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President's Message

Mike Mazza

Hi to all: The 2021/2022 ski season was another challenging year, but the board members and trip leaders pulled together some great ski trips and other events. Our New England drive-up trip was to Sunday River, Maine again and **Tom Welsh** did a great job of running it again. Although the Covid-19 challenges were reduced this year, Tom met the challenge to manage a much larger group this year. We had almost 60 people on the trip. The big trip to Whitefish, Montana started out on Saturday for half of the group and the other half on Sunday for the almost 60 people on this trip also. The trip was held together, by **Roe Crowley** and **Tony Navarro**. Our Elk Mountain trips kind of fell apart due to covid. We were able to pull off one trip in January. Thanks to **Marion and Dave Brown** for handling all of that and to our Treasurer, **Greg Blizard**, for making all of the refunds for the February and March trips.

Once again, the season opener ski club picnic and the holiday dinner were a success. Thanks to **Kat Blinebury** for planning them and to **Roe and Bruce Crowley** for bringing the hoagies to the picnic and to **Sue Byer, Cynthia Solis** and my granddaughter, **Mya**, for helping to hand out the door prizes at the holiday dinner. Thanks to **Roe** for handling the orders for the ski club merchandise that we offered this season and to **Steve DiMeglio** for creating the graphic for the back of the shirts.

Lastly, we had a successful taco bar picnic to end the ski season at **Tom Moravec's** house. Thank You to Tom and to Roe again for all of her work on the picnic. We had a new Eastern PA Ski Council representative, **Bob Huntowski**, this season who has been keeping us up-to-date on the council's activities. To all the board members, I would like to thank you for all your hard work in continuing to make the club what it is today. I would like to thank **Bruce Crowley** for his service as Vice President. I would like to welcome **Tony Navarro** as the new Vice President. I hope everybody has a great summer. See you at the picnic in September.

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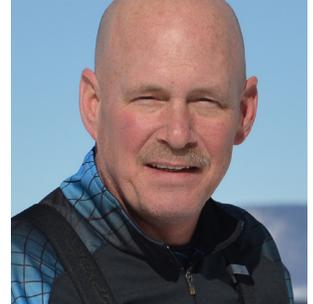
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Sunday River, Maine
January 23rd - 28th, 2022
Tom Welsh



Fifty-seven of us arrived Sunday at the Jordan hotel at Sunday River, Maine between late afternoon and early evening where we were welcomed with a smooth check in and accommodating staff. Later that evening in the Grand Avenue restaurant which was reserved just for our club we had a fun welcome reception with a wonderful vegetable display with hummus and other goodies, followed by gourmet pizza sponsored by the PSC. Oh, and let's not forget the free drinks!!

At the welcome reception, we got to meet for the first time the many people who were on their first trip with the club. Some of those were **Jim Boyce, Jack Campbell, Nancy Fell, Diane Keener, Rob Preston, Marian and Doug Donohue, and Rich and Janine Rousseau.**

The rooms were very spacious and accommodating. We had a choice of either two queen beds in a standard style room or a Studio Deluxe room with a Murphy bed and kitchenette.

Monday morning started with a full buffet breakfast, which we were glad to have again after last year's limited buffet. After breakfast we gathered outside the hotel where we met with Taylor our Sales rep and mountain guide. Taylor stayed with us Monday up through lunchtime introducing us to the many trails at Sunday River. At 6 o'clock Monday evening we enjoyed a plated dinner at the Grand Avenue and I think everyone else will agree the food again was fabulous.

Tuesday through Thursday were a repeat of Monday. Starting at 7 AM we enjoyed a wonderful buffet breakfast. Members either enjoyed skiing, snowshoeing or shopping/exploring in the Town of Bethel. Some may have stayed back at the spa, etc.

Tuesday evening was left open this year with many of us taking the shuttle over to the Camp restaurant in the Grand Summit Hotel. It was very good.

After another day of activities, on Wednesday evening we gathered again in the Grand Avenue room for a buffet dinner and from what I hear everyone was very happy again with the food. Also, many were very happy after participating in drinking from the shot ski that was available at the bar.

Thursday evening was another night of parties and fun (see the photos) and many folks enjoying dinner at Sliders restaurant in our hotel.

Friday morning, we checked out of the hotel after another wonderful buffet breakfast and headed for home.

It was a very cold week but sunny skies, some fresh snow and great people made for a very enjoyable week. All in all, I heard nothing but good reviews. We had a spacious hotel, great food, and a very accommodating staff and of course lots of great skiing and other activities.

