



Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group

www.FlatironsSkiClub.com

November, 2020

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 5TH,
2020 VIA ZOOM**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It feels like the longest summer ever. Weather got warm in mid-April, and here we are in mid-October and it's still warm and sunny. Deeply concerned as I am about global warming, we might as well take advantage of these beautiful days while being flexible. Smoke from the gigantic wild fires has interfered a little, and our hearts go out to those affected by the wild fires. Hiking has been great, as Thursday hikers can attest. We have even continued the Tuesday Evening hikes long past the usual ending time September 1st. But experience says there is a snowstorm out there somewhere, and soon we will be enjoying winter sports, even with COVID- 19 restrictions. Our wonderful trip leaders, coordinated by Downhill Chair Donna Cooper, have a full range of adventures planned.

It remains to be seen if we can socialize as a group, but our Social Chair, Elease Miller, is diligently trying to find a way to have a Winter Holiday Party. Activities have gone well, under the leadership of Stew Woodward, the most recent one being the annual Avalanche Ranch trip led by Roger Povilus, which has gotten rave reviews. We have a professional-looking newsletter, thanks to our editor, Monica Abbott. The Book Club continues year round under the leadership of Richard Patnoe. General Meetings with interesting programs are planned by VP, Janet Fredericks. Availability of all these benefits comes at the bargain price of \$25 a year membership dues. If you have already renewed, thank you! Your adaptability to our new system is greatly appreciated. If not, please make it easy on our Membership Chair, Linda Giandinoto, by sending in your check and Waiver asap. She will cull the roster in December, so please don't leave her and the rest of us in suspense.

Stay safe!
Louisa

GENERAL MEETINGS DURING COVID-19

FSC will be conducting its general meetings using the Zoom platform. Please familiarize yourself with the Zoom application so you can effectively participate. You can participate using a variety of devices, PC, iPad, tablets, phones. HOW TO information can be found at [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and from links on the [club web site](#). For problems opening the hyperlink, try CTRL-CLICK on the link.

General Meeting Speaker

The November 5th program, arranged by Dorothy Cohen and Janet Fredericks, will include a speaker from the Rocky Mountain National Park. Christi Wilkins is scheduled to give some background on the park and discuss potential winter activities.



Membership

It is time to renew your membership. Please go to website flatironsskiclub.com, click on membership, print waiver. Fill out and sign. Couples may sign the same waiver, both should sign. Send with check to Flatirons Ski Club, P O Box 6120, Boulder CO ^{SEP}80306. \$40 for couples, \$25 for singles. I have sent waivers by snail mail to the members who are already on the snail mail list.

I have received several waivers/checks at this point. I urge you to renew your membership in the Club. We are still hiking, conducting ZOOM meetings, and we have some expenses. Dues are very low. You are not spending as much on clothes, makeup and jewelry, and trips, so please re-join the Club. If you want to go on a trip, you must have paid dues and signed a waiver.

Thank you for your cooperation. Linda Giandinoto, Membership Chair

Unfortunately it is looking more unlikely that we will be able to hold our usual Holiday Party. We had a reservation for Friday, 11th December with the Unity Church, but they have told me that they are not allowing groups to meet in that space because of the strict Covid rules. State restrictions for indoor gatherings disallow any buffet food. We have tried to secure alternate space and have not had success so far. We will keep members updated of any progress. If anyone has a suggestion for a get together please let me know. In the meantime, we have much to be grateful for. My contact at the Unity Church has his car packed and is ready to take kids and dogs and sleep at the church as the fire has come very close to his house. Stay safe and thankful!

