



June, 2021

Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 7TH, 2021

SPRING FLING 2021, JUNE 5TH at NOON

This year's fling will again be held at Louisville Community Park, 955 Bella Vista Dr. The Club is planning to purchase boxed lunches from Panera Bread for all attendees. The lunches may be a sandwich OR a salad, OR 1/2 a sandwich and 1/2 a salad.

A list of sandwich and salad choices has been emailed to members by Linda Giandinotto, and I have mailed copies to the non email members. PLEASE let me know if you do not have this information as I need to receive your choices no later than May 28th.

The club will again provide lemonade and water – feel free to bring a beverage of your choice if you wish.

I am really looking forward to seeing you all again and sharing camaraderie once more.

Questions: Call Elease M. contact information in the membership roster.

2021 Boulder 360/180 Circle Boulder by Bicycle

The City of Boulder website indicates that this annual fun ride normally scheduled for the first Sunday in June will not be held this year. It suggests a DIY ride with friends and relatives in small groups. The 2019 map (it hasn't been changed since then) is located at:

https://www-static.bouldercolorado.gov/docs/B360_Route_Map_2019-1-201905161137.pdf?_ga=2.67671765.539821028.1621459455-1708971973.1621025397 .

Chris and Linda P. are contemplating that on **Sunday, June 6** – if you are interested, send us an email. We can make it what we want.

JUNE BOOK CLUB MEETING

TIME: June 14, 6:15 PM

PLACE: 2645 Table Mesa CT, Boulder

LEADER: Maddie Goldhawk

BOOK: The Mosquito, A Human History of Our Deadliest Predator by Timothy Winegard

A ground breaking work of narrative non-fiction that offers a dramatic new perspective on human history. What was George Washington's secret weapon during the American Revolution, and how did it lead to Britain colonizing Australia? What protected Popes for centuries? And what does Starbucks have to thank for its global domination? The answer to all these questions, and many more, is the mosquito. *The Mosquito* is the extraordinary story of how a tiny bloodsucking fly indelibly changed our world. Driven by surprising insights and fast-paced storytelling, it will appeal to readers of Peter Wohlleben and Elizabeth Kolbert – and to anyone who has swatted at one of the 110 trillion mosquitoes buzzing about Earth.

This is an in-person outdoor meeting. Bring your own beverage and snack. Contact Richard P.

THURSDAY HIKERS SUMMER HIKING 2021

Lots of mud, slushy snow, and pretty spring flowers. Spring is here and summer is not far away. With Spring our meeting time changed to an earlier time as of May 1. We will meet at 7:45 AM on Thursdays at the Meadows Shopping Center. After deciding on our destination, we will leave Meadows at 8:00 AM. People can car pool from the shopping center 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 south west corner of Foothills Highway and Baseline. We usually park close to Firstbank and the Remax Realty building. 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. There will be days we do not hike due to the weather. Call Sue E. or Louisa Y. to confirm that we will be hiking if the weather forecast is questionable.

3rd Thursday Hike – June 17th - Hermit Park Open Space- Larimer County

You have passed Hermit Park every time you go to RMNP on HWY 36. The Hermit trail system has been expanded and improved. There are several interesting destination choices: weather, trail conditions, and hikers' interest will determine where we go. The Monday before the hike I will send an email with details to those who are interested. Dolores A.

TUESDAY EVENING HIKES, JUNE 2021

Tuesday hikers meet at 6.00 p.m. Bring your own food to eat and visit with fellow hikers at end of the hike at the trailhead

JUNE 1 – Coot Lake

Roger P.

From Diagonal go North on 63rd Street, and park on the right in the IBM parking lot opposite Coot Lake. An easy hike with potluck at IBM park afterwards.

JUNE 8 – Viele Lake

Nancy P.

Debbie S.

Meet at the park just south of the South Boulder Rec Center. From South Broadway turn right on Grinnell, left on Gillaspie to South Boulder Rec. Potluck in park or at shelter by the lake.

JUNE 15 – Niwot Loop

Marty B. and Joe G.

Meet at Pavilion at 83rd and Niwot Road where we will picnic afterwards – bathrooms and parking available. From Diagonal go East on Niwot Road to 83rd Street, turn left and Pavilion is on the left.

JUNE 22 - Red Rocks (Settlers Park Area)

Louisa Y.

Meet at Louisa's house at 287 Pearl Street where we will eat after the hike.

Directions: West on Pearl St, go past 3rd street and turn RIGHT between 2 brick pillars to the 2nd house on the LEFT. Parking is better on the street just West of the entrance or at Settler's Park.

JUNE 29 – Teller Lake Trailhead

Renee St A.

Take Arapahoe Road to 1 mile East of 75th. Turn left (North) off Arapahoe. Drive 0.6 miles to trailhead. Parking, bathrooms and tables are there.

2021 WILDFLOWER RAMBLES

Yea! No more masks. That allows us to make Rambles a reality this summer. The leadership core is meeting May 25 and we will get the word out about Rambles for June as soon as possible after that. Drop Linda an e-mail if you would like to be added to the interest list for Rambles.

2021 CRESTED BUTTE WILDFLOWER TRIP, July 23 – 26, 2021

This Crested Butte trip is full and the Cristiana has no further availability. There is a healthy waiting list, but we are still accepting additions – send an e-mail to Linda and Chris. **Full payment for those who are already signed up for the trip is due by June 1, 2021.** Informational emails will be sent to fully paid participants in June/July.

