



January, 2021

Flatirons Ski Club

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

NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 7TH, 2021 VIA ZOOM

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING SPEAKER

At our January 7th general meeting, the director of the Colorado Avalanche Information Center (CAIC), Dr. Ethan Greene, will be joining us. Ethan is the son of one of our members, Reggie Gray.

Ethan has worked with snow and avalanches since 1990 and directed the Colorado Avalanche Information Center (CAIC) since 2005. He grew up in Boulder and has worked as a ski patroller (Big Sky Ski Resort, Montana) and as a backcountry avalanche forecaster (USFS Utah Avalanche Forecast Center) before coming to the CAIC. He studied meteorology (B.S., University of Utah), mountain weather and snowdrift formation (M.S., Colorado State University), and snow metamorphism and microstructure (Ph.D., Colorado State University). Ethan has published a variety of articles on snow, weather and avalanches and been a member of national and international working groups on snow, weather, and avalanche topics. Ethan lives in Leadville with his wife Dana and two children.

Message from the President

Prospects for snow are getting better, but so are prospects for COVID-19. We are truly in a unique situation. Vaccinations for the virus are arriving, but it will still be some time before it is available to the general public. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, and it isn't an oncoming train. Meanwhile, ski season will look a lot different than in past years.

We had a great turnout for our Winter Holiday Celebration. There were 50 registrations, some of which were couples, so that's a lot of people to manage through zoom, but we did it! Thanks to all who participated, and **a big shout out for Elise, our Social Chair extraordinaire**. Thanks also to our technical consultants, Roger B. and Bob E. and to those who participated in practice sessions. It wasn't the same as in-person, but a darn good substitute.

**President's Toast
at the
Winter Holiday Celebration**

*Screaming down a ski slope
Or trudging up a ridge,
We always carry some hope
We'll cross the adventure bridge.*

*Enjoying a margarita
Or dissecting a book
Biking with mosquitos
Giving wild flowers a look.*

*Canoeing down a river,
Hiking to an arch.
Here's to 2021,
Ski Clubbers on the march!*

Treasurer's Reminder

A quick reminder that trip checks should be made to FSC or Flatirons Ski Club, the amount needs to be written in numerals and words, and checks must be signed. Thank You!

Snowshoe or Cross-Country Ski Tuesday Mornings

A new Board-approved activity will start in January. Slap on your Nordic skis or snowshoes (it will be a mixed group) and join like-minded souls starting January 5th. Meet behind North Boulder Park at 7th and Dellwood at 9:15 am. We have leaders for some of the trips, including the first one, who will have selected a place to go. On dates when there isn't a leader, those who show up can collectively decide where to go. Carpools will be formed according to comfort level. Feel free to drive yourself alone if you feel safer that way.

Questions? Contact Dorothy C.

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	1/7/21	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:

Ed Hanson ewhfg@cs.com
H- 303.993.4445 C- 303.902.3709

Rich Evertz h2ocoachre@msn.com
H-303.666.8915 C-303.709.3276

*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

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

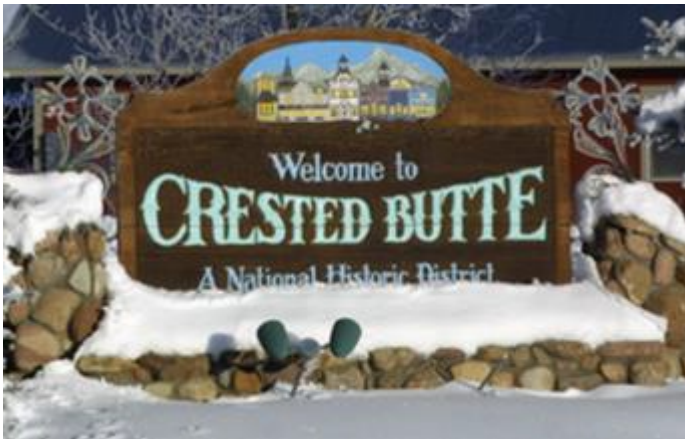
* CARPOOL FEE PER PERSON (CASH) ** ADDITIONAL PARKING FEE (CASH)

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.