Thank you to Sunday River, PSC board and our members who collectively make this a great trip, I hope you, like I, look forward to next year's East Coast trip!

Photographs will tell a lot more than my words, please enjoy and or download your own copies here:

<https://photos.tomwelsh.com/gallery/17535934/home> Ski you again.



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Photos from Sunday River 2022





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More Fun in Sunday River





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Snowshoe Adventures
Sunday River, Maine

Karen Dash



This year, our snowshoe group of **Janice** and **Wendy Bartel** and me was joined by a new member, **Nancy Fell**. She reported after the trip that she would be interested in joining us again. We enjoyed her company and enlarging our group. Additionally, thank you to Nancy for keeping track of our distance and elevation stats.

On Monday, we snowshoed on the trails at Maggie's Nature Park. We followed a trail that took us on an uphill climb to Peaked Mountain Bluff which had a beautiful view of Twitchell Pond. When we got to the Bluff, we celebrated with a shot of Fireball Whiskey that was brought by Nancy. It was a cold, yet sunny day, and we covered 3.09 miles with an elevation climb of 692 ft. It was a great first day for us and our new member.

Tuesday, we decided on a snowshoe hike in the Bethel Community Forest and the Summit Ridge Trail. This was our first time on this particular trail and it took us several attempts to find the trailhead. Once we found the trail, we covered 2.72 miles and an elevation climb of 494 ft.

Wednesday, our group of 4 grew to 7 people. Joining us was **Kat Blinebury**, **Jean Gucciardi** and **Betty Becker**. This was the first time we snowshoed Long Mountain and it was a beautiful trail but it became too steep to climb as we got near the top. For the week, this was our longest distance at 3.96 miles and an elevation climb of 815 ft. We also stopped for a shot of Fireball which comes in handy when the temps are in the teens and low 20's.

Thursday, was the coldest day of the week. Morning temps hovered around -10 F below. Was this too cold to snowshoe? No way. We returned to a trail that we went to last year called Grafton Notch State Park and snowshoed the Table Rock Loop Trail which is part of the Appalachian Trail. That was a nice forest trail but was a long climb to get to the top. Together, our distance was 2.31 miles with an elevation climb of 983 ft.

In the evenings, we enjoyed the "happy hour" and dinners with all our skiing and non-skiing friends. We had fun catching up with old friends and toasting to our new ones, who we hope will join us again on future trips.





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Sunday River Snowshoe Photo Gallery





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Whitefish, Montana March 2022 Roe Crowley



Our **large** group of 57 travelers descended upon Whitefish, Montana in two waves, with 31 arriving on Saturday, March 12th and the remaining 26 arriving on Sunday, March 13th. Most of the two groups traveled together from Philly to Kalispell, with **Charlie, Paulette & Jason App** meeting us at the airport in Montana, **Justin Kwan, Ron Tomasso, Ken Buja** and **Terry Klugh** joining from the DC area, and **Chester Trzuskowski** traveling from Denver, CO (having just recently relocated for work). The hotel did a fabulous job of gathering everyone from the airport and delivering us safely to the Lodge.

Due to our staggered arrivals, our Welcome Reception was held on Sunday evening when Philadelphia Ski Club was in full force at The Lodge at Whitefish Lake. Presentations were made by Ryan Billiet – Sales Manager for the Lodge, Jess O’Hearne – Sales Manager for Whitefish Outfitters, and a mountain representative. All travelers were greeted with a gift bag containing Philadelphia Ski Club-logoed ski cap, commemorative Whitefish trip T-shirt, St. Paddy’s Day beads & masks, and a slew of treats to pocket for the mountain. The customary fare of wine, beer, assorted cheeses and crudité were provided by the Lodge while we all settled into our beautifully appointed lodging and planned our attack on Whitefish Mountain.

Whitefish locals have a saying, **“You don’t come to Whitefish to see; you come to Whitefish to ski!”** And so it was for the first few days on the mountain. Even with Mountain Ambassadors guiding us over the terrain, FOG on Sunday and Monday made for challenging runs. From the top of Chair 1, we were “guided” down the appropriately named “Ant Hill”. Unable to see more than two feet ahead, skiers – or “ANTS” – were laying all over the short hill that was necessary to navigate to get to more visible terrain. The foggy experience gave us a science lesson about trees. I’m not versed on the actual science, but it appears that when it’s foggy, best to stay near to the trees as they “eat” the fog and give assistance with depth perception and balance.

