

NASA Lewis Ski Club

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, Apr. 4
BW3-Rocky River
20412 Center Ridge Rd.
440-356-7325
5 pm: Happy Hour
6 pm: Meeting
Next Board Meeting: Apr. 18

**Ski club elections will be held
at the April 4 meeting.
Come out & vote !!
Officer candidates are on page 3.**

President's Message

Hello Lewis Ski Club!

The ski season is coming to a close, and all of our scheduled events are behind us. I hope the Alpine skiers have enjoyed the slopes, because the **Nordic season left much to be desired**. We had four events planned, and all four were cancelled due to poor snow conditions. We did have an excellent unplanned Nordic event on February 11, and I hope individual cross-country skiers were able to take advantage of other sporadic opportunities as they occurred.

Holimont, Holiday valley, and Seven Springs went well. The big trips to Vail and Morzine were spectacular, as usual. I would like to thank the Trip Coordinators of all of the scheduled events for their time attention, and patience. A cancelled event takes just as much effort to plan as a successful event, and I express my admiration to the coordinators who were willing to cancel their event in the interest of the club.

Planning for the 2006 - 2007 ski season will begin soon! If you are thinking about volunteering to coordinate a trip for next season, this is your chance to promote your idea. The Trip Planning meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 28th, and is chaired by Annie Easley. Contact Annie for the precise time and location of this meeting.

As mentioned last month, **April 4th is Election Night** for the Lewis Ski Club. Nominations for all officer positions have been taken, and now we must decide who will lead the club into the next ski season. **We will need a new Club President, and VP-Nordic.** All other officer positions are up for possible renewal. If you would like an opportunity to serve for any club position, contact the Nomination Committee as soon as possible. The committee consists of Annie Easley (440)816-1215, and Gene Addy (216)977-7467.

Tom Haag
Acting President

Officers of Lewis Ski Club

SKI CLUB OFFICERS

President: Tom Haag (216-977-7423)
Alpine Vice President: Mike Kaltenstein (330-483-4841)
Nordic Vice President: Tom Haag (216-977-7423)
Activity Vice President: Victoria Briscoe (216-433-3237)
Recorder: Janet Dubas (216-741-3161)
Publicity Director: Cheryl Alden (440-582-2174)
Treasurer: Tom Jones (216-433-3718)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

CMSC Rep: Kristen Newcomb
Refreshment: Tom Jones (216-433-3718)
Sunshine: Kay Blaney
Social: Kathleen Moran (440-333-6089)
Barb Cool (440-781-8406)
Racing: Mark Hyatt (216-433-3248)
Membership: Lisa Ferenc (216-433-6592)
Web Curator: Linda Elonen-Wright
Trip: Annie Easley (440-816-1215)

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



George Guzauskas	Apr 1	Vladimir Avtshtol	Apr 17
Paul Burik	Apr 2	Susan Ayers	Apr 18
Steven Stevenson	Apr 2	Kathleen Tabar	Apr 19
Jenny Gerbino	Apr 5	Carol Travis	Apr 19
Luke Tanasijevic	Apr 6	Joyce Caldwell	Apr 20
Ali Gerbino	Apr 10	Dave Hartz	Apr 20
Larry Schroeder	Apr 10	Georgie Guzauskas	Apr 21
Fred Zofchak	Apr 12	Fred Teren	Apr 21
Brian Stickney	Apr 13	Annie Easley	Apr 23
John Shaughnessy	Apr 15	Andrew Gross	Apr 24
Michael Hosta	Apr 16	Gloria O'Donnell	Apr 26
John Parsons	Apr 16	Lois Cano	Apr 30
Ray Neumann	Apr 16	Terrence Clark	Apr 30

Rays of Sunshine

Congratulations to Jan Burton & Ray Neumann on their recent marriage !!!

Email our Sunshine Chair, Kay Blaney, with any member news.
(histopro47@hotmail.com)



Contest For Most Ski Days



We are holding a contest for the male and female with the most ski days. Email your total to Cheryl Alden (skier117@juno.com) by April 22. The winners will be announced in the May newsletter. Since there is no meeting in May, the prizes will be given out at the June meeting.

SKI CLUB ELECTIONS

Vote for ski club officers at the April 4 meeting.

Confirmed Officer Candidates:

President: Colin Bidwell

Alpine V.P.: Mike Kaltenstein

Nordic V.P.: Nancy Piltch

Activities V.P.: Victoria Briscoe, Barb Cool

Recorder: Janet Dubas

Publicity Director: Cheryl Alden

Treasurer: Tom Jones

Trustee: Linda Elonen-Wright, Malcolm Wood

Holiday Valley Trip Report March 3rd

Finally some good ski weather for a trip! The Holiday Valley trip was a great time for all. We filled a bus with 51 skiers, fourteen of which were new members. Amazing what good conditions will do for a trip - there was some powder and conditions were great all over the resort. We had a raffle with \$\$ prizes and made 11 members \$5-\$20 happier.

Judy Traxler and Gene Addy--co-leaders

Banff Mountain Film Festival

For those who are interested this is a pay as you go and get there on your own activity on April 7th and 8th at the Ohio Theatre. This is the world's best extreme sports, climbing and mountain culture films from the Banff Mountain Film Festival traveling to over 180 cities. The Friday night reception features musical entertainment, Great Lakes Brewing Beer, CookieChix Gourmet Cookie Co. cookies. Light appetizers from Chipotle and Wild Oats Natural Marketplace, complimentary refreshments, cash bar, exhibits, prize drawing from 6:00 to 7:30 pm are included for both nights.

