



June, 2018

Flatirons Ski Club

An Outdoor Multi Sports and Social Group

www.FlatironsSkiClub.com

Next FSC General Meeting will be **Thursday, October 4th** at 7 p.m.

General meetings are held at the Unitarian Universalist Church
5001 Pennsylvania Ave. Boulder, CO 80303

SPRING FLING IN THE PARK



JUNE 2nd, 2018
FSC Spring Fling

The annual FSC Spring Fling will again be held at the Foothills Community Park from noon until 2 pm as usual. We will picnic and compare winter stories and adventures and look forward to summer outings. The club will provide barbecue pulled pork, chicken brats, veggie burgers and soft drinks! We ask you all to bring a vegetable dish, salad or dessert to share. Friends are welcome to come and enjoy the celebration and the warm hospitality of Flatirons Ski Club members!

Directions: From North Broadway, go west on Violet. At 10th St turn right and follow the road as it becomes Cherry, turn right (North) and the park is on the left.



Thursday Hikers



Weather is a factor as to where we go and for how long. Dress in layers, bring snacks, lunch, water and good hiking shoes, i.e., all you need to enjoy a hike. Meeting time is 7:45 a.m. at the Meadows Shopping center on Baseline and Foothills Parkway.

Questions: Call Connie or Sue

Third Thursday Hikers

Third Thursday Hike - June 21st Old Caribou Townsite -
Meet at Meadows Mall 7:45am to carpool. Hikers carpool with other hikers and do 6+ miles. Flower Ramblers carpool with Ramblers.
Hopefully those independent wildflowers will cooperate and be in full bloom.

TUESDAY HIKES – JUNE, 2018

NOTE: 5:00 PM MEET TIME

Hikes **BEGIN AT 5:00 PM** at the designated trailhead or meeting place and provide a chance for exercise and fun with other club members and visitors, as well as a delicious potluck dinner after the hike. Bring your paper plate, plasticware (always bring these even if we go to someone's home after the hike), water bottle, and a dish to share. All hikes are approx. 2 – 3 miles. In case of rain or high wind, potluck may still take place at someone's house.



JUNE 5 – Walden Ponds

Eliese and Bill

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. Turn here and continue for about ¼ mile to sign saying Cottonwood Marsh. Park in the parking lot there. After hiking we will picnic at the shelter – come rain or shine.

JUNE 12 – Switzerland Trail

Irma and Jerry

Meet at their house where we will potluck afterwards. Please bring a CHAIR and your own dishes.

JUNE 19 – Mesa Trail

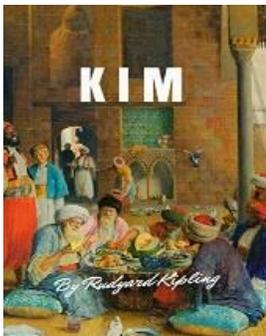
Dorothy

Meet at South Mesa Trailhead parking lot off Eldorado Springs Road. Go South on Broadway, turn right (west) on Eldorado Springs Rd off 93. Go downhill about 2 miles to parking lot on the right. Potluck at trailhead picnic tables.

JUNE 26 – Coot Lake

Karin and Dave

Meet at Tom Watson Park (IBM park). From Diagonal go North on 63rd, park is on the right opposite Coot Lake. An easy hike with potluck at Tom Watson Park afterwards.



JUNE BOOK CLUB

Title: *Kim* by Rudyard Kipling

Date: Monday, June 11th

Time: Social time at 6:45 pm; discussion starts promptly at 7pm

Place: Richard's

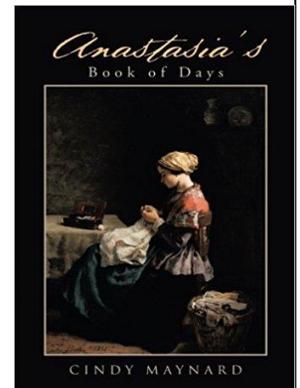
JULY BOOK CLUB (moderated by Jim)

Title: *Anastasia's Book of Days* by Cindy Maynard

Date: Monday, July 9th

Time: Social time at 6:45 pm; discussion starts promptly at 7pm

Place: Cindy's



ROCKIES BASEBALL AT COORS FIELD

SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH



Hey, Rockies Fans! Once again, we will secure tickets for an afternoon game at Coors Field. This year the date is Sunday, June 10th at 1:10 p.m. and the Rockies will play the Arizona Diamondbacks. Seats will once again be in the shade. The price for each ticket is \$12.00. I need to collect the money no later than May 22nd in order to make final payment for our seats.