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

This trip is full. You can join a waiting list in the event someone has to cancel. Trip information will be coming out after the New Year for paid participants. If you are downhill skiing, make sure you have lift tickets and reservations for the days you wish to ski made in advance. **Please call or e-mail Linda and Chris P. with questions or to join the waiting list.**

So far, Gunnison County is maintaining its COVID restrictions at the same blue level in place since June. **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.

Snowy Range Ski Trip
Wednesday, February 3rd – Thursday, February 4th
Checkout – Friday 5th (2 Nights)

Due to medical cancellations there is now a room for one woman and one man on the trip. Snowy Range is one of the most popular FSC ski trips. 32 members are now going. It is probably the least expensive and easiest to drive to. Another room can be reserved if 2 roommates sign up.

Trip Leader: Stewart W.

**Wolf Creek, Colorado
February 17 - 20, 2021**

Please send your check by January 7 for the trip balance, \$125 for most participants. Remember to make your check out to Flatirons Ski Club. Send it to Rich E.; his address can be found in the club's roster.

Currently there is space for another man and another woman, and they will be paired with another club member of the same sex. This is a great opportunity to ski Wolf Creek, so join the group if you can.



Steamboat Springs February 22-24, 2021

Please watch for emails in late January. So far Steamboat skiers do not need reservations.

**Fraser 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 is 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.

Final payment of \$85.00 is due on January 7th by mail to Linda and Chris P. (home address). Make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and put 2021 Fraser in the memo line. **Please call or e-mail Linda or Chris P. with questions or to join the waiting list.** Deposits are nonrefundable, if you cancel.

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

Space is still available on the Snow Mountain Ranch trip. Lodging options include hotel rooms and small cabins. Please contact Beth G. to discuss options and specific details for the remaining space.

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



March 8-11, or 12, 2021

All skiers must have a reservation. Reserve your dates ASAP. I have an opening for a female skier and a male skier at this time. I will start sending updates in early Feb.

Sandy M.

DECEMBER FSC BOOK CLUB MEETING

Monday, January 11, 2021 6:45 PM by ZOOM meeting

Selection of the 11 books for 2021 will be made from the nominations made by the book club membership. For questions, contact Richard P.



THURSDAY HIKERS

We meet at 8:45 at the Meadows Shopping Center (SW corner of Foothills Pkwy and Baseline) on Thursdays. After deciding on the hike, we will leave at 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 southwest 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 above photo was taken on the Rattlesnake Gulch Trail on 12/10/2020.

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 or holidays, there will be days when we do not hike. **Call Sue E. or Louisa Y. to confirm that we will be hiking.**

Want to Sell Something?

Every month, members will now have the opportunity to sell something (ski equipment, etc.) by having their items listed in our FSC Club Newsletter. Submit your items via email to Monica A., in the body of your email or as an attachment (.doc or .docx). Submissions will need board approval. Monica will need to receive your information by the Wednesday before the monthly board meetings. Items will be posted in the Newsletter sometime during the 4th week of the month. Items will appear in the newsletter only once, they will not roll over to the following month's newsletter.

JANUARY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5 Snow Shoe Cross Country 09:15	6	7 Thursday Hike 08:45 General Mtg 7:00PM	8	9
10	11 Book Club 6:45 PM	12 Snow Shoe Cross Country 09:15	13	14 Thursday Hike 08:45	15	16
17	18	19 Snow Shoe Cross Country 09:15	20	21 Thursday Hike 08:45 Board Mtg 7:00PM	22	23
24	25	26 Snow Shoe Cross Country 09:15	27	28 Thursday Hike 08:45	29	30

Board Meeting January 21st (via Zoom) 7 PM Board Members

President	Louisa Young		
Vice President	Janet Fredericks		
Secretary	Mary Anne Davitt		
Treasurer	Martha Parks		
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Safety Chair	Sue Evans		
Downhill Chair	Donna Cooper		
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