



**Meetings are held at**  
 American Legion Hall  
 570 East 328<sup>th</sup> Street, Willowick, OH

## Calendar of Upcoming Events.

➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, January 7	
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, January 14	7:30 p.m.
➤ Ski Trip Aspen Snowmass	Sat., Jan. 24 to Sat., Jan. 31	TBA
➤ <b>Meeting cancelled</b>	<b>Wednesday, January 28</b>	<b>No meeting</b>
➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, February 4	
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, February 11	7:30 p.m.
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, February 25	7:30 p.m.
➤ Ski Trip Killington	Sun., Feb. 22 to Sat., Feb. 28	TBA
➤ Dinner of the Month	Wednesday, March 4	6:30 p.m.
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, March 11	7:30 p.m.
➤ Meeting	Wednesday, March 25	7:30 p.m.
➤ Annual Banquet	Friday, May 1 more details to follow	

The Killington ski trip has two openings!

## On Your Free Afternoon at Snowmass - Try This

If you are looking for an interesting afternoon off from skiing at Snowmass, visit The Vintage Ski World shop/ museum/warehouse. About twenty years ago the proprietor, Richard Allen, 73, began collecting ski memorabilia. He lived and breathed skiing since 1956. Some equipment and artifacts are over 100 years. The photos in Will Brendza's article, *Own a Piece of Ski History — Or the Whole Thing: 'Vintage Ski World' Up for Sale*, by, are like a blast from the past. You may even find your first pair of skis there.



The best part is...you can own anything or everything in the store/museum/warehouse. You see, Richard is downsizing and the entire collection is up for sale. Can you picture a vintage pair of skis in hanging in your family room or maybe a cool vintage photo?

Vintage Ski World is only 30 minutes from Snowmass Village and there is no admission fee.

However, it may be a challenge to find because, as the article puts it: *The warehouse is challenging to find, even when you know where it is. But follow the signs toward Vintage Ski World to an innocuous warehouse door, and beyond it you'll find Richard Allen's, unbelievable collection of ski gear, spanning decades and even centuries into the sport's past.*



It could be a cool side adventure. But I would defiantly call ahead before making the trek. Here is their contact information: Vintage Ski World Showroom, 1676 County Rd 100 Unit N-2, Carbondale, CO 81623, Office phone: 970-963-9025, Richard's Cell: 970-948-0591. Prepare yourself a for back to the future ski trip. Click [here](#) to read the full article. Click [here](#) to visit their webpage.

## Updates from Your Board

- The newsletter is usually emailed on the first Wednesday of the month. If you do not get your copy in your regular email, please check your spam folder.
- **The Killington ski trip has two openings.** Contact Bob Mac at (440)622-1283 to sign up. See the flyer on page 12 in this issue of the newsletter.
- Hi Rise directories are available at our meetings. If you have any corrections, please email Nate Deiderich at [diedernn@gmail.com](mailto:diedernn@gmail.com)
- To learn about events for the Cleveland Metro Ski Council (CMSC) click [here](#).
- Several CMSC clubs are offering day trips to New York. To learn more, click [here](#).
- The Hi Rise fiscal year began on May 1 and membership renewals are due. Please see page 9 for the membership form. If you have not renewed your membership, you will be charged the nonmember fee.
- **Don't be scammed** - Hi Rise logo merchandise is promoted online. Do not purchase anything through these sites. They are a scam, and you will lose your money.



## Meeting Date Changes for January



In January Hi Rise will hold only one meeting on Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. Due to the Snowmass ski trip, the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting will not be held.

### Your 2024-2025 Hi Rise Ski & Sports Club Board

Bob Akamine - Board Chairman  
Bob Maclauchlan - President  
Trish Carleton - Vice-president  
Jessie Anderson - Treasurer  
Guy Nerren - Secretary  
Arnie Rodriquez Dennis Rosa



# Upcoming Events

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## Dinners of the Month

Dinners of the month have become quite popular over the years. We need your help with ideas for new and interesting places to dine. If you have a favorite spot, please tell one of the board members and we'll be happy to plan the event. We look forward to your input.

