



WHAT HAPPENS IF A PLANE IS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING WHILE IN FLIGHT?

Janice says- "I've been there, done that"

Massive bang on an Midway flight on approach to LA Airport. There was an huge flash and a big bang. We had a totally normal landing and taxing on the ground, BUT the dramatics were priceless. Check page #4 for a little more info.

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We Ski & Snowboard



Duneland Ski Club of N.W. IN. meets @ Gary Sportsmen Club 10101 Madison St. Crown Point, IN. 46307 (S. entrance). *Membership meets every 3rd Monday evening at 7:30 pm Membership Meets at 7:30 pm.*

DSC President Dawn Disher's April 2023

Well folks, that's a wrap to our 2022-23 ski season! Thank you to Kim Zajicek and Pete Resetar for serving as the trip leaders for the Shanty Creek bus trip with the Nomads. The shenanigans were a plenty! Our good friends from the Nomads outdid themselves with decorating the bus and providing snacks for the après ski/hot tub party. In February, we had an outstanding trip to Winter Park. Thirty-eight people went which is a record in recent years. Thank you to Monica Conrad, Chris Hohman and Hedy Kokidko for organizing the trip. The CMSC trip to Mammoth was one none of us will forget! I don't think many of us have ever had our plane hit by lightning. In the week we were there, the area had multiple blizzards, road closures, avalanches. It seemed every day, more snow came down than the day before. Despite the change of plans, we all made the best of the week. Thank you to Ed and Janice Gordon who were the trip leaders.

I hope everyone comes out for the April General Membership meeting because its Membership Night! It's the last meeting of our calendar year so please bring an appetizer or dessert to share, along with your checkbook. We will have a 50/50 raffle for the American Blind Skier Foundation so bring your \$5s, \$10s or \$20s. Finally, the year-end banquet is Friday, May 5 th at Innsbrook Country Club. This is always a special night so please mark your calendars.

What's planned for next year? Snowmass! We are staying at Top of the Village, a Hyatt property and rated top of the line. Mark your calendar for January 27-February 3, 2024.

Dawn- President



Dawn & Chris

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S



ELECTIONS FOR THE 2023-24 YEAR

It is time for us to do our civic duty and vote for the officers and board members willing to lead our club for the next term.

Elections will be held on Monday, April 17.

Absentee ballots will be e-mailed to those requesting one. cjcleek@comcast.net

Print the form and snail mail the ballot to me. Only completed paper ballots will be accepted.

Mail to:

JoAnn Cleek
829 N 550 E,
Westville, IN 46391

219-983-2575

2023 DSC Social Events Etc.

April 1-6th CMSC Spring Fling Park City.

April 17th Election Night and Membership sign-up night: New or renew your membership.

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DSC 2023-2024 Membership

**JOIN OR
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP**



April 17th, 2023 - Membership Sign-Up

Sign up ahead on our website or the membership form in the newsletter (last page). Just bring your check to the meeting for website signup and bring your form and check in for NL form signup.

Forms will be at this meeting as well. Just don't forget to bring your checkbook and make it out to Duneland Ski Club.

Membership Chairman-Janice regiongirl1@gmail.com

DSC Social Events Etc. Continued

May 5th EOY Banquet, New board takes office

May 3rd Bike, Hike & Blade 6 pm

May 20th CMSC Trip Seminar

June 16th Gary Railcats Game

July 7-9th Camp/Canoe Trip

Aug. 26th CMSC Picnic August

Sept. 9th Popcorn Festival

2024 Upcoming Trips

Jan. 27-Feb 3rd , 2024 Snowmass

Feb. 24th-March 2nd, 2024- Banff CMSC Chicago Week

According to the National Weather Service, lightning strikes about 25 million times a year and kills an average of 49 people. But how often does it strike planes?