On Tuesday night, the majority of our crew crashed a local trivia night in Kalispell. **Tacos & Trivia at Grouse Mountain Resort**, is a local’s favorite, and PSC swelled the room. I’m a trivia geek, but the Kalispell locals took trivia to a new level. However, the Club was fairly represented. The team named **“I Can’t See Sheet” (Mike Mazza, Greg Blizard, Tony Navarro, John Reynolds, Bob Davis, Tom Welsh, Bob Huntowski & Tom Moravec)** earned PSC bragging rights having scored the highest of all our groups participating in the fun. Given the absence of one gender, this group could have borrowed from Our Gang and taken the name **“He-man Womun Haters Club – No Girlz Allowed!”** As a group, we may not be noted for our trivia knowledge, but we sure do know how to have a good time. Shout out to **Kat Blinebury**, for researching the event and sharing the information with everyone.

Glacier National Park was the destination for many, on Wednesday. Most went by luxury bus and a group went into the Park by van, but navigated on snow shoes. The scenery and vistas were beautiful and we were all treated to something extra-special. We take it on good authority from, **Dann Clapp**, that Philadelphia Ski Club trips



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have been the origin of many romantic pairings; but we have a first in Whitefish, Montana when **Matt Murray** proposed to **Miss Natalie Swiegart** on a dock over Lake McDonald in Glacier National Park. She said, “YES!”, so back on the bus, we raised glasses of champagne to toast the happy day. Matt & Nat, we will be looking for our “save-the-date” cards. Rumor has it that the wedding will take place at a wintery destination.

The “Luck of the Irish” was with us on Thursday - St. Paddy’s Day – when skiers enjoyed a “bluebird” day on the mountain. Amazingly, all skiers commented on how much better they ski when they can see the terrain. The **Murrays (Mike, Terry, Matt, Natalie & Patrick)**, **Yerkes (Dan, Annette, Johnathan, Laura & Roman)**, **Mike Sweeder**, and **Dianna Geist** enjoyed the mountain on a different sport mode, taking an adventurous snowmobiling tour. As part of their tour, they were guided up the back of Whitefish Mountain to Summit House where they took in the view on a clear day. We all gathered in the evening for a group dinner, where GREEN was the color of the day. Cocktails, good food and camaraderie made for a festive evening, topped off by the arrival of the “Shot Ski” and the Nutty Irishmen were flowing.

Our snowshoeing contingent continues to grow, adding **Linda Cannon** to the group. Please see **Karen Dash’s** article about the adventures of the snowshoers – **Wendy Bartel, Janice Bartel, Karen, Jackie Pine & Jacob Naugler**, and **Linda Cannon**.

It was a pleasure to have long-time Philadelphia Ski Club members, **Karen Heller** and **Denise Fedele** join us in Montana. **Karen** now calls Montana home, having relocated West a number of years ago, and made the four-hour drive to join us. **Denise**, now residing in Massachusetts, often makes arrangements to meet us. Ski Club connections are strong and lasting ones and it was good to see friends of long-standing. It was nice that **Robin Ryan**, who joined us for the first time on this trip, was able to do some outings with the non-skiers.

While skiing on a rainy day, the “power” group of **John Reynolds, Brian Nishitani, Greg Blizard, Dann Clap, Bob David, Bob Huntowski, Kat Blinebury & Claire Lozowicki**, witnessed an unusual event on the mountain – **Tony Navarro’s** disintegrating neon orange poncho. Make sure to look through the trip photo album, as they made sure to document the incident. And like good eco-friendly skiers, they went back up to repeat the run and clean up the debris field!!

And it was a family reunion of sorts for **Marie Holman & Brian Nishitani, Mary Remmers**, as they brought along new members **Pam & Spencer Kelly**. Marie (known to family as Sandy), Mary and Pam are all cousins and decided on a snowy spot for a reunion.

Our trip to Whitefish was a return home to ski origins for **Ken Buja**. As a young boy, his Dad’s career took the family to Whitefish for a few years. Whitefish Mountain, then called Big Mountain, was where Ken learned to ski. He shared some pictures of the family in the early days of his skiing and the mountain resort. Also noteworthy, is that the town of Whitefish was initially called “Stumptown” for a good reason. With the arrival of the railroad, the heavily wooded area was clear cut for lumber, leaving stumps behind, hence Stumptown.

