



October, 2020

Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group
www.FlatironsSkiClub.com

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER
1ST, 2020 VIA ZOOM**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have had 2 very successful practice Zoom General Meetings. I can't escape the feeling that these were rehearsals, and on October 1st, the show opens. There's no business like show business. If you weren't able to tune into the practice sessions – or even if you were – it would be good to review the Zoom platform so that we can bring ourselves into the pandemic world gracefully. One important skill is to find the icon to raise your hand, so we can have organized Q & A's. Click on the "participants" feature. You will see a list of everyone who has successfully joined the meeting. Scroll all the way down, and the icon is located at the very bottom. When you have a question, you click on that icon. Everyone, including the host, will see a little hand image in the box showing your live image. You can also physically raise your hand and everyone can see that, too, but the icon is more polite and efficient. And it's less tiring for you.

September is the time to pay your dues and sign the waiver. Pay attention to instructions from our Membership Chair since we are not able to have a traditional social event where these things are normally accomplished.

We had a brief taste of winter, and Ski Areas are planning their openings already. At our October meeting, we will have presentations on each of the trips planned for the snow season. It will be a slightly different world in that arena as well, but we are resilient, and we can adapt. In the meantime, everything can kill you, so choose something fun.

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](#).

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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 80306. \$40 for couples, \$25 for singles. I will send waivers by snail mail to the members who are already on the snail mail list.

I have received only about 34 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 G., Membership Chair

Third Thursday Hike October 15th, 2020 Golden Gate Canyon State Park

The hike will be a combination of trails to make 6-7 easy/moderate miles. Trailhead to be determined and we will meet there at 9 AM. I will send an email the Monday before the 15th with details.

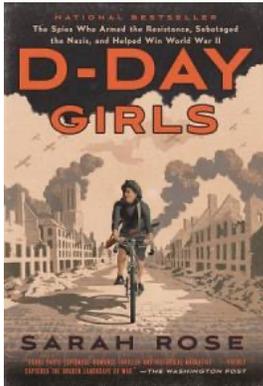
Please contact me by email if you have questions Dolores [A.](#)

Tuesday Evening Hikes October 2020

We plan to continue through the end of September. And the group would like to continue in October. **THERE IS A TIME CHANGE: Come to East Boulder Rec Center at 5:00 PM on Tuesdays.** There is plenty of parking at the east end of their parking area, east of the Tennis courts. We will decide which direction/hike we will do when we get there. No designated leader.

We are still wearing masks and social distancing. We may consider dinner after.

Hope to see you out there! Pat I.



OCTOBER BOOK CLUB MEETING

TIME: October 12, 2020 6:45 PM

PLACE: This will be a virtual meeting using Zoom

LEADER: Claudia V.

BOOK: D-Day Girls: The Spies Who Armed the Resistance, Sabotaged the Nazis, and Helped Win World War II by Sarah Rose

In 1942, the Allies were losing, Germany seemed unstoppable, and every able man in England was on the front lines. To “set Europe ablaze”, in the words of Winston Churchill, the Special Operations Executive (SOE) was forced to do something unprecedented: recruit women as spies. Thirty-nine answered the call leaving their lives and families to become saboteurs in France.

NOVEMBER BOOK: Tamed by Alice Roberts

Contact: Richard P.



TREE COLOR WALK on CU CAMPUS Thursday, 10/22/20 4 PM

The CU Campus has the widest variety of trees between the FSC and Denver's Botanical Gardens. We'll take a stroll through CU's Quad and nearby spots. There are several quite special trees in this area of the campus. For example, the biggest Redbud west of the Mississippi and a few tree species that are the biggest and/or oldest in Colorado. This 2020

Fall Tree Walk will be especially interesting since the recent frost did not impact CU campus trees. However, snow and ice on tree limbs has caused damage.

*Meet at Macky Auditorium Thursday October 22 at 4 PM
Main Entrance - south side of Macky

Tree Color Walk on CU Campus

If you have questions, please contact Herm S.

THURSDAY HIKERS FALL HIKING 2020

TIME CHANGE

Fall is officially here. The days are getting cooler and the aspen are changing. Fall hiking is here. With the coming of fall, our meeting time will change. 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. 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 E. or Louisa Y. to confirm that we will be hiking.**



DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY UPDATE

The Club does have a reservation at the Unity Church of Boulder at 2855 Folsom Street for Friday, December 11th. I spoke with the Church recently and their feeling was that as of now they do not think they will be able to accommodate such a gathering. The Social Distancing will need to be observed and sharing of food may not be permissible.

Should the situation change they will be happy to honor our reservation. We may know more next month and will post another update in the November newsletter. In the meantime help each other through the tough spots and stay safe and well.

Elease M.

2021 CHANGES TO FSC SKI TRIP SIGN-UP PROCESS

Following are the guidelines we will use for the FSC Ski Trip Sign-up for the 2020/21 winter season.

