



July 2022

# Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group  
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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM  
AT UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF BOULDER  
5001 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, BOULDER 80303**

## Message from the President

The Spring Fling gathering was a great success! Congratulations to Elease Miller and her team for organizing our club gathering. It was wonderful to enjoy socializing with FSC members in a beautiful setting and with great food. Our next social event will be the Membership Picnic September 10, 2022. The next General Meeting is in October. FSC is offering a variety of activities this summer. In addition to the many hikes, I recommend trying the Book Club. The book for the July 11 meeting is *The Brendan Voyage* by Tim Severin. Enjoy the summer!  
Beth Gaffney, President



*My Dear Friends,  
I am overwhelmed by my beautiful quilt! There are no words to explain how your love and support have helped me through this difficult spring. I read your lovely notes through tears of gratitude. Knowing that I am surrounded by your friendship, offers of help of all sorts, your patience in listening, and your abundant kindness mean more than I can express. Your bubble of care has helped me through many dark days. Thank you seems way too shallow. I am fortunate to have you all in my life!! Martha Parks*

This special Quilt Project was perceived and executed by Dorothy Cohen. Here are her words:

*I have been quilting for over 10 years and when I heard Martha lost her home, I decided to make her a quilt. I found the fabric in my stash and thought it would be perfect for Martha. When I was looking for backing, I came up with the idea of having club members sign the quilt to make it part of the backing, so I sent it to the trips and the Tuesday snowshoeing and Thursday hiking. A friend offered to quilt it since it was for someone who lost their home, so quilting was done by InStitches.*

### FSC Book Club

**DATE:** Monday, July 11, 5:30 PM

**PLACE:** Richard Patnoe's house

**DISCUSSION LEADER:** Richard Patnoe

**BOOK:** The Brendan Voyage: Sailing to America in a Leather Boat to Prove the Legend of the Irish Sailor Saints by Tim Severin

Could an Irish monk in the sixth century really have sailed all the way across the Atlantic in a small open boat, thus beating Columbus to the New World by almost a thousand years? Relying on the medieval text of St. Brendan, award-winning adventure writer Tim Severin painstakingly researched and built a boat identical to the leather curragh that carried Brendan on his epic voyage. He found a centuries-old, family-run tannery to prepare the ox hides in the medieval way; he undertook an exhaustive search for skilled harness makers (the only people who would know how to stitch the three-quarter-inch thick hides together); he located one of the last pieces of Irish-grown timber tall enough to make the mainmast. But his courage and resourcefulness were truly tested on the open seas, including one heart-pounding episode when he and his crew repaired a dangerous tear in the leather hull by hanging over the side--their heads sometimes submerged under the freezing waves--to restitch the leather.

### Shakespeare Festival at CU's OUTDOOR Mary Rippon Theatre Two Gentlemen of Verona July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

All tickets are sold for this event. However, I will continue to take names for the waitlist, in the event that any participants need to cancel their plans. If you'd like to be on the waitlist, send me an email (see current roster) to that effect. If any paid participant decides to cancel, I will be in contact, in the order received.

Nicole deLorimier

## TUESDAY HIKES

Meet at trailhead promptly at 6:00 p.m. We will hike 60 - 80 minutes. Potluck at trailhead after hike.

Bring a dish for 6-8 to share, your own plates, drink and utensils.

### **July 5 Coot Lake**

Roger Povilus

From Diagonal go North on 63rd. Parking is on the right opposite Coot Lake. An easy hike with potluck at Tom Watson Park afterwards.

### **July 12 Boulder County Open Space (North)**

Richard Patnoe

Approx. 1hr 20 min hike. Potluck in Richard's back yard afterwards.

### **July 19 Teller Farm/Lake 2 to 3 miles**

Leader TBA Potluck at Trailhead. Take Arapahoe East past 75<sup>th</sup>; then watch for sign on left (After Willow) and follow road to parking area. Bathrooms and tables available.

### **July 26 Bike/Hike**

Pat Irwin

Meet at Pat's house 220 Cimmaron Way where we will potluck afterwards. Non bikers come and hike South Boulder area. Directions: From Foothills Parkway go East on Baseline to Manhattan Dr., turn right (South) and go 0.8 miles to Cimmaron on left. Coming from South, go East on S. Boulder Road to Manhattan Dr. and turn North. Go to second stop sign and turn right onto Cimmaron Way.

## Thursday Hikes

As always come prepared for all kinds of weather and bring lots of food and water, etc. Email or call Louisa Young or Sue Evans to let us know you are going to join us or if you have any questions.

**3rd Thursday Hike –  
July 21, 2022 – Ouzel Falls RMNP from Allenspark**

You get everything on this hike: views, waterfalls, wildflowers, friendly hikers. We will start on the Finch Lake Trail, drop down to Calypso Cascade, and up to Ouzel Falls. This is an in/out hike with three turn-around points depending on your interests. Detailed information by email the Monday before the hike. No RMNP reservation needed.

**SAVE THE DATE**

A small group of us are planning an informal trip to Mt. Bierstadt. The goal is to summit on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Woe is me, this will be my first attempt, so no promises, though there are those who will summit. To acclimate to the high altitude, I will be staying in Georgetown for two days prior. Others may camp near Guanella Pass. If you want more information, let me know and I can add you to our email list.  
Monica Abbott

**2022 Wildflower Rambles**

We have had two very successful rambles so far this season. Our NCAR to Mesa Trail ramble on May 25 led by Diane Green and Linda Paris had 7 participants and the Anne U. White ramble on June 3 led by Bev Postmus and Linda Paris had 10 participants (the trail is beautifully redone, and the weather was perfect). There were lots of flower species in spite of the dry conditions, particularly Anne U. White.

