



AUGUST, 2020

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NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

ZOOM HAPPY HOUR

TUESDAYS
5:00-6:00 PM



****NEW VIRTUAL HAPPY HOURS** **TUESDAYS**

5:00 - 6:00 PM

ROAD BIKING

8:30AM
TUESDAYS
THURSDAYS
RIVER CREEK PK

The Over the Hill Gang cannot get together, in person, for Happy Hour right now, so we are trying something new: Virtual Happy Hour! On Tuesdays, from 5:00 p.m. until about 6:00 p.m. some of us are gathering via Zoom to socialize and have a drink as a group. While nothing compares to being together on the deck at Aurum, this is kind of fun.

GRAVEL ROAD BIKING

FRIDAYS
9:00AM
RIVER CREEK PK

If you would like to join us, you can find the link to our Zoom meetings on the Members Only web page at the www.ssothg.org web site. (If you have not signed into the Members Only page before, please visit a couple of days in advance, create your own password and request access to the page. SSOTHG members will be granted access within 24 hours.) Grab a beverage and a snack

HIKING **MONDAYS**

**8:00
SAFEWAY
PARKING LOT**

**VIRTUAL
BOOK CLUB**

**OTHG GOLF
TOURNAMENT**

**TUESDAY
AUGUST 4**

9:00AM

GEOLOGY HIKE

FRIDAY

AUGUST 7

9:00AM - 1:00PM

**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS**

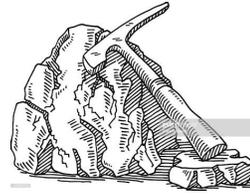
JEFF STECK

**WEBSITE and
MEMBERS
DIRECTORY**

Welcome to our updated website at <http://www.ssothg.org> You will find all of our events by clicking on the 'CALENDAR' tab.

To access the PDF version of the OTHG Directory, click on the 'Members Only' tab. Once there, you must 'Sign Up' by typing in your email address and entering a password that

and join us as we share tales of life during social distancing.



YAMPATIKA/OTHG GEOLOGY HIKE

with JEFF MILLIKEN

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 9AM-1PM

This education- focused three-mile hike is slow paced, we will be stopping often to observe and discuss the geology of the area.

Meet at Uranium Mine trailhead (Fish Creek Falls Rd parking lot) at 8:50AM To get signed in, the group will begin hiking at 9:00AM and return to the parking lot by 1:00PM.

PRE-REGISTRATION

The hike is free for OTHG members. **Pre-registration is required**, If you want to participate, please send an **email to giselagarrison@yahoo.com** or call **Gisela at 224-627-2747** with your contact information. Gisela will keep a list of participants (first come-first served) and communicate details back to you. This hike is **educational** and it is the expectation that the group stays together to hear the naturalist's explanations and teachings.

If you have any questions, please email or call Gisela.

Enjoy the summer and stay healthy.

SID HOPKINS (1936 - 2020)

November 18, 1936 – July 8, 2020 Sidney Hopkins, 83, long time resident of Steamboat Springs, ski instructor and member of the OTHG passed away July 8, 2020. He is survived by his wife Kay Burch who is now living at

you make up. (This is to ensure that the OTHG Directory is not available to the public.) Then click on 'Go'. The webmaster will verify that you are a member of the OTHG and send you an email approving your log-in information. After that, you will be able to log-in any time you want. You will also be able to download the Directory and keep it on your desktop.

FACEBOOK

Social Media

We now have a Facebook page! For those of you who are interested, log into Facebook and search SSOTHG - Steamboat Springs Over The Hill Gang' Then 'like' this group by clicking on the icon that says 'like' and shows a thumbs up icon. This is a PUBLIC group, meaning anyone can see all the posts. Please feel free to post any news, information, and pictures related to the OTHG.

OFFICERS

President - Cindy Kinnear
Vice President - Steve Hayes
Membership - Karen Whitney
Treasurer - Beverly Hayes
Social Events - Louise Wu
Communications - Jan Dring
Community Contributions - Anne Clardy
Public Relations - Gisela Garrison

ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZERS

Adopt-a-Highway
Karen Pharris

Casey's Pond Senior Living.

GROUP ACTIVITIES

Please note: For the safety of our members, if you are not feeling well or if you have attended a large group activity in the last two weeks, we ask that you not participate in our outings.



ROAD BIKING

8:30AM

RIVER CREEK PARK
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
(Walton Creek Rd and Lincoln)

Over the Hill Gang road biking continues every Tuesday and Thursday (weather permitting). The bikers meet at River Creek Park, Lincoln Avenue and Walton Creek Road. The route of the day will be determined by the riders present. We typically split into two or more groups based on the distance and the speed that people prefer. These are friendly rides, so no one is dropped. The riders hope to see you there!

Biking web page: <https://www.ssothg.org/road-biking> . For more information, email bikefast@ssothg.org. The group will maintain proper social distancing and we ask that you not come to the group ride if you are feeling ill.

Come and join us for a ride through beautiful Routt County.