Believe it or not, it's estimated that every plane in the U.S. commercial fleet is struck by lightning at least once every year. The event is described as a loud bang and a flash of light as the lightning goes through the plane. You can sometimes experience the smell of ozone, too. It's got to be as scary as anything! In fact, I'm sure it might freak some people out, especially if they're afraid of flying in the first place.

But are you safe when all that happens? Apparently so.

The last U.S. commercial plane crash that was due to lightning happened in the 1960s (the fuel tank exploded). Since that unfortunate event 50-something years ago, many techniques have been developed to reduce the threat of lightning to a plane. Modern-day planes are made with a whole lot of aluminum, which is very conductive to electricity. That allows the lightning to arc through the fuselage, even from the wings and nose, and then exit through the tail. It also leaves the insides (and people!) intact and doesn't even bother all the wiring and computers or even fuel tank on the plane, because they're all grounded and/or isolated/protected.

Some ultra-modern planes such as the Boeing 777x and 787, as well as the Airbus A350 are being made with composite materials like carbon fiber that is even lighter than, but not as conductive, like aluminum. To work around that, plane manufacturers intentionally put wiring within the fuselage that's attractive to lightning. The wiring isn't connected to anything but allows the lightning to pass through the plane in a similar fashion as those with aluminum.

Of course, a plane that's hit by lightning in mid-flight undergoes a thorough inspection after it's landed, but in most cases that there little to no damage found.

So yeah – being in a plane and having it be hit by lightning must be as scary as anything, but at least you know that chances are you're safe. Whew!

BIKE, HIKE and BLADE

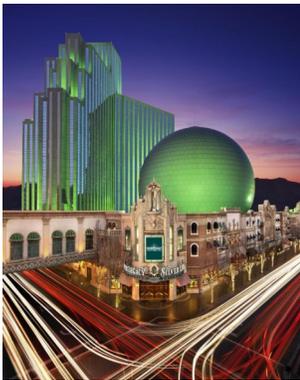
**Bike, Hike and Blade will resume on Wednesday, May 3rd at 6PM at
Countryside.**

Park in Portage. More details in the May newsletter.

Charlie Cleek

If we had to get stuck somewhere-this was the place to be.

**The Row—Silver Legacy,
Eldorado & Circus Circus**



Silver Legacy



Mining Rig @ Silver Legacy



Brew Brothers Tap



Eldorado Casino inside



Circus Circus



Circus Circus Casino



Group for lunch & a movie



3 1/2 hr. traffic tie up to Palisade



Palisade



Janice, Ed &



Mike Thomas CMSC



DSC at Farewell Party



Group pic/CMSC Farewell



Hedi



Mammoth



Mammoth



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Mammoth



Digging his car out



Carl's Drive Through



Duneland Ski Club End-of-the-Year Banquet

“One Last Run”

Friday, May 5, 2023

It's time to celebrate our year of skiing and the efforts of your volunteers and officers. Come on out to lend your support! Along with the festivities will be our annual humorous “DSC Year in Review” Power Point show featuring humorous and slightly insulting pictures of our club having a good time.

Our dinner includes coffee and tea; a salad and rolls; perch, sliced pork tenderloin and Innsbrook signature baked chicken; oven-roasted garlic redskins; bacon onion green beans; and ice cream for dessert. There will be a pay bar available. Dress is business casual.

Innsbrook Country Club has hosted us several times and provided great food and a wonderful spring atmosphere. The price for all this is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-member guests. Deadline for paid reservations is the April 17 DSC meeting.

Innsbrook Country Club is at 6701 Taft Street, Merrillville, Indiana (about 1-1/2 miles north of U.S. 30).

Reception: 6:00 pm; Dinner: 7:15 pm; Program follows dinner.

Contact: Bill Leavitt; 219-789-5610 (cell); SKIBILL@AOL.COM (email with 3 L's).

Pay at April meeting or mail check written to Duneland Ski Club to

Bill Leavitt

417 Killarney Lane

Valparaiso, IN 46385.



