



# LEWIS SKI CLUB

# NEWSLETTER

April, 2023

## Prez Sez



It's been a great ski season. We had two great weeklong trips, to Whitefish and Mt. Snow, and four full bus trips to Holiday Valley and Holimont. Our club trip leaders have already started diligently checking out western ski destinations for 2024.

For upcoming warmer weather, we are having hikes, bike rides, and camping trips activities. Check the calendar on our website and the upcoming monthly newsletters for more details. We have a vote in April for new officers and trustees. Please feel free to volunteer or suggest new ideas and activities we all can enjoy.

T. Vannuyen, President

## Nominations for 2023/24

While April is the month that we elect our club leaders for the upcoming year, no positions have multiple nominees. Although no nominations were submitted, we do have volunteers for each elected position, and they are as follows:

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| President:             | T. Vannuyen |
| Vice President Alpine: | K. Hulick   |
| Vice President Nordic: | D. Marcinko |
| Treasurer:             | J. Dubas    |
| Publicity Director:    | V. Lyons    |
| Recorder:              | M. Dubas    |
| Trustee:               | M. Manthey  |

At the April meeting, per our constitution, these volunteers will be put to a vote of the club membership.

NOTE: if you will not be attending the April club membership meeting, you can submit your vote via e-mail to the Publicity Director, but it must be received by the time the April meeting.

## April Membership Meeting

Our next club gathering will be in on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at which formal voting for all club officer positions will be conducted. Also, we will be featuring special international foods for the meeting. As usual, we will socialize in the bar beginning at 5:00 and move downstairs at 6:00 for our meeting and food, so plan on making this meeting at the Donauschwaben German-American Cultural Center in Olmsted Falls.

## Alpine Update



**Mount Snow Trip -**  
Our adventurous group of 42 members arrived before dawn at the Cleveland Amtrak station, a well hidden little secret in

the heart of Cleveland. For many, it was their first time riding the train.

They found it was spacious and comfortable, room for baggage overhead with electrical outlet and tray table at each reclining seat. The café car offered a variety of food options, along with beer and wine.



Many of our members took advantage of sitting at the tables and playing cards and Yahtzee. The ease of traveling by train cannot be overstated. We arrived just before 3pm in Albany, NY where our motorcoach awaited. The Amtrak baggage handlers transferred all of our luggage from the train to the bus. The drive was an enjoyable hour and a half up to Mount Snow Grand Summit Lodge.



On arrival we checked in and then headed to the Deerfield room where a cheeseboard and bar was available and, at 6:30, our dinner buffet started with three delicious entrées. Many people raved about the New England pot roast for days.

Monday morning began with the resort having received about 10 inches of fresh snow on Saturday and the hills were groomed and ready for the Lewis Ski Club!



The snow was actually pretty incredible! The runs were great, nice and long with the perfect



amount of pitch and character. Even the terrain park did not disappoint. The convenience of our ski-in, ski-out location of our lodging was really appreciated – walk out the back door, grab your skis from the ski check, go just across the driveway and uphill a few feet, and then ski to the lift!



It really is a true ski in ski out destination. We were very fortunate that the next four days gave us a variety of blue bird and partly sunny days with a light dusting of snow. There were virtually no lift lines and we had many of the slopes to ourselves! We enjoyed the bluebird lift, with the bubble cover to protect from the wind on the seven minute lift ride.



Many people took advantage of the free transportation provided by the town called the Moover (yes, the bus is painted like a cow). The bus took people into town where they could shop and eat at the various restaurants. The restaurants at the resort all closed at 4 PM when the resort closed.

The snow continued to be incredible all week. Mount Snow did not disappoint anyone. We were able to ski on Thursday before heading back to Albany to catch the overnight train back home.

Since returning, I have shared this trip with many other trip leaders from other clubs, hoping that they too, will organize a train trip to Mount Snow. I won't be taking 42 people again. The luggage Jenga was a little challenging trying to load the bus. Perhaps 38 would be a good number. In any event, I hope that other clubs will be offering this exciting adventures to Mount Snow taking the train and avoiding a very long bus ride to ski in Vermont. Skiing the east is something everyone should try!

K. Hulick, Alpine VP

**Whitefish Refunds!** - Our trip to Whitefish came in under budget. As a result, a \$120 refund to each participant has been issued! Final trip costs are as follows:

\$1,680 Adult (19-64)  
\$1,624 Senior (65-69)  
\$1,421 Super Senior (70+)

We are pleased to have provided you with a high value trip at a great price. It pays to ski with the Lewis Ski Club!

Sarah & Shari

## Nordic "Update"

Sadly, I had no events for Nordic skiing this entire ski season due to the mild weather, and the snow was here one day and gone the next.

D. Marcinko, Nordic VP

## Upcoming Activities

**Guardians Baseball Game** - On Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>



we have a group of 30 tickets available for \$25 each. We were fortunate to get a super group discount. The seats are in Section 546, which are upper box

seats. The Guardians will be playing the Chicago White Sox. This game features, the post-game "RocknBlast" fireworks and \$1 hot dogs (it's "dollar dog" nite). This game should be well attended so we got a real bargain.

This event will be posted on our website so we can use Pay Pal for payment. We must sell a minimum of 20 tickets, so if sales are slow, we will open to non Lewis folks after May 26. Anyone can purchase up to 4 tickets each.

**Camping & Water Sports Weekend** – That same Friday begins our annual camping weekend from Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Details of this fun weekend immediately follow below...

## **Camping and Boating Weekend—2023**

**Date: Friday evening, Aug 4 thru Sunday, Aug 6**  
**Check in at 3 pm Friday; Checkout at 1 pm Sunday**

Come join us at West Branch State Park for a camping weekend. We hope to repeat the good weather, good food and great company from the last 5 years. We've reserved 4 campsites, and plan to make use of West Branch Reservoir and the hiking trails.

**Location:** West Branch State Park is east of Ravenna, at 5570 Esworthy Rd . It has camping, hiking trails, disk golf, fishing and a marina. One of the boat launches is close to the campground.

Bring your own camping gear and cooking gear, beverages and food. The **\$35 fee per person** will pay for the campsites for the weekend. If more than the break even number of participants sign up, firewood and Friday night subs will be provided by the club—as funds allow.

There will be at least two single kayaks, and a tandem kayak to share.

Campsites allow up to 3 tents, or 2 tents and a camper, and 2 cars per site. For more information contact the Activity VP . Reservations can be made at the [lewisskiclub.org](http://lewisskiclub.org) website.

Reservations by July 6 are strongly suggested, as we will release unclaimed sites the next day.



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Mountains are not included

Lewis Ski Club Membership is required. Please see the Membership Page for more information.

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