The group manifest also included many loyal club members – **Sue Byer, Bruce Crowley, Karen & Steve DiMeglio, Diane Garvey, Josh McMann, Turner Blizard, Chrisian Crespo, Charlie Haffey & Marilyn Herr, Tom Moravec & Tom Welsh**. I would like to thank everyone who traveled with us for the week and a special thanks to **Tony** for co-leading this trip with me. Whitefish, Montana is a happy memory!



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Whitefish, Montana, March 2022





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Whitefish Shenanigans





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Whitefish Shenanigans, Part 2





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Whitefish Shenanigans, Part 3!





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Whitefish, Montana
Karen Dash



Arriving in Kalispell, MT, on Sunday, and on our way to Whitefish, we discovered the area was experiencing an early spring. Were we going to find snow? Let's not think about that until tomorrow. Since we arrived early to the Whitefish Lodge, we decided to pick up our rental car and do a little shopping. It was great to see all the skiers who had arrived a day earlier at the Ski Club's evening reception.

New to our group this trip was Janice's friend, **Linda Cannon**. She enjoyed herself and said it was a great trip. We hope to see her again next year.

On Monday, **Janice, Wendy, Linda** and I took our first hike of the week on Lion Mountain. It was an easy hike, but unfortunately, the snow was thin, a little icy, and at times, just muddy. We did see lots of hikers with their dogs which **Wendy** was happy about. One group told us hiking with dogs is preferred in that region because the bears stay clear of the dogs. **Janice** was not happy to learn that. At the top of the trail, we had a beautiful view of Skyles Lake. Heading into town for dinner, we enjoyed a delicious dinner at Ciao Mambo.

Tuesday, unfortunately, was a rainy and dreary day. Our group decided to walk into the town of Whitefish and do some shopping. Back at the Lodge, we enjoyed some time in the indoor hot tub and games in the game room. Maybe a dreary day, but it ended with a nice dinner and trivia at Logan's Bar & Grill at the Grouse Mountain Lodge.

Wednesday was our day to take a snowshoe excursion to Glacier National Park. Did you know, approximately 130 miles of boundary are shared by Canada and the United States in Glacier National Park? Joining us on this trip was **Jackie Pine** and her son, **Jacob**, and **Kat Blinebury**. Our tour guide, **Gabe**, was very knowledgeable about the history of Glacier National Park, identifying plant species and leading us on a spirited hike around Lake McDonald. We thought it would be a 4-hour tour, but it was 7-hour tour. **Gabe** took us thru the back waters, over two creeks with beautiful water falls that feed into Lake McDonald. He provided good treats and beverages for us when we returned to the van, which we all enjoyed. Perfect end to a great day!

Thursday, we traveled south of Kalispell, to the Flathead Lake region, and Blacktail Mountain. The path was wide and well-groomed and we saw several cross-country skiers. Unfortunately, **Linda** kept losing her snowshoe that day and had to stop to adjust it. We accomplished 8 KM that day. On our way back, we stopped at Flathead Lake for a beautiful view of the Flathead National Forest, which occupies over 2.3 million acres in the northern Rocky Mountains. That night was our Saint Paddy's Day celebration with a cocktail hour followed by a group dinner. **Roe** and **Bruce's** shot ski came out, as expected. The evening ended with roasting marshmallows on the fire pit. Great time was had by all.

Friday, at **Gabe's** recommendation, we went back to Glacier National Park to the Fish Creek Bike Trail. Even though we saw the backcountry and grizzly bear signs, we tried it for a short distance. **Janice** and **Karen** had problems with their snow shoes, so they decided to use crampons instead. Unfortunately, the snow was deep and they kept sinking into the snow. Every time they went down, they let out a big laugh. After dinner we all



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gathered in the game room to play Left, Right, Center, where **Karen Dash** and **Bob Huntowski** won the pile of dollar bills. We had to say goodbye to the half of the ski club group who were heading home the next day.

For our final day, we traveled to Dog Creek Lodge and followed well-groomed trails along Dog Mountain, walking past Dog Lake. A beautiful area and close to Whitefish.