- 1) The trip leaders will present each of their trips via Zoom at the October general meeting on Thursday, October 1 at 7 pm.
- 2) This newsletter has the pricing and balances due for each trip, which is our usual way of providing pricing information.
- 3) This newsletter also contains 3 copies of the envelope template which we used last year for trip signups. This template allows you to identify the trip name, your name, email, phone, deposit amount, and roommate preferences. Please make copies of these templates if you are planning on going on more than 3 trips and use one for each trip you go on.
- 4) After the meeting is over, please email the trip leaders for each trip you are planning on attending (so they can get a head count) and let them know you are sending a deposit. **You have one week from the meeting to mail in your deposit with your template to reserve your spot on the trip.** Emails and addresses for each of the trip leaders can be found in the membership roster that Linda G. sends out each year. If your deposit is not received, the trip leader will give the space to the next person who has mailed in their deposit. Where possible, the trip leaders will add rooms.
- 5) If you want to be wait-listed, please let the trip leader know via email and provide them with the pertinent information contained on the template.
- 6) When monies are due to the trip leader for the balance of your trip, the date of which will be contained in the October calendar, please mail in that balance to the trip leader to be there by the due date. Make sure you sign your waiver and return it to Linda G. at least two weeks before your trip.

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 S.
Jan 22-25	Crested Butte, CO	Cristiana Guesthaus	16 rooms 22 people	3	EPIC	\$380	\$50	12/3/20	Linda/Chris P.
Feb 3-5	Snowy Range, WY	Old Corral Hotel	8 rooms 16 people	2	\$49 +70 Free	\$100	\$30	1/7/21	Stew W.
Feb 9-11	Leadville, CO	Columbine Inn	12 rooms 24 people	2	Misc.	\$135	\$25	1/7/21	Elease M.
Feb 17-20	Wolf Creek, CO	Spruce Lodge	5 rooms 10 people	3	Misc.	\$155	\$30	1/7/21	Louise G., Rich E.
Feb 22-24	Steamboat, CO	Fairfield Inn	12 rooms 24 people	2	IKON	\$170	\$50	1/7/21	Sandy M.
Feb 26-Mar 1	Fraser, CO	Fraser House	6 rooms 12 people	3	Misc.	\$110	\$25	2/4/21	Linda/Chris P.
Mar 3-5	Granby, CO	Snow Mnt Ranch	8 rooms 16 people	2	Misc.	\$185	\$25	1/7/21	Beth G.
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 M.
Dec-April	Mid-Week Skiing Mon. & Thurs.				EPIC & IKON				Ed H., Mon. Rich E., Thurs.

***Attention Members:** Please remember that the information for sign-up for Flatirons' scheduled overnight trips in 2021 will be presented by the leaders at our General Meeting October 1, 2020 via Zoom. Members will mail checks and templates to trip leaders with due date for deposits of October 8. No sign-ups or deposits will be taken by the trip leaders until after the October Meeting.

TRIP: _____

MEMBER NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: __ (____) _____

DEPOSIT AMOUNT: \$ _____

ROOMMATE PREFERENCE(S):

_____/_____

TRIP: _____

MEMBER NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: __ (____) _____

DEPOSIT AMOUNT: \$ _____

ROOMMATE PREFERENCE(S):

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TRIP: _____

MEMBER NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: __ (____) _____

DEPOSIT AMOUNT: \$ _____

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STEAMBOAT TRIP IN JANUARY 2021

Flatirons Ski Club's first ski trip for 2021 is to Steamboat Mountain, a long-time favorite of the club! This trip is January 12, 13, and 14 checking out the morning of the 15th. The total cost per person is \$174 based on two people per room...20 rooms are available. Each room has two queen-sized beds. There will be NO potluck due to the Coronavirus. I will make no arrangements for pre-dinner snacks or drinks; however, with the proper social distancing and precautions, you are welcome to organize a social hour on your own.

The deposit is \$50 and due within a week of the October 1st club zoom meeting at which I will summarize the trip. The final payment is \$124 and is due to me by December 4th.

For the deposit, please fill out a copy of the template (in the October newsletter) with all of your pertinent info including roommate preference and mail it with your check. After I receive your deposit, I will email you the names of trip participants to allow you to inquire about roommates, if needed, and for carpools.

If you wish to extend your stay, either before or after the trip, please directly contact the Steamboat Mountain Lodge and ask for the same room. If you have to cancel the trip, you must find your own replacement, if there is no one on the wait list.

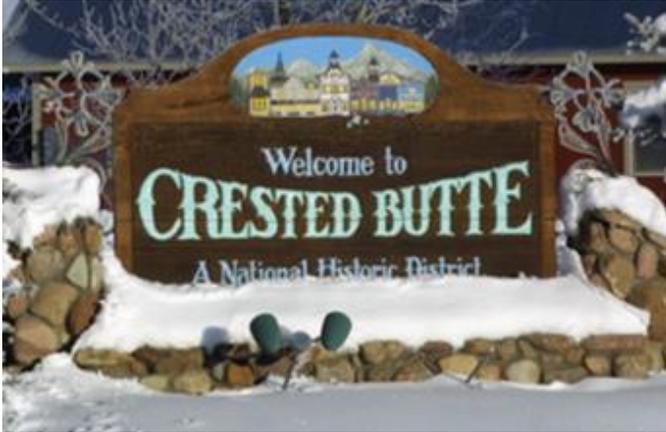
Looking forward to seeing you in Steamboat!