### January Dinner of the Month

The January Dinner of the Month will be at Pastina's in Mentor.  
On Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.



Pastina's philosophy is "Farm-to-Table Italian Cuisine with a Modern Twist". Their head chef Josephene is from Lake County. She is self-taught and raised by a Sicilian mother. She honed her skills in several Lake County restaurants. Pastina's chef Ray grew up on a farm in Italy and was taught by his grandmother and mother to cook authentic Italian food. So, we are in for some great Italian food this January. To see their menu click [here](#).

Nate Deiderich is your host. Contact him at (440)454-0534 or email [diedernn@gmail.com](mailto:diedernn@gmail.com).  
See page 8 for more information

## Celebrate Chinese New Year with Us on February 4<sup>th</sup>

Hi Rise will celebrate the year of the horse a little early this year on **Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**.



The Chinese New Year in 2026 will be the year of the Fire Horse, beginning on February 17, 2026, and ending on February 5, 2027. This is the seventh animal in the Chinese zodiac cycle, and the Fire element is believed to bring passionate and energetic energy to the year.

According to the Chinese legend, those born in the Year of the Fire Horse are said to be active, energetic, and passionate. If you were born in any of these years 2002, 1990, 1978, 1966, 1954, or 1942, your year may be even more energetic because of the fire element. Want to learn more about the year of the Fire Horse click [here](#)



Chinese food at Siam's is always good. Join us for the fun! Dennis Rosa is your host. Please sign up at the January meetings. To see the menu, please click [here](#). Please see page 10 for more details.

# The Super Bowl is Coming and So are Super Bowl Squares



The Super Bowl this year is Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>.

Join in on the fun in the Hi Rise Super Bowl Squares. **Pick your squares at the January meeting.** Remember we only have one meeting in January. Winners are announced at the February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. And, there are only a few squares left.

The rules are the same as in the past - you pick a square and the coordinate numbers will be assigned in a random drawing after the board is sold out. Cost per square is \$2.

A twenty-five-dollar prize is awarded for numbers that match game scores at the end of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarters and the final score. **Good luck!**

## Be There or Be Square – Weekday Skiing

As winter approaches, we think of skiing. Although Hi Rise no longer offers bus trips to nearby ski areas, we can still get together to ski. Hi Rise sanctioned Be There or Be Square events fill this gap. If you and your ski buddies plan a day trip, an overnight ski trip to New York or PA, or possibly a cross-country ski outing, please tell a board member. We'll be happy to promote it as a Be There or Be Square Event.



Check out the CMSC for Club sponsored one day trips. Click [here](#).

**Are you interested in some mid-week skiing?**



Ray Patacca and other Hi Rise members are planning a ski outing to Peek n Peak on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the Peek n Peak at the lodge on the second floor at 9:30 a.m. to meet up with fellow Hi Risers. Everyone is welcome.

After skiing at the peak, some of us are headed to the Seneca Casino for an overnight stay followed by skiing at Holiday Valley on Wednesday, January 14. Remember there is a Hi Rise meeting at 7:30 p.m., so plan to be back in CLE to attend our meeting at 7:30 p.m.



We suggest that you purchase your P N P lift tickets online for the best price. Contact the Seneca Casino for room reservations and lift tickets to Holiday Valley. They have a special mid-week promotion for HV skiers. Call or text Ray at (440) 227-9734 to coordinate rides.



Click [here](#) to purchase a daily pass or reload your PnP pass.

Click [here](#) to book your ski and stay package at the Seneca Casino Resort.

# Hi Rise is Looking for Ideas!



We need your help!!!!

Our ski club is a much a social club as it is a ski club. Many members do not even ski. We need your ideas for social events. If you have an idea for an event, please tell one of your board members. We can facilitate the event. However, if you'd like to organize and run an event, we are most grateful.