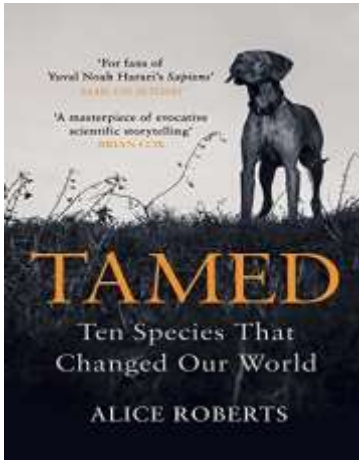
Elease Miller dem7340@gmail.com 303.530.4376

THURSDAY HIKERS FALL HIKING TIME CHANGE

Fall is officially here and we are still hiking. The days are getting cooler and the aspen are changing. Please note, our meeting time has changed. **We will meet at 8:45 at the Meadows Shopping Center on Thursdays.** After deciding on the hike, we will leave a 9:00 am. People can car pool from the Shopping Center, if they want or they can drive by themselves to the trailhead. It is up to the individual and their comfort with carpooling. Meadow Shopping Center is at the southeast corner of Foothills Highway and Baseline. We usually park close to the frontage road that circles the parking lot. Just look for people standing by their cars.

The weather is changeable. Be prepared for all types of weather, and conditions. Everyone must have a mask and be willing to wear it. Social distancing is followed. We generally hike 6 to 8 miles at a moderate pace. Please be prepared to do this and please be considerate of others. Due to the winter weather, there will be days when we do not hike. **Call Sue Evans (303-506-2825) or Louisa Young (303-444-6428) to confirm that we will be hiking.**

NOVEMBER BOOK CLUB MEETING



TIME: November 9, 2020 6:45 PM

PLACE: This will be a virtual meeting using Zoom

LEADER: Richard Patnoe (rpatnoe@gmail.com)

BOOK: Tamed, Ten species That Changed Our World

By Alice Roberts

In *Tamed*, Alice Roberts uncovers the deep history of 10 familiar species with incredible wild

past: dogs, apples and wheat; cattle, potatoes and chickens; rice, maize and horses—and,

finally, humans. She reveals how becoming part of our world changed these animals and plants, and shows how they became our allies, essential to the survival and success of our own species. Enlightening, wide-ranging and endlessly fascinating, *Tamed* encompasses thousands of years of history and archaeology alongside cutting-edge genetics and anthropology.

December Book: The Undoing Project: A Friendship that Changed Our Minds by Michael Lewis

Avalanche Ranch Report from Roger Povilus

Once again the weather and colors were fantastic. The hot springs were well used and I believe everyone had a wonder filled time.

We have made reservations for next year. Hopefully the Virus will not keep anyone from enjoying the weekend of Oct 8th through Oct 11th 2021.

Reminder from Martha Parks, Treasurer

Just a friendly reminder to make all checks out to FSC or Flatirons Ski Club, not the ski trip leader.

Thank You!
Martha

2021 Flatirons Ski Trip Calendar*

Dates	Destination	Lodging	# of Spaces	Nights	Lift Tix	Total Cost per Person	Deposit	Balance Due	Trip Leaders
Jan 12-15	Steamboat, CO	Steamboat Mtn Lodge	20 rooms 40 people	3	IKON	\$174	\$75	12/4/20	Carol Saunders
Jan 22-25	Crested Butte, CO	Cristiana Guesthaus	16 rooms 22 people	3	EPIC	\$380	\$50	12/3/20	Linda/Chris Paris
Feb 3-5	Snowy Range, WY	Old Corral Hotel	8 rooms 16 people	2	\$49 +70 Free	\$100	\$30	1/7/21	Stew Woodward
Feb 9-11	Leadville, CO	Columbine Inn	12 rooms 24 people	2	Misc.	\$135	\$25	1/7/21	Elease Miller
Feb 17-20	Wolf Creek, CO	Spruce Lodge	5 rooms 10 people	3	Misc.	\$155	\$30	1/7/21	Louise Geil, Rich Evertz
Feb 22-24	Steamboat, CO	Fairfield Inn	12 rooms 24 people	2	IKON	\$170	\$50	1/7/21	Sandy Morris
Feb 26-Mar 1	Fraser, CO	Fraser House	6 rooms 12 people	3	Misc.	\$110	\$25	2/4/21	Linda/Chris Paris
Mar 3-5	Granby, CO	Snow Mnt Ranch	8 rooms 16 people	2	Misc.	\$185	\$25	1/7/21	Beth Gaffney
Mar 8-11 or 12	Aspen, CO	Element Hotel Basalt	20 rooms 40 people	3 or 4	IKON	\$335-3N \$445-4N	\$75-3N \$100-4N	2/4/21	Sandy Morris
Dec-April	Mid-Week Skiing Mon. & Thurs.				EPIC & IKON				Ed Hanson, Mon. Rich Evertz, Thurs.

