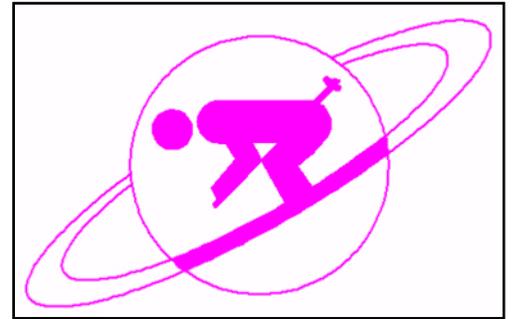


February 2013

# NASA Lewis Ski Club



Bringing on the fresh pow



Nearly 30 skiers and snowboards went to Vail, CO the last week of January. It snowed nearly every day, so there was plenty of fresh powder to be had. Pictured is the group trip leader Jim Slifka took down Riva Ridge, a run that is over 3 miles long with a couple of steep passes. See more on page 4-5.

## Next meeting

Tuesday, Feb. 5, 100th  
Bomb Group, 20920 Brookpark  
Road, Cleveland, 6 p.m.

Dan and James will talk  
about using technology on and  
off the slopes for the snow sea-  
son.

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## President's message...

Frigid temperatures and lake effect snow have returned this winter season, providing fabulous ski conditions at the local resorts. Hopefully you are taking advantage of the snow while the season lasts. Go skiing, snowboarding, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, sledding, snowman building, or whatever suits your interests, just get out and enjoy winter before the spring melt down. As a reminder, the club's remaining two alpine day trips are approaching fast. Sign up early to ensure you don't miss out on all the fun. For those of you on the trip to Banff in March, the club's alpine day trips are a great way to make sure those ski legs are ready for a week on the slopes.

Looking ahead, please consider taking an active roll in the club by considering a club officer/chair position. Club officer nominations will take place at the March Club meeting, with elections the following month. This club can only thrive with help from the members.



Lastly, keep a watch on your email for club meeting topics and club activities. See you out in the snow!

Last seen with a heaping handful of "healthy" oatmeal chocolate chip cookies...

**—Aaron**

## Happy February birthday to:

Melissa Wood, Gail Anderson, Linda Dudzinsky, Dennis Duffy, Don Ginley, Chris Hastings, Katrina Hegedus, Harold Heizer, Charlie Kainec, Marek Kasprisin, Tom Keller, Gail Kovacs, Mark Manthey, Bill Marks, Camille Nordwig, Kristen Schulz, Mark Stevens, Niko Stupica, Maya Stupica, Ron Sveda, Paul Tabor, Penny Tarkany, David Vannuyen, Mary Vedda, Aaron Wise



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## Club officers

Position	Name	Email @lewisclub.org
President	Aaron J. Swank	president
Alpine V.P.	Dave Root	alpinevp
Nordic V.P.	Allen Porter	nordicvp
Activity V.P.	Ray Neumann	activity
Recorder	Barb Knipple	recorder
Publicity Director	Allison Wood	publicity
Treasurer	Janet Dubas	treasurer

## Committee Chairs & Trustees

CMSC Representative	Victoria Wise	cmsc
Racing	Lisa Lambert	race
Membership	Lisa Ferenc	membership
Web curator	Aaron J. Swank	webcurator
Alternate web curator	Lisa Lambert	webcurator
Trip	Tom Vannuyen	tripchair
Trustee	Lori Manthey	trustees
Trustee	Linda Elonen-Wright	trustees
Trustee	Bruce Frankenfield	trustees

## Vail post trip report

**What can we say, we had pow pow, sick pow, freshy pow, cherry-cherry pow, Snorkel weather pow, knee deep pow... and did I say groomed pow... What a week!! We had fresh powder every day... along with a little sun thrown in here and there. 30" over the week... Back bowls maybe waist deep... in spots. It was just one of those weeks where even the grooming crew at Vail would groom a slope and there would be another 3" or 6" on top... How sweet it was... If you didn't know how to ski the powder... you sure learned by the end of the week... And amazingly, no one got hurt...**



The trees were full of snow all week, especially on Thursday, when the pow got up to waist deep in places.

**Our condos, Simba Run, were very nicely appointed with updated units with great full wall windows facing the mountains. The indoor pool was the largest one I have ever seen at a resort and the indoor and outdoor 20 person hot tubs sure hit the spot. I was very impressed with Simba Runs private shuttle service, never more than a few minute wait. Ask the Jerry Hill about his bear themed and pillow unit. He sure got a kick out of it.**



The group gathered in Simba Run's meeting room for the mid-week party catered by Moe's BBQ.

