



# LEWIS SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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While all Club Officer positions (duties linked to each [position title](#)) are voted on every year, several incumbents are ending their terms and will not continue in their roles, so new blood is needed! Please consider volunteering to run for any of the offices, but particularly needed are nominees for Treasurer, a Trustee, and Activity V.P. (T. Palisin)

## Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

The next general membership meeting is Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at the Donauschwaben German Club (7370 Columbia Road) in Olmsted Township). Social Hour from 5pm-6pm followed by the meeting (starting at 6pm).

## Progressive Dinner and Brewery Hop



On Friday, February 22nd, fourteen members and guests met up at Jolly Scholar Brewery on the Case campus for appetizers and drinks. We had fun hopping to two other

breweries, BrewDog for dinner and Bottlehouse before calling it a night. (J. Neumann)

## Next Social Outing Features Music!

Our next club activity will be on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Please RSVP to our [Activity V.P.](#) so we can reserve a table for Lewis Ski Club members.

## Musikfest 2019!

Presented By  
Cuyahoga Arts & Culture &  
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Featuring the Corni Ones Horn Club,  
Deutscher Musik Verein,  
Gottscheer Blaskapelle, Cleveland  
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Also Featuring the Donauschwäbische  
Kindergruppe, Jugendgruppe, and  
Kulturgruppe; Gottscheer Tanz &  
Spielkreis Austrian Dancers, and  
Schuhplattler & Trachtenverein Bavaria!

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Dinner at 5:00 pm, Show at 6:00 pm  
Dinner & Show \$20.00, Child \$10.00,  
Show-Only \$10.00

**Lenau Park's Holzer Halle**  
7370 Columbia Road  
Olmsted Township, Ohio 44138

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## Trip Reports

*Holiday Valley 3* – After the 2 previous day-trips were canceled, 46 skiers and boarders ignored some sketchy weather forecasts (possible rain) and arrived



after enjoying some warm breakfast sandwiches on the way. Although we waited through a discouraging downpour while the lift tickets were being picked up, that was it for the rain, and the sun even peeked out a few times throughout the day! While Jan Neumann suffered a hopefully-minor knee injury late in the day, we enjoyed excellent skiing conditions with all slopes open, even the Happy Glade (with lots of tree roots providing for some added excitement) and The Wall, which was littered with human carnage when I went down it. After being delayed a few minutes by some birthday celebrants, we arrived home without further incident right on time at 10:00pm. (M. Manthey)

**Park City** – While awaiting a full report for next month’s issue, here are some photos from what we hear has been an excellent trip to Utah!...



## Alpine Update

Thank you to everyone who participated in this season's Day Trips! While not 100% successful due to circumstances that are truly beyond our control, we did not lose money even with having to cancel two-day trips. The weather was fickle, the government shut down, competition is fierce, and we are still here. Thank you again to the volunteers who made an extra effort to make their trips special, Cindy, John, Shari, Mark and Neal. Warm breakfast on the bus! Thank you again and will ski ya next year! (K. Hulick)

*(Planning is already underway for our major (one-week) ski trips for 2020, with a committee having met to discuss and decide on which destinations we will visit. We hope to have decisions made in time to announce in our next newsletter.)*



## Nordic Skiing Update

*Wilderness Lodge Trip* - With Ohio's crazy up and down weather this winter, Lewis Ski Club cross-country skiers had to travel to Pennsylvania to find snow. We found a good base at the Wilderness Lodge on the overnight ski trip.

We had fun socializing Thursday evening, January 31st, and during our breaks from skiing on Friday, February 1st. Here are some photos...!



(K. McGinnis)

## Race Team Report

Ahh, with the mellow weather here in CLE, the New York Ski slopes have been good to...we'll call it..."firm." The team has suffered from more absences, so we are not showing the awesome team performances as past years. At Holiday Valley, there was a nice layer of snow, but the race course also had a nice ice layer ... it was carvable, so really not as bad as I kept saying it was. Skiers had duals (two racers on parallel courses) which is always an interesting event. The racer-right course was agreed to be the better course due to the fall line. Boarders were doing a "Boarder Cross" event, but not as duals, and the ice layer made it a challenge. Broc seemed to enjoy it, Bruce was marginal, and **Tom was not happy with a bad fall that had him visiting ski patrol...**



