



# LEWIS SKI CLUB

# NEWSLETTER

July 2025

## Message from our President



Dear Friends of Lewis Ski Club,

Many of you are busy with your summer plans and while the upcoming ski season may not be at the top of your list your board members don't take time off. We meet every month via zoom to discuss the future of LSC. We're coordinating activities for the summer, including an exciting [Guardians game](#) on August 30th followed by an awesome fireworks display and we recently had a successful bike ride at Presque Isle. We're planning our annual [Watersports and Camping weekend](#) at West Branch State Park August 8th-10<sup>th</sup> and we can't forget our [annual summer picnic](#) on August 5th. These are just a few of the activities we have planned for the summer. Please see the online [calendar](#) for all our great events.

I am grateful to the dedicated volunteers who commit their time and energy to make these events happen. But we need you too. What talents can you offer the club? We need volunteers to help carry the load, so it does not become a burden to those who are already giving so much. We need help to provide refreshments at our monthly meetings plus new creative themes that promote interest. We have a few already in place: February is the Chili Cook Off, April is our International Food Fest, June is the Ice Cream Social, August is our annual picnic, and we have added a potluck to the December White Elephant Gift Exchange. As you can see there are a few months missing. We'd love to hear your ideas! We have other areas where we need your help too. I'd like to organize a recruitment committee to plan an Open House which will promote the club and welcome new members.

Most importantly, we are focusing on ski trips for 2027. By October 2025 we will need to have booked our trips for 2027. The trip planning landscape has changed dramatically, and we need to change with it. Planning trips far enough ahead ensures that you know which pass product to purchase as many resorts no longer offer group lift tickets. Planning ahead also ensures our lodging choice. I recently attended a zoom with 145 people aptly named the Ever-Changing Landscape of Group Travel presented by Sara Clemons, President of Sports America. We learned about the diminishing value of group air contracts, booking cycles of trip planning, lift ticket products and more. I learned of a new position at most lodging communities called the Revenue Manager. This is

the person guarding the lodging and limiting the space that is available to clubs. Their goal is to save the lodging for the last-minute traveler so that they can increase the price. We are of course saddened and challenged by this philosophy as clubs are a guaranteed source of revenue. My goal is to educate our travelers, so that you understand the trickle-down effect. Airfare is available much later than the lodging, making it difficult to know the exact price for a trip until flights become available. Additionally, there are increased costs when a traveler makes a change after their air seat has been ticketed. There is much less flexibility and higher deposit requirements. So, there is much to consider in planning group travel. You will need to commit to a trip that is often eighteen months away and that is a big change for many who want to wait to see who else is going, weather trends etc. I hope you will understand these changes and our inability to do things the old way.

My goal as your president is the success of the Lewis Ski Club. If you are reading this newsletter, please consider how you can help guarantee our success now and, in the years to come.  
Much Appreciation,

Kim

## Alpine VP Message



With the announcement of a second weeklong ski trip, to [Purgatory](#) in Colorado, we now are offering opposites in ski experience. Late in the ski season (last week of March), [Big Sky](#) skiers will enjoy one of the largest and most popular ski-pass affiliated ski areas in the country, while on the mid-season (first week of February) trip to Purgatory, skiers will experience a smaller, still-independent, and lower-cost area. Big Sky is almost sold out and we expect Purgatory will fill quickly with its low price. I expect many members will sign up for both. Heck, with six weeks between trips, there is plenty of recovery time for skiers to first spend some time in *Purgatory* before going to that *Big* ski resort in the *Sky* (get it?).

Be sure to act quickly if you want to get on these trips, as a lodging deadline is approaching for Big Sky and the openings for that low cost (\$1725) trip to Purgatory won't last long.

Mark

### [Annual Club Picnic](#)

**Albion Woods ([Cleveland Metroparks](#)) in Strongsville**

**Tuesday, August 5th**

**4:00PM – 10:00PM**

## Message from our Recorder



As the club recorder, I take the minutes for both our regular in-person and executive board meetings on Zoom. These minutes are available to members when logged in at [lewisskiclub.org](http://lewisskiclub.org). I typically have them posted by the following weekend.

