

Flatirons Ski Club

Social



December 2023

An Outdoor Multi Sports and
Group
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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE DECEMBER 6TH, 7 PM AT
THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF BOULDER
5001 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, BOULDER, CO 80303**

Message from the President

Greetings and Happy Holidays! The next General Meeting is scheduled for December 6th at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Boulder on Pennsylvania Avenue. The program includes a presentation on Climate Change, and the presenter is Joe Golden, a member of Flatirons Ski Club. I hope that you can join us for this special presentation. At this General Meeting, we will be voting on changes to the FSC Bylaws which were published in the November newsletter. The Holiday Party is scheduled for December 9th at the Unity Church at Folsom and Valmont. See the article in this newsletter. Let Eleese Miller know if you are available to volunteer at the Holiday Party. It is always a fun event, and I hope that you can come. Winter activities are starting up! There is still room to join some of the ski trips. See the articles below for details on the overnight and day trips. The club will be trying a new activity of a social and movie night on February 20th. Plan to come and join in the fun! Information about the movie night is included in this newsletter.

Beth Gaffney, President

Membership Renewal

Thank you to all members who have renewed. If you still want to renew, go to the website, click on "membership" and print waiver. Around December 1st I will start culling the roster. THANK YOU!
Linda Giandinoto, Membership Chair

FSC General Meeting program for December 6th

Reminder: We will vote on proposed changes to the Bylaws at this meeting. Please look at the November newsletter for details.

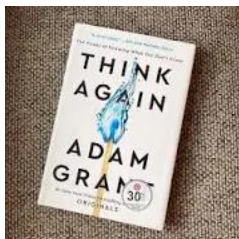
The topic of the meeting is Global climate change: Making sense out of controversy?

Speaker Joe Golden will vividly illustrate the latest scientific consensus regarding global climate change, including possible changes in hurricanes and heavy precipitation worldwide. He'll also give a suggested reading list and some compelling DVDs to enjoy. Finally, he'll urge members to consider pre-emptive actions we can take individually and collectively to mitigate climate change.

Following find information Richard Patnoe mentioned in the November meeting presentation: Global Care Force is a 501c(3) headquartered in Olathe Kansas. Its mission is to "Connect volunteers with organizations that serve people in need." They have mission trips to many countries including Ukraine and Central America. They are at the organizational level of a mission to Gaza. If you wish to volunteer or to donate, go to GlobalCareForce.org.

FSC Book Club

DATE: Monday, December 11, 2023, Time: 6:00 PM
PLACE: Linda LaGanga's house
DISCUSSION LEADER & Host Linda LaGanga
BOOK: Think Again: The Power of Knowing What You Don't by Adam Grant



Intelligence is usually seen as the ability to think and learn, but in a rapidly changing world, there's another set of cognitive skills that might matter more: the ability to rethink and unlearn. In our daily lives, too many of us favor the comfort of conviction over the discomfort of doubt. We listen to opinions that make us feel good, instead of ideas that make us think hard. We see disagreement as a threat to our egos, rather than an opportunity to learn. We surround ourselves with people who agree with our conclusions, when we should be gravitating toward those who challenge our thought process. The result is that our beliefs get brittle long before our bones. We think too much like preachers defending our sacred beliefs, prosecutors proving the other side wrong, and politicians campaigning for approval - and too little like scientists searching for truth. Intelligence is no cure, and it can even be a curse: being good at thinking can make us worse at rethinking. The brighter we are, the blinder to our own limitations we can become.

**2023 FSC Holiday Party
Unity Church, 2855 Folsom Street
December 9, 5:30 PM**



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SET UP TABLES AND CHAIRS AT 10.00 A.M AT THE CHURCH ON PARTY DAY, DECEMBER 9TH. PLEASE LET ELEASE KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP.

The club will provide roast turkeys and baked hams. Guests are asked to bring a side dish to share, such as vegetables, potatoes, dinner rolls and butter or your favorite inventive side dish to accompany the meat OR bring an appetizer to share before dinner. Feel free to bring wine to go with the appetizers if you wish. We will be accompanied by piano music played by Marty DeSantis, and possibly a little dance music supplied by Ted Hine.

