



LEWIS SKI CLUB

NEWSLETTER

January 2020

Prez Sez:

Friends, 2020 is here. Yes, it is a leap year. Go out and enjoy the winter season!

The Club have multiple trips plan for you. For 1-day trips, we have 3 trips to Holiday Valley and 2 trips to Holimont. Our weeklong alpine trips are to Steamboat, CO, and Mammoth, CA. For Nordic, we have Wilderness lodge and Allegheny State Park. Come and join us for some fun in the snow.

Signed up for membership and trips online. We want to thank all the trips leaders who volunteered to run one day, weekends, and weeklong trips. Without their volunteering efforts, we would not have so many fun trips for the club. Also, how about recruiting friends and family to join you and play in the snow? Make it a goal to invite/recruit at least one person each month.

See you soon.

- T. Vannuyen, President

Next Meeting is Tuesday, January 7th

The next general membership meeting is 6:00pm Tuesday, January 7th at the Donauschwaben German Club (7370 Columbia Road) in Olmsted Township). Join us prior to the meeting (after 5:00pm) for a social hour in the bar area.

Volunteering Has Its Rewards

I joined the Lewis Ski Club when I wanted to return to skiing. It had been a long time and I didn't know anyone in Cleveland who skied. A friend of mine from out west had mentioned a ski club so a google search turned up quite a few. I chose Lewis because it was close and a family group. I remember my first day trip and meeting new friends. Since then I have

gone on many trips with this group, started running trips and ultimately, became the Alpine VP. Volunteering to help keep this club united and keep us from going downhill (except on the slopes), has been a challenge. Everyone is so busy with their own lives so much so that volunteering seems to be an added burden that few take on. But what I am here to say is that volunteering is good for your soul. I have met so many awesome people and made many new friends. Not to mention that I found love in Vermont while running the trip to Mount Snow. Now I don't promise you'll find the love of your life on a ski trip but you will make new friends, go places you may not have traveled to and always have somebody to take that run with because we all know that not all of our friends ski the same! VOLUNTEER!

Your Alpine VP

Snack Break! (Help *Still* Wanted)

The Ski Club runs more smoothly on a full stomach and we need your help to accomplish that! The four folks on the Refreshment committee would really appreciate several additional members so that we can spread the joy and opportunity of feeding our



club to more people. If we have a few more helpers, you would only have to do 1 meeting a year! If you would like to give it a try, please let one of the officers know. We welcome you with open arms!

- Refreshment Committee (V. Lyons, J. Berger, L. Ferenc, B. Knipple)

Reminder - Sitzmark Discontinued

If you're looking for the Sitzmark, the printed version has been discontinued and replaced by an on-line version. Use this link to the [Sitzmark Online](#) Cleveland Metro Ski Club newsletter.

Avon Lake Library Art Show

See the work of several artists, including one of our club members, at Avon Lake Public Library (32649 Electric Blvd, Avon Lake) thru January 31st. Hours are 9am-9pm M-Th, 9-5 Sat, and 1-5 Sundays.

Eagles Tribute Band at Wagner's

Come join us on Friday, February 7th at Wagner's of Westlake for a concert by "East of Eden," a most authentic Eagles tribute band! General admission is



\$18, but we can get preferred VIP reserved table seating for \$28 if eight people are interested. The VIP tickets include assorted appetizers. Doors open at 7pm and the show begins at 8pm. There will be a cash bar. See the Wagner's [webpage](#) for more details. Please contact me (see [contacts page](#)) if you are interested in attending so I can reserve a table!

B. Knipple

Alpine Update



Anyone interested in learning more about the benefits of leading a day trip, please contact any officer for more information.

One-day trips will be:

- January 3 - Holiday Valley (CANCELED)
- January 17 - HoliMont
- January 31 - Holiday Valley
- February 14 - HoliMont
- February 28 - Holiday Valley*

* Still looking for leaders for this trip

- K. Hulick, VP Alpine

Nordic Skiing Update



Saturday, January 11 - Chapin Forest Outing

Meet at the ski center by 9:30, ready to ski. Arrive at when they open at 9:00 if you need to rent equipment. This is a great area with groomed trails. To check conditions, call 440-256-2118 x4178. (Reschedule date would be January 18)

Chapin Forest Reservation
Pine Lodge Cross-country Ski Center
10381 Hobart Rd., Kirtland, OH 44094

Cross-country skis are available for rent (ages 13 and older for \$5/hour, \$15/day, and ages 12 and younger for \$3/hour, \$9/day).

Monday January 20 – Wednesday, January 22 Allegheny State Park with Casino Stay

Cross-country skiing on the Art Roscoe Trails in the Allegheny State Park (New York) with 2-night stay at the Seneca Allegheny Resort and Casino. This starts on MLK Day, so it means less time off of work. It's a very flexible trip since it is a drive-up. As you probably know, both Holiday Valley and Holimont are close by for alpine skiing. Of course, you can vary the length of the trip as well.