Once logged in, click on the calendar tab located at the top left of the site. You will be navigated to the calendar for the current month. Next click the hyperlink corresponding with the meeting you are interested in. In June, there were meetings on June 3rd and June 17th. To access these minutes, click those hyperlinks. Meeting minutes will be approved at the next monthly membership or executive board meeting. Hope to see you there!

*Allison*



We need help with...

- Refreshments and themes for monthly membership meetings
- A recruitment event

To lend a hand, please contact Kim at [president@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:president@lewisskiclub.org).

Help support our club by purchasing your Epic or Ikon Pass using these links:

[www.sportsamerica.com/epic-lewis](http://www.sportsamerica.com/epic-lewis)

<https://www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-lewis>



## Bike N Brew Recap

Six of us braved the heat and humidity on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> to keep this annual event alive. We hit the Metroparks trail in Berea and stopped to check out the brand-new concessions at Wallace Lake Beach.

From there we connected with the Lake-to-Lake Trail which led to Fat Head's Brewery where we enjoyed well deserved refreshments and refueling.

Our night ended with dinner at Mike's Bar and Grill on Front St.

## Lewis Ski Club: Purgatory, Colorado

Sun, Feb 1 – Sat Feb 7, 2026, Cost \$1725



### Package includes:

- Roundtrip flight from Cleveland, OH to Durango, CO
- Roundtrip ground transportation
- Welcome party/midweek party
- 6 nights' accommodation at the Purgatory Village Condo
- **Ski in/ Ski Out**
- 4 people per 2 bedroom / 2 bath condo
- Complimentary wi-fi with fully equipped kitchen, fireplace
- Hot tub, heated pools, fitness room
- 5 days riding/skiing at Purgatory.

Mountain Stats: <https://www.purgatory.ski/mountain/purgatory-mountain/trail-maps/>

- Skiable Area: 1,635 acres
- Vertical Drop: 2,072 feet
- Base Elevation: 8,793 feet
- Summit Elevation: 10,822 feet
- Annual Snowfall: 260 inches
- Lifts: 11 lifts (1 High Speed Six Person, 2 HS quad..)
- Trails: 107 trails
- Terrain: 20% Beginner, 45% Intermediate, 35% Advanced/Expert

Link to register online at SportsAmerica: <https://www.sportsamerica.com/online/lewispurgatory>

Trip Leader: Tom Vannuyen 440-376-2503 Question? [Purgatory2026@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:Purgatory2026@lewisskiclub.org)

\* Membership in the Lewis Ski Club is required and is available at: <https://lewisskiclub.org>

\* Does not include baggage fees, any additional fuel surcharges, or airport fees, which may be imposed by the airline prior to departure. Lewis Ski Club reserves the option to change airlines, lodging and/or itineraries. Cancellation policy can be found on [trip page](#).

# Watersports and Camping Weekend

**Date: Friday evening, Aug 8 thru Sunday, Aug 10**  
**Check in at 3 pm Friday - checkout at 1 pm Sunday**



Come join us at [West Branch State Park](#) for our 8th annual camping weekend. The campsites we reserved are in the shade; no tents baking in the sun! We hope to repeat the good food and great company from the last 7 years. We've reserved 5 campsites, and plan to make use of West Branch Reservoir and the hiking trails. If you don't want to camp, you are still welcome to join us for the day. There is no fee to enter the park.

**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, cooking gear, beverages and food. The **\$37 fee per person** will be paid for the campsites for Friday and Saturday nights. If more than the breakeven number of participants sign up, firewood and Friday night subs will be provided by the club—as funds allow.

There will be at least three kayaks to share; two singles and a tandem.

Campsites allow up to 3 tents, or 2 tents and a camper, and 2 cars per site. For more information contact [activity@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:activity@lewisskiclub.org). Reservations can be made on the [website](#).

Reservations by July 8 are strongly suggested, as we will release unclaimed sites the next day.