The fee per person is \$10.00. Please identify the dish you plan to bring and send the check made out to the Flatirons Ski Club to my address. **You may also sign up and pay at the December 6 FSC General Meeting.**

Elease Miller, Social Chair

Thursday Hikes December 2023

We continue to meet on Thursdays at the Meadows Shopping Center. We meet at 8:45 AM and leave at 9:00 AM. People can carpool from the Meadows Shopping Center, or they can drive by themselves to the trailhead. The Meadows Shopping Center is at the southwest corner of Foothills Highway and Baseline. We usually park close to the Bank and Remax realty building. Just look for people standing by their cars.

The weather is changeable. Be prepared for all types of weather.

Call or email Sue Evans or Louisa Young to let us know if you are planning to hike and to confirm that we will be hiking if the weather forecast is questionable.

3rd Thursday Hike – December 21, 2023

We are celebrating the holidays, we are being naughty and nice, and we are having pecan pie and ice cream. Bring your lunch and there will be hot cider and conversation indoors. Weather permitting, we will have a Christmas Tree walk before eating. Details by email the Sunday before and at that time (17th) an RSVP is needed.

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FSC Publicity Resources



Need to look up current FSC activities or get your friends connected with our club?

Our public website, flatironsskiclub.com, has our monthly newsletters, trip and activity calendars, this season's downhill day ski schedule, membership forms, and more! Please send photos from recent FSC activities to our Web master, Roger Briden, to keep the site looking fresh and current.

And you can post photos yourself in our public Flatirons Ski Club group on Facebook. Want help with Facebook to join or post to the group, or to set up your Facebook account? **Contact Linda LaGanga, Publicity Chair.** Let's keep our FSC experiences and excitement flowing!

2023/24 FSC MID-WEEK SKI SCHEDULE

Monday: Ed Hanson	Thursday: Arnie Mullen
H: 303-993-4445, C: 303-902-3709	C: 303-859-2549
Email: ewhfhgh@cs.com	Email: arniemullen@netscape.net

MONDAY/TUESDAY (EPIC)			WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY (IKON)		
Date	Area	Carpool Fee	Date	Area	Carpool Fee
			30-Nov	Copper	\$10
4-Dec	Breckenridge	\$10	7-Dec	WP/MJ	\$10
11-Dec	Keystone	\$10	14-Dec	A-Basin	\$10
18-Dec	Beaver Creek + 7:00am	\$15*	21-Dec	Copper	\$10
	+ Lunch at Joe Golden's Condo				
26-Dec	Keystone	\$10	28-Dec	WP/MJ	\$10
2-Jan	Breckenridge (Tuesday)	\$10	4-Jan	Eldora 8:15am	\$5
8-Jan	Vail 7:00am	\$15*	11-Jan	WP/MJ	\$10
16-Jan	Keystone (Tuesday)	\$10	17-Jan	Copper (Wednesday)	\$10
22-Jan	Breckenridge	\$10	25-Jan	WP/MJ	\$10
29-Jan	Keystone	\$10			
			1-Feb	Eldora 8:15	\$5
5-Feb	Breckenridge	\$10	8-Feb	WP/MJ	\$10
12-Feb	Keystone	\$10	14-Feb	Copper (Wednesday)	\$10
20-Feb	Breckenridge	\$10	22-Feb	Eldora 8:15am	\$5
26-Feb	Keystone	\$10	29-Feb	WP/MJ	\$10
4-Mar	Beaver Creek 7:00am	\$15*	7-Mar	WP/MJ	\$10
11-Mar	Vail 7:00am	\$15*	13-Mar	Copper (Wednesday)	\$10
18-Mar	Breckenridge	\$10	21-Mar	WP/MJ	\$10
25-Mar	Keystone	\$10	28-Mar	A-Basin	\$10
1-Apr	Breckenridge	\$10	3-Apr	Copper (Wednesday)	\$10
8-Apr	TBD		11-Apr	WP/MJ	\$10
15-Apr	TBD		18-Apr	TBD	

- An asterisk (*) indicates that there will be a parking fee in addition to the carpool fee.
 - If you are not on Ed and/or Arnie's list of midweek skiers, please let them know of your interest.
 - Unless otherwise noted, carpools depart at 7:30 from the Eldorado Park 'N' Ride on the northeast corner of Hwy 93 and Hwy 170 (sometimes called Marshall Rd). **Please arrive ten minutes early to ensure an on-time departure.** Let Ed or Arnie know if you are willing to drive. We can also meet skiers at agreed upon times in the Wooly Mammoth lot in Golden.
 - Ski destinations are suggestions only, and may change depending on weather, traffic, ski conditions, or carpool preferences.
 - Occasionally, Ed and Arnie may need alternate leaders when they are away on ski trips.
 - The club's prevailing health guidelines apply to all activities.
 - We typically wear green ribbons on our helmets so it's easy to find each other on the mountain.
- 1 Let Ed or Arnie know if you need one.

