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# Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group  
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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE MAY 13TH, 2021 VIA ZOOM (YES, THIS DATE IS CORRECT!)**

## Message from the President

The election for the 2021-2022 Flatirons Ski Club Board was held at the April General Meeting via Zoom. Please welcome our new and continuing Board members who give of their time for the smooth running of our club. Louisa Young and Stew Woodward have retired from the Board. Louisa Young, who served as President for the past year, did an amazing job in guiding the board to ensure a very productive and successful year with many trips and activities. Stew Woodward, who served as Activities Chair for three decades, provided outstanding service in overseeing hundreds of trips and activities for the club during his tenure in this role. Louisa and Stew, thank you!

New Flatirons Ski Club Board members for this next year include Beth G. as President and Dorothy C. and Richard P. as Activities Co-Chairs. Members who will continue to serve the club include Janet F. - Vice President, Martha P. - Treasurer, Mary Anne D. - Secretary, Elease M. - Social Chair, Linda G. - Membership, Sue E. - Safety Chair, Donna S. - Publicity, Monica A. - Newsletter editor, and Donna C.- Downhill Chair. Thank you for your service!

The club is fortunate to have many volunteers to lead activities, serve on committees, and support the operations of the club. There is always a need for even more volunteers. Let us know if you are interested in a volunteer role. Several openings are listed in Donna C.'s downhill report in this newsletter.

The April Fools' Day Gathering via Zoom was a great success! We thank Elease M. and her team for their creativity and organization. There were lots of fun stories and interesting discussions. The party provided a great opportunity to learn more about our fellow club members.

At the May 13 General Meeting, Stew W. will present a slide show of the past year's trips and activities. Join us for another fun meeting and slide show!

Beth G.

## 2021 SPRING FLING

At this time the club has been able to book the Louisville Community Park for this year's Spring Fling to take place on June 5<sup>th</sup>. This is a tentative booking which may change if Covid-19 restrictions are increased.

We will do our best to organize a fun get together to celebrate Spring. More information will be sent to members as soon as plans are finalized.

In the meantime Happy Spring, with an anticipation of a return to a fun and friendly way of life!

Please M.

## TIME CHANGE

### THURSDAY HIKERS SUMMER HIKING 2021

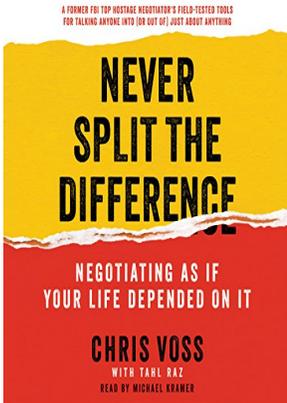
Lots of mud, slushy snow, and pretty spring flowers. Spring is here and summer is not far away. With Spring our meeting time changes to an earlier time as of May 1. We will meet at 7:45 on Thursdays at the Meadows Shopping Center. After deciding on our destination, we will leave Meadows at 8:00. People 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 - May 20th - Golden Gate Canyon State Park

We will meet at the Visitor Center on Golden Gate Canyon Rd. at 9AM, pay the entrance fee and continue to Nott Creek parking. Once again we will do a loop within a loop hike. Wildflowers, mushrooms, tumbling creek, and a stiff climb...or not, it will be interesting. Muddy May and as always, weather decides. Please arrange your transportation for your comfort level. I will let you know Monday of that week if there are any changes.

Dolores A.



## MAY BOOK CLUB MEETING

**TIME:** May 10, 6:45 PM

**PLACE:** This will be a virtual meeting using Zoom

**LEADER:** Louisa Y.

**BOOK:** Never Split the Difference by Chris Voss et al

The book takes you inside the world of high-stakes negotiations and into Voss' head, revealing the skills that helped him and his colleagues succeed where it mattered most: in saving lives in hostage negotiations. In this practical guide, he shares the nine effective principles - counterintuitive tactics and strategies - you, too, can use to become more persuasive in both your professional and personal lives. Life is a series of negotiations you should be prepared for: buying a car, negotiating a salary, buying a home, renegotiating rent, deliberating with your partner. Taking emotional intelligence and intuition to the next level, Never Split the Difference gives you the competitive edge in any discussion.

This will be a ZOOM meeting. Contact Richard P.

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

The FSC has reserved the 10th Mt. Div. Hut west of Leadville and Turquoise Lake that holds 16 members (5 have already signed up). The cost is \$80 for 2 nights (sleeping bag needed), food for 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners. A \$20 deposit holds your place.