Tom vows to be back ski racing this year (Bristol?), but is going to sit out the snow board races. He has to save himself for Jackson Hole, after all! The small team at Kissing Bridge took many photos and seemed to have had a great time. The bright spots for the Team this year are Broc and Mary as new racers. They have both taken to the course enthusiastically and are showing good results right off the bat. Broc has taken a couple 1st places in CCSB, and Mary has notched wins in both BW and BBW, after being re-evaluated in her first race. Well done, both! The next two races are Bristol Combined first weekend in March and then Snow Board Combined at Swain the following weekend. WOW, the ski season is again almost over leaving us at the time to plan ahead for next year! (M. Hyatt)

### Individual Finishes & Standings

Class	Racer	Position	Kissing Bridge	Holiday Valley (Boarder Cross)	Holiday Valley (Slalom Duals)	Boston Mills	Snow Trails
AAVM	Tom Keller	7	--	DQ	DNS	--	--
AVW	Renee Schwartz	4	DQ	--	3	--	--
AVW	Edie Benner	3	2	--	--		
BBW	Mary Findley	5		--	1	--	Qualified
BBVM	Bruce Frankenfield	9		--	5	--	--
BVW	Elise Allen	8	--	--	5	--	--
CCSB	Tom Keller	5	--				
CCSB	Broc Benner	2	1	1	--	2	2
CCSB	Bruce Frankenfield	6	—	4	—	—	—
SSV	Don Lesinski	4					
<b>Team place</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	
<b>Team points</b>		<b>345</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>12</b>	

## Old Skis Needed

Do you want to support a local Boy Scout Troop? Do you have old skis cluttering up the house? My daughter Sharon is a cub scout leader in Willoughby and both of my grandsons (Riley & Mason) are involved in scouting. In the winter, they participate in camping and competition events in the snow. Next year the troop wants to build a home-made dog-pulling type sled made, but need one pair of long skis as the base. Their pack websites are:

<https://www.facebook.com/CubPack105/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Boy-Scout-Troop-185-Headwaters-District-GWRC-1547275128900652/>

Does anyone have an old pair of skis that could be donated to the pack? The donation would not be needed immediately but I wanted to ask before all the equipment is put away for the season.

Thanks, E. Trsek (see [contacts page](#))

## Proposed Constitution Changes

Summary      Constitution      Review      Committee  
Recommendations:

1. **Increase executive committee spending limit from \$200 to \$300** to accommodate general inflation. All expenses over \$300 will still require approval at a general club meeting.
2. **Remove the requirement that the president be an employee of NASA Glenn.** Although the club values its roots and origins at the NASA research center, it has been increasingly difficult to find NASA employees willing to take on the responsibility of president. There was discussion of changing the requirement to have some other post being filled by a NASA GRC employee; but identification of a specific replacement duty was tabled for now.

Other items that were discussed but are not being recommended for change this year.

Dues increase—the club has been running near or at deficit for several years. A dues increase

recommendation was discussed but rejected. It is felt the club should explore other ways to generate funds or reduce expenses.

Term Limits—Currently there are term limits for the offices of president and treasurer. There was discussion on eliminating all term limits or reinstating term limits for all offices. Pro for term limits: Term limits ensure that club duties get rotated between members, which reduces the burden on specific individuals, encourages new ideas, minimizes stagnation. Con for term limits: Volunteer organizations are run by volunteers. If someone is willing to do a specific job for longer than three years, why stop them? The current recommendation is to continue with three-year term limits for president and treasurer.

Authority for activities—it was noted that the approval process for club activities is not formalized in the constitution, by-laws, or activity guide. There was discussion of drafting a formal process for approval, but it was decided that such formal guidance is not needed in the constitution or by-laws at this time.

These recommendations are respectively submitted by the constitution review committee:

Mike Kaltenstein  
Therese Telzrow  
Cheryl Bowman  
Jan Breckel (member at large)

## Full Text of Proposed Changes to Constitution

### Article IV, Section 13: Spending Policy

All non-recoverable expenditures shall require the following approvals prior to the expenditure: \$0.00 through \$100.00 - approval of at least two members of the Executive Board; \$100.01 through ~~\$200.00~~ **\$300.00** - approval of a simple majority of the Executive Board; anything above ~~\$200.01~~ **\$300.01** - approval of a simple majority of the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting (quorum required).

### Article V, Section 1: President

#### **President must be a LSC member in good standing, for at least one year, prior to nomination.**

~~The President must be an on-site employee at the Glenn Research Center.~~ The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and the Executive Board. He/She shall notify the members of the Board of all Board meetings. The President shall appoint chairpersons of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall be a standing member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall perform all duties incident on the office of President. The President shall coordinate the review of the Activity Coordinator's Guide on an annual basis and promote its publication by October 1. The President, as well as the Treasurer, will be authorized to sign checks.