Lewis Ski Club [Membership](#) is required.

# Presque Isle Recap



Six of us met up at Beach 8 to begin our picture-perfect day at Presque Isle State Park.

We rode a total of 15.2 miles, stopping at Perry's monument, an 1872 lighthouse and various beaches to soak in the beautiful peninsula shoreline. The bays were filled with kayakers participating in a poker run.



We enjoyed a cloudless sky and 72° with no wind or humidity. The only thing that rivaled the weather was the awe-inspiring display at Kite Beach. Flying high in the sky we spotted a gecko, squid, dragon, a momma and baby whale, turtle, fish, several penguins, crab, kite arches and of course, a quintessential Lake Erie seagull.



We stopped for lunch at the beach about mid-way through our ride.

While Ohio has Put-N-Bay and many great Lake Erie features, Presque Isle offers its own unique flavor, unlike anything I've ever seen in Ohio. "I'm so glad we came" was the reoccurring theme throughout our day.



Shari



# Big Sky – Getting there is half the fun!



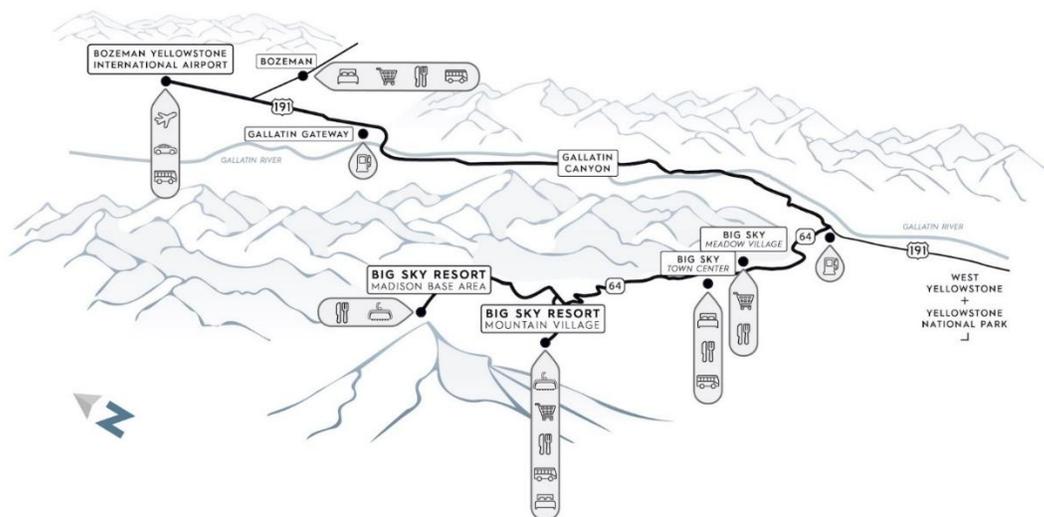
The drive from Bozeman to Big Sky is a scenic 50-mile journey that offers a front-row seat to some of the most dramatic landscapes in the Northern Rockies. We'll wind south along U.S. Highway 191 through the heart of Gallatin Canyon. The road hugs the sparkling waters of the Gallatin River and is framed by towering limestone cliffs, dense pine forests,

sweeping mountain vistas and frequent opportunities to spot wildlife. Every mile is a postcard!

**Join us March 21-28, 2026**

**Group lift tickets with unlimited tram access are now available!**

Visit our [trip page](#) to explore the package, check availability, and register for your adventure.



# Off-Piste Activities

## Volleyball Social at Carlberg's Every Monday Night



**Date:** Mondays at 6:30pm

This recurring event at the Carlberg's home in Fairview Park happens every Monday until Labor Day. You don't even have to play - just come to socialize. Feel free to bring a dish to share. To get the address, please contact [activity@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:activity@lewisskiclub.org).

## Red Wagon Farm & Tap Room

**Date:** Sun, Jul 6, 2025 - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

16081 E River Rd, Columbia Station. [Join us](#) for a nice Sunday afternoon enjoying the summer with goodies available from the market, craft beer brewed on site, and live music!



