

Events Coming Up September

September 2nd Monthly Meeting-BW3's
September 18th Board Meeting-Frankie's
September 19-21st White Water Rafting Trip

Events Coming up in October

October 7th Monthly Meeting-BW3's

NASki Tips



September, 2003 --- NASA Lewis Ski Club

Dear Ski Club Members,



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Another successful
PICNIC by the
committee chaired by
our own VP-
Activities, **Tony**



Shook! Thanks, **Tony and crew**, for a lovely evening on August 8th. I believe that FUN was had by all!

It may not be too late to join in on our white water rafting trip that is planned for mid-September. They may have one or two bunks open in the cabin! Contact **Tom Jones** and/or **Victoria Briscoe** to find out! This depends on the availability with Extreme Expeditions, since the Gauley River in West Virginia is a hot destination for white water rafters.

By the time you're reading this, a group of us will have already been to a Lake Erie

Captains baseball game.




That's right, they built the stadium, brought in the team, and we are going. Didn't you get the word?! "Build it, and they will come..." When was the last time you listened to a field of corn?! [...think *Field of Dreams*...] We will be raffling off a Captains banner and mini-bat at September's monthly meeting at BW3.

Another thing those voices have been telling us is that we should seriously consider raising our membership dues. (Does that mean that the voices are evil?!) Please come to the September meeting, hear the arguments both pro and con, and then cast your vote. This is one issue you'll want to weigh in on.

And if you were in need of a really, really GOOD reason to come to the September meeting, what about this--**SKI TRIPS!!!!** That's right, Al will be unveiling the trip schedule and flyers will be available for the 2 week long trips we're

running this year. Please come (to the meeting AND on the trips!)

CMSC will be holding a Ski Fair this year on November 8th. Our  queen candidate is our very own publicity director, **Victoria Briscoe!** At the June club meeting, you also voted to "buy" a booth for the club at the Fair. The booth will be one way for us to publicize our club and our trips. So, be ready to volunteer to work at the booth and to come to the fair to cheer for Victoria!

Skiingly yours,

Linda Elonen-Wright

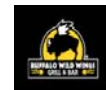
Meeting & Membership News

Board Meetings

The Board meeting will be on **September 18th** at **5:30 pm** at **Frankie's Restaurant** near Great Northern Mall, unless schedule changes at September's meeting. Pending change to Tuesday's -- the second to last week of the month.

The Next General Meeting will be at **BW3** on Center Ridge Road in Rocky River on

September 2nd! Social hour starts at 5 pm and the business meeting starts at 6pm (BW3 is just north of the Westgate Mall).



Summer Activities

The Summer Picnic was a huge success! **More than 120 people** enjoyed the good food, sand volleyball, kid's games and old stories. Thanks to all those that made the time to join the fun and all those that worked so hard to make it happen.






We have an excited group of baseball fans going to see the Lake County Captains game this month. Minor league baseball at its best! A great coordinator has volunteered for organizing, *thanks Nancy Amman*.

Tom Jones and Victoria Briscoe have

worked hard to organize an excellent white water rafting trip and I hope that the adventure seekers in our club take advantage and join the trip. Try to save some time to join in on any of these activities that interest you.

Our final activity outside of ski events to be scheduled is a paintball battle organized by **Tom Palisin**. Let Tom know if you can "go to war". If you would like to get involved with any of these activities or have an idea for another activity that the club would enjoy, please contact me.

Try to save some time to join in on any of these activities that interest you. -- **Tony Shook**