Participants need to reserve their own rooms, so no money will be collected by Lewis Ski Club. However, to register you need to sign up online to complete a trip agreement form and provide emergency contacts.

Use this link to the [Allegheny Trip](#) for instructions on how to reserve a room and register with the club.

Thurs, Feb. 6 - Sat, Feb. 8 Wilderness Lodge Trip

Thursday night lodging at Wilderness Lodge, 13488 Weeks Valley Road, Wattsburg, PA 16442. Optional Friday night stay at the Holiday Inn Express at 6310 Old Station Rd, Northeast, Pa. They have great pool center and free breakfast. Book your own room.

Trail fee is \$20. Rentals are \$15, cash or check only.

The deadline to guarantee a room with the club was December 27, 2019. However, there is a chance rooms may still be available directly through the lodge. As a club we booked rooms 2,3, and 5.

See the [Wilderness Lodge trip](#) webpage or flyer below for details.

- J. Neumann, VP Nordic

Racing Update



The Lewis Ski Club's race team is preparing for the first races of season. As usual, Holiday Valley will host the opening weekend of the CMSC race schedule, with a Giant Slalom (w/ snowboard) on Saturday January 11th, and a Slalom on Sunday the 12th. Racers should register through the club website by Wednesday, January 8th.

The next race this month will be at our beloved home away from home, Swain, NY! Giant Slalom

and Snowboard will be held on Saturday, January 18, followed by Slalom on Sunday, the 19th. Racers, please register by Wednesday, January 15th.

Take a look at the schedule, pick a race, or two, to come join the fun! There are four Wednesday night opportunities to qualify for the weekend series, and you can always give the Wednesday Night Series at Boston Mills a try. This year, our one-day trips line up pretty well so as not to conflict with the weekend race schedule, so get some extra runs in on the weekends with the race team!

We are hoping to hold our annual Souper Bowl event at the February meeting. We will be asking for a free will donation to sample a variety of delicious soups and chilis provided by the Race Team, vote for your favorite, and support the race team at the same time! We'll also welcome any other entries, so please let me know if you'd like to contribute your own best soup or chili for the event.

Get those skis and boards tuned and let's go racing!

- M. Hyatt, Race Chair

2020 CMSC RACE SCHEDULE

Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 Qualifiers @ Boston Mills
Jan. 11 Holiday Valley (GS, SB GS)
Jan. 12 Holiday Valley (SL)
Jan. 18 Swain 1 (GS, SB GS)
Jan. 19 Swain 1 (SL)
Feb. 2 Boston Mills (SL, SB GS)
Feb. 8 Snow Trails (SL, SB SL)
Feb. 9 Snow Trails (Dual Eliminations, Ski & SB) Fun Race!



Feb. 22 Kissing Bridge (SL, SB)
Feb. 23 Holiday Valley* (Boardercross, Dual Glam)
Feb. 29 Swain 2 (SB Combined, GS)
Mar. 1 Swain 2 (SB SL, SL)
Mar. 7 Bristol Ski Combined (Super G, GS, SB GS)
Mar. 8 Bristol Ski Combined (SL, SB SL)
* Reverse Order

Race Banquet - April 25 @ Reinecker's

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WILDERNESS LODGE OVERNIGHT TRIP

February 6 – February 7/8 2019

This drive up overnight trip although based at a Nordic Skiing Center, will be a great opportunity for cross country and downhill skiers/boarders alike. Peek ‘n Peak is a short drive away. If you like both, why not mix it up.

We have Thursday, February 6 booked rooms for right at the lodge. This year we’ve added a second night book on your own option for Friday to allow for weekend skiing. Book your room at the Holiday Inn Express at 6310 Old Station Rd, Northeast, Pa. They have great pool center and free breakfast.

<https://www.hiexpress.com>

You need to reserve a room for Thursday at Wilderness Lodge, 13488 Weeks Valley Road, Wattsburg, PA 16442 through the club. We have a block of 6 rooms on hold for this trip. These rooms have beds for 3 to 6 guests, and all have their own bathroom facilities. We will get 30% off since we are staying on a weeknight. With tax, the rooms run \$98.88 to \$118.65 per room. (This includes regular tax and a hotel occupancy tax charged by state of Pennsylvania).

We need to have half of the room charge to hold the rooms. Please send your deposit payable to “Lewis Ski Club” to me by Friday, December 27th. Payments will be by check only due to the multiple options. Please send a completed **Trip Application** with your payment. Indicate preferred roommates and which room you would prefer (1st and 2nd choice). Roommates can be matched up if needed and possible.

No refunds of deposits will be made after December 27. Final Payment due by February 1.

Payment includes lodging only. Daily trail fee is \$20 per person (cash or check only).

<u>ROOM #</u>	<u># OF PEOPLE</u>	<u>BEDS</u>	<u>COST</u>
2	3	Double/Single	98.88
3	4	Queen/Bunk	98.88
4	6	4 Singles/Bunk	118.65
5	4	Queen/Bunk	98.88
6	4	2 Queens	118.65
7	6	1 Queen/2 Bunks	118.65