## Middle Bass Island Music Festival

**Date:** Sat, July 19th, 2025 - 12:30pm

Our [second annual](#) journey to the Lake Erie islands for this all-day the Miller Ferry out to Middle Bass Island from Catawba. The ferry are posted at [millerferry.com](http://millerferry.com).



[music festival](#). Take schedule and prices

## CMSC Golf Outing

**Date:** Sunday, July 27, 2025 – 2:00pm shot gun start

Mayfair Country Club, 2229 Rabar Rd, Uniontown

Join the Cleveland Metro Ski Council for their 23rd annual four-person scramble. Find all the details about [The Outing](#) at [SkiCleveland.com](http://SkiCleveland.com).



## Club Picnic

**Date:** Tuesday, August 5, 2025 - 4:00pm

 Join us for our [annual picnic](#) at the [Albion Woods Picnic Area](#) off Albion Rd. in the Mill Stream Run Reservation in Strongsville. This is a great opportunity to catch up with your snow friends, hear about our trips for 2026 and make plans for 2027. We'll start grilling around 6pm. See [website for complete details](#), including what to bring.

## Water Sports and Camping Weekend at West Branch State Park

**Date:** Friday - Sunday, August 8-10, 2025 - 3:00pm

[West Branch State Park in Ravenna](#). Join us as we celebrate weekend. We have reserved campsites from Friday through also have optional nights available for Thursday and Sunday the good times. This year there will be a full moon, and we for prime viewing. [Register](#) on our website under the Trips tab. If you don't want to camp, you are

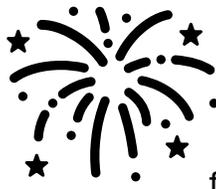


another great camping Saturday nights, but we nights if you want to extend have a site right on the lake

still welcome to join us for the day. There is no fee to enter the park. Cathe is once again our host for this fun event.

### Guardians Game Rock-n-Blast

**Date:** Sat, Aug 30, 2025 - 7:00 pm (Labor Day weekend)



Join us again this year as we cheer on the Guardians and enjoy fireworks after the game. These prime seats are in the upper reserved and a great spot to view the fireworks. Dollar dogs and \$2 beer specials kickoff the night. Tickets are just \$40 and



available

for sale on our website [home page](#) or under the [August calendar](#). Simply login, navigate to the activity, then add to cart – you can add more tickets for your guests under View Cart. Guests do not need to be members. Contact [activity@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:activity@lewisskiclub.org) to pay by check. **We must sell 20 tickets by August 1<sup>st</sup>**. Sandy is once again hosting this event.

## Birdietown Recap



Birdietown is a new upscale restaurant and indoor miniature golf venue in Lakewood.



On May 23rd a group of us played a round of golf and then enjoyed dinner from their eclectic menu.



The golf was fun, the food was great, and the staff was very accommodating!

They have two courses on two floors. We played the upper course and hope to go back and play the lower course.

Mary

# COME SKI WITH US UNDER THE BIG SKY IN MONTANA!

March 21 – 28, 2026

## Your Package Includes



7-night stay at Huntley Lodge (2 Queen beds)

Slopeside access at the main base + complimentary ski valet.

Roundtrip flights from Cleveland, OH to Bozeman, MT.

Roundtrip transportation from BZN to Huntley Lodge + grocery stop and portage.

Welcome reception, daily breakfast and mid-week group dinner.



Located at 7,500' in the heart of Mountain Village! Every room features a wet bar, coffee maker, refrigerator, TV, seating area and daily house-keeping.

**Questions?** [bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org)

**To register:**  
[sportsamerica.com/online/lewisbigsky](https://sportsamerica.com/online/lewisbigsky)

(Cancellation policy can be found on [trip page](#))

\$2,370 + lift ticket



## Lift options

The lowest price for a traditional 5-day lift ticket is the **Freestyle pass**. Group lift tickets with tram access are also available.

Or **save big** with **wholesale** Ikon prices using our special password protected link: [sportsamerica.com/ikon-lewis](https://sportsamerica.com/ikon-lewis).