As of now, there are no additional scheduled rambles coming in June or July. We will be setting a date for a ramble with Paul Schultz of OSMP in late July or early August. That date will be set in mid-July and word will go out then.

### **2022 Crested Butte Wildflower Trip, July 22 – 25, 2022**

The Crested Butte Wildflower trip is closed, and unused rooms have been released back to the Cristiana. We are taking a waiting list in case there is a cancelation prior to July 22. Please email Linda and Chris Paris if you want to be added to that list.

Trip participants will be receiving trip information by email as the trip nears. Email the leaders with any questions.

### **August 9-11, 2022 - 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Hut Trip**

The Fowler-Hilliard Hut is accessed through Camp Hale, in between Leadville and Minturn on US 24. The hut sits at 11,500 ft., just at timber line. Carpools will be formed to get to the trailhead. 4wd vehicles will transport food, gear and sleeping bags while most participants will hike to the hut. There is a fully equipped kitchen (no oven). Volunteers will plan 2 breakfasts and 2 dinners (food included with trip cost) with everyone helping with preparation and cleanup.

Bring your own sleeping bag, necessities and 2 lunches. Hike and/or relax in the hut, away from civilization for 2 days and 2 nights. Unless the weather prevents it, the night sky viewing is amazing, away from light pollution. Capacity is 16, and the cost is \$100 per person.

At this time, the trip is full, and there is a short waitlist. Someone may cancel before the trip, and you don't need to pay anything to be waitlisted.

Co-leaders: Louisa Young and Sue Evans

### **Crane Festival**

The ski club is planning a trip to Steamboat Springs over Labor Day weekend September 1-4, 2022, to see the Crane Festival. There are viewings, talks and field trips. We are also planning to do some hiking the area. We will be staying at the Holiday Inn at Steamboat. The cost per person will be \$350 for 3 nights.

Deposit will be \$50 due asap so we can get an accurate count. Final payment will be due July 1. For more information contact Dorothy Cohen.

**Bicycle Trip Announcement**  
**September 6 – 9, 2022, Tuesday through Friday of Labor Day Week**

This is either 3 or 4 days depending upon the participants arrival time in Gunnison Colorado. The shortest day's ride is scheduled for the first day. Whether the participant chooses to ride on the first day is optional, but a short ride is planned for this day for those arriving in Gunnison by 1:00 PM. All four days' rides are "out and back" rides so the participants can choose to shorten the length by doing a remote start to shorten the distance. All rides are on roadways. On one of the days, we will ride to Crested Butte from Gunnison. The final routing is dependent upon a scouting trip.

Further details can be provided by contacting Richard Patnoe

**AVALANCHE RANCH TRIP and APPLE FESTIVAL trip in 2022**  
**September 30 – October 3, 2022**

(None scheduled for 2023, so this may be the last)

<https://avalancheranch.com/>

Avalanche Ranch is 11.35 miles south of Carbondale, CO and 5 miles north of Redstone, CO.

For those who are new to the club, the Avalanche Ranch trip has been run for many years by the club. We rent cabins at Avalanche Ranch and soak in the brilliant color of the area, especially the golden aspen, the green pines, the gray mountains, the blue sky and occasionally the white snow on the mountains. The Apple Festival is an event run by the staff once a year. They provide meat and others provide everything else. But what I find most interesting is the community of people who attend, most are local, and they play bluegrass music for at least an hour around the campfire.

Other than the Apple Festival, there are wonderful hikes to be made and the weather is almost always perfect. Did I mention that there are several hot tubs and a hot pool which are free and open to us twenty-four hours a day?

The club provides chili on Friday night and protein on Sunday night. On Saturday, the Ranch will provide the protein and each guest is asked to bring something for the huge potluck.

We have the Ranch House this year for happy hours and generally getting together.

The price will be \$255 a person for three nights of paradise but there are many queen beds which will need to be filled so anyone willing to share a bed with someone else will have a much better chance of getting on board this remarkable trip.

The trip is full now but send in a deposit check of \$50.00 made out to FSC to get on the WAITING list.

Send checks to:  
Roger Povilus  
(Address available in Membership Roster)



**Reminder:** please make trip checks out to Flatirons Ski Club, not the trip leader; however, mail checks to the Trip Leaders as identified in the announcements.

Thanks, Martha Parks

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

FAC has been an FSC tradition for many years. Everyone is welcome. We meet at Rincon Del Sol starting at 4:00 p.m. every Friday. Rincon Del Sol is on Arapahoe just east of the intersection of Folsom and Arapahoe.

Hope to see you there.

### Want to Sell Something?

Every month, members now can sell something (ski equipment, etc.) by having their items listed in our FSC Club Newsletter. Submit your items via email to Marianne Bachmann, in the body of your email or as an attachment (.doc or .docx). Submissions will need board approval. Marianne will need to receive your information by the Wednesday before the monthly board meetings which is scheduled the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Upon approval, 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.

## July 2022 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 FAC 4:00 PM	2
3	4	5 Tuesday Hike 6:00 PM	6	7 Thursday Hike 7:45 AM	8 FAC 4:00 PM	9
10	11 Book Club 5:30 PM	12 Tuesday Hike 6:00 PM	13	14 Thursday Hike, 7:45 AM	15 FAC 4:00 PM	16
17	18 Mt. Bierstadt hike	19 Tuesday Hike 6:00 PM	20	21 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday Ouzel Falls RMNP from Allenspark	22 FAC 4:00 PM Crested	23 Butte
24 Wildflower	25 Trip	26 Tuesday Hike 6:00 PM	27	28 Thursday Hike 7:45 AM	29 FAC 4:00 PM	30
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