Calling on single males and females. Some overnight ski trips have vacancies for lone singles to share same gender double occupancy. Please see trip descriptions and contact leaders for more information.

2024 FSC Ski Trip Calendar

****IMPORTANT**** Note that total costs shown below are for double occupancy.

Dates	Destination	Lodging	# of Spaces	Nights	Lift Tix	Total Cost Per Person	Deposit	Balance Due	Trip Leaders
Jan 16-19	Crested Butte	Cristiana Guesthaus	23	3	Epic	\$330 (\$445 single)	\$50	12/6/23	Linda & Chris Paris
Jan 22-25	Steamboat	Homewood Suites	40	3	Ikon	\$475	\$150	12/15/23	Tom Cannon
Jan 30-Feb 2	Monarch Mtn (& Wolf Creek)	Baymont (Salida)	20	3	M: 69+ ski free WC: Misc	\$200 (\$375 single)	\$40	12/6/23	Donna Cooper & Louise Geil
Feb 5-8	Snow Mtn Ranch	YMCA of the Rockies	28	3	Ikon	\$165	\$40	12/1/23	Beth Gaffney
Feb 20-22	Snowy Range	Old Corral Hotel	18	2	Misc	\$102	\$35	12/15/23	Janne Cookman
Feb 27-March 1	Fraser/Winter Park	Fraser House Alpine Center	18	3	Ikon	\$120	\$25	1/16/24	Louisa Young
March 4-8	Aspen/Snow mass	Comfort Inn/Suites (Carbondale)	40	3 or 4	Ikon+	\$310/ \$410	\$100	1/4/24	Richard Varey
March 12-14	Leadville/Ski Cooper	Silver King Inn	30	2	Misc	\$130	\$30	1/15/24	Ed Gostling

Suggested Carpool Fees for FSC Overnight Ski Trips 2024

After conferring with trip leaders and the Board, we did not feel it necessary to change the suggested carpool fees for this season's FSC overnight ski trips. These fees are loosely based on gas prices at \$3.50/gallon and a suggested carpool fee of 7 cents/mile, but keep in mind that driving incurs wear and tear on the car and can be stressful for the driver! They are guidelines only, and subject to change if recently volatile gas prices settle at a higher level.

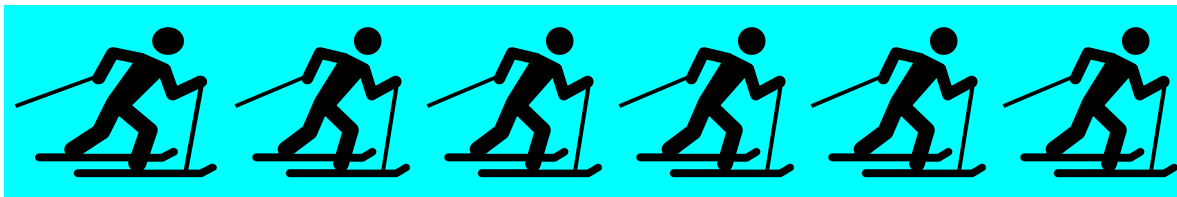
Destination	Round Trip Mileage (from Central Boulder)	Suggested Carpool Fee (7cts/mile)
Crested Butte (Cristiana)	480	\$35
Steamboat	325	\$25
Monarch (Salida)	310	\$25
Snow Mtn Ranch & Fraser	175	\$15
Snowy Range (Centennial)	320	\$25
Aspen (Carbondale)	355	\$30
Ski Cooper (Leadville)	215	\$20

Notes:

- The carpool fees above do not include daily driving to the ski areas or restaurants from the lodging. These need to be figured out separately.
- Take into consideration the number of people who are in the car.
- Pricing is ultimately at the discretion of the driver and the type of vehicle in use.
- To avoid misunderstandings, discuss carpool fees prior to your trip departure.