Lake County
Dock Hounds

VS

Gary
SouthShore
RailCats

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS

FRIDAY JUNE 16TH 2023

Ready for a night packed with Baseball, Friends and Fun?!

Friday June 16th, 2023 Gary SouthShore RailCats will face off against the Lake County Dock Hounds. The game starts at 6:45pm and suite doors open at 5:45pm, located on the west side of the Stadium, enter through the glass double doors. Parking is available on the east side of the Stadium.

We will be occupying suites 9,10 & 11 and there will be a stadium style buffet from 5:45pm-7:15pm. Please contact Wesley or Dian if you have diet restrictions or may require gluten free or vegetarian options. On the main level of the stadium there is a gift shop and other vendors. Throughout the evening the crowd has a chance to partake in fun activities such as The Chicken Dance, T-Shirt toss and a Ball Toss at the end of the game. Baseballs for the toss can be purchased in the gift shop for a chance to play and win! Lastly, there will be a wonderful fireworks show to enjoy before heading home.

Tickets are \$26.00 per person, limited tickets available. Contact Wesley DeLeurere (219) 616-5865 or Dian Berryman (219) 406-1186 for tickets. (Cash or checks payable to Duneland Ski Club).

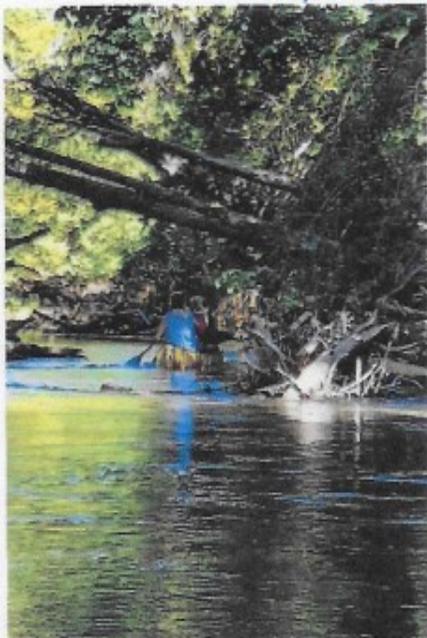
If for any reason you need to cancel, we will be able to give a full refund if contacted by 12:00pm Thursday, June 15th, as long as tickets are returned.

Hope to see you there!

RailCats Stadium

1 Stadium Plaza
Gary, IN 46402
(219) 882-2255

July 7-9, 2023 CoolWater's on the Pine River



DSC

It's that time again!

Get ready for two nights of camping, delicious catered meals Saturday and Sunday included, and even a packed lunch for the day on the river! You are responsible for checking in Friday evening and paying for your two nights of camping. You can call anytime between now and July 7th to reserve your spots at CoolWater's on the River (972) 743-7497. Let the office know you are with the DSC on lots 15, 16 & 17. Dinner will not be provided Friday as everyone will be arriving at separate times. Saturday, we'll have breakfast and then load up for the day on the river. Options are Canoe (holds 2) or Kayak (ride on top, holds 1).

Cost Breakdown Options:

Meals/Canoe/Group camp supplies - \$131.00/person

Meals/Kayak/Group camp supplies - \$156.00/person

Meals/Group camp supplies - \$106.00/person

Application form is attached. Trip itinerary will be out in June.

We sure hope you can join us for this fun-filled weekend!

R.S.V.P to Dian Berryman By June 1st, 2023

Checks are payable to:

Duneland Ski Club
c/o Dian Berryman
493 Eastwood Lane
Chesterton, IN 46304

Trip Leaders: Dian Berryman (219) 406-1186 Mike Berryman (219) 406-8175

Pine River Canoe Trip July 7-9, 2023

Fill out and return to Dian Berryman 493 Eastwood Lane, Chesterton, IN 46304,

Checks payable to Duneland Ski Club (DSC).