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Elk Mountain Trips

Marion Brown



Hey, everyone! We are looking forward to seeing you on the Elk bus in 2023! For 2022, due to covid/health concerns, January was our one Elk bus trip. Many people did their own drive up Elk ski days throughout the winter. Elk was fully open, good snow, lots of fun and great ski outings. We anticipate monthly Elk bus trips in winter, 2023. Watch your emails for more information and dates! We know that there may be price increases and date changes, and **we hope to see you on the bus!**

Social Events Wrap-Up

Kat Blinebury



We were happy to be able to have some social events this year and were pleased that most were well attended. We started the season with our picnic in September at Burholme Park. We had 55 people attend, which was the best turnout that I can remember. It was good to see everyone, including some folks that we hadn't seen for a while, like **Karen Heller**, who was in town from her home state of Montana, **Meg and Paul Waldowski**, and **John and Nancy Kemble** to name a few. It was nice that new members, **Diane Leighton** and **Joann McManus**, came out for the picnic too. We decided to stay with the hoagie menu for the picnic since there were still Covid-19 issues and since everyone seemed to enjoy the Fink's hoagies the year before. Thanks to **Roe and Bruce**. We had 47 people attend the Holiday dinner at Gallo's and again it was a great evening with a good turnout, lots of prizes and great food. **Barbara Nelson** and **Linda Fioretti**, who won dinner gift certificates at the 2019 holiday dinner were finally able to use them. It was nice to meet **Paul and Donna Antony** and **Jim Leighton (Diane's husband)**, who were new members that would be joining us on the Sunday River trip. It's always good to see many life-time members too like **Barb Donovan, Ceil Lumsden, Bernie Niessen, Carl Meixsell, and Marianne Haverland**. Our President, **Mike Mazza**, brought his granddaughter **Mya** to the dinner and she was thrilled to assist **Cynthia Solis** in distributing all the prizes. Although we had a rather small turnout (9 people throwing and 2 spectators) for the Axe Throwing event in April, the members that attended had a great time. It was the first time throwing for most of us and I thought the event was really well managed by the "Bury the Hatchet" staff. We had a coach with us the whole time, who gave us tips on how to



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throw and organized and kept score for the three games that we played. It was a fun activity, especially when you got the axe to stick. Congratulations to **Bruce Crowley, Janice Bartel, Cynthia Solis**, who were on the team along with me, that won the main game that we played first. We had a nice time at dinner afterwards at Chickie's and Pete's too. **Tom Welsh** and his mother, **Betty**, who we were glad to meet, joined us there.



We had the Fiesta – Spring Picnic at **Tom Moravec's** house in May. I think a good time was had by all. **Roe Crowley** gets credit for putting together the menu for the Mexican themed event and for making almost all of the food. The food was delicious and the Mexican theme was really fun. Although we couldn't play any outside games due to the rainy weather, we did get a couple of Left, Center, Right dice games in thanks to **Pam** and **Greg Blizard**. **Janice Bartel** and **Diane Garvey** were the lucky ones that won those games. **Cynthia Solis** brought a Mexican candy filled pinata which we were able to hang up outside when the rain stopped for a little while and **Dann and Diane's** grandsons, **Danny and Kevin Clapp** had fun being blind folded and eventually opening it up with the bat. We all enjoyed the candy.

Lastly, we have the Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway, train and bike ride event coming up on **Saturday, July 23rd**. If you want to join us, you will need to make a reservation with the railway company. See the attached information sheet or the email from the PhilaSkiClub dated April 20, 2022 for more information. If you have any questions about this event, you can also contact **Karen Dash** at cody18976@yahoo.com or 267-980-7898.



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Photos from the Fall Hoagie Picnic and December Holiday Party





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Photos from the Spring Cinco de Mayo Festa





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Side Tracks

Well 2022 was another truncated season due again to Covid. We did end up canceling the February and March trips due to lack of interest in riding the bus. We are trying to start those up again for 2023.

The Sunday River and Whitefish trips this year were fantastic. Both were very large groups and we had a great time with everyone. Weather was for the most part perfect with a light powder day on each of them. Our respective trip leaders, **Tom, Roe** and **Tony** did an extraordinarily great job organizing and shepherding the ranks during these trips. I don't think any of us will ever forget our first "view", or lack thereof, from the Ant Hill at Whitefish. It was a complete white out on a crowded, bumpy terrain that truly took a lot of courage to attempt the first time. We all survived somehow. The dreaded Ant Hill did get better later on in the week.



As I head into my fifth and final year as Recording Secretary for the club, I want to encourage someone, or anyone, to volunteer to take up the position. It's not really very hard or time-consuming and I think you'll find that the notes and reports are pretty much the same every month. It's a chance to make your opinion known and help with the functioning of the club. If you're sitting there for the meeting anyway, why not show up an hour early and maybe you'll get to vote on something too! You never know. I'll probably continue to do the Track and Facebook unless someone wants to take over those roles. These are unelected functions so not limited to the five year rule, but I have no problem stepping back from either of these functions for an interested party.