**Speaking of Jerry, while sitting in the hot tub, his nephews, Joel and Nathan, said "ya, he took Gerry and Gary, their father, to do some moguls." I'm thinking they took them off the side somewhere to do a few small ones. O' no, they took them on Blue OX.....I said What ??? I know Gerry & their father don't do moguls... Blue Ox is a half mile of black diamond bumps... and they lived to tell about it. Wow... Monday I shepherd a group of 10 down Vail's signature 3-mile trail, Riva Ridge. They only groom it once or twice a week, so I said now is the time to do it. I was very proud that everyone accomplished that feat as a group ... even the "Tourist Trap" section which at one time was a double black.**



In celebration of Vail's 50th anniversary this year, the resort built a new gondola, One, in Vail Village, replacing a high-speed chair that was there before.

**Wednesday evening we had Vail's #1 rated Moe's BBQ cater our meal... Every item was top notch and delicious. We closed out the week with a "clean-out your frig party in Luis Fernandez, Barb Felmar, Jim Zinser and Allen Porter's unit Friday night.**

**Overall, the trip went very smooth... flights, ground transportation, rooms, hot tubs, skiing, parties... We had a great bunch of Lewis members, with many regulars and a few new, hopefully returning skiers.**

### **Jim & Diane Slifka**



What kind of pow is this supposed to be? Either way, it is a lot.



Trip leader Diane Slifka takes a breather while waiting for the rest of the group to arrive.



Trip leader Jim Slifka, along with Mark Chernesky and Jim Zinser, take a rest while riding on one of Vail's two gondolas.



Those wanting to get up the Wildwood Express lift, which is a path to the Back Bowls, got stuck in a long lift line Friday as weekend skiers and snowboarders came to experience some of the season's best conditions.

## **Seven Springs trip – Jan. 18**

Unfortunately, our trip leader, Lisa Ferenc, was not feeling well and she bowed out of the trip. Tom Vannuyen and Mike Kalkenstein agreed to step in to help run the trip.

The forecast at Seven Springs was supposed to be high 28 for Friday 1/18/13 when I looked at weather.com on Thursday night. When we got off the bus at Seven Springs, the weather was in the brisk 16 degree F. It finally crept up to about 25 degrees in the afternoon. We had a full bus of 52 skiers and boarders. We enjoyed the breakfast snacks of blueberry muffins, sticky buns, bananas and apples, juice & water. Our bus driver got us there in at 9:30 am, which was awesome. Yeah, more time on the slopes. :)

We had a minor snag of someone grabbing the wrong boot bag. We were able to find the correct owners and do a swap.

Some runs were closed and some you had to steer around the snow making machines. The morning was beautiful. The sun came out for most of the day. The trees looked like they had some water freezing on them. They look like glass with a light layer of drifting snow on them. The morning was excellent snow on the North Face. Overall, I thought it was a wonderful day of skiing.

We had several people asking to rent equipments on the bus and we were able to reserve that for them saving them some \$\$\$. We had some new members and they all agreed it was a lot of fun and they will definitely come for another trip.

Everyone was on their own for dinner with the bus departing shortly after 7:00 pm to head home. Most were relaxed and tired as they talked about what a great day they had!!

**-Tom Vannuyen**

## **NASA Lewis Ski Club Activities**

If you would like to volunteer to have a get together after work or an event to share with fellow club members, contact Ray Neumann, Activity V.P.

**Join NASA Lewis Ski Club  
for TGIF  
at the Lizardville Beer Store and Whiskey Bar  
In Rocky River on Friday, Feb. 8th  
We'll meet up at 5:30 for drinks in the bar. Browse through the huge selection of bottled beers (over 600).**



**Those that wish to stay for dinner please RSVP so we can arrange for a table.  
Food is a definite notch up from the Winking Lizard.  
This is in the former Donato's at the Westwood Town Center  
21805 Center Ridge Rd.  
Rocky River, Ohio 44116**

**RSVP to Ray Neumann at activity.**

# Banff 2013



Ski the Canadian Rockies with the Lewis Ski Club!  
March 16 to 23, 2013 **\$1649** (per person)\*

Package Price Includes:

Round trip air transportation between Cleveland and Calgary (Air Canada)  
Round trip ground transfers between Calgary and Banff  
7 nights accommodation - Banff Aspen Lodge, Premium Room, Dbl Occ  
**(including daily Canadian Rockies Continental Breakfast)**  
Welcome Party, Group Dinner, Closeout Party at end of week  
5 day lift ticket valid at Lake Louise, Sunshine Village, and Mt. Norquay  
Complimentary shuttle bus service to all 3 ski areas  
Complimentary daily guided tours at all ski areas  
National Park Fee and all taxes

Hotel details available at: [www.banffaspenlodge.com](http://www.banffaspenlodge.com)

Payment Schedule:

\$450 Due now, non-refundable  
\$400 due by September 30, 2012  
\$400 due by November 30, 2012  
\$399 due by January 15, 2013

Optional One Day Trip:

Kicking Horse Ski Resort  
\$150 per person (20 req'd)

Trip Insurance Available

Send checks and trip agreement form to:

Mark Hyatt, Lewis Ski Club  
Mailstop 77-5  
21000 Brookpark Rd.  
Cleveland, OH 44135

Bruce Frankenfield, co-leader  
Contact the trip leaders at:  
[banff2013@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:banff2013@lewisskiclub.org)  
216-433-3248

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "LEWIS SKI CLUB, INC."

Membership in the Lewis Ski Club, Trip Application and Agreement are required.

Forms and more information available at: [www.lewisskiclub.org](http://www.lewisskiclub.org)

**Participants must have a valid passport for travel between US and Canada.**

\* Does not include baggage fees, any additional fuel surcharges, or airport fees, which may be imposed by the airline prior to departure.



## Racing News

The 2013 CMSC weekend race series kicked off at Kissing Bridge on Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> with a Giant Slalom race. The team had a strong start with Marilyn, Bruce, and Mark getting gold medals. We also gained a new club member and ski team member – Jody qualified into BBM on telemark skis. Overall, the team did awesome and placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Group II.



On the weekend of January 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>, the races were held at Holiday Valley with Spring skiing conditions. In the Giant Slalom on Saturday, Marilyn won the solo gold medal, but Lisa got silver and Don L. got bronze medal. The team grew again with Edie qualifying into CCVW and James into CCM. Neither of them had even run race gates before, but both did great and are hooked on racing. The forecast for the Slalom race on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> was rain and warm temperatures in the 60's, but the showers avoided the slopes and our team shined. FOUR team members earned gold medals – Marilyn, Bruce, Lisa and Edie (in her first points race!).

2013		Kissing Bridge	Holiday Valley		Swain I	
Racer	Class	GS Place	GS Place	Slalom Place	Slalom Place	GS Place
Marilyn	AVW	1	1	1		
Bruce	BBVM	1		1	2	1
Don L.	BBVM	5	3	3		
Lisa	BBW	4	2	1	3	3
Mark	BBM	6	6	3	2	5
Jody	BBM	Q				
Elise	BVW	4	5	DQ	DQ	3
Don G	BVM	4				
Edie	CCVW		Q	1		
James	CCM		Q	4		
Bruce	CCSB	6				8
Mark	CCSB	1	4			2
Team points		85	70	89	34	60
Team place (Div II)		4 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>

After a weekend off from racing, winter finally arrived for

the Swain 1 race weekend January 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. The Slalom on Saturday was a challenge, but everyone that finished earned medals. The Giant Slalom on Sunday was super-fun. Everyone had a great time with Bruce leading the team with a gold medal!

— Lisa Lambert, Race Chair



# HOLIMONT

With the Lewis Ski Club

Friday February 15th 2013

**\$72 per person (lift ticket and bus)\***



**Includes:** Round-trip transportation from Cleveland, OH to Holimont, NY, adult lift ticket, and breakfast snacks on the bus.

**Itinerary:**

- 6:00 AM West Side Pickup **NEW LOCATION (see below)**
- 6:30 AM East Side Pickup
- 10:00 AM Arrive at Holimont Ski Area
- 4:45 PM Bus Departs for Ellicottville for Dinner (\$\$ for dinner NOT included)
- 7:30 PM Bus Departs for Cleveland
- 10:30 PM East Side Drop-off
- 11:00 PM West Side Drop-off



**Bus Pickup / Drop-off Information:**

**WEST:** American Legion hall parking lot. 22001 Brookpark Rd.  
(Across the bridge from the NASA main gate.)

**EAST:** Home Depot Parking Lot on Wilson Mills Rd., Highland Heights, 1/2 Mile West of I-271.  
**DO NOT PARK AT DENNY'S**