We are also in need of an official social chairman. You do not need to be on the board to be a social chairman. Again, please tell one of your board members if you are interested. This position is most rewarding.

Thank you for your interest and participation in Hi Rise Ski & Sports Club.

## Upcoming Meeting Themes

This is a partial list and is subject to change.

- 1/14/26 Pre Snowmass meeting & Lasagna
- 1/24/26 **No Meeting (Snowmass trip)**
- 2/11/26 Pre Killington ski trip meeting & Chili contest
- 2/25/26 Soup Contest
- 3/11/26 St. Pat's party & Corned Beef
- 3/25/26 Italian Night
- 4/8/26 Guardians Night & Hot Dogs
- 4/22/26 Indoor Picnic night
- 5/13/26 Mexican Night

**Highlighted dates** indicate meeting date changes.

# Ski Race News & Announcements

**CO RACE CHAIRS-** Guy Nerren & Rick Gzesh.

**MEMBERSHIP-** You must be a member of Hi Rise to race with our team.

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION-** Hi Rise will pay the race fees for racers who advance register and race in five or more races. To register yourself on race day costs \$22.00. NOTE: that SNOW TRAILS and SWAIN II are ADVANCE REGISTER ONLY.

**COMBINED RACE WEEKEND-** for both skiers and boarders will be held at SWAIN II. You must have started at least two races in either ski or board races prior to SWAIN II in order to race at COMBINED.

**WORK ASSIGNMENTS-** If you are assigned to work at a race, please show up at least 15 minutes before the start of the race. If you prefer to either work or not work at a particular race, let Guy know a week prior to the race. Racers who fail to show up to work will be DQ'd.

**HELMETS-** Are required for all races.

**NO BYOB-** Please do not bring your own booze on to ski area premises.

**LIFT TICKETS-** Some areas may offer discounts for racers. NOTE- For SNOW TRAILS you MUST order your lift ticket in advance on their web site.

**GEAR STORAGE-** NOTE: At Holiday Valley racers and fans may store gear in the main lodge. HOWEVER, please use the bins provided and do not leave your gear on table tops.

**DQ & RESULT SHEETS-** Results are usually posted in the bib pick up area about an hour after the last race of the day. It's your job to check and verify times or check for a DQ. If you dispute either, you have a half hour after the posting to file a protest.

**START TIMES-** Most races start at 10:00 A.M. NOTE- SNOW TRAILS starts at 9:30 AM.

**RACE ORDER-** For most races will be: GROUP ONE- Super Sr. Vet, Open Elite, AAW, AAM, AW, AM. BBBM ' A Qualifier. Then, GROUP TWO: Sr. Vet, BBW, BBM, CCW, CCM, CM, C Qualifiers, THEN, All Snowboarders, SWAIN II will be different.

**CLASS CHANGES-** If you wish to change your racer class, you must do so through Guy at least one week prior to the next race.

**QUALIFIERS-** For both skiers and boarders, you may try or return to racing by registering as a QUALIFIER at most races, making two runs on the course, after which you will be assigned to a race class based on your times.

GUY NERREN 1-216-577-3552 skilaw@sbcglobal.net.

RICK GZESH-1-412-491-4511 rickgz@aol.com.



## 2026 CMSC Adult Race Schedule

January 10 – 11, 2026 | Holiday Valley 1

January 24 – 25, 2026 | Swain 1

February 1, 2026 | Peek 'n Peak

February 8, 2026 | Snow Trails

February 21 – 22, 2026 | Holiday Valley 2

February 28 – March 1, 2026 | Swain 2

Skiers Combined Boarders Combined

# Upcoming Events

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## Hi Rise Trip to Aspen Snowmass



The Aspen ski trip for 2026 is set for Saturday, January 24 to Saturday, January 31, 2026. We will stay at Villas at Snowmass Club condos, a short distance from the Aspen Mountain, Snowmass, and

Buttermilk. There are free shuttles to all three ski mountains and to the town of Aspen. The price is \$2045 for members and \$2076 for non-members. This price includes air, lodging, ground transportation, and a midweek dinner party. Check out your Aspen Snowmass skiing experience [here](#).