Send an email to [bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org](mailto:bigsky2026@lewisskiclub.org) to request the password.

Guests who purchase an Ikon pass through Sports America will have **6.5% of the cost of your pass deducted** from the final balance due for your trip! Ikon Base Pass includes 5 days at Big Sky.



## Mountain Facts

Big Sky Resort is known for its expansive terrain, offering something for every level of skier and rider. With 40 lifts, 5,850 acres of skiable terrain and 4,350 vertical feet, this winter wonderland promises an adventure like no other.

50/50 beginner-advanced terrain split

400" of annual snowfall

58" average March snowfall

320 named trails

## Payment Schedule

\$550 Deposit

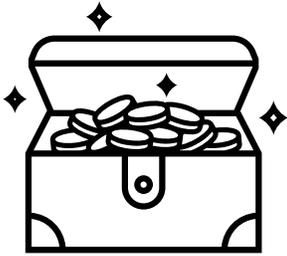
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\$570 9/30/25

\$700 1/15/26



# BIG Savings on Ikon Pass



Sports America is providing our club with WHOLESALE pricing on Ikon Pass and Ikon Base Pass products.

**Members who register for Big Sky and purchase an Ikon pass through our link will have 6.5% of the cost of your desired pass deducted from the final balance due for your trip.**

\$ 939 adult Ikon Base Pass cost when purchased using our link  
\$1,009 adult Ikon Base Pass cost when purchased directly from Ikon  
(Base pass purchases can later be upgraded to an Ikon Pass).



\$1,279 adult Ikon Pass cost when purchased using our link  
\$1,429 adult Ikon Pass cost when purchased directly from Ikon

Wholesale prices for young adults (13-22), child (5-12) and children 4 and under is also available.

<https://www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-lewis>



This special pricing is password protected. Obtaining the password is easy! Just email [BigSky2026@LewisSkiClub.org](mailto:BigSky2026@LewisSkiClub.org).

Military, licensed nurse, and college discounted passes can be purchased directly through Ikon but will not be eligible for a rebate.

**Prices for Ikon and Epic will continue to increase until they go off sale in December. Buy now for the best price!**

## Epic Pass

Epic Passes can be purchased at the same price offered directly through Epic. Your purchase at [www.sportsamerica.com/epic-lewis](http://www.sportsamerica.com/epic-lewis), helps support our club.

# Community Events

Northeast Ohio offers many fun events. Many are free! If you plan to attend any of these events and would like to coordinate a group, let us know and we will send an email blast on your behalf.



The poster features a central logo with a globe and the text "BALLOONS OVER WADSWORTH". Above the logo are five circular images: a hot air balloon at night, three airplanes, a hot air balloon, a hot air balloon, and a group of people. Below the logo is the date "AUGUST 9, 2025" in large, bold letters. Underneath the date are two rows of event activities: "FOOD TRUCKS LIVE MUSIC KIDS ZONE PILOT MEET & GREET" and "AIRPLANE & HELICOPTER RIDES BALLOON LAUNCH & GLOW". At the bottom, it says "WADSWORTH MUNICIPAL AIRPORT" and "\*BALLOON ACTIVITIES ARE WEATHER PERMITTING\*".

**BALLOONS OVER WADSWORTH**

**AUGUST 9, 2025**

FOOD TRUCKS   LIVE MUSIC   KIDS ZONE   PILOT MEET & GREET

AIRPLANE & HELICOPTER RIDES   BALLOON LAUNCH & GLOW

WADSWORTH MUNICIPAL AIRPORT   \*BALLOON ACTIVITIES ARE WEATHER PERMITTING\*



The poster has a dark blue background with a live concert scene on the left. The text "2025 UPCOMING SCHEDULE" is at the top. Below is a list of events with dates. At the bottom left is the "Live Lake AT THE Lake" logo with a guitar and the text "SUMMER CONCERT SERIES BERA, OHIO". At the bottom center is the "MTA lines" logo.

