

Fall 2018 Schedule

Date & Location	Outing description	<u>Difficulty info</u>
<p>Wed, Sep 19 8:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am Purg 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Engineer Meadows</u> This hike offers beautiful vistas and fall colors. The trail ascends a steep slope into spruce and fir and passes by two small lakes. At 2.5 miles the trail leaves the forest and enters the tundra with expansive views right next to Engineer Mountain. Return is by the same route. Carpool \$5. Well behaved dogs ok. RSVP non-members and those meeting at Purg only. Lynda Packard (254) 424-5061 lbpackard@gmail.com</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 1300 ft. HIGH ALTITUDE 10,640 ft. min. elevation</p>
<p>Wed, Sep 19 9:00 am</p> <p>Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is Chris Park Aspen Loop. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Carpool \$4. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Fri, Sep 21 8:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike North Perins Peak (8,682 ft.)</u> Hike for two miles on the Perins Peak Trail. Branch north and walk off-trail on the North Perins cuesta to the summit. Proven scramblers may descend to an airy stone promontory. Visit a nine-foot-tall stone boy, a cairn monument to this solitary world. Carpool \$1. Limit 12. No dogs. Leader: Debra Van Winegarden RSVP co-leader Tomás Ward 970-426-8918 tom@thward.net</p>	<p>Hard 9.5 miles 2,200 ft.</p>
<p>Sat, Sep 22 8:00 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike And Cookout to Ward's Cabin</u> This is an easyish one-way hike from Transfer Campground via various trails and roads to Ward's cabin at 9,000' in the aspen forest. We'll have a cookout for lunch. We'll supply the hot dogs (also veggie) and fixins, beans and lemonade. Other dishes welcome. Limits: people 15, Two dogs on leash. Car pool \$5. RSVP to Leader: La Donna Ward tlward@frontier.net or call 970-247-1310 Co-leader: Travis Ward</p>	<p>Easy/moderate 400 Ft elevation gain 4 miles</p>

<p>Sun, Sep 23 8:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am <u>TC</u> 8:10 am <u>PURG</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike No Name Peak (12,628 ft.)</u> This 'No Name Peak' is northeast of Snowden Peak and is accessed at the trailhead from Andrews Lake (10,768 ft.). Take the trail to the end of the meadow below Snowden Peak and then a steep uphill to the left with a few false summits then to the summit of 'No Name Peak'. Great view with a lot of rocks to sit on for lunch. Return the same route. Moderate pace hiking. Carpool \$8.00. Limit 15. Two well behaved dogs OK. Hunting Season-Wear Orange. RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com</p>	<p>Moderate 5-6 miles 1,860 ft.</p>
<p>Mon, Sep 24 8:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am <u>PURG</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike SpiritGulch</u> Starting at Red Mt Overlook, hike through Commodore, Spirit, and McIntyre Gulches. Amazing views. Car shuttle. Limit 12. No dogs. Carpool \$8. RSVP Susan Beck-Brown sbeckbrown@yahoo.com 970-759-3421. Hunting season wear orange</p>	<p>Moderate 7 miles 1600 ft</p>
<p>Mon, Sep 24 8:30 am</p> <p>Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD nursery) 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</u> This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com 970-403-3089 <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 m average pace</p>
<p>Wed, Sep 26 7:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 7:30 am <u>TC</u> 7:45 am Purg 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Climb Point (13,042ft.) (V 7)</u> Start at Little Molas Lake and walk the Colorado trail for about 5 miles. We will then climb up through a break in the cliff band and hike off-trail on user- friendly terrain to the peak. This hike is long, but should be a mellow climb on fall tundra. Limit 10. Dogs okay. Carpool \$5. RSVP Lynn Coburn harrisoncoburn@gmail.com 247-0914</p>	<p>Most challenging, but only because of distance. 13 miles 2,300 Ft elevation gain</p>
<p>Wed, Sep 26 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:30 am Purg 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Purgatory trails</u> MK Gunn from San Juan Mountain Association will lead us on a Harris Park and Brush Rake figure 8. We will enjoy the fall aspen leaves from the quiet slopes of our local Purgatory Ski area. Things look different without snow! We'll talk about geology, trees, lichens and more as we try to orient ourselves with our favorite ski</p>	<p>Moderate 3.2 miles 500 ft.</p>