**Trip Application Information:**

Send payment check and trip application form to:

**Dan Zeleznikar**  
**21000 Brookpark Rd. MS 54-4**  
**Cleveland, OH 44135**

**Contact:** [holimont2013@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:holimont2013@lewisskiclub.org)

**Wk 216-433-6697**

**Cell 216-233-6232**

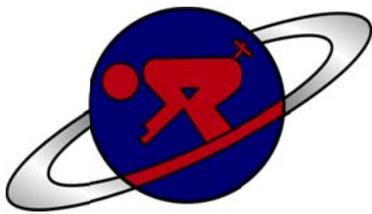
**Make Checks payable to: Lewis Ski Club, Inc.**



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## Do these skis make my butt look FAST?!?

- \*Lewis Ski Club membership required. New Members: \$10 Individual / \$15 Family (separate check)
  - ❖ Membership information at <http://www.lewisskiclub.org/membership>
  - ❖ If not currently a Lewis Ski Club Member, please include Membership Application Form & Fees.
  - ❖ Reservations are 1st come 1st served with payment in full.
  - ❖ No refunds made for your bus seat, unless your spot is filled.
  - ❖ Every participant must sign a **Trip Application Form**.
  - ❖ Minors (under 18) not accompanied by parent or legal guardian must have a Minor Release Form.
  - ❖ Forms available at <http://www.lewisskiclub.org/forms>
  - ❖ No smoking on the bus.
  - ❖ **Rental Equipment is available. Adults \$28 for Skis/Poles/Boots or Snowboard/Boots**

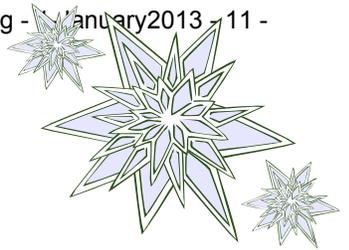


# Holiday Valley III

With the Lewis Ski Club

**Friday March 1st 2013**

**\$72 per person (lift ticket and bus)\***



**Includes:** Round-trip transportation from Cleveland, OH to Holiday Valley, NY  
Adult lift ticket & breakfast snacks on the bus.

**Itinerary:**

- 6:00 AM West Side Pickup **NEW LOCATION (see below)**
- 6:30 AM East Side Pickup
- 10:00 AM Arrive at Holiday Valley Ski Area
- 4:45 PM Bus Departs for Ellicottville for Dinner (\$\$ for dinner NOT included)
- 7:30 PM Bus Departs for Cleveland
- 10:30 PM East Side Drop-off
- 11:00 PM West Side Drop-off

**Bus Pickup / Drop-off Information:**

- WEST:** American Legion Hall parking lot. 22001 Brookpark Rd.  
(Across the bridge from the NASA main gate)
- EAST:** Home Depot Parking Lot on Wilson Mills Rd., Highland Heights  
1/2 Mile West of I-271  
**DO NOT PARK AT DENNY'S**

**Trip Application Information:**

Send payment check and trip application form to:

**Shari Williams**  
**Holiday Valley III Trip**  
**6005 Havendale Drive**  
**Brook Park, OH 44142**  
**440 915 2441**

**Trip Co-Leader:**  
**Chris Marks**  
**440 465 1530**



**Make checks payable to: Lewis Ski Club, Inc.**  
**Email: [holidayvalley-mar2013@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:holidayvalley-mar2013@lewisskiclub.org)**

\*Lewis Ski Club membership required.

New Members: \$10 Individual / \$15 Family (separate check)

- ❖ Membership information at <http://www.lewisskiclub.org/membership>
- ❖ If not currently a Lewis Ski Club Member, please include Membership Application & fees.
- ❖ Reservations are 1st come 1st served with payment in full.
- ❖ No refunds made for your bus seat, unless your spot is filled.
- ❖ Every participant must sign a **Trip Application Form**.
- ❖ Minors (under 18) not accompanied by parent or legal guardian must have a Minor Release Form.
- ❖ Forms available at <http://www.lewisskiclub.org/forms>
- ❖ No smoking on the bus.