2020/2021 FLATIRON SKI CLUB / MID WEEK SKI SCHEDULE

*Join us for a day of pleasurable skiing without crowds and lift lines.
Please contact the trip leader as described below:*

*Please contact Ed, the Monday ski trip coordinator, and/or Rich, the Thursday ski trip coordinator, to be put on the Monday and Thursday skier's email distribution lists. Please indicate if you are a Monday or Thursday skier or both.

MONDAY/TUESDAY		THURSDAY	
Dec 7 - Breckenridge	\$10*	Dec 3- Copper	\$10
Dec 14 – Keystone	\$10	Dec 10- WP/MJ	\$10
Dec 21 – Breckenridge	\$10	Dec 17- A-Basin	\$10
Dec 28- Keystone	\$10		
Jan 4- Breckenridge	\$10	Jan 7- Eldora 8:15	\$5
Jan 11- Vail ** 7 am	\$15	Jan 14- Copper	\$10
Jan 19- Keystone (Tues)	\$10	Jan 21- WP/MJ	\$10
Jan 25 - Breckenridge	\$10	Jan 28- Copper	\$10
Feb 1- Keystone	\$10	Feb 4- Eldora 8:15	\$5
Feb 8 – BeaverCreek** 7 am	\$15	Feb 11- WP/MJ	\$10
Feb 16– Breckenridge (TUES)	\$10	Feb 18- Copper	\$10
Feb 22- Keystone	\$10	Feb 25- WP/MJ	\$10
March 1 – Breckenridge	\$10	March 4- Eldora	\$5
March 8- Keystone	\$15	March 11- Copper	\$10
March 15 – Vail **7:30	\$10	March 18- WP/MJ 8:30	\$10
March 22 – Breckenridge 8:30	\$10	March 25- Copper	\$10
March 29- Keystone 8:30	\$10		
		April 1- A-Basin 8:30	\$10
April 5- Breckenridge 8:30	\$10	April 8- Copper 8:30	\$10
April 12- Keystone 8:30	\$10	April 15- WP/MJ 8:30	\$10

* CARPOOL FEE PER PERSON (CASH) ** ADDITIONAL PARKING FEE (CASH)

Locations are subject to change based on weather/snow conditions.

Occasionally, Ed and Rich may need an alternate leader when they are away on ski trips. This information will be in the monthly newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE FOR THIS WINTER!!

Each person must be responsible for making a reservation at those ski areas that require a reservation. Parking reservations are required for Copper and Eldora Ski Resorts.

Our first Ski Club trip of the season to the Steamboat Mountain Lodge, January 12, 13, 14, 2021, has several rooms available. One male needs a roommate. Wait list has spaces too.

Special features of this trip are: free bus to the ski area that stops in front of the lodge; hot tub; community area with fireplace; continental breakfast with extra purchase of burrito possible.

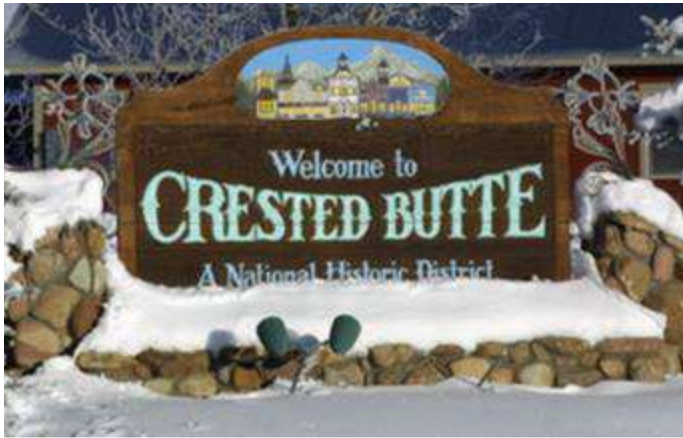
The many and varied restaurants in town are all excellent and can be reached by foot, bus or car. Check out the restaurants on the internet. There are areas and trails for snowshoeing and cross country skiing. The city and ski area will be requiring face coverings, as will public areas in the lodge.

