



JULY, 2021

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# NEWSLETTER

## CALENDAR

Be sure to check the OTHG website calendar at [www.ssothg.org/activities](http://www.ssothg.org/activities) For detailed and updated information on all events.



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**BEG. JULY 6**  
**HAPPY HOUR**  
**AURUM**  
**TUESDAYS**  
**4-6PM**

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**THURS. JULY 29**  
**BOOK CLUB**  
**6-8PM**  
**LOCATION TBD**

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**HIKING**  
**MONDAYS**

**HAPPY HOURS ARE BACK!!!**  
**TUESDAYS**  
**STARTING JULY 6**  
**Through September**  
**AURUM'S UPPER DECK**  
**4-6PM**

**Wear your nametag please!**  
**Tokens will be back!**

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**SAFeway  
PARKING**

**8:20 AM**

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**BIKING**

**NEW!!!**

**MOUNTAIN BIKING  
MONDAYS**

**9:00AM**

**Parking Lot behind  
Rodeo Grounds**

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**ROAD BIKING  
TUES/THURS**

**9:00AM**

**RIVER CREEK  
PARK**

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**GRAVEL BIKING  
FRIDAYS**

**8:30AM**

**RIVER CREEK  
PARK**

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**WELCOME NEW  
MEMBERS**

Scott Monahan

Phyllis Hines

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**SAVE THE DATE**

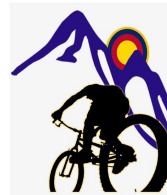
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 20**

**OTHG PIG ROAST**



**Watch for more details**

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**MOUNTAIN BIKING**

**MONDAYS 9:00 AM**

**Meet in the Parking lot behind Rodeo  
Grounds**

Designed for intermediate mountain bikers

For details see website

<https://www.ssothg.org/mountain-biking>

or contact Jon at [mtnbike@ssothg.org](mailto:mtnbike@ssothg.org) if you would like  
more information.

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**FLY FISHING**



# 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 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.

We anticipate having group outings, as previous, to the Delaney Lakes, offering miles of wadeable shoreline as well as float access both in early season (May) and the Fall. We will also be offering "Introduction to Fly Fishing" in the summer. The limitations on all of this are low water levels, which may happen. The present levels are low and the dam releases are being held back at this time to help as the season progresses. Pray for rain and a good season. For more information email Paul Inglefield [pinglefi@springsips.com](mailto:pinglefi@springsips.com)

## **TIGHT LINES**

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## **ROAD BIKING**

**ROAD BIKE RIDES - TUES/THURS 8:00AM**

**SOCIAL BIKE RIDES - 9:00AM**

The regularly scheduled road rides begin at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, weather permitting. We will be meeting at River Creek Park and riding a route that is agreed by the group. No one will be dropped on these rides. We may well split into multiple groups in order to accommodate different interests and capabilities.

The Tuesday 9:00 a.m. social rides will follow pre-planned routes, which are detailed in the Activities calendar. The Thursday 9:00 a.m. social ride group will determine its own route when we meet at RCP. The planned rides will leave from River Creek Park or may involve transporting our bikes to a different starting point.

Tuesday Social Rides

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## OFFICERS

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

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## ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZERS

### 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

OPEN

### Pickleball

Cindy Kinnear

### Skiing - Downhill

Jack Ferguson

### Senior Housing

Bill Dring

### Snowshoeing

Lynn Sidman &

Ute Lichtenstein

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## **PHOTO GALLERY**

July 6 - Ride to the CO 131 to mile marker 56 - 31 miles

July 13 - To be determined

July 20 - West summit of Rabbit Ears to Muddy Pass - 22 miles (We will be **driving** to the start. Please arrive with your bike on your vehicle)

July 27 - 20 Mile Park (RC 33) from the beige building below the switchbacks to RC 27 & then towards Oak Creek over one or more of the Three Witches - Max about 30 miles (We will be **driving** to the start. Please arrive with your bike on your vehicle)

For details see website <https://www.ssothg.org/events>

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## **GRAVEL BIKE RIDES - FRIDAYS 8:30 AM**

The gravel road rides are underway! Dave Kinnear is organizing a group that will head out to some of the scenic back roads in Routt County for a fun ride. We will meet at **River Creek Park, 8:30 am** on Friday mornings. With bikes on our vehicles, we will drive out to our starting point. Expect a ride of 15-30 miles. The early-season rides will be shorter. Many of the routes are out and back, so riders can easily turn around if they get tired. No one will be dropped.

Gravel road riders use mountain bikes, gravel bikes and e-bike versions of both. All are welcome. Your bike should have a tire width of at least 32 mm.

You can look for descriptions and maps of our gravel road rides on the OTHG Activity Calendar:  
<https://www.ssothg.org/events>

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## **HIKING MONDAYS**

**8:20 AM Safeway Parking Lot**

**Depart 8:30 AM**

Please read our website hiking page



Mountain biking group on top of Emerald Mountain



Mad Creek Hike



Glenwood Canyon Ride



Informal Happy Hour at McKnights



Informal Happy Hour at McKnights

<https://www.ssothg.org/hiking> for full details and a list of suggested items to carry with you. As in the past, we will be starting out slowly and the hikes will gradually increase in length and difficulty as the summer progresses. We are publishing one month of hikes at a time. Please double check the calendar <https://www.ssothg.org/events> and website for possible changes.