Tickets are \$30.00 for Friday night and \$25.00 for Sat. night and can be purchased at: Geiger's Lakewood location (216-521-1771) Chagrin Falls location (440-247-4900) or Playhouse Square Center (216-241-6000) or www.playhousesquare.com. More information also available on the NorthCoast website <http://www.northcoastsports.net/banff.html> or the NorthCoast magazine.

Lake County Captains Game

Cleveland Metro Ski Council night is April 15th. Gates open 1pm and games start 2:05pm. Camille Heinz, CMSC Ski Queen will throw the first pitch. Orders must be received by March 30th - \$9.00. Order form is on Cleveland Metro Ski Council web site. Scoreboard welcome, group raffle entry and mouse pad giveaway.



NASA Ski Team at Bristol

Racing Report

Helmets off to Mark and Lisa for fund raising for the racers! With their help by selling cookies and candy they managed to have \$4.00 taken off of the race entry fees for each race for each racer!

Now for the Race Recap:

Bristol Combined Championship - Bristol is a good place for this annual championship providing racers with challenging race courses and steep terrain.

Rounding out the annual combined championship in addition to Bruce Frankensfield's (CCM) winning the Combined (Way to go Bruce!!) are fellow team members Mark Hyatt, Elise Allen, Lisa Lambert, Therese Telzrow and myself, Barb Cool.

Our fearless leader, Mark Hyatt (BM) placed 4th in the Combined total after placing 4th in the Super G, 5th in the GS and 5th in Slalom!

Elise (CCVW) placed 2nd overall at Combined after placing 3rd in Super G, 4th in GS and 3rd in the Slalom!

After starting with a 4th place in the Super G, Barb (CCVW) fell in the GS resulting in a DQ (not again!) and 0 points in the Combined. However, Barb rallied back on Sunday and placed 2nd in the Slalom - - (early to bed Sat night must have paid off!) - Note: it was almost a sweep in the Slalom with Barb and Elise taking 2nd and 3rd!!

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Lisa (BW) gets the trooper award for continuing on in spite of a hard fall in the Super G (Lisa should have gotten the award for the biggest fall!) and came back to place 5th in the GS and 4th in the Slalom.

Therese (CCVW) placed 5th in the Combined total after placing a consistent 5th in all 3 races.

Division 2: Club points placed Nasa Lewis tied for 5th place with Goodyear at the Super G, 6th place (oh not last!) for the GS and then Nasa went on to beat Goodyear in the Slalom placing 5th!!!

Holiday Valley Duals - Fun to race 2 at a time! - (These are still timed individually.)

Mark placed 7th in BM and 4th in CSnowboarding! Barb got 1st place, Therese, 5th and Cheryl in CCW took 3rd! Nasa unfortunately came in last place, 7th behind Erie Ski Club by only 5 points and Goodyear in 4th by a mere 10 pts!

Swain Duals - 2 racers at a time but different from HV by timing the differential between the 2 racers. Who gets past the finish line first wins!

With 3 of us (Mark, Mark and Barb) Nasa tied Goodyear for fifth place! Mark placed 2nd in BM and 4th in CSnowboards and I landed a 1st in CCVW!

So far the Overall standings are (total points have not been adjusted yet for the best 12 races):

Mark - 5th place with 8 races in BM and 4th place with 5 races in CSnowboarding.

Bruce - 4th place in CCM with 9 races and 8th place with 1 race in CSnowboarding.

Elise - 6th place with 5 races.

Lisa - 7th place in BW with 5 races.

Therese - 5th place in CCVW with 10 races.

Barb - 2nd place in CCVW with 13 races.

Cheryl - 8th place in CCW with 4 races.

Victoria Briscoe - 9th place in CCW with 2 races.

Tim Kurtz - 9th place with 1 race. (We will miss Tim!!)

Club standings for the year puts us at #6 spot not far behind Goodyear. We look ahead to next year with the potential on hand to easily beat Goodyear! GO NASA!

If anyone is thinking about racing - feel free to contact Mark or anyone of us for more info on joining! We certainly could use more racers and it's a lot of fun, great way to improve your skiing and to meet other skiers. You can also get lots of trophies, awards, prizes! Deb Bunnell from CW won a pair of skis at Swain Duals!!!

Don't forget that the Racers Banquet is April 22 at 6:30 pm at Reinecker's Party Center (Buccaneer Bash!) Details on Cleveland Metro Ski Council website.

Barb

Cockaigne Ski Resort Mar. 11, 2006

-Victoria Briscoe and Cheryl Alden



Eight of us carpoled up to Cockaigne for their annual Spring Fling: Mike Kaltenstein with grandson Jeffery and his pals Adam and Kevin, Diana Hosta-Stickney, Jim Slifka, Cheryl and Victoria. The spring conditions were sunny and reached about 55 degrees in the afternoon. It was spring skiing and off of one ski run we saw eight wild turkeys in the trees and we aren't talking about us!

Seven of us raced in NASTAR. It was Dianna Hosta-Stickney's first time ever racing and she improved her time by six seconds! There was also an obstacle race with a maze to ski or snowboard through. The whole group took a try at it with Mike Kaltenstein taking 1st place, Jim Slifka 2nd place, and Victoria Briscoe with 4th place.

Victoria and Jim piloted our box sled this year. The theme was Gilligan's Island! We built a boat from cardboard and duct tape, the S.S. Shred. The race resulted in a tie for first between us and another sled. We then went back to the start and raced again. This time we won with the fastest sled. The S.S. Shred was also awarded for best appearance. Because of winning both titles the S.S. Shred will be on display at Cockaigne. They will have it hanging from the ceiling all of next year!

Cockaigne management made us feel like part of the ski family at the awards function. They are looking forward to seeing the Lewis Ski Club visit again next year.



"Victoria and Jim in the S.S. Shred"



"Winning the tie-race"