

# **Finding aid for the Grand Rapids Ski Club Collection 333**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
<b>Title</b>	Grand Rapids Ski Club
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1963-2003
<b>Extent</b>	0.21 Linear feet One box
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	<p>The Grand Rapids Ski Club was founded in 1954 and met at the Grand Rapids Public Museum. They later purchased property on East Leonard across from the Grand Rapids Golf Club, and constructed a building in the early 1960s. Snowmaking equipment was later installed to deal with light snow fall years. Area high schools originally practiced at this club but, with the opening of the Cannonsburg Ski Area, teams and others went there and the Grand Rapids Ski Club died out. This collection includes a history, membership rosters, a few photographs and a club patch.</p>

## **Biographical/Historical note**

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The Grand Rapids Ski Club was founded in 1954, with Carl L. Duvall as its first president. The group met at the Public Museum building on Jefferson Street. Property was leased west of Richmond Park, followed after a couple of years by the purchase of property and building of a clubhouse on East Leonard, across from the Grand Rapids Golf Club, in the early 1960s. Snowmaking equipment was later installed to deal with light fall years.

Area high school teams originally practiced at this club. But, with the opening of the Cannonsburg Ski area, the teams and others went there and the club died out. The current Greater Grand Rapids Ski Club, founded in 1969 as the Lincoln Ski Club, ran parallel to the original Grand Rapids Ski Club.

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## **Scope and Contents note**

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This collection has been defined with the expectation that some day more information or documents may become available.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition note**

Don Souter, accession number 2003.070.

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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**Corporate Name(s)**

- Grand Rapids Ski Club.

**Geographic Name(s)**

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History

**Subject(s)**

- Skies and skiing -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids

## History

## Collection Inventory

<b>History</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Note from Don Souter September 9, 2003	1
<b>Membership Rosters</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
1963-1964	1
1972-1973	1
1974-1975	1
List January 18, 1974	1
<b>Photographs</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Four color photographs, one view includes the club house February 1974	1
Grand Rapids Ski Club Patch (2004.037B)	1