	<p>runs. There won't be any snowboarders out there, just cows. Carpool \$4. No dogs. RSVP non-members and those meeting at Purg only Cindy Werland (512) 791-8498 cewerlan@flash.net</p> <p>About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	
<p>Wed, Sep 26 9:00 am</p> <p>SRP 9:00 am</p>	<p>Wednesday Easy Hikers</p> <p>The destination is Sale Barn. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Lydine Hannula at 884-9052 or 426-9684 or hlydine@gmail.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Sun, Sep 30 7:00 am</p> <p>RC 7:00 am TC 7:10 am PURG 7:30 am</p>	<p>Hike Black Bear Pass Road</p> <p>The hike starts on the Black Bear Pass 4-wheel drive road off of Red Mountain Pass near the summit. Ideally, this would be a 9.2 miles through hike, requiring someone to drive to Telluride and pick up about 4 hikers. The driver would go up the road to Bridal Veil Falls Trail in Telluride to meet the hikers coming down. If we don't have enough volunteer drivers then hikers without a ride would turn around at 4 or 5 miles and return by the same route along the road. Incredible views from high above Red Mountain Pass and Telluride, close-up views of historic mines and dramatic waterfalls. Moderate pace hiking. Carpool TBD. Limit 15. No dogs. RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com</p>	<p>Moderate 9.2 miles one way or 8 to 10 miles round trip 1,827 ft.</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 1 8:00 am</p> <p>RC 8:00 am PURG 8:30 am</p>	<p>Hike Ouray Perimeter Trail</p> <p>Moderately strenuous trail providing beautiful views of Ouray and the surrounding peaks. Worth the drive! Limit 12. No dogs. Carpool \$10. RSVP Susan Beck-Brown sbeckbrown@yahoo.com 970-759-3421 Hunting season wear orange</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1600 ft</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 1 9:30 am</p> <p>Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD nursery) 9:30 am</p>	<p>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</p> <p>This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com 970-403-3089</p> <p>Click here for additional details</p>	<p>Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 mph average pace</p>

<p>Wed, Oct 3 8:30 am</p> <p>RC 8:30 am Purg 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Cascade Village</u> The hike begins behind the condos at Cascade Village. The trail ascends immediately and then winds gently through an aspen forest then down to a meadow along Cascade Creek. There are fine views of Engineer Mountain along the way. Carpool \$4. Dogs on leash only. RSVP non-members and those meeting at Purg only. Tricia Bayless 799-4535 tbayless@bresnan.net Hunting season wear orange.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 400 ft.</p>
<p>Wed, Oct 3 9:00 am</p> <p>Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is Animas City Mountain. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Thu, Oct 4 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am TH 9:30 am Needles Store</p>	<p><u>Hike Castle Rock</u> An annual favorite for fall colors and commanding views at the top. Bring hot dogs and brats for a cookout. We will make a loop at the top and then return to the trailhead. Carpool \$4. Please maximize carpooling due to limited parking at the trailhead. Dogs OK. Leader: Clark Lagow. No RSVP required.</p>	<p>Moderate 4 miles 1500 ft</p>
<p>Fri, Oct 5 8:00 am</p> <p>ACP 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Slide Rock Kennebec trails</u> This is a beautiful high-country hike on good trails. We will start in the trees and go above timberline for a La Plata Mountain experience in this historic hard rock area. Carpool \$5. 4WD HC vehicles advised. Limit 15, 4 dogs OK. RSVP Steve Krest 970-588-3806 skrest@earthlink.net</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1,500 ft.</p>
<p>Fri, Oct 5 8:45 am</p> <p>Hermosa Conoco Station 8:45</p>	<p><u>Highway Cleanup</u> RESCHEDULED TO OCTOBER 5TH Come join other SO! Members as we clean up our two stretches of Highway 550. Imagine the interesting things you might find you may be the one to find a \$20 bill this time! Bring work/garden gloves and an orange vest if you have one. If not, we have extras. Coffee and donuts served in the parking lot across from the Hermosa</p>	<p>Easy 2 miles 100 ft.</p>