Send checks to:
Carol S., Trip Leader

WINTER Skiing in CRESTED BUTTE

3 Nights Lodging at the CRISTIANA GUESTHAUS

Jan. 22rd, 23rd & 24th (leaving Jan. 25th AM)



Skier's Paradise! If you are looking to cross country ski this winter, Crested Butte is the place for you, with miles of groomed trails in town and many others in the vicinity. For the downhill skiers, Crested Butte Mountain Resort (Mount Crested Butte) specializes in intermediate terrain but includes plentiful expert and easy runs.

We will be staying 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 (yogurt parfait with homemade Cristiana granola and fruit, a muffin, hard-boiled egg and cranberry juice). Lunches are brownbag items brought from home and dinners are on your own at local restaurants. No XC trail passes or lift tickets are included in the trip cost. The Nordic Center day pass is reduced for ages 65-69 and free for over 70. For downhillers, the Epic Pass includes Mt. Crested Butte. A new advance downhill reservation requirement is in place for this ski season. **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 October 8th 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 **send them to Linda and Chris P. (home address). Call or e-mail with questions.**

Snowy Range Ski Resort
Wednesday, February 3rd - Thursday, February 4th
Checkout - Friday February 5th (2 nights)

The Snowy Range Trip is one of the most popular Flatirons ski trips for a number of reasons. It is probably the least expensive of our trips (lift tickets are only \$49 per day, \$37 per ½ day and free lift tickets for members 70 years and older). 2 nights at the very modern Old Corral Hotel in Centennial, WY, west of Laramie. It is now only \$100 and this will probably be less as it always has if more than 16 members sign up. The drive is only about 2 hours with no mountain passes and no mountain driving. There are few other skiers on weekdays since it is not a major ski destination. No ski or parking reservations have been announced.

For more info contact Trip Leader, Stewart W.



Steamboat[®]

Steamboat Springs 2021

Enjoy 2 nights in Steamboat!

February 22-24, 2021

- Continental breakfast included
- Refrigerators and microwaves in the rooms
- Shuttle to ski area
- Hot tub, fitness center, pool
- Potluck or happy hour (TBD)

Cost: \$170 per person (double occupancy 2 Queen beds)

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott

3200 S Lincoln Ave

Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80477

Phone: 970-870-9000

<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-photos/sbsfi-fairfield-inn-and-suites-steamboat-springs/>

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



There is no better experience than spending the weekend in the cozy home atmosphere of the Fraser House with good friends. The Fraser Valley has an unparalleled variety of downhill and cross country skiing opportunities close by. This trip is the perfect way to experience Winter Park/Mary Jane, Devil's Thumb Ranch, Grand Lake Nordic Center, or Snow Mountain Ranch, as well as many others, at the best time of the season. 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 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 February.

A nonrefundable \$25.00 per person deposit is due October 8th by mail to Linda and Chris P. (home address). Final payment of \$85.00 is due on January 7th. Make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club. **Please call or e-mail Linda or Chris P. with questions.**

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

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 G.

Aspen/Snowmass 2021

March 8-11 or 12, 2021

Lodging: Element Hotel by Westin in Basalt Colorado

499 Market St Basalt, CO 81621

Phone: (970) 340-4040

Location: The hotel is in Basalt approximately 30 minutes from Aspen/Snowmass and 3 ½ hrs from Boulder.

Web: <http://www.elementbasaltaspen.com>

Price: \$335 per person for 3 nights OR \$445 per person for 4 nights

Lift tickets can be purchased for \$100 per ticket. IKON pass is good at all areas for 5 days if you bought the add-on.

Includes:

- 3 nights OR optional 4th night lodging (for a studio with 2 queen beds \ per room)
- Each room has a kitchenette
- Evening Reception Mon-Thur 5-6:30 pm complimentary beer, wine, soft drinks, cheese, olives, and bread
- Extravagant breakfast each morning
- Use of meeting room for club potluck on Monday night (TBD)
- Discounted ski rental including ski/boots/poles/bindings/helmets
- Bus to ski areas (may be an extra cost)
- Outdoor hot tub, indoor pool,, fitness center, and fire pit
- Walk to grocery store, shops, and restaurants



October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Thursday Hike 08:45	2 Avalanche Ranch	3 Avalanche Ranch
4 Avalanche Ranch	5 Avalanche Ranch (check out)	6 Tuesday Hike 5PM	7	8 Thursday Hike 08:45	9	10
11	12 Book Club 6:45	13 Tuesday Hike 5PM	14	15 Golden Gate Canyon 9AM	16	17
18	19	20 Tuesday Hike 5PM	21	22 Thursday Hike 08:45 Tree Color Walk 4PM	23	24

Board Meeting September 15th (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		
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Safety Chair	Sue Evans		
Downhill Chair	Donna Cooper		
Activities	Stew Woodward		

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Mailing	Larry Rittenhouse		
Webmaster	Roger Briden		

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