Enjoy the season!

Richard Varey, Downhill & Nordic Ski Chair



Hi everyone,

As the safety promoter for the club, I have a few tips.

The slopes can be crowded these days. A lot of people have free time mid-week making the slopes crowded so we have to be careful. A few members of our club have been injured by other skiers and snowboarders colliding with them. I would like to help prevent future collisions.



When you stop on a slope, stop near the edge, and look uphill before you start again. If I see other skiers or snowboarders coming, I try to let them go in front of me as much as possible. I would rather have them in front of me where I can see them.

If you are passing close to somebody on the slopes, call out “on your left” or “on your right“. And call it loud enough so people can hear you. As you know, the ski industry has almost complete immunity from lawsuits due to injuries,

so it’s up to skiers to be careful, and be very aware of who, what and where people are around you.

Last month I posted 10 rules for skier safety, which are from the skiers’ responsibility act that’s an industry standard:

https://www.nsaa.org/NSAA/Safety/Your_Responsibility_Code.aspx

I urge everyone to become familiar with those rules if you’re not already.

If anyone is injured by a collision with another ski or snowboarder, please let me know. Remember, you must report it to the ski patrol. If necessary, I will have a discussion with the heads of ski patrols at various areas.

Have fun and be safe out there.

Your FSC Safety Chair,
Arnie Mullen

New! FSC Movie Night with desserts and decaf

Join hosts Bob & Janet Evans for movie night where they’ll be showing **Antarctica: A Year on Ice** <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt2361700/> -- stunning footage and an in depth look at life for the people working in Antarctica, 90 minutes. We’ll be serving fancy desserts, chocolates, nuts plus decaf and hot water for other drinks. More details are coming in the January newsletter, hope you can join us!

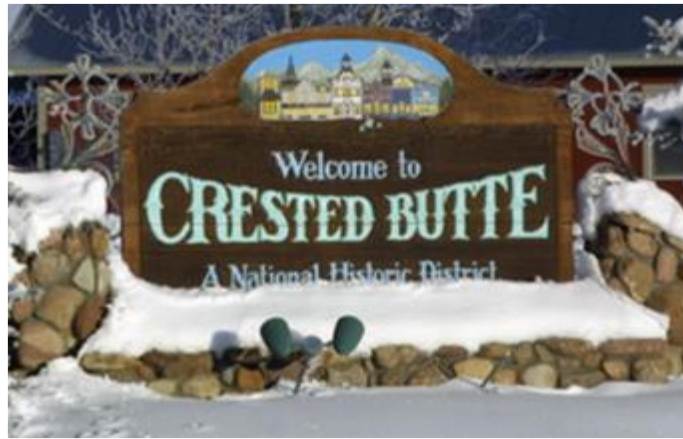
Date: Tuesday February 20th 7pm-9pm

Cost: \$10, RSVP & payment required

Sign up at the January & February FSC meetings or mail a check to organizer, Janet Evans

Location: UU Church of Boulder, 5001 Pennsylvania Avenue

Questions, email us.



WINTER Skiing in CRESTED BUTTE

3 Nights Lodging at the CRISTIANA GUESTHAUS

Jan. 16th, 17th & 18th (checkout Jan. 19th AM)

THIS TRIP IS FULL. The waiting list is open (no deposit required). Contact the trip leaders with questions or to join the waiting list.

Trip details were published in the October 2023 newsletter – see the Ski Trip Calendar on p.4 and the trip description on p.7 for more information.

Linda & Chris Paris, Trip Leaders

Steamboat Trip January 22 to 25, 2024

The club will be staying once again at the **Homewood Suites by Hilton**. I think last time everyone was happy with the comfortable accommodation. They provide a hot breakfast that includes eggs, hot and cold cereals, different breads, and pastries. We will be able to use the breakfast room for our happy hour gatherings as well. The town shuttle bus, which goes to the mountain and downtown, has a stop outside the front door of the hotel. Rooms all have two queen size beds, microwaves, TV's, coffee makers, and hairdryers.

There is an indoor hot tub, exercise room, and ping pong. We will be staying three nights - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, checking out on Thursday - January 22 - 25, 2024!