If you wish to stay extra days on either end of our club reservation, just tell the desk you are with Flatirons Ski Club and want to have the same room assignment as for the FSC stay.

Carol Saunders, trip leader, 303-499-3731

Send \$75 deposit (check made out to FSC), roommate preference and email to 1076 Westview Drive, Boulder, CO 80303

WINTER Skiing in CRESTED BUTTE
3 Nights Lodging at the CRISTIANA GUESTHAUS
Jan. 22rd, 23rd & 24th (leaving Jan. 25th AM)



The FSC Winter Crested Butte Ski trip is not full and has room for five more participants. This trip has excellent cross country and downhill skiing. The October newsletter has a description of the trip. Lodging is in Crested Butte town at the Cristiana Guesthaus for 3 nights **January 22, 23, & 24** (Friday-Sunday) checking out Monday the **25th**. The trip cost includes a daily skier's breakfast. Lunches are brownbag items brought from home and dinners are on your own at local restaurants. A new advance downhill reservation requirement is in place for this ski season. Reservation and lift arrangements are on your own. **You must be willing to abide by all COVID regulations in force in order to come on this trip. Mask wearing and social distancing will be required of all participants.** We are not assuming regulations will be lifted by the end of January.

Your non-refundable \$50.00 deposit per person is due now by mail directly to the trip leaders. **Total trip cost is \$380.00 per person.** Final payment of \$330.00 per person is due on December 3rd. Please make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and **write 2021 Winter Crested Butte in the memo line. Send checks to Linda and Chris Paris (home address). Call or e-mail with questions.** You can also be put on the waiting list.

Snowy Range Ski Trip
Wednesday, Feb. 3-Thursday, February 4th
Checkout - Friday February 5th (2 nights)

Snowy Range Trip is one of the most popular Flatirons ski trips for a number of reasons. It is probably the least expensive trip and easiest to drive to. Lift tickets are only \$49 and **free lift tickets** for members 70 years and older. 2 nights in a double room are only \$96 with walking

distance to restaurants. The drive is only about 2 hours with no mountain passes and no mountain driving. 31 FSC members have already paid the \$30 deposit, but more rooms are available. Trip Leader: Stewart Woodward.

Leadville Ski Trip

Tuesday and Wednesday – February, 9th and 10th, 2021

For this year's Leadville trip, we again have reservations at the Columbine Inn, 2019 N. Poplar, Leadville, 80461. Phone: 719.486.5650. The cost is \$135 each for 2 nights sharing a double room - the deposit is \$25 and the balance is due Jan 10, 2021. It is possible at this time to book extra rooms if needed. As of today there are some adjustments which may change by February. The breakfast room at this point will be closed – coffee will be available in the lobby. There are fridges and microwaves in all rooms – suggest taking simple breakfast items and eating in the room.

Ski Cooper will be open, and if you are 75 plus or have a season pass at Loveland, skiing here is Free. (Loveland Senior Season Pass is only \$99) Day tickets for Ski Cooper will need to be pre-ordered on line as there will be a limited number of tickets available each day – prices have not yet been announced. Also, at the present time the lodge may be closed this coming season. Hopefully there will be some change or adaptation by February – stay tuned! As an alternative for downhill skiers Copper Mountain is only 30 minutes away and several members enjoy skiing that area with the IKON pass.

For cross country skiers or snow shoers there is the Mineral Belt Trail which loops through Leadville, crossing Harrison Ave just North of town at 12th St. Also close by is The Tennessee Pass Nordic Center (719 486 1750) . No reservation is needed at this point and you can access a Trail Map on line.

Closer to trip time I will issue a list of local restaurants in Leadville, of which there are many, with indications whether they do take out, delivery or solely eat in. Many of these do offer pick up or delivery.