The meeting place will be the Safeway parking lot, creekside. Please be there 10 minutes before the start time as we tend to leave promptly. The listed hikes are suggestions only. There are no designated leaders, but someone usually steps up and offers to act as leader. Full hike descriptions (shown by page number) can be found in ***Hiking the Boat*** by Diane White-Crane.

**July 5 Four Fun Lakes** (P.133-134) (Sheriff Reservoir) (Flat Tops) @1.5 miles each way. 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'±.

**July 12 Hike to Base Camp above Dumont Lake** (P.105) (access via Rabbit Ears Pass) This hike is not in the book but it is about a 6 mile out and back or 7.5 for the loop.

**July 19 Fish Creek Falls** (P.40-47) (access via Fish Creek Falls upper parking lot) about 2.5 miles each way to Upper Fish Creek Falls. Trailhead 7,440' and Upper Falls at 9,000' (1,700' ± elevation gain).

**July 26 Gold Creek Lake** (P. 240-242) (Zirkels) 2.5 miles to first water crossing and then another half mile to lake at 8,460'±. If you want to do the Zirkel Circle that is about a 12 mile hike. You get to the saddle at 11,164' and then head down, making a circle with another water crossing on the way out.

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**BOOK CLUB**



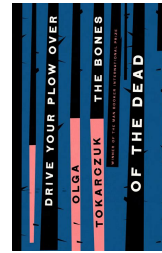


Red School House Ride



Meeting up at River Creek Park

Thursday, July 29



## Drive Your Plow Over the Bones of the Dead

by Olga Tokarczuk,

Thurs. July 29 from 6-8 pm. Location TBD

Wed. Aug. 25, The Ten Thousand Doors of January by  
[Alix E Harrow](#), 6-8 pm on Anne Volk's patio

Note: New Members: If you would like to be a member of this group, please  
contact Karen at [bookclub@ssothg.org](mailto:bookclub@ssothg.org)

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## SOCIALS and OTHG DINNERS

The OTHG Dinners and Socials are now in the planning stages, since Covid restrictions have been relaxed. They will be announced as they become confirmed.

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## OTHG GOLF TOURNAMENT

## HAYMAKER GOLF COURSE

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021 8:50 AM**

- This will be a four-person team event with Stableford scoring.
- Cost will be \$20 per person (does not include green fees or cart).
- Men will tee off from the white tees and women from the blue tees.
- The team score will be the total of all the net points

gained from each hole where a bogey or worse gets zero points, a par 1 point, birdie 2 points, and eagle 3 points.

- You may form a team or be assigned to a team.
- There will be prize money for the first and second place teams and a prize for closest to the hole on #12.
- You do NOT need to be a member of OTHG or have a USGA handicap to play but I need your handicap index or average 18-hole score at Haymaker in order to assign you the strokes you deserve.
- Currently the field is limited to 20 players but we can add another team if enough people sign up by 10 days in advance. So please sign up early by emailing me with your intention to play and your handicap or average score.

Steve Richheimer, OTHG Golf Coordinator  
[richheimer@zirkel.us](mailto:richheimer@zirkel.us) **871-4593**

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**YAMPATIKA/OTHG  
EDUCATIONAL WALKS  
Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>  
and Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Yampatika will be guiding two educational walks, free of charge, for the OTHG members later this summer. We have tentatively decided on Friday, August 13th and Friday, September 3rd. The topics for these educational walks have yet to be determined and are somewhat dependent on the members' preference.



In the past there was interest in the topics of Medicinal plants, Geology, Wildflowers. Lexi from Yampatika is also prepared to educate us on Wildfire Ecology.” The locations for these walks are dependent on the topics we decide on.

We are asking the OTHG members to email Giesla Garrison at [pr@ssothg.org](mailto:pr@ssothg.org) or text her at 224-627-2747 with their preferences.

Once the topics have been decided, the locations of the walks will be announced and you can text/email Gisela to sign up.



## PORTUGAL BIKE TOUR

### THIS TRIP IS ‘ON!’

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 3, 2021

Have you ever thought about a bicycling trip in Portugal? Some of your fellow OTHG members have signed up for a Backroads Portugal Bike Tour: **From Lisbon to Vineyards, Castles & Beaches.**

Here is the link to details and registration information.  
<https://www.backroads.com/trips/BPGI/portugal-biking-tour#itinerary>

If you have questions about the OTHG biking participants, please contact [Dave Kinnear at bikedirt@ssothg.org](mailto:Dave_Kinnear@bikedirt@ssothg.org)

**NOTE:** This is not a private trip. OTHG members will be joining other guests of Backroads Travel.

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## 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](mailto:janet.dring@gmail.com)