Event	Date	Contact
Lake County Captains Baseball Game 	<i>Excellent time had by all!</i> <i>NASA Lewis Ski Club was on the board for attending!!</i> <i>Fireworks were spectacular!!</i>	Nancy Amman (w)216-433-5793 or Tony Shook (w) 216-433-6373
Lewis Ski Club Summer Picnic	2004 Picnic-- Any great ideas to add? Help plan next summer's!	Tony Shook (w) 216-433-6373
White Water River Rafting & Camping 	Rafting the Lower Gauley River in West Virginia for 2 nights camping, first night is in a rustic cabin, the second night is tenting!	September 19-21st Raft Full day on Saturday! <i>May have slots avail. We'll check with Extreme Expeditions, so far.</i> 9 brave souls going!!
Paint Ball Wars 	Join Tom Palisin and his comrades for some friendly Fire!	Nov. 2nd Pinnacle Woods (Brown's Bye Week) at 11:00 AM \$49.00 per person: Includes, field Official Charge, Semi-auto paintball marker rental, 500 rounds of ammo, if more ammo needed figure \$25-30 ..
Aspen Colorado Ski Trip 	Ultimate Ski Experience! See the Flyer for more details	April 3-10th, 2004 1 Week <i>Similar to our trip 5 yrs ago!</i>
Steamboat Springs Colorado Ski Trip 	Ski with NASA Ski Clubs from Around the US! See the Flyer for more details on the NASA Ski Week!	January 24-31st, 2003 1 Week <i>Heard about it in the FAM write-up in April's newsletter!</i>

Membership News...

Your *SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES SEPT. 30th!!* Look for a renewal form in the next newsletter!!

Gene Addy, Membership chair

A Few Words from One of the Trustees...

Return of the Canoe Trips. Kudos to Tom Vannuyen for planning and running a terrific canoe trip on the Mohican River earlier this summer. Everyone seemed to have a great time. It reminds me of the many fun-filled canoe trips our club has run in the past on both the Mohican and Grand Rivers here in Ohio. Memories and stories abound from those adventures. Rumor has it that Tom is planning to run another canoe trip next summer! Let's hope he does, and, thanks again, Tom, for bringing back one of our long-standing, summer-fun events!

Picnic. We had another great picnic this year with over 120 people in attendance! Many familiar faces from bygone ski trips and activities were there along with some brand new ones!! The two inches of rain that fell in other parts of town that evening blew right over us and we only had a few drops. Many helped pull off this gala event! Gloria O'Donnell, Annie Easley, and yours truly went the extra mile to encourage people to come out and have fun. Tony Shook, Annie, and I shopped for all the food and fixins' and got it to the picnic area. Tony, Paul Solano, and Carl Blaser grilled all the steak and chicken along with hot dogs for the kids. Lisa Ferenc prepared the salads. Barb Wamsley pitched in at the last minute to make sure the beans were done. (One mysterious club member even brought his own favorite bean recipe to share with everyone!) Joe Roche and Bruce Frankenfield baked the potatoes. For entertainment, Kathy Schubert had games and contests for the kids. Everyone had a great time! We're looking forward to next year!!

Ski Club Annual Dues. We have not had an increase in dues since the mid-1980's.

Recommending an increase in dues is not something we do without serious consideration. However, the executive board and the trustees are recommending an increase this year. Current dues are:

\$8 - single membership

\$10 - family membership

We recommend they be raised to:

\$10 - single

\$15 - family

The reason for this increase: costs of doing business have been added or have gone up. Among these are:

CMSC Queen candidate entry fee

CMSC Winter Festival Booth fee

Website fee

Club pins for new members

Club picnic expenses

The recommendation to increase dues is NOT, however, due to an increase in trips that ran at a loss last season. We view this as a separate issue that needs to be addressed by the trip committee and trip coordinators as well as the executive board.

Meanwhile, the club's officers have recommitted themselves to reviewing our expenditures carefully in light of our increasing costs, with an eye toward keeping them in control.

--Gene Addy, Trustee

"White Water River Rafting & Camping"

Nine (9) brave souls are headed to the LOWER GAULEY RIVER in West Virginia September 19-21st, 2003!

Our plan is to drive down Friday night, raft a Full Day on Saturday, have a big celebration dinner (Steak, Chicken, Swordfish or Veggie) and leave on Sunday after having "Splashed" all weekend. There is a possibility that a few more can join us, 216-433-3237.

We have a cabin for Friday night, which is great since we are arriving late in the evening. Then on Saturday night we are tenting!



Extreme Expedition is filling up fast on their rafts, so if you are interested let us know and

we can check to see the availability and if it's a go! Currently, we have one full raft. Prefer another 6-9 new brave souls to have another full raft!

Otherwise, could be rafting with other fun people who came to be thrilled!