The cost per person for the three nights with double occupancy is \$475. For those needing a single, the price is double that. Sign up for the trip and pay the total cost by December 15 – rooms can still be added.

Tom Canon, Trip Leader

Monarch Mountain & Wolf Creek

Jan. 30 - Feb. 2, 2024

Please join us for our third *combined* Flatirons Ski Club trip to Monarch and Wolf Creek from January 30 to February 2, 2024! We will have a *three-night* stay at The Baymont by Wyndham in Salida. You can travel to the ski area of your choice, Monarch Mountain, or Wolf Creek. Salida has many lovely restaurants to choose from for our dining pleasure. The drive to Monarch is less than 30 minutes up Highway 50 on Monarch Pass. Wolf Creek Ski area is two hours, mostly on a flat stretch of Highway 285. You can opt for either area.

Our stay at The Baymont hotel will include:

- * Spacious rooms with two comfortable queen beds
- * Continental breakfast + (with scrambled eggs)
- * Room amenities include big-screen TV, desk/chair, *mini-fridge*, *micro-wave*, coffee/tea maker, hair dryers, ironing board.
- * Indoor swimming pool and hot tub; Business center and laundry facilities.

The total cost per person for all three nights (double room occupancy) is \$200. Deposit is \$40. The balance is due at the December 6th FSC meeting. If you cannot attend FSC meetings, mail checks to Donna. Single occupancy is \$375 for 3 nights.

Cross-Country Skiers Note: *There are seven cross-country ski areas on Monarch Pass: Fosses Creek; Middle Fork Creek to Lost Wonder Hut; Waterdog Lakes etc. Also, Browns Creek (midway between Salida and Buena Vista) is a flat easy cc area to navigate. Contact Donna for more details.*

A social gathering with appetizers will be held each night (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday). Please bring your favorite appetizer to share. Paper products and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. BYOB if desired.

Day price for skiing at Monarch (discounted from last year!):

Adults (18-61 yrs old): \$64 Tues, Wed, Thurs; higher pricing Fri - Sun.

Seniors (62-68 yrs old): \$54 Tues, Wed, Thurs; higher pricing Fri-Sun

Super seniors (69 and older): Free with ID

Day price for skiing at Wolf Creek:

Adults (18-64 yrs old): \$89; Seniors (65-79 yrs old): \$58

80 yrs old and older: Free with ID

Note: Jan. 31st is local discount day for all: \$47 for seniors; general, \$66

There is a \$5 charge at Monarch unless you have your ID card from last year. So, bring your ID card, if you have it, and your driver's license verifying age!

Donna Cooper and Louise Geil, Trip Leaders

SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH YMCA OF THE ROCKIES February 5 - 8, 2024

Snow Mountain Ranch (SMR) in Fraser is a wonderful location for cross country skiing with miles of groomed trails. Snow Mountain Ranch offers snowshoeing, swimming, roller skating, arts & crafts, cross country skiing, 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 and other sites nearby to Snow Mountain Ranch.

The accommodation includes two reunion cabins with seven bedrooms. The trip fee includes use of most of the YMCA facilities, meals, and lodging. Trip attendees prepare the group meals at the cabins, and food is available to take for lunch. The trip fee includes SMR trail pass, meals, and lodging.

If the two cabins are full and additional members want to join this trip, it may be possible to reserve lodge rooms for the overflow.

Cost: \$165 per person
Payment is due by 12/01/23.

Beth Gaffney: Trip Leader

Snowy Range 2024 February 20-22 (2 Nights)

Snowy Range Ski Area is beautifully nestled within the scenic Medicine Bow National Forest in southeast Wyoming. There's downhill skiing as well as many trails for cross country skiing. It's an easy drive with no mountain passes or tunnels to navigate and it's only about 2 1/2 hours from Boulder!

We will stay at the rustic and charming Old Corral Hotel which is in Centennial WY (2750 Hwy 130). The Old Corral Hotel is only 4 miles away from the ski area, which is really convenient. The trip fee of \$102 per person is based on double occupancy, and it includes 2 queen size beds, with mini fridge (microwaves are available in the common area). The hotel is within a 5-minute walk to Mountain View Café or Bear Bottom Bar & Grill, very handy for dinner or breakfast.