Our tour planning company is offering special pricing for lift tickets, or you can purchase the Ikon pass. More details about the trip and lift tickets are on page 11.

## In Case you Missed it

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### 2025 Hi Rise Christmas Party



The Hi Rise annual Christmas party brought out many new and longtime members. It was good to see everyone enjoying each other's company. Hope to see you in 2026.

# Dinner of the Month

## For January 7<sup>th</sup>



9350 Mentor Ave  
Mentor, OH 44060

Drinks at 5:30  
Dinner at 6:00

Nate Deiderich is your host. Contact Nate at  
(440)454-0534 or email  
[diedernn@gmail.com](mailto:diedernn@gmail.com)





# Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Membership Application

New  
Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (MM/DD only) \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Member of Hi-Rise since \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if any of the above information has changed since last year. \_\_\_\_\_

Membership (please circle type of membership)	Renewal	New
Single Member	\$25	\$30
Married Members	\$40	\$50
Lifetime Member	Free	N/A
Spouse of Lifetime Member	\$25	\$30

**Mailing Member** (Must be outside of the Cleveland and Akron areas, Lorain and Lake counties areas. Mailing member receives only the newsletter and must pay any racing fees and guest fees for all Club events and activities)

	\$10	\$10
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**Junior Member** (Must be 18-20 years old and may not consume alcoholic beverages at Club events.)

	\$15	\$20
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**Summer Member** (Accepted May through August only.)

	N/A	\$10
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NOTICE: By signing and/or accepting any membership benefit, and/or by participating in any club activity, applicant-renewer releases Hi Rise Ski Club, Inc., its officers, board members, chairpersons, and members from any and all liability or claim including theft, property loss, accident, injury, death of or to themselves, family members or guests, arising from any participation in any club activity, whether resulting from negligence or otherwise

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Hi Rise Ski Club. Please return this renewal form with the appropriate membership dues to the membership table at the general meetings or mail to: **Hi Rise Ski Club**

Hi Rise Ski Club Membership Drive  
C/O Nate Diederich  
8985 Edgehill Road  
Mentor OH 44060



**Celebrate  
Chinese New Year  
February 4, 2026  
Year of the Fire Horse**

**Hi Rise Ski Club - Dinner of the Month –  
Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**



**Siam Café**

3951 St. Clair Ave. NE, Cleveland, Oh 44114  
(216) 361-2323 (at East 40th and St. Clair Ave.)

6:30 p.m. arrival cocktails

7:00 p.m. order your food from the menu

Menu: Order from regular and special New Year menu items,  
separate checks/tabs for everyone.

No special combined dinner!

Text Dennis Rosa at 216-990-1411 cell or email

[djrosa369@gmail.com](mailto:djrosa369@gmail.com)

or sign up on the sign-up sheet, so the restaurant can plan for the  
quantity/group to cook for. We have been celebrating this  
annual event for over 30 years. Enjoy! Denny

# Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Presents

Snowmass, Co. January 24<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026



**ASPEN  
SNOWMASS**®



**Price: \$2,046 per person\* All four mountains accept the Ikon Pass**

**Trip Includes:**

- Return flight from Cleveland to Aspen,
- Round trip airport transfers
- 7 nights, The Villas at Snowmass Condos Luxury Accommodations
- Access to Snowmass Club, 19,000 SQ Ft Athletic Center and Spa
- [www.villasatsnowmassclub.com](http://www.villasatsnowmassclub.com)
- 2 beds 2 bath condos with full kitchens
- 4 different resorts Snowmass, Aspen Ajax, Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk
- 5,517+ acres, 13,098' combined vertical drop, bowls & terrain parks
- Have an IKON pass? Just let us know! If not buy it from us and save \$50
- Welcome party, Mid-week dinner, farewell dinner
- Extra charges may apply for Baggage fees or additional fuel surcharges
- \* Non-member price \$2,076 includes membership
- **Adult lifts: 3 and 4 day \$380, 5 day \$503, 6 day \$626**
- **Senior lifts: 3 day \$248, 4 day \$327, 5 day \$408, 6 day \$486**