-- Tom Jones & Victoria Briscoe

SOLAR ORBIT COMPLETIONS (Birthdays)



For September--

Elise Allen Sept 1
Dhani Reddy Sept 6
Susan Demczyk Sept 7
Doug Feikema Sept 9
Phil Armada Sept 10
Sandi Campbell Sept 10

Frank Boldizar Sept 12
Roger Burt Sept 12
Jeff Vickers Sept 12
Sandra Colombi Sept 14
Harriet Pedone Sept 14
Dale Stalnaker Sept 15

Matt Dubas Sept 17
Lisa Lambert Sept 17
Patrick Ballasch Sept 18
John Restifo Sept 25
Blanche Vanis Sept 29



Rays of Sunshine...

Hello Skiers & Boarders!
Let's all wish **Laura Maynard-Nelson** a speedy recovery from her recent surgery. Get well Soon.

Congratulations! To ski club celebrities **Al Linne** and **Tony Shook** who received



Group Awards in the recent **Honor Awards Ceremony**. Quite a few former club members were also honored.

Please don't forget to let **Nancy Piltch** know of significant events in the lives of our club members so we can give out Rays of Sunshine! You can reach her at Nancy.D.Piltch@grc.nasa.gov, 3-3637

Fellow Alpine Enthusiasts!!

Fellow Alpine Enthusiasts:

The local sweet corn is in and the harvesting of crops tells me that fall is on its way.



The club officers and trip planning committee have completed the alpine trips for this year. The week long and day trips have been finalized.

We have two outstanding week long trips. The first week-long trip is to **Steamboat Springs**. This is the NASA wide trip with all the NASA ski clubs getting together in one place and it is just a blast.

The second week-long trip is to **Aspen**. This trip should also be a blast. Both these week-long trips have great prices. It will be

very hard to find two better week-long trips anywhere which will make it tough to determine which one to go on.

Our day trips start with a trip to **HoliMont** and **Holiday Valley**. We then go to **Seven Springs** and **Kissing Bridge** and finish at **Holiday Valley**. I plan on getting the bus letters out shortly and finalizing the west side pick-up location.


A final thought, I have noticed that ski shops are having specials for their **pre-season tune ups**. So if you feel your skis need a tune up call your favorite shop and ask if they have a special.

So start planning your ski season now.

May your edges not see rust.

--Al Linne

NASA Lewis Ski Club 2004 Alpine/Nordic Schedule

Location	Date	Cost	Trip Coordinator	Phone #'s
				
HoliMont	January 2 nd , 2004		Malcom Wood	440-331-1349
Chapin Forest	January 10, 2004		Tom Haag	216-977-7423
Holiday Valley	January 16, 2004		Tom VanNuyen	216-433-3851
Chapin Forest	January 24, 2004		Tom Haag	216-977-7423
Steamboat Springs, CO	January 24-31 st , 2004	\$1,100 per person	Victoria Briscoe & Tom Jones	216-433-3237 216-433-3718
HoliMont & Holiday Valley	January 30 th & 31 st , 2004		Mark Hyatt	216-433-3248
Rocky River Reservation	February 7, 2004		Tom Haag/(TBD)	216-977-7423
Seven Springs, PA	February 13, 2004		Joe Gruden	440-944-8327
North Chagrin Reservation	February 21, 2004		Tom Haag/(TBD)	216-977-7423
Kissing Bridge	February 28, 2004 This is a SATURDAY!		Victoria Briscoe/Linda Elonen-Wright	216-433-3237 & 216-433-9370
Holiday Valley	March 12, 2004		Gene Addy	440-243-7569
Aspen, CO	April 3-10 th , 2004	\$890 per person	Annie Easley & Gene Addy	440-816-1215 440-243-7569

Racing News, Too Fast to Print!

Here is the CMSC Weekend Race Series schedule for next year.

Notice the one big change of an added race at Holiday Valley. Maybe our Club will be inspired to go racing at one of its favorite destinations. Snowboard events will be held in conjunction with GS & Duals races, except at Combined. Start saving your pennies, and planning your leave.