There are usually few people skiing mid-week at Snowy Range and it's a nice change of pace. Another really great thing is the price of the day ticket (18-69yrs) is only \$49 (last season) and everyone 70+ is free! So please join us as we ski Snowy Range Ski Area, Wyoming, 2024.

Payment is due by 12/15/2023. Be sure to make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and write Snowy Range in the memo line. Please contact me with any questions.

Janne Cookman, Trip Leader

Fraser/Winter Park Trip Feb 27-March 1, 2024



For many years, the Ski Club has sponsored a trip to the Fraser House, which is located north of Tabernash. It's a large home, able to accommodate 16 people. Some are bunk beds. In the last few years, COVID has caused us to limit participation to 10 people, but with relaxation of restrictions, we can accommodate 18. It's a beautiful setting in a subdivision. Downhillers can easily reach Winter Park or Granby Ranch. Those who prefer Nordic skiing or snowshoeing have many choices: Snow Mountain Ranch, Devil's Thumb, Colorado Experimental Forest, or the west side of Rocky Mountain National Park, among other options. No lift tickets or passes are included in the price. Protein main dishes will be provided on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and breakfasts will be available on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Makings for a sandwich and fruit lunch will also be provided. Participants are expected to bring 3 side dishes, salads, or dessert (one for each dinner). \$25 holds your spot. The total cost is \$120 per person! Louisa Young is the new coordinator, trying to fill the Paris' very large shoes. Make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and send them to Louisa.

There are currently 8 spaces left.

Louisa Young, Trip Leader

SKI ASPEN/SNOWMASS 2024

March 4-7 or 8, 2024

Spots open for one single male and one single female, sharing double occupancy with another male/female.

This trip is back in 2024, offering great skiing at Aspen, Aspen Highlands, Snowmass, and Buttermilk. We will be lodging at the same hotel in Carbondale as last year.

Lodging: **Comfort Inn & Suites**
920 Cowen Dr
Carbondale CO 81623
Phone: (970) 963-8880

Location: The hotel is in Carbondale, approximately 36 minutes (28mi) from Aspen/Snowmass and 3 1/2 hours from Boulder.

Web: <https://www.choicehotels.com/colorado/carbondale/comfort-inn-hotels/co116>

Cost: \$310 per person for 3 nights OR \$410 per person for 4 nights
Payment is due **at the general meeting Wed 1/3 or if mailing by 1/4/24 latest.**

Ski lift tickets are available online. The IKON Pass is good at all areas as follows: **IKON Base Plus Pass** for 5 days, IKON Pass (full) for 7 days. You must reserve your days in advance with IKON online - it's free. The IKON Base Pass is not valid here, so you must buy the **add-on**.

Includes:

- 3 nights OR optional 4th night lodging (2 queen beds per room)
- Each room has a microwave and refrigerator.
- Breakfast bar each morning
- Use of meeting room for club potluck on Monday night
- Drive/carpool to ski areas
- Outdoor fire pit, indoor hot tub & pool
- City Market, shops, and restaurants nearby

Please make checks payable to Flatirons Ski Club and put Aspen/Snowmass and 3 or 4 nights in the memo line.

Richard Varey, Trip Leader, Downhill & Nordic Ski Chair

Leadville Ski Trip

March 12 to 14, 2024

Members Wait Listed. We need you!

A roommate is needed for both the men's and women's room assignments.

Additional Rooms Available:

The Silver Inn King and Suites has additional rooms we can reserve. Queen rooms lodge two FSC members. Odd numbers of sign-ups for men or women result in being wait listed till a roomie is signed up. Single king rooms are also available.

Cross Country:

Excellent cross country is nearby (10 miles) at Tennessee Pass Nordic Center. It shares a parking lot with Ski Cooper. Features 25 km of groomed trails. This center has rentals, instruction, and dining. There is a \$25 daily use fee. See

[Nordic Center Trail Map 2015 \(tennesseepass.com\)](http://tennesseepass.com)

Closer yet are the Timberline Trails at Colorado Mountain College, Mineral Belt trail, Mt Massive golf course, east side mining district, and more. Seven areas total. See

www.leadvilletwinlakes.com/things-to-do-detail/groomed-winter-trails/

Linda and Chris Paris have done extensive X-country in the Leadville areas and can advise you during your stay with the club.

Snow Shoeing: Trails are available at X-country sites for snow shoeing.