Last year some of us took the RTD to the game and return; after the game we had dinner in downtown Denver.

HUT Trip #1

Ben Eiseman 10th Mt. Div. Hut

August 14-16, 2018

Hut overlooks Vail Ski Runs From the Gore Range.
Hike or Just Sit on the Patio.

Two Nights and includes 2 Breakfasts and 2 Dinners
\$70 Total / \$25 Deposit 16 Flatirons
members are on the trip and it is full. There is No
Wait List now in the event of a cancellation. This
gives you a good chance of going

HUT Trip #2

Ben Eiseman 10th Mt. Div. Hut

August 28-30, 2018

Hut overlooks Vail Ski Runs From the Gore Range.
Hike or Just Sit on the Patio.

Two Nights and includes 2 Breakfasts and 2 Dinners
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2018 CRESTED BUTTE WILDFLOWER TRIP, JULY 20 – 23, 2018

Several spaces remain available for the Wildflower Rambles trip to Crested Butte next July 20 – 23, 2018 - 3 nights lodging at the Cristiana Guesthaus on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, checking out Monday. Several spaces remain available. The **total trip cost is \$296.00 (includes \$75.00 non-refundable deposit)**. **Deadline for payment of balance of trip cost for those who paid the deposit is June 1, 2018.** Contact leaders Linda or Chris by e-mail/telephone with questions or if you wish to go on this trip. After June 1, all persons on the waiting list will be contacted and remaining spaces will be filled from the waiting list or released back to the Cristiana. Payments can be sent to the Paris' by mail (address available from the membership list). A participant list will be distributed in June after full payments have been received. Trip information will be provided to participants by e-mail in June and July.



2018 SNOWY RANGE WILDFLOWER TRIP, AUGUST 3 – 6, 2018

Linda and Chris will lead a Wildflower Rambles trip to the Snowy Range August 3-6, 2018 - 3 nights lodging at The Old Corral Hotel in Centennial, WY on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, checking out Monday. A block of rooms has been set aside for FSC until July 3 (unreserved rooms in the block will be released then). Two king rooms (all that are available) and 10 double queen rooms are included in the block. King room rate is \$234.60 and Double Queen rate is \$247.48 for the three nights. Call Linda and Chris if you wish to go on this trip. They will direct participants to the hotel to provide a name and credit card to secure a room reservation. FSC is not collecting lodging costs. No advance deposit is required. Payment in full will be due from the participants directly to the hotel at check-in. Linda and Chris will assist with roommates for single members, if requested. Hotel cancellation policy is 7 days with all reservations (cancellation notification directly to hotel). There will be a flower ramble led by the Wildflower Rambles leaders both Saturday and Sunday. Participants can also hike or pursue their own interests in the area. Lodging does not include breakfast. Meals will be on your own – several restaurants are available in Centennial. There is no cooking allowed in the hotel (rooms have a mini-frig but no microwave or coffee maker). Special arrangements may be available for breakfast quiche at one local restaurant and a dinner at the Old Corral Steakhouse, so let Linda and Chris know if you are interested when you call them. A participant list and trip information will be provided by e-mail to registered participants in July.

2018 WILDFLOWER RAMBLES

The snow keeps coming in the mountains, bringing welcome moisture for this year's wildflower bloom as well as our water supply. There is a wonderful summer of wildflower rambles planned with a number of rambles coordinated with our FSC Hikers Third Thursday offerings and the Boulder County Open Space wildflower events.

Wildflower rambles are relaxed and slow-paced trips to allow attention to the details of the flowers and plants and to make identification easier. We also spotlight particular flower groups. Bring sun protection, snack/lunch, water, rain gear and field guides. There is a carpool fee payable to the driver.

The rambles leader team of 8 welcomes everyone who likes to look for or wants to find out more about flowers. We recognize that there are many levels of expertise and pace among our ramblers and also recognize that we will get strung out on our route because of that. Some want general information about the flowers and others are into keying them out. Rambles are not meant to be hikes. Our rambles policy is to provide several leaders to accommodate faster, moderate and ambling paces. You are welcome to go as far as your interest or physical condition take you.

The entire schedule of Wildflower Rambles trip dates and locales is listed in this newsletter so you can save the dates on your calendar. Watch the newsletter for additional trip details and carpooling information as the trips approach. Details for the late May, June and early July trips are listed below.