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone # _____ Emergency Contact: _____

_____ Canoe/Meals \$120.00

_____ Ride on Top Kayak/Meals \$154.00 Weight _____ Height _____

_____ Meals \$70.00

Have you canoed/kayaked before? ____ Yes ____ No

The canoe/kayak trip will start at Lincoln and end at Peterson.

Do you have any dietary considerations? ____ Gluten free ____ Lactose free

Any food Allergies _____

Sandwich choice: _____ Turkey _____ Beef

RSVP by: JUNE 1st (only 30 spots available)

Event Participation Agreement and Release and Waiver of Liability ("Release")

In accepting this reservation, I agree to abide by the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and policies and do, on my behalf and that of my heirs, executors, administrators and assignees, releasees, third party or otherwise, release and forever discharge the **Duneland Ski Club, Inc.**, its Board, and all its members, from any responsibilities, either legal or civil, claims/demands property for any damage, arising out of or related to an event(s) for any incident or injury incurred while visiting, assisting and/or participating in any activity that is authorized and/or sponsored by the **Duneland Ski Club, Inc.** I am aware that this activity and its related activities such as, but not limited to transportation, by car, van, bus trucks, air travel, etc. Are hazardous activities, and I am voluntarily participating in these activities only if I am 21 or over with knowledge of the danger involved and here by agree to accept any all risks of injury or death.

I HEREBY represent that I am in good physical condition and know of no medical or health reasons why I should not participate in any of the above activities, and agree that I must obtain my own life, liability and health insurance to protect me and my family members against personal injuries.

This release supersedes any other agreements, written or oral, by or between the parties and is governed by the laws of Indiana and is intended to be interpreted as broadly as possible. In any portion of this Release is held invalid, I agree that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. **I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE, FULLY UNDERSTND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND HAVE SIGNED IT VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE BEING MADE TO ME, AND I INTEND MY SIGNATURE TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILTY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.**

I AM AT LEAST 21 YEARS OF AGE AND I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS.

Signature of Participant _____

Printed Name of Participant _____



**Mayflower Cruise to Danube River –
Sept 21 – Oct 01, 2023**

Come see Europe in a unique way, on a Mayflower River cruise on the Danube.

Sail through and visit: Hungary • Slovakia • Austria • Germany • the Czech Republic

Mayflower Cruises & Tours is a new associate member of the CMSC and has invited all members of CMSC member clubs to “come aboard” this special cruise. All reservations and payments will be handled directly between individuals and Mayflower Cruises.

The Tour sails the Danube River starting in Budapest, Hungary: through Bratislava, Slovakia: Vienna, Austria: Durnstein, Melk: Linz, Austria: Passau, Germany: and Prague, Czech Republic. For seven nights, the Emerald Cruises Star – will be our floating home.

Highlights include several optional excursions, guided tours of towns, castles, medieval villages, and of course local food. This cruise includes 21 meals: 9 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 7 dinners. Please see the beautiful flier that Mayflower has provided for details of each area, meals, and optional activities.

Those who would like to attend, please request a Reservation form from Ed Gordon – Duneland Ski Club.

Pricing includes roundtrip airport transfers and FREE roundtrip airfare from Chicago when booked by September 30, 2022. (Saving \$1700.00pp)

FOR RESERVATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

[Ed Gordon - 219-743-0018](tel:219-743-0018)

edskates-indiana@yahoo.com

OR Mayflower Cruises and Tours

Group Sales Department - 800-728-0724 ext 201

kayla@mayflowercruisesandtours.com

Be sure to mention Duneland Ski Club

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Duneland Meets At:

The Gary Sportsmen Club
10101 Madison St.
Crown Point, IN. 46307
(Southside entrance)
219-662-5822
219-662-9749



DSC General meetings are on the 3rd Monday of each month, @7:30, unless otherwise notified .