NASA LEWIS SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP  
(October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>)

Name: (First)   
 (Last)   
 Home Phone:   
 Work Phone:   
 Address:

NASA Lewis Ski Club publishes a Member Directory containing names, addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers of the members. It is in hard copy only and made available at meetings and upon request of other club members only. Do you consent to having your contact information included?  Yes  No

NASA Mail Stop: (If applicable)  Birthday: Month / Day (optional)

Email Address:

(Note: Club Newsletter is only sent via email/web to reduce both labor and postage)

Do you also wish to be added to an email list for impromptu, last-minute outings.  Yes  No

Type of Membership: (Check TWO)

- Single (\$10)     New Member
- Family\* (\$15)     Renewal\*\*

\* A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP is defined as: "a member and spouse and/or DEPENDENT children".

\*\* Renewal rates for current members increase after November 15<sup>th</sup> to \$15 for single and \$20 for family. New members pay the lower rate no matter when they join.

List Eligible Family Members:

Name	Age (Kids Only)	Birthday (M/D)
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**Release: I/We, single/family membership, acknowledge that many of the activities and events organized and sponsored by the Lewis Ski Club, Inc., in particular participation-type athletic activities, are dangerous and hazardous and can cause damage, injury and death. In consideration of becoming a member and/or renewing my membership I/we assume any and all risks of participating in such activities, including the risk of damage, injury and death, and I/we release Lewis Ski Club, Inc., its members and officers, from responsibility and liability therefore. This Release shall remain in effect while I/we am/are a member(s) and when and while I/we participate in any such activity, and even if Lewis Ski Club, Inc. is negligent.**

Signed in Agreement:   X   Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Lewis Ski Club

### Trip Application and Agreement

The undersigned participant applies to participate in the Lewis Ski Club trip described below, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. **DEPOSIT:** The required initial deposit for this trip must be paid and submitted along with a signed Trip Application and Agreement. Balance shall be due and payable in accordance with payment schedules established by Lewis Ski Club.
2. **WITHDRAWAL & CHANGE:** Lewis Ski Club may withdraw any trip from its schedule at any time; may refuse to accept or retain any person as a participant at any time for any reason; and may change the itinerary at any time.
3. **RESPONSIBILITY:** Lewis Ski Club is acting gratuitously for the applicant and shall not be responsible or liable for any loss of damage to baggage, property, or for any loss, injury, death, accident, delay, inconvenience or any other loss occurring during or occasioned by applicant's participation or lack of participation in any trip. Trip participants ski and/or snowboard at their own risk. It is the injured skier's/snowboarder's responsibility to report to Ski Patrol for treatment or referral to hospital/doctor. If unable to accompany the club on return trip as planned, the injured party is responsible for arranging their own transportation for the return trip.
4. **IDENTIFICATION:** Each participant is responsible for having and taking with them a valid, current, government-issued, photo ID. For trips out of the USA, participants are responsible for having up-to-date and valid passport. When required, participants are also responsible for having up-to-date and valid visa(s).
5. **MINORS:** Any minor's participant Trip Application and Agreement must be co-signed by his/her parent or legal guardian. The minor must be accompanied on the trip by a parent or legal guardian or their designee who shall be wholly and fully responsible for said minor's conduct and well being.
6. **PAYMENT:** All payment checks shall be payable to "Lewis Ski Club, Inc."
7. **CANCELLATION:** If the participant cancels out of the trip, then the participant forfeits their rights to any and all payments made to Lewis Ski Club for this trip. Cancellation by participant means and includes: (a) failure to abide by the terms of this agreement; (b) notice by participant of intent to cancel; (c) participant's failure to make timely payments; (d) participant's failure for any reason to meet departure or return of the trip.
8. **ELIGIBILITY:** Lewis Ski Club membership is required to participate.
9. **EXTRA FEES:** Price does NOT include any additional fuel surcharges, baggage fees, or airport fees which may be imposed prior to the date of travel.

Trip Name:

Applicant Name:

( For Airline Ticketing MUST be as it appears on Drivers License/Passport )

Address:

Phone: (H)  (W)  (Cell)

Email Address:

Required for Airline Ticketing:

Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YYYY)

Required for Bus Trips: Pickup Location

West OR  East

Lewis Ski Club Member?  Yes  No (If NO, Please Include Membership Application Form)

Optional Trip Insurance?  Yes  No (For Extended Trips. If YES, Information will be sent to you.)

Trip Specific Info:  Ability:



Emergency Contact Information:

Name:

Phone: (H)  (Cell)

**I have read and agree to all the terms of this Agreement, and waiver of liability, as of this date.**

**Signed in Agreement:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed in Agreement:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of parent or legal guardian if participant is under 18)