SATURDAY, MAY 26 -- BALD MOUNTAIN OPEN SPACE Leader: Boulder County Parks and Open Space - volunteer naturalist Diane and others. 10:00 AM to Noon. Meet to carpool 9:40 AM at the Centennial Trailhead parking lot just up and across Sunshine Canyon Drive from Mt. Sanitas. Or go directly to Bald Mountain Open Space for the 10:00 AM meet-up - take Mapleton Avenue west past Mt. Sanitas and up Sunshine Canyon Drive (County Road 52) approximately 5 miles west of Boulder on the left (south) side of the road. A 1.5-mile easy trail walk through forest and meadows in search of spring wildflowers in a zone of geological and biological transition. There is a picnic area, so bring a lunch, if you wish. Restroom on site. Carpool fee: \$1.00.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30 -- GOSHAWK RIDGE TRAIL Leader: Judy 8:00 AM. Meet at the Dowdy Draw parking lot on the Eldorado Springs Rd. to carpool up to the Ashram trailhead. Sugarbowl are commonly found on this trail. No carpool fee.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 -- MESA TRAIL FROM NCAR Leader: Diane, 9:00 AM; Meet at the NCAR parking lot. No carpool fee.

FRIDAY, JUNE 15 -- GOLDEN GATE STATE PARK Leader: Diane: 7:45 AM; Meet at the gravel parking lot across from the Marshall Mesa Trailhead entrance. We will be looking for Shooting Stars, which are locally plentiful there at this time of the season. Bring a lunch. Carpool fee: \$4.00.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21 -- CARIBOU TOWNSITE 7:45 AM; Meet at Meadows Shopping Center parking lot near Anytime Fitness (southeast corner) where the FSC Thursday hikers meet. We are meeting up with the FSC Third Thursday hikers for this ramble. This is one of Dolores' favorite spots and she knows her way around (it is confusing). She also knows where to find ShootingStars. Carpool fee: \$4.00.

MONDAY, JULY 2 -- HERMAN GULCH Leader: Peter: 7:00 AM at the gravel parking lot across from the Marshall Mesa Trailhead entrance. Herman Gulch is a trail known for its lush flowers. Carpool fee: \$12.00.

MONDAY, JULY 9 -- DOROTHY LAKE 7:00 AM; Meet behind the 3 Margaritas (Diagonal Plaza) at 28th St. and Iris to carpool. This ramble begins at the Fourth of July Trailhead on the road in from Eldora and HESSIE. There are lots of flowers from the trailhead on up - you do not have to go all of the way to Dorothy Lake. Because the road into Fourth of July is so rough, it requires a 4WD vehicle. One vehicle will be going (total capacity 5 persons), but we could use another vehicle that is capable of reaching the trailhead. Otherwise the trip will be limited to the capacity of the vehicle. If you would like to be a driver, please contact Linda. Come prepared for variable weather (raingear and water). Bring a lunch and snacks. Carpool fee: \$6.00.

**2018 FLATIRONS SKI CLUB
WILDFLOWER / NATURE RAMBLES SCHEDULE**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LEADER</u>
May 26, Saturday	Bald Mountain	Boulder County POS
May 30, Wednesday	Goshawk Ridge	Judy
June 6, Wednesday	Mesa Trail from NCAR	Diane
June 15, Friday	Golden Gate State Park	Diane
June 21, Thursday	Caribou Townsite With FSC Hikers	Ramble Leader and Dolores
July 2, Monday	Herman Gulch	Peter
July 9, Monday	Dorothy Lake	Judy 4WD
July 13, Friday	Jean Lunning/Niwot	Nancy Linda
July 19, Thursday	Mt. Flora from Berthoud Pass Trailhead with FSC Hikers	Ramble Leader and Dolores
July 20 – 23, Fri-Mon	Crested Butte	Linda and Chris
August 3-6, Fri-Mon	Snowy Range, WY	Linda and Chris
August 16, Thursday	Pawnee Pass / Isabelle Lake With FSC Hikers	Ramble Leader and Dolores
August 17, Friday	Butler Gulch	Peter Judy
August 29, Wednesday	Denver Botanic Garden	TBD

NOTE 1: The Pawnee Pass ramble was originally shown on the schedule as August 23, which was incorrect. **THE CORRECT DATE IS THURSDAY, AUGUST 16.**

NOTE 2: Brainard Lake Road is currently closed to all vehicles for roadway reconstruction until June 28, 2018. It is anticipated that the road will be open for the July 13 Wildflower Ramble to Jean Lunning/Long Lake Trail. Check the July newsletter for the latest information.