Backcountry Skiing

Harry Zinn

Biking - Mellow Road

Jack Ferguson

Biking - Road

Steve Hayes

Biking - Gravel Road

Dave Kinnear

Book Club

Karen Whitney

Botanic Garden

Emily Seaver

Fly Fishing

Paul Inglefield

Golf

Steve Richheimer

Hiking

Lisa Kirkland

Pickleball

Cindy Kinnear

Skiing - Downhill

Jack Ferguson

Senior Housing

Bill Dring

Snowshoeing

Snowshoeing Co-Organizer: Cindy Kinnear is looking for volunteers to organize some of the Saturday snowshoe outings. Please contact her at snowshoe@ssothg.org if you can help out

PHOTO GALLERY



ZOOM HAPPY HOUR



GRAVEL ROAD BIKING

9:00 AM

RIVER CREEK PARK

FRIDAYS

(Walton Creek Rd and Lincoln)

The Friday gravel road rides have been going well. As bicycle technology advances and the Over the Hill Gang adds new members, we have seen the addition to our rides of many gravel bikes and e-bikes. The rides are friendly for mountain bikes and gravel bikes, whether electrified or not. To join us, meet at River Creek Park, Lincoln Avenue and Walton Creek Road, at 9:00 a.m. on Friday mornings. You can find out more about the planned route, each week, on the OTHG activities calendar: <https://www.ssothg.org/activities>. Double-click on the calendar entry to bring up a description of the ride and a map.

We will attempt to have ride options that are appropriate for slow riders, faster riders and e-bike riders. No one will be left behind.

We will utilize a number of scenic gravel roads for our outings and the routes will get a little more challenging as the season progresses and our conditioning improves. For more information, contact bikedirt@ssothg.org. Come out and play in the dirt with the Over the Hill Gang!





Hinman boulder field hike



Barbara Sparks Hinman boulder field hike



Yampatika WildFlower Hike
At Soda Creek

AUGUST HIKING

8:00 AM SAFEWAY PARKING LOT MONDAYS

Please read our website hiking page for full details and a list of suggested items to carry with you and check the website for any changes. There will not be a weekly reminder or email so please **save this** and remember to check the calendar and website for possible changes.

<https://www.ssothg.org/hiking>

August hikes will be leaving from Safeway at 8:00 a.m. weather permitting.

We will practice social distancing, keeping our 6 ft distance. We will break off into smaller groups depending on ability and time or distance.

Full hike descriptions can be found in *Hiking the Boat II* by Diane White-Crane.

August 3rd – Windy Ridge/Indian quarry – 6 miles RT. 9,000'+- to 9,328'+- with ups and downs. A great hike for spotting the magnificent Mariposa Lily.

August 10th – Sheriff's Reservoir (Flat Tops) Four Fun Lakes. 2.5 miles RT +/- . Nice, short hikes but steep. You start at Sheriff's Reservoir at 9,520'+- go to Spring, Camel, Carter and Sand at 10,192'+- Camel is at 10,100'+-

August 17th – Mica Lake – (Zirkel's) 10+- RT miles to the lake. 5 miles RT to stream crossing. 8,460' +/- trail head, Lake is at 10,428'+-. Elevation to the river crossing is about 9,800 +/- a true guess.

August 24th – Dumont Lake – 6 miles RT – 9,604'+- to 10,500'+-. Great place to hunt for mushrooms.

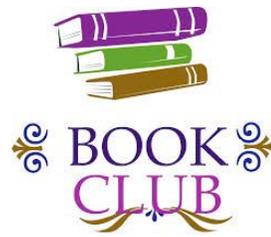
August 31st – Hooper/Keener – (Flat Tops) 6 miles RT +/- 10,280'+- to 11,190'+



GRAVEL ROAD BIKE RIDING



Hiking: Upper Fish Creek Falls



VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

The Silent Wife

by A.S.A. Harrison

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 6:00 - 8:00PM Please note the change to Tuesday JUST this month. Edith Hornik and / or Zoom will be the host for the book "The Silent Wife", by A.S.A. Harrison. This is not a 'carpet bag kit' so you will need to find your own copy to read. Go to <https://www.ssothg.org/book-club> to find out more information on our club and a summary of this book. We are looking for hosts for October and November.



8TH ANNUAL OVER THE HILL GANG GOLF TOURNAMENT

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4
9:00AM
HAYMAKER GOLF COURSE**

- This will be a four-person team scramble event.
- Cost will be \$20 per person (does not include green fees or cart).
- Men will tee off from the white tees (index below 23) or



Gravel Road Biking



Road Biking

blue/white tees (index 23 or greater), and women from the blue tees.

- The team will choose the best of the four drives and then everyone will play from that spot. This scenario will be continued until a ball is holed. - You may designate team members or be assigned to a team, but we try to balance the teams with both low and high handicap players or using handicaps.

- There will be prize money for the first and second place teams and a prize for closest to the hole on #7.

- There will be drawings after play for other prizes. - You do NOT need to be a member of OTHG or have a USGA handicap to play.

-Currently the field is limited to 4 teams (16 players) but can be expanded if enough people sign up. So please sign up early by emailing me with your intention to play and your handicap or average 18-hole score at Haymaker.

Steve Richheimer: richheimer@zirkel.us or 970-871-4593

SOCIALS and OTHG dinners

Group dinners and in-person happy hours will resume when it is again safe to gather.

OTHG MEMBERS DIRECTORY

New 2020 Directory is now available through the website www.ssothg.org (Click on the 'Members Only' tab). The website will contain the most current membership directory as new members join.

PHOTO GALLERY

If you have any photos of the “gang” or gang activities

you would like to share please email them to janet.dring@gmail.com