Make checks out to: Flatirons Ski Club, and put “2021 Wildflower Crested Butte” in the note line. Send payments to the Paris’ by mail (address available from the membership list). Please **do not** send trip checks to the club post office box. **Important: Do not contact the Cristiana directly – sign up and payment is being handled only through FSC** for this trip in 2021.

FSC UNCLE BUD'S HUT TRIP AUGUST 17 & AUGUST 18

The Uncle Bud's Hut Trip for 8/17/21 is now full. If Flatirons gets 12 people on the Wait List, the club will make a 2nd reservation, probably for the following week. Reservations by other people fill up early before the trip date, so if you would like to go on a 10th Mt, Div. Hut Trip with the 2 dinners and 2 breakfasts, food purchased and prepared for you and hikes along the Colorado Trail. Get your name to Stewart W. as soon as possible to be added to the Wait List so a reservation can be made.

SEPTEMBER BICYCLE RIDE

There will be a bicycle ride in Pitkin and Mesa Counties on September 8, 9,10, Wed-Fri of 2021. This is a three day, two night ride.

The ride is designed to accommodate a wide range of abilities by having options for each day. The ride will all be on hard surfaces so any bicycle is suitable. On the first day, we will drive to Carbondale and then choose one of several options for cycling starting in Carbondale. On this day, we will also continue on to Fruita, CO where we will spend the night in either a motel (Comfort Inn/Motel 8) or other. On day two, we will ride into the Colorado National Monument with all of its magnificent scenery. On day three, we ride on the Colorado River Bicycle Trail beginning in Fruita and will also return to Boulder. To register and for a complete ride description please contact Richard P. for questions.

FSC Trip Coordinators Needed for 2021/22 Downhill Ski Season

After several years of collective service, three of our stalwart trip leaders in the Flatirons Ski Club are transitioning out of their positions. Carol S., the leader for the multi-day Steamboat trip, has decided to step down from her position, along with Rich E. (Thursday – IKON Pass) and Ed H. (Monday – EPIC Pass) who coordinated the weekday downhill skiing for FSC.

When you see them, please join me in thanking them wholeheartedly for their years of service and dedication in making these downhill events as enjoyable and hassle free as possible for the club. Without the coordination and organizational skills that these three provided, along with our many other dedicated trip leaders, our club would not be able to offer the variety and richness of outdoor winter experiences that many of us have come to enjoy and count on.

Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering for or have questions about any of these positions. Know that Carol, Rich and Ed have all offered to provide guidance and perspective to anyone who volunteers to take over for them. And, I will do all that I can to support any new trip coordinators...new ideas are welcomed!

Donna C., Downhill Chair



An Avalanche of Aspen

Avalanche Ranch (Carbondale/Redstone)

#1 Autumn FSC Trip ----- Friday 10/08 – Monday 10/11
(Note: this is the weekend after the Apple Festival)

Premier Leaf Viewing, Hiking, Hot Tub Soaking
Antiquing in Marble/Redstone, Fine Dining in Redstone/Carbondale

Rustic Cabins, Hot Springs Pools, Trails, the Crystal River, and golden ASPEN
Go To: avalancheranch.com

**Leaders: Roger P.
Tom C.**

Avalanche Ranch has been the main autumn destination of the FSC. The Ranch, at the foot of towering Mt. Sopris, is in a magnificent setting to experience Colorado's aspen colors. The club will supply chili Friday night and some form of protein on Sunday night. Easy to difficult hikes are close by. We will occupy quaint rustic cabins or the huge Ranch House where we will socialize and plan activities and have happy hours. Hot springs on the property provide large and small soaking pools with a range of comfortable temperatures (plus a waterfall !!!!).

There will be a variety of room configurations available but if you are willing to take a loft let me know. There will be a \$28.00 dollar discount if you end up in one. For most queens, married couples will take first priority, but we define couples as any mix of two people who get along with each other so don't be shy be happy. The trip will cost \$253 per person for three nights.

Mail \$53.00 to Roger P. to reserve your spot now. Make your check out to Flatirons Ski Club.



2022 Summer Trip Plans

Members have suggested the following as new possibilities for 2022.

We are soliciting:

- 1) more suggestions
- 2) people who may lead these or other events – people can work together on a specific trip

Please respond to the co-chairs below if you have further ideas or are willing to lead one or more of these trips.

Steamboat Springs hiking
La Veta Train
Sandhills Cranes either Nebraska or Colorado Springs
Pawnee Grasslands spring Grouse Mating
Canoe trip, 1 day or overnights
Amtrak to Glenwood Springs and soak in hot springs
Shakespeare Festival
Train Chambers Toltec New Mexico Colorado

Dorothy C. or Richard P.
Summer Activities co-chairs

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.

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Hike 7:45 A	4 Games 5 P	5 Spring Fling 12 N
6 Boulder Cycle	7	8 Hike 6:00 P	9	10 Hike 7:45 A	11	12
13	14 Book Club 6:15 P	15 Hike 6:00 P	16	17 3 rd Thu Hike 7:45 A Board Mtg 7 P	18	19
20 Newsletter Input Due	21	22 Hike 6:00 P	23	24 Hike 7:45 A	25	26
27	28	29 Hike 6:00 P	30			

Board Members

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