Ski Cooper Lift Tickets:

On Nov 1 the Cooper ticket office published lift prices:

Age 75+, No cost for season pass. There is a \$10 RFID card charge at the window.

Powder Alliance members get 3 free days here. It is part of Loveland pass benefits.

Adults \$95, discounted to \$90 if purchased 2 days before online or at window.

UPDATE:

The full trip description can be acquired from the FSC October newsletter.

All payments are due by January 15, 2024.

Ed Gostling, Trip Leader

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

FAC has been an FSC tradition for many years. Everyone is welcome. We meet at Rincon Cocina Y Tequila starting at 4:00 p.m. every Friday. The restaurant is on Arapahoe just west of the intersection of Folsom and Arapahoe.

Hope to see you there.

The FSC General Policies are to be published two times a year per FSC Bylaws:

FSC GENERAL POLICIES FSC Board approved 08-15-2019.

Sign-up Procedures: FSC doesn't intend to profit from activities, but usually charges a fee to cover costs.

- 1.1 The deposit holds your spot on the activity. Deposits in general are non-refundable.
- 1.2 When an activity is full, sign up on the Wait List. Cancellations often occur.
- 1.3 If you must cancel, notify the Leader promptly so a replacement person can be found.
- 1.4 It is preferred that when a person cancels and a replacement is found, the replacing person reimburses the cancelling person directly.
- 1.5 Pay your balance by the Due Date, or the Leader will replace you from the Wait List.
- 1.6 Pay separately for each activity, noting the activity name and date with the payment.
- 1.7 Make payments out to "**Flatirons Ski Club**" and give them to the Activity Leader.
- 1.8 The Treasurer will alert the Board to trips that have a significant profit after all known income and expenses have cleared. The Board will consider the reasons for the profit and authorize refunds if appropriate. An example of an appropriate situation is if the trip made money because one or more person(s) paid the full charge for the trip, cancelled before the trip started and the Club was able to recover whatever costs it had paid for the participant.
- 1.9 Communicate any issues promptly to the activity leader.

Capability. When a person's capability is inadequate for the activity, it negatively impacts other participants.

- 2.1 For the group's safe enjoyment of a given activity, members and guests must participate only in those group activities (skiing, hiking etc.) that are well within their current endurance, ability and skill so as not to cause an incident.
- 2.2 An incident is defined as any accident or adverse disruption to the safety of the planned group activity, an increase in the group's time or cost to accomplish the planned activity, or undue imposition on the group or outside parties.
- 2.3 Recognizing that mistakes can occur and accidents can happen, repeated incidents caused by a participant's lack of capability may disqualify that member from group activities and may result in use of FSC's Grievance procedure.

Guidelines for Conduct

- 3.1 During the activity, the Leader's decision on member participation is final.
- 3.2 Participants should be provided with a list of contact information of all participants, when possible, being aware that mobile devices might not be in service in remote areas.
- 3.3 Group activities should be done with two people minimum in the case of rescue patrolled areas, and with four persons minimum in other cases (so one person can stay with the victim and two people can go together for help).
- 3.4 If a group member becomes incapacitated, the group must care for him/her because participation in the activity implies agreement to help out in case of trouble.
- 3.5 A group must not split up unless there is a clear plan for a regroup place and time.
- 3.6 Turn-around times should be determined so that return can be accomplished in a timely manner.
- 3.7 In case of separation, wait at the first fork in the trail or the base of the agreed ski lift.
- 3.8 Voluntary solo-diversion from the group is strongly discouraged, effectively removes the person from the activity, and relieves the group from responsibility.
- 3.9 Carrying communication devices (e.g., cell phones and walkie talkies) are strongly encouraged for all members.

December 2023 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 FAC 4:00 PM	2
3	4	5	6 FSC General Meeting	7 Thursday Hike 8:45 AM	8  FAC 4:00 PM	9 FSC Annual Holiday Party 5:30 PM
10	11 Book Club 6:00 PM	12	13	14 Thursday Hike 8:45 AM	15 FAC 4:00 PM	16 FSC December Newsletter submittals due
17	18	19	20	21 3 rd Thursday Event RVSP Dolores	22 FAC 4:00 PM	23
24	25 	26 	27	28 Thursday Hike 8:45 AM	29 FAC 4:00 PM	30
31 New Year's Eve						

Board Members

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