See you on the slopes next year. Until then, **Karen** and I wish you all a happy and healthy summer and fall. Be well. ~Steve DiMeglio



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Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway
<https://www.lgsry.com/biketrains>

1 Susquehanna Street
Jim Thorpe, PA 18229

A group of us have planned a day trip to Jim Thorpe, PA, on **Saturday, July 23**, to ride our bikes on the Lehigh Gorge Rail-Trail.

We would like to extend an invitation to the rest of the Philadelphia Ski Club group in case anyone is interested in joining us. We will ride the Lehigh Gorge Railway train, on the **12:30 PM train**. Our bicycles will be loaded on the train, then, once the train arrives to White Haven, PA, we will cycle back to Jim Thorpe. You should arrive at the train station at 11:30 AM to allow time to pick up your train tickets and get bikes loaded on to the train. Estimate about 1 hour for the train ride and a 1-1/2 hour to 2-hour bike ride back to Jim Thorpe.

Once we return to Jim Thorpe, we may stop in Molly Maguires for a beverage and/or snack. They do not take reservations, but have a nice open air bar/patio across from the Train Depot.

For Bikers:

Bike Train advance reservations are required and can be made by calling the Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) directly at (570) 325-8485, option 1. This is a popular event so if you want to join us, **make your reservations soon. Space on the train is limited.** There are no group rates so everyone will be making their reservation individually under their own name.

Date: Saturday, July 23, 2022

Departure: 12:30 PM

Price: \$35/person with own bike

\$55/person with Trek bike rental.

**Bike Rentals can be reserved from Pocono Biking, 7 Hazard Square, Jim Thorpe, PA

1-800-whitewater (1-800-944-8392)

<https://poconobiking.com/specialty-trips/bike-train/>

** There is a Biking Liability Waiver to be included with rental. Form on website

<https://poconobiking.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/BK-Waiver-2021-FINAL.pdf>

For non-bikers, those who just want to ride the train:

2-1/2 hour Round Trip from Jim Thorpe to White Haven and back

Cost: Adults \$29; Children (3-12) \$19; children under 3, Free

Here are some details to know:

1. Restrooms are available on the train. There are restrooms at Jim Thorpe and White Haven trail heads. When you're on the trail, there's a bathroom at Rockport and Glen Onoko.
2. Parking: There is a municipal parking lot located next to the train station in Jim Thorpe. There is a parking fee.
3. Places to eat on the trail: There are no places to purchase food along the trail; however, there are picnic benches for you to stop for a break.
4. Subs or sandwiches can be ordered from Renee's Cold Cut Hut in White Haven, if you want to have lunch before cycling back to Jim Thorpe. This information is on the website:
 - When you arrive at the bike trail in White Haven, stroll over to Renee's and grab your lunch to take on the trail. Renee is offering Bike Train riders a \$7.00 packed lunch that includes a sub, chips, and bottled water.
 - To save time, we recommend calling Renee with your order either the day before or prior to boarding the train in the morning. Walk-in orders are also welcome. Renee's phone number is: (570) 215-0057.
5. A ticket purchased is good forever until used, however, unused tickets must be exchanged in advance, not the day of the trip.

Rain Date Policy

1. In case of inclement weather the Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad website, Pocono Biking website and Pocono Biking Facebook Page will be used to indicate the change of Bike Train dates due to adverse weather conditions.
2. The websites & Facebook will be updated by 10:00 am on the Thursday morning prior the Bike Train weekend. If inclement weather is in the forecast, we strongly encourage you to check these websites for rain date updates prior to leaving your home.
3. If Bike Trains start running and the weather suddenly turns bad, the Bike Trains will continue to run as scheduled.
4. If the Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad or Pocono Biking websites do not indicate any rain date changes, then all Bike Trains for that weekend are operating as scheduled.
5. If your Bike Train date is changed due to inclement weather, the trains will operate at the same times out of Jim Thorpe Station the weekend after the original postponed date. For example: If the Saturday Bike Trains are canceled, the following Saturday would be the rain date. If this accommodation does not work for you, please call 570-325-8485 to exchange your tickets to a later date. Although there are no refunds on tickets purchased, Bike Train tickets are good forever until used on a future Bike Train.

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