We are on the Web

<https://skiduneland.com>

About Duneland

Must be 21 or over and complete an application to join our club or hold membership in another CMSC club. Children can attend some ski trips, provided they are accompanied by a parent who is a current member of Duneland and *include the proper documentation* needed and given to the Trip Leader and Membership Chairperson. Children cannot become members, vote and or attend meetings.



www.skicmsc.com

Duneland Ski Club, based in North-west Indiana, has a year-round schedule of events for its active members. We are members of the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council and affiliated with over 60 clubs. Duneland offers trips to world-class Western Resorts and family friendly Midwest trips. We are historically an adult club but are currently researching dynamics to allow participation by families with kids. Summer activities include biking, canoeing, a chili cook-off, and much more. To view our event dates, newsletter, and membership application, visit skiduneland.com. Duneland is where great fun begins, and memories endure. We have a great group!

Please contact us and join the fun.



See us also on
Facebook
(Duneland Ski Club)



We Ski And Snowboard



DUNELAND SKI CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (2023-April 2024)

(Subject to Board approval)

All members of the Duneland Ski Club Must be 21 years of age or older

1st members name: _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____
Your name as stated on your driver's license

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell # :(____) _____

2nd members name: _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____
Your name as stated on your driver's license

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell # :(____) _____

NEW members only! How did hear about Duneland Ski Club? _____

NEW MEMBERSHIP (Eligibility over 21)

New Members- Single Adult: \$ 30.00 _____

New Members-Family Adult: \$40.00 *(for 2 persons)* _____ \$ 10.00 for each additional family member *(over 21)* _____

RENEWING YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Eligibility over 21)

Renewing- Single Adults Annual: *Those who paid their dues last year:* \$25.00 _____

Renewing -Family Annual: *2 family members who paid their dues last year:* \$35.00 *(for 2 persons) (for 2 persons)* _____

Additional Members 3 or more: \$10.00 each *or each added family adult over 21* _____

RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR *Please read and sign below*

Members should be keenly aware that their actions reflect directly on the ability of the DSC to provide activities in the future. Not only do their actions influence the cooperation of the organizations servicing the activities, but they also influence other individual's willingness to participate in future activities. While the DSC does not desire to dictate the behavior of individuals, past incidents indicate that the club must provide a system through which offensive actions can be defined and dealt with while still protecting the legitimate interests of all concerned.

The following list of illegal, socially offensive, or morally degrading actions shall be just cause for dismissing a member from the club or from future activities for a stated period of time:

1. Any felony.
2. Any action which would be the basis for a service organization to the DSC to withdraw services.
3. Any wanton or wasteful destruction of property.
4. The continuation of any grossly socially unacceptable activity as judged by any of the people participating in the activity.
5. The threat of bodily damage to anyone or the use of force. These actions should be judged by the board. Any complaints must be preceded by a written statement from a member. The statement should contain the names of the specific people involved and the circumstances. The offending party will be notified and given adequate time (30 days) to reply to the charge.

ADULT MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT and WAIVER OF LIABILITY: In applying for a new or renewed membership in the Duneland Ski Club, Inc., I recognize the club as a volunteer not-for-profit organization, organized solely for the benefit of its members. In consideration of my new or renewed membership, I will abide by the articles of incorporation, bylaws and policies and do, on my behalf and that of my heirs, executors, administrators and assignees, release and forever discharge the Duneland Ski Club, Inc., its Board, and all its members, from any responsibilities, either legal or civil, for any incident or injury incurred while visiting, assisting and/or participating in any activity that is authorized and/or sponsored by the Duneland Ski Club, Inc.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE:

1st members Signature: _____ Date: _____

2nd members Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail check & completed form payable to:
Duneland Ski Club
Membership Chairman
10667 Manor Drive
Saint John, IN. 46373

For Electronic form, go to www.skiduneland.com Fill out, submit online, & mail your check immediately to the Membership Chairman. You will be notified when your check has been received.

(This section for Membership Chairman Only)

Date Paid: _____ Dues Amount Paid: \$ _____

Check #: _____ Cash Pd: \$ _____

Dues Paid From: _____ Paid To: _____

Membership Chairman Initial's _____