**2025 UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

<b>DEPARTURE</b> JOURNEY TRIBUTE	<b>06/13</b>
<b>QUEENS BLVD</b> CLASSIC ROCK HITS	<b>06/20</b>
<b>THE SUNRISE JONES</b> ROCK AND POP	<b>06/27</b>
<b>20 RIDE</b> ZAC BROWN BAND TRIBUTE & MORE	<b>07/11</b>
<b>MR. SPEED</b> KISS TRIBUTE	<b>07/18</b>
<b>BOATERHEAD</b> YACHT ROCK	<b>07/25</b>
<b>SPAZMATICS</b> 80S HITS	<b>08/01</b>

**Live Lake**  
AT THE Lake  
SUMMER CONCERT SERIES  
BERA, OHIO

**MTA lines**

# 2025

## Slow Roll Cleveland Season Schedule

**5/5**  
**Ohio City**  
Fairview Park

**5/12**  
**Asiatown**  
3338 Payne Ave

**5/19**  
**Kamm's Corners**  
Gunning Park

**6/2**  
**Lee-Miles**  
Kerruish Park

**6/9**  
**Edgewater**  
Pride Ride 2025

**6/16**  
**Hough**  
Juneteenth Ride 2025

**6/23**  
**Shaker Square**

**6/30**  
**Old Brooklyn**  
Loew Park

**7/14**  
**Collinwood**  
Starting Location TBA

**7/21**  
**St. Clair-Superior**  
Gordon Park

**7/28**  
**Lee-Harvard**  
JoAnn Park

**8/4**  
**Clark-Fulton**  
Roberto Clemente Park

**8/11**  
**Hopkins/Airport**  
Maplewood Park

**8/18**  
**Slavic Village**  
Washington Reservation

[slowrollcleveland.org](http://slowrollcleveland.org)

*all rides begin at 7pm*

**8/25**  
**Glenville**  
Sam Miller Park

**9/8**  
**Sidaway Bridge**  
Otter Park

**9/15**  
**West Park**  
Jefferson Park

**9/22**  
**Downtown**  
Public Square

**9/29**  
**University Circle**  
Starting Location TBA

**10/13**  
**Tremont**  
Lincoln Park

**10/20**  
**Woodland Hills**  
Luke Easter Park

**10/27**  
**Ohio City / Market Sq.**  
Halloween Ride 2025



Middleburg HEIGHTS



# Events & Concerts

## SAVE THE DATES!

# 2025 EVENTS

**APRIL 19** Community Egg Hunt

**MAY 26** MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY  
with NEO5 A Patriotic Concert

**MAY 31** Concert in the Park  
Escape (Journey Tribute)



**JUNE 12** Kick-off Parade!

Middleburg HEIGHTS 6/12 - 6/14



**SUMMER IN THE CITY**  
CITY HALL PARK

**JUNE 13** 6/12 - Ace Molar



6/13 - Whiskey Kings  
(Classic Rock/Dance)



6/14 - Bridge the Gap,  
Ultimate Garth (Garth  
Brooks Tribute)



**JUNE 14** Fireworks!



**JULY 12** \*Crushed Grapes  
& Dueling Pianos



\* Limited tickets are available for purchase. Please register online.  
Events are subject to change. Please visit  
[www.middleburgheights.com](http://www.middleburgheights.com) for detailed information.

**JULY 26** **JAMMIN' IN THE PARK**

Featuring Tribute Bands:  
Against the Wind (Bob Seger Tribute)  
& Wanted (Bon Jovi Tribute)



**AUGUST 23** Concert in the Park  
McCartney Project  
(Beatles Tribute)



**OCT. 3** Concert in the Park  
52nd Street Stranger  
(Billy Joel Tribute)



**OCT. 4** **FallFest** (Inflatables, Games,  
Art Walk & More!)



Concert:  
Flashback



**NOV. 1** Taste of Middleburg  
& \* Vegas Show  
featuring Sinatra  
& Friends



**NOV. 28** Christmas Tree Lighting Festival

**DEC. 13** Breakfast with  
Santa & Friends