Eliese Miller, Trip Leader – 303.530.4376 Cell 720.498.0146
dem7340@gmail.com

WOLF CREEK, COLORADO

The Wolf Creek trip is full, but send an email to Rich or Louise if you wish to be on the wait list. Often an injury or illness occurs, creating an

opening or two.

Trip Leaders: Rich Evertz and Louise Geil



Steamboat[®]

Steamboat Springs February 22-24, 2021

I will accept pairs of people at this time. I will also take names for a waitlist.

Please contact Sandy Morris at swimmie864@hotmail.com.
Rosters for both trips will be provided after the November meeting.
Most roommates were selected by trip attendees.

Frasier Ski Trip
3 Nights Lodging at the Fraser House
February 26th, 27th and 28th (leaving March 1st AM)



The Fraser House ski trip is full and we're taking names for the waiting list. The trip is Friday-Sunday, February 26-28, checking out Monday, March 1. **Trip cost is \$110.00 per person.** Lodging is shared rooms with twin beds and bunks with maximum two persons per room and a trip maximum of 12 people. **Because of COVID concerns, this trip will not prepare any communal or potluck meals.** Breakfasts and dinners are on your own at local restaurants. Bring personal lunch supplies from home. **You must be willing to abide by all COVID regulations in force to come on this trip. Mask wearing and social distancing will be required of all participants.** We are not assuming regulations will be lifted by the end of February.

A nonrefundable \$25.00 per person deposit is due now by mail to Linda and Chris Paris (home address). Final payment of \$85.00 is due on January 7th. Make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and put 2021 Fraser in the memo line. **Please call or e-mail Linda or Chris Paris with questions or to join the waiting list.**

**SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH
YMCA OF THE ROCKIES
March 3 – 5, 2021
Space Available**

The Snow Mountain Ranch trip will have a new configuration this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We will not be staying in the large reunion cabins as in years past. This year we will

be staying at Indian Peaks, the newest motel style lodge at SMR. The rooms include two queen beds, microwave, and mini-fridge. The trip fee of \$185 per person is based on double occupancy, and it also includes breakfast and the SMR cross country ski pass. Single rooms are available at a higher fee.

Small cabins may be available for participants who have formed a social pandemic group, and the trip fee is significantly less ranging from approximately \$110 to \$160 per person. The trip fee for this option depends on the size of the small group and the size of the cabin. If your social pandemic group is interested in a small cabin, please contact Beth Gaffney **as soon as possible** to discuss the specific details and to determine what cabin sizes are available. Breakfast is not included in the small cabin option.

Snow Mountain Ranch offers cross-country skiing, snow-shoeing, swimming, roller skating, arts & crafts, and many other activities. Downhill skiing is located nearby at Winter Park, Mary Jane, and Granby Ranch. Cross-country skiing also is available at Devil's Thumb Ranch and other sites nearby to SMR.

Beth Gaffney
beth.gaffney.boulder@gmail.com
 303-818-9161

Aspen/Snowmass



March 8-11, or 12, 2021

There are still spots remaining. I need a single male and a single female to fill 2 of the rooms. Please contact Sandy Morris at swimmie864@hotmail.com.

November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Thursday Hike 08:45	6	7
8	9 Book Club 6:45 PM	10	11	12 Thursday Hike 08:45	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21

				Thursday Hike 08:45		
22	23	24	25	26 Thursday Hike 08:45	27	28
29	30	1	2	3 Thursday Hike 08:45	4	5

**Board Meeting
November 19th (via Zoom) 7 PM**

Board Members

President	Louisa Young		
Vice President	Janet Fredericks		
Secretary	Mary Anne Davitt		
Treasurer	Martha Parks		
Publicity	Donna Scott		
Newsletter	Monica Abbott		
Membership	Linda Giandinoto		
Social Chair	Elease Miller		
Safety Chair	Sue Evans		
Downhill Chair	Donna Cooper		
Activities	Stew Woodward		

Members at Large

Mailing	Larry Rittenhouse		
Webmaster	Roger Briden		

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