**Initial deposit of \$600 reserves your spot. Second \$800 deposit due September 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Balance due November 1<sup>st</sup>. Payable to: Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club**

Send payments to: Bob Maclauchlan 29731 Fairway Blvd. Willowick, OH. 44095

Phone 440-622-1283

Email: [bobmaclauchlan@yahoo.com](mailto:bobmaclauchlan@yahoo.com)

Trip insurance is available and recommended to be purchased.

All trips subject to Hi Rise trip agreement at: [www.hiriseskiclub.com](http://www.hiriseskiclub.com)

**Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club Presents**  
**Killington, VT. February 22<sup>nd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**



**Price: \$1,039, Lift Tickets not included; Non-Members \$1,069**

**Includes:**

- Amtrak Train, Cleveland to Albany, NY,
- Round trip transfers to Killington via motor coach
- 5 nights at Pinnacle Condos, on the shuttle route to slopes and village
- Two room condos, 4 per Condo
- Ski two mountains, Killington and sister resort Pico Mountain
- 1,509 acres, 3,050' vertical drop, 155 trails, 21 lifts, 73 miles of trails
- 17% beginner, 40% intermediate, 43% black, skiing for all
- Pico Mountain, 468 acres, 58 trails, 7 lifts, 19 miles of trails
- On the shuttle line to ski hills and the village
- Welcome party, Mid-week dinner, special event
- Lift tickets are extra, 3 day \$243, 4 day \$305, 5 day \$361 if we sell 20 total and bought through Hi Rise. Rentals, 3 days \$211, 4 day \$278, 5 day \$345
- Killington and Pico are part of the Ikon Pass
- [www.killington.com](http://www.killington.com)

Initial deposit of \$400 reserves your spot. Second \$400 deposit due September 7<sup>th</sup>

Balance due November 1<sup>st</sup>. Payable to: Hi Rise Ski & Sport Club

Send payments to: Bob Maclauchlan 29731 Fairway Blvd. Willowick, OH. 44095

Phone 440-622-1283

Email: [bobmaclauchlan@yahoo.com](mailto:bobmaclauchlan@yahoo.com)

Trip insurance is available and recommended to be purchased.

Note: Motor coach line has a no alcohol policy on it's busses.

All trips subject to Hi Rise trip agreement at: [www.hiriseskiclub.com](http://www.hiriseskiclub.com)



**Hi Rise Standing Committees  
& Chairpersons**

Trips – Bob Maclauchlan

Meetings - Arnie Rodriguez

**Social – We need your name here!**

Banquet – Dennis Rosa

Social media – Greg Schmid

Webmaster – Nate Diederich

Database – Nate Diederich

Membership - Nate Diederich

CMSC – Larry Crookshanks

Racing – Guy Nerren

Newsletter – Ray Patacca

**Summer Activities – open**

Miscellaneous Goods – Arnie Rodriguez

Marketing – Dennis Rosa

Advertising – Bob Maclauchlan

Fundraising – Arnie Rodriguez

Historian – Trish Carleton

**If you have ideas for social activities, please  
tell a board member.**

**Calling all business owners!**

If you would like to place an ad in the  
newsletter, please contact:  
Bob Maclauchlan, 440-622-1263.

Thank you to, Guy  
Nerren for your  
contributions to this  
newsletter.

A graphic of the words "thank you!" in a colorful, playful, hand-drawn font. The letters are in various colors including green, blue, red, and yellow, and are arranged in two lines: "thank" on top and "you!" on the bottom.