Club members enjoyed a wonderful trip to Val David, Quebec situated in the Laurentians north of Montreal. There are over a dozen beautiful ski areas within easy reach of Val David. At that time we enjoyed superb skiing and snowshoeing, excellent cuisine and excellent French culture. We would love to return again this winter.



The Hotel: We plan to depart 777 Walkers Line, Burlington on Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018 to journey to our destination: Auberge du Vieux Foyer in Val David (www.aubergeduvieuxfoyer.com). The resort will offer us five nights accommodation, five hot breakfasts, three dinners, plus a hot lunch on the day of departure. The hotel offers free access to the cross-country trails (ski in/ski out at Parc Dufresne) situated right outside the hotel door. The Far Hills Chalet is situated a five-minute bus ride from the hotel. We plan to dine out for two evenings, one at a restaurant in Val David and one in St. Agathe. These two dinners are not included in your package price. The hotel rooms come equipped with hair dryers, but neither fridges nor coffee makers. The hotel offers close access to sleigh rides, skating rink, outdoor sauna and spa, and access to the hotel indoor games room with pool and ping pong tables. You can purchase a box lunch at the hotel or take advantage of the chalet lunches offered at some of the ski resorts. You will have the opportunity to purchase lunch daily at a local grocery store.

<u>The Skiing:</u> Right from our lodge we have direct access to 130 km of cross country skiing in Far Hills and Parc Dufresne. We also plan to ski at Esterel where we will also have the option to skate on a beautiful outdoor lake. On two days our bus will take us to Mt. Tremblant to ski in Parc Tremblant, the national park where the trails are surrounded by mountains. On another day the bus will take us to Le Domain de St. Bernard, formerly known as the monks' property but now modernized into an extensive system of beautiful trails. All areas offer trails for cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. All trails are clearly marked and offer a variety of length and difficulty –the beautiful scenery is free. .



Important Facts: The package includes all transportation by luxury coach, accommodation for five nights, five breakfasts, three dinners, hot lunch on the day of departure, use of resort facilities, cross country skiing or snowshoeing trail fees for five days, all taxes and gratuities. Exclusions: two dinners, five lunches, any alcoholic beverages.

Price per person is \$999.00 double occupancy or \$1214.00 single occupancy. To book, please register for this trip online on our website <u>www.haltonoutdoorclub.ca</u>. The trip will be advertised on the Club's website and in the Updater in September. Registration opens on September 10, 2017 and closes on January 28, 2018 or earlier if the trip fills up. We can take a maximum of 50 people and so do not delay registration.

<u>Cancellation Policy</u>: You may cancel and expect a full refund minus a \$25 processing fee per application up until Dec. 1, 2017. After that date, you will be responsible for any costs that the Club incurs on your behalf. This could include costs for transportation, accommodation, meals, leader subsidy, driver tip, etc. In addition, you will be responsible if you cancel out of a double for the cost difference to a single. If required, I will find a room-mate for any single wishing to share a room.

Further questions or concerns?- email Bonnie at info@haltonoutdoorclub.ca