Summit County Bicycle Ride

Hold the Date: September 5th, 6th and 7th

The three-day, two-night bicycle ride is scheduled for September 5-7. Wed-Fri now has 10 people signed up. A possibility for 8 different rides varying from green to black difficulty have been scouted. There is room for 20 people and all riding abilities are encouraged. The more people that are coming, the more subgroups that will be formed. Please contact Richard for more specific information



June 3, 2018 (Sunday) 20th Annual Circle Boulder by Bicycle/Boulder 360/180 10 AM; Valmont Park – The City of Boulder annual Boulder 360/180 - 11th annual FSC participation. Free. Open to all ages and abilities, held rain or shine. This is a friendly, leisurely, non-competitive ride around Boulder’s greenway bike paths. Participants can do the entire B360 loop (about 22 miles), or the shorter B180 loop (about 11 miles). If you would like to ride with other FSC members, rendezvous with Chris and Linda near the start area (west side of Valmont Park along Airport Rd near the intersection of Butte St and Airport Rd.) at 9:45 AM. Registration and rolling starts will be from 10 AM to 12 Noon. The B360 riders are encouraged to begin between 10 and 11 AM and B180 riders can begin riding between 11 AM and noon. The routes are marked on the pavement and with signs. Both the B360 and B180 routes are designated to be ridden clock-wise for this event. The start and end are at the Valmont Bike Park. An FSC group will be formed for both the 360 and 180 with whoever shows up and wants to ride together. The City of Boulder puts on a free post-ride party with refreshments. Bring your helmet, water and sunscreen.

More information: 1) <https://bouldercolorado.gov/goboulder/circle-boulder-by-bicycle>, 2) contact David "DK" Kemp at 303-441-1955 or kempd@bouldercolorado.gov, 3) Boulder Walk and Ride Month website at <http://www.walkandbikemonth.org/events/b-360-circle-boulder-by-bicycle-ride/>.

Route Map: Click the link on the page <https://bouldercolorado.gov/goboulder/circle-boulder-by-bicycle> - that will download the 2018 map (URL https://www-static.bouldercolorado.gov/docs/Route_Map2018-1-201805161006.pdf?_ga=2.114797255.1320975907.1526751904-632973961.1492786051). Note that the map currently posted on the Boulder 360 page at <https://bouldercolorado.gov/goboulder/circle-boulder-by-bicycle> is the 2017 route - the text there says it will be updated soon.

Parking: available at businesses along Airport Rd.

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AVALANCHE RANCH CABINS AND HOT SPRINGS

<https://avalancheranch.com/>

We have reserved cabins for the nights of October 5, 6, 7

All rooms will be assigned June 30th via a raffle.

1. \$227.00 per individual except two room specifically for couples. Three nights, two pot luck meals, unlimited hot springs.... Not a bad deal.
2. See **May Newsletter** for details
<http://www.flatironsskiclub.com/master%20file/newsletters-web/2018/2018%20May%20Web%20Newsletter%20Final.pdf> or contact Roger or Donna. Names will be drawn randomly for available spots around June 30th.
3. Right now, there are **fewer names than available spots** so your odds are excellent of participating in the trip.
4. If interested, let Roger or Donna know and you will be entered into the raffle.

President	Donna	303-278-6321	June Board Meeting El ease's Potluck 6:30, Mtg. 7 pm 
Vice Pres.	Louisa	303-444-6428	
Secretary	Diana	303-442-2553	
Treasurer	Roger	720-257-1438	
Publicity	Reed	303-499-3731	
Downhill	Louise	303-494-7262	
Activities	Stew	303-665-9438	
Social Chair	El ease	303-530-4376	
Membership	Linda	303-499-1647	
Newsletter	LeAnn	303-665-3421	
Webmaster	Roger	303-402-0682	
Mailing	Larry	303-530-2444	

JUNE 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					4pm FAC 1	2 Spring Fling
3 Boulder 360 Bike	4	5 5 pm Tue Hikes	6 Wildflower Ramble	7 7:45 am Thur. Hikes	8 4pm FAC	9
10 Rockies Baseball	11 7p FSC Bk Club	12 5pm Tue Hikes	13	14 7:45a Thur Hikes	15 4pm FAC Wildflow er	16
17	18	19 5pm Tue Hikes	20	21 7:45am Thur. Hikes Wildflower Ramble 3 rd Thur. Hikers FSC Board Mtg.	22 4pm FAC	23
24	25	26 5pm Tue	27	28 7:45 am Thur Hikes	29 4pm FAC	30

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