Info: contact Stewart W.

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> week of the month. Items will appear in the newsletter only once, they will not roll over to the following month's newsletter.



## TUESDAY EVENING HIKES MAY, 2021

Tuesday hikes are beginning May 4th at 6.00 PM. At this point we invite all who are comfortable with the idea to bring their own food to eat at the end of each hike.

MAY 4 – South Boulder Creek (Bobolink South Trail), approx. 3 mile hike.

Bonnie B.

Meet at East Boulder Rec Center past the tennis courts at the East end near the trail heads. We will eat at the shelter near the tennis courts after the hike.

MAY 11 – Red Rocks (Settlers Park area) 3 to 3-1/2 mile hike.

Louisa Y.

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

MAY 18 – Wonderland Lake Area – 3 to 3-1/2 mile hike

Karin C. and Dave D.

Meet at the shelter at Foothills Community Park where we will eat afterwards.

Directions: North on Broadway then West on Violet. At 10th street follow the road as it becomes Cherry. Turn Right (North) and park is on the LEFT.

MAY 25 – Walden Ponds – 2–3 mile hike

Linda G. and Roger B.

Directions: From 75th and Arapahoe go North on 75th for approx. 2 miles. You will pass Valmont and the sign to Sawhill Ponds, and will then see the sign for Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat on the LEFT. Turn here and continue for about ¼ mile to a sign saying Cottonwood Marsh. Park in that parking lot. After the hike we will eat at Linda and Roger's patio.





## **Let's Play Games!**

Fun and Games at Sandy M.s' House

When: June 4<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 PM

Location: her home

Please bring an appetizer, beverage, and your favorite games.

RSVP to Sandy by 6/1/2021

## **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

## Save the dates!

We will be going to Park City in 2022 where either IKON or EPIC pass can be used. We will stay again at the Peaks Hotel from 2/22-2/26.

There will be also be an FSC trip to Aspen in 2022. You will need to purchase the IKON Base Plus Pass (additional \$150 for 5 nights to cover Aspen lift tickets). The trip will be March 7-11, 2022.

Hope to see you next year, Sandy M.

## 2021 Wildflower Rambles

Boulder County has recently moved to Blue COVID status, making outdoor restrictions more workable for rambles this summer. The leadership core has been in contact and will start some planning – meet-ups most likely to start in June. Several people have contacted Linda P. to express interest. Any others interested in participating in rambles this summer, please drop Linda an email.

## 2021 Crested Butte Wildflower Trip, July 23 – 26, 2021

Linda and Chris P. will lead a Wildflower Rambles trip to Crested Butte July 23 – 26, 2021, 3 nights' lodging at the Cristiana Guesthaus on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, checking out Monday. **Total trip cost is \$365.00. Full payment is due by June 1, 2021.**

**COVID protocols in place will be observed – those coming on the trip are agreeing to abide by all requirements of the Cristiana Guesthaus, Crested Butte, Gunnison County and the State of Colorado.**

The trip has room for several more members. Please email Chris and Linda about the remaining places. If you have interest in going, but are not sure and still thinking about it (for COVID or other reasons), put your name on the waiting list – no payment is required to join the waiting list. Before you sign up, be sure you are ready to commit to come on the trip. Those on the waiting list will need to decide whether or not to go, contact the trip leaders and send a check for full payment by the deadline of June 1.

Double occupancy of rooms by single persons is only being done for 2 persons who are comfortable rooming with each other and mutually agree to do so. Finding a roommate is on your own. Please let us know about special needs. Questions? Contact Linda or Chris by email/telephone. **Make out checks 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.**



## 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](http://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 reserve your spot now. Make your check out to Flatirons Ski Club.

Roger P.



## May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Moab	4 Moab Hike 6:00 P	5 Moab	6 Moab Hike 7:45 A	7 Moab	8 Moab
9	10 Book Club 6:45 P	11 Hike 6:00 P	12	13 Hike 7:45 A Gen'l Mtg 7:00 P	14	15
16	17	18 Hike 6:00 P	19	20 Hike 7:45 A Board Mtg 7:00 P	21 Newsletter Input Due	22
23	24	25 Hike 6:00 P	26	27 Hike 7:45 A	28	29

### Board Members

President	Beth Gaffney		
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 (Co-Chairs)	Dorothy Cohen Richard Patnoe		

### Members at Large

Mailing	Larry Rittenhouse		
Webmaster	Roger Briden		

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