	Conoco Station. No dogs. RSVP Betsey Butler 970-403-3185 ejbutler12@gmail.com	
Sat, Oct 6 8:00 am <u>RC</u> 8:00 am <u>TC</u> 8:10 am <u>PURG</u> 8:30 am	<u>Hike Kendall Forest Trail</u> We will start from the Kendall Mt. Community Center on an unmarked trail to the left and slightly uphill. This up and down trail is through the forest with little elevation gain. The trail comes to an opening where you have a beautiful view of Arrastra Gulch and the trail that leads to Silver Lake. This is an in and out hike. Also the first or last part of '100 Hard Rock Race'. No dogs because of wildlife. Carpool \$5.00. Hunting Season – Wear Orange RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com	Moderate 6 miles 1,000 ft.
Mon, Oct 8 8:30 am <u>RC</u> 8:30 Purg 9:00	<u>Easy Way to Castle Rock</u> CANCELED BECAUSE OF WEATHER Drive behind Purg on good dirt roads to access the trailhead to the Castle Rock Overlook. Hike easy rolling terrain to spectacular views. Limit 12, 1 dog. Car Pool \$5.00. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Susan Beck-Brown sbeckbrown@yahoo.com 970-759-3421	Easy 4 Miles 500'
Mon, Oct 8 9:30 am Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD nursery) 9:30 am	<u>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</u> This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com 970-403-3089 <u>Click here for additional details</u>	Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 m average pace
Tue, Oct 9 6:30 pm <u>RC</u> 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Meeting	<u>'Rivers – Adventures into Deep Time'</u> Join us as Dr. Gary Gianniny, geologist, focuses on what we've learned about the history of the earth from rafting the San Juan and Colorado River Canyons. It will highlight Faculty/Student research at FLC and insights to limited water resources, the impacts of dams on river sediment deposits, cave and aquifer formation in the Grand Canyon, ancient climate, and the evolution of the Four Corners area. Speaker bio: Gary Gianniny is a geology professor at Fort Lewis College in Durango, CO and an avid river rafter. His research and that of his students	Easy, educational and fun

	<p>focuses on sedimentary geology associated with aquifers and oil and gas, climate change, water issues and other related topics in the southwestern United States. Several of his research areas are accessed while rafting southwestern US rivers.</p>	
<p>Wed, Oct 10 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:30 am Purg 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Purgatory Flats</u> CANCELLED DUE TO ADVERSE WEATHER AND TRAIL CONDITIONS We will hike from the trailhead across from Purgatory down through aspen groves to Cascade Creek then a short way upstream to the convergence of Cascade and Lime Creeks. Then we will slowly hike the 1200 feet back to the trailhead. Carpool \$4. Well behaved dogs ok. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP non-members and those meeting at Purg only Lorie Hansen (828) 243-2194 lmhansen39@gmail.com <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 4 miles 200' gain on the return hike</p>
<p>Wed, Oct 10 9:00 am</p> <p>Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is up Pioneer Trail, the dirt road just before the Large EDMONT sign on the left of Florida Rd. We will meet as usual at 9 AM at the Fairgrounds parking lot by Main St. (US 550). It is a steady up for a mile. Bring poles; may be muddy. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Fri, Oct 12 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:30 am (Trailhead TBD)</p>	<p><u>Hike Animas City Mtn or Dall Mtn park (formerly Greyrock Ridge)</u> LOCATION CHANGED DUE TO WEATHER (FORMERLY GREYROCK RIDGE) Loop hike on Animas City Mtn and Dalla Mtn Park (in some combination TBD). Likely 5-7 miles depending on conditions. Moderate Pace. Limit 15 with 1 dog under voice control or on a leash (please RSVP for dog). Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Betsy Petersen 970-259-5417 betsy@bresnan.net</p>	<p>Moderate 6.5 miles 1,200 ft.</p>
<p>Sat, Oct 13 7:30 am</p> <p><u>ACP</u> 7:30 am (formerly 8:00 am)</p>	<p><u>Day Hike Columbine Lake and Point 13,300</u> RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 7TH TO OCTOBER 13TH, NOTE NEW START TIMES</p>	<p>Hard 10 miles 3,300 ft</p>

<p>TC 7:40 am (formerly 8:10 am) PURG 8:00 am (formerly 8:30 am)</p>	<p>Hike to beautiful Columbine Lake then climb to Point 13,300 overlooking the lake. The final bit to the top involves a short scramble that is not difficult. Carpool \$7, dogs OK. Limit 10. RSVP Chris Blackshear, chris.blackshear@gmail.com 970-238-1541. Hunting season wear orange.</p>	
<p>Sun, Oct 14 9:00 am SRP 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Cumberland Mt. and Taylor Lake</u> We will drive up LaPlata Canyon and park 4 wheel vehicles at Kennebec Overlook (10,340 ft.). We will hike via the Colorado Trail toward the Muldoon Mine Ruins, which is where we will start to climb Cumberland Mountain (12,388 ft.) A relatively short distance gets you to the summit where there are amazing views of the many peaks in the San Juan vistas. We will descend the peak on the opposite side. From here the hike will continue to Taylor Lake and return the same route. Hike at a moderate pace. Carpool \$10. 4WD/HC/Low vehicles required. Limit 15. Two well behaved dogs OK. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com</p>	<p>Moderate 4 miles 2,048 ft</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 15 9:30 am Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD nursery) 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</u> This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com 970-403-3089 <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 m average pace</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 15 5:00 pm 5:00 PM</p>	<p><u>SO Board Meeting</u> Seniors Outdoors Quarterly Board Meeting: To be held at Mary Moorehead's house. RSVP Mary Moorehead, mmtax@cmconline.com</p>	<p>Easy</p>
<p>Wed, Oct 17 8:30 am RC 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Vallecito Creek Trail</u> The trail is rocky, steep and narrow in spots with great views into the gorge. We will hike at a moderate pace to the first bridge. Some may want to stop at a nice view about 2/3 of the way to the bridge. Carpool \$4. One well-behaved dog ok. Limit 15 people due to wilderness regulations. Everyone must RSVP due to limit. Susan Beck-Brown 759-3421 sbeckbrown@yahoo.com Hunting season wear orange</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1200 ft.</p>

	<u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u>	
<p>Wed, Oct 17 9:00 am</p> <p>Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is Pioneer Trail. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Turn backs possible. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Wed, Oct 17 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 AM TH 9:15 AM</p>	<p><u>Climb North Perins Peak</u> CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER North Perins Peak: Starting at the Rockridge subdivision trail head, hike and climb up to the Perins Peak backslope. Then, turn right and shortly after north on the trail to Peak 8,642', unofficially called North Perins Peak. Debra Van Winegarden's complete hike description is found here: https://durangoherald.com/articles/237167-north-perins-peak-hike-offers-a-solitary-world. Due to limited trail-head parking, you are encouraged to meet at the RC parking lot. Limit 16 people. No dogs. Carpool \$2. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP: Bruce Rodman 385-7899 Mtnman16@gmail.com or Co-leader Wayne Bedor 764-4089 waynebedor@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Moderate 8.4 miles 1000 Ft</p>
<p>Fri, Oct 19 8:30 am</p> <p>RC 8:30 am TC 8:40 am TH (across from Purg) 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Purgatory trail to Animas River</u> This well used trail is up and down both ways, with a climb at the end of our hike. It offers mountain views, and the spectacular narrow Cascade Creek Canyon. The trail is both at creek level and high above. Our lunch site will be across the foot-bridge at the Animas River, complete with picnic tables. Carpool \$4. Limit 15. One dog OK on leash or voice control. RSVP Betsy Petersen 970-259-5417 betsyp@bresnan.net</p>	<p>Hard at Moderate pace 9.4 miles 2,050 ft.</p>
<p>Sat, Oct 20 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 AM TC TBD PURG TBD</p>	<p><u>Pre-Season Saturday Snowshoe From Andrews Lake Summer Parking (changed from Little Molas Lake)</u> LOCATION CHANGED FROM LITTLE MOLAS TO ANDREWS LAKE SUMMER PARKING We can expect 8-12" snow. This will be easy-moderate and OK for first time snowshoