



JUNE, 2021

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NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

Be sure to check the OTHG website calendar at www.ssothg.org/activities For detailed and updated information on all events.



BOOK CLUB

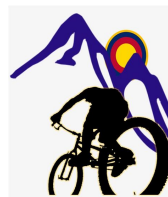
Wed. June 20
6:00 pm
Karen Whitney's Patio

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

HIKING
MONDAYS

HAPPY HOURS ARE BACK!!!

TUESDAYS
STARTING JULY 6
Through September
AURUM'S UPPER DECK
4-6PM



NEW ACTIVITY!!!

**BEG. JUNE 7
SAFEWAY
PARKING
9:00AM**

**BIKING
BEGINS IN JUNE**

NEW!!!

**MOUNTAIN BIKING
MONDAYS
9:00AM**

**Parking Lot behind
Rodeo Grounds**

**ROAD BIKING
TUES/THURS
9:00AM
RIVER CREEK
PARK**

**GRAVEL BIKING
FRIDAYS
8:30AM
RIVER CREEK
PARK**

**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS**

Theresa Lichtenfels
Ralph Pickett
Kelly Pickett
Susan Pearson

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 if you would like
more information.

FLY FISHING



We anticipate having group outings, as previous, to the Delaney Lakes offering miles of wadable shoreline as well 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

TIGHT LINES



ROAD BIKING

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.

ROAD BIKE RIDES - TUES/THURS 9:00AM

The regularly scheduled road rides begin at 9:00 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.

In addition to the Thursday rides, we will be offering informal social rides on each Tuesday. The planned rides will leave from River Creek Park or may involve transporting our bikes to a different starting point.

Tuesday Social Rides

June 1 - Sidney Peak Ranch - 15 miles

June 8 - To be determined

June 15 - Red School House - 19 miles

June 22 - Saddleback Pass Summit - 25 miles

June 29 - Strawberry Park Loop - 19 miles

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

GRAVEL BIKE RIDES - FRIDAYS 8:30 AM

The gravel road rides return in June! Dave Kinnear will be 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>

OFFICERS

President - Cindy Kinnear
Vice President - Steve Hayes
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Anne Clardy
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Garrison

ACTIVITIES & ORGANIZERS

Backcountry Skiing

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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

PHOTO GALLERY

A May snowshoeing became a hike on the Water Treatment trail. Still snow on distant

HIKING MONDAYS

**Begining Monday June 7
9:00 AM Safeway Parking Lot**

Please read our website hiking page <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 June 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.

June hikes will be leaving from Safeway at **9:00 am** – we will carpool or caravan to the hike site.

June 7 Mad Creek Trail (P.60-63) (access 5.5 mi. N on RC-129) About 1.5 miles each way. We hike to the bridge, then turn around and visit the Forest Service Guardhouse on the way back. Starting elevation is 6,763' and we go to 7,200'±

June 14 Uranium Mine (P.47-48) (access via Fish Creek Falls parking lot) 1.5 miles each way. RT ± starting at 6,700' and going to 8,000'±

June 21 Strawberry Park Hot Springs Trail (P.66-67) (access 5.5mi. N on RC-129-Mad Creek parking lot) 3 miles each way. Starting at 6,700' and going to 7,800'±

June 28 Bear Creek Trail (Lower Bear) (P.58-60) (access

mountains, but blossoms
along the trail.



via Amethyst (RC-36)) 1.5 miles to the creek, 2 miles to the view of the Flat Tops, 2.5 to the rock ledge. About 1,000' elevation gain.



YAMPATIKA/OTHG EDUCATIONAL WALKS

Friday, August 13th
and Friday, September 3rd

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.

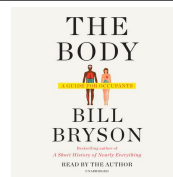
In the past there was interest in the topics of Medicinal plants, Geology, Wildflowers. Lexi from Yampatika is also prepared to educate us on Wildfire Ecology." The locations for these walks are dependent on the topics we decide on.

We are asking the OTHG members to email Giesla Garrison at pr@ssothg.org 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.



BOOK CLUB
Wednesday, June 30
6-8pm
The Body



By Bill Bryson
Karen Whitney's patio
Contact Karen Whitney
bookclub@othg.org

Thurs. July 29, Drive Your Plow Over the Bones of the Dead by [Olga Tokarczuk](#), 6-8 pm, location and host TBD

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

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.



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_at_bikedirt@ssothg.org)

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

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