Your Modest Race Chair,

--Mark Hyatt

CMSC Weekend Races Series - 2004

Dec. 29, qualifier @ Boston Mills
Jan. 3, GS @ Holiday Valley
Jan. 4, SL @ Holiday Valley
Jan. 10, SL @ Bristol
Jan. 11, GS @ Bristol
Jan. 25, SL @ Boston Mills
Jan. 31, Duals @ Holiday Valley
Feb. 7, SL @ Swain
Feb. 8, GS @ Swain
Feb. 21, SG & GS @ Bristol
Feb. 22, SL @ Bristol
Feb. 28, SL @ Kissing Bridge
Mar. 6, Duals @ Swain
Mar. 7, Elims @ Swain

Brandywine & Boston Mills Open House!

October 10, 11, 12th! A great time for everyone to clean your extra gear out and share it with others, or upgrade your equipment at the **Swap & Shop** event! We'll need **your help to Volunteer** and work the **NASA Lewis Table** at the event on all **3 days**. We'll break it into shifts. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Sept. Meeting at BW3's.

CMSC News

CMSC held their elections in April, and these are their new officers: President: Dianne Oldham, Vice President: Bob Bevan, Treasurer: Jessie Anderson, Secretary: Heidi Reinecker, Trustee: Paul Weber, "New" Race Chair: Harry Baumgartner.

- CMSC Golf Outing **was a success** on July 26, 2003 at Punderson Golf Course.
- CMSC Family Picnic was August 16, 2003 at Albion Woods in Strongsville, and great food!
- Ski Fair/Queen Pageant is November 8, 2003 at Holiday Inn in Richfield. **It is the Winter Adventure Expo!! Need NASA Lewis Ski Club Volunteers to work the table we're sponsoring!!**
- *If anyone has any questions, they can contact Karen at (216) 433-3253*

Your CMSC Rep, -- Karen Fashimpaur

SKI CLUB OFFICERS (Phone/NASA Mail Stop)

President: Linda Elonen-Wright (216-433-9370/142-5)
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Nordic Vice President: Tom Haag (216-977-7423)301-3
Activity Vice President: Tony Shook (216-433-6373/86-12)
Recorder: Kristen Newcomb (440-835-9279)
Publicity Director: Victoria Briscoe (216-433-3237) 501-4
Treasurer: Colin Bidwell (216-433-3947/11-2)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

CMSC Rep: Karen Fashimpaur (440-243-5456)
Refreshment: Malcolm Wood (440-331-1349)
Sunshine: Nancy Piltch (216-433-3637/110-3)
Social: Tom Walleth (216-433-3673)
Racing: Mark Hyatt (216-433-3248)
Membership: Gene Addy (216-977-7467/11-2)
Web Curator: Lee Lam (216-433-3058)
Trip Chairman: Annie Easley (440-816-1215)

TRUSTEES: Annie Easley (440-816-1215), Gene Addy (216-977-7467) & Malcom Wood (440) 331-1349

Address: <Name, Mail Stop#>NASA GRC, 21000 Brookpark Road, Cleveland, OH 44135

MEDIA HYPE SECTION: DEADLINE FOR NEWS ITEMS FOR NEXT ISSUE: (**September 17th, 2003**)

Please Submit items directly to the Publicity Director (e-mail to Victoria.L.Briscoe@grc.nasa.gov) If you have future articles ideas, please contact me! Share any articles on training exercises, or equipment discoveries that would be of interest to add for future newsletters...--Victoria Briscoe -3237).



Whitewater Rafting September 19-21 2003 Lower Gauley, WV

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Tom Jones or Victoria Briscoe, NASA Glenn Research Center
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Contact: Annie Easley 440-816-1215 (H)

Gene Addy 440-243-7569 (H)



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January 24th-31st, 2004**

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Round Trip Continental Airlines, Cle/Hayden
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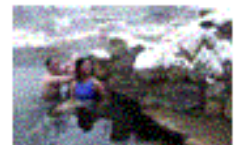
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- *NASA Ski's with Olympian, Billy the Kidd
- *NASTAR Race Day for NASA!
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- *Optional: Group Dinner & Powdercat Skiing

Cost: \$1,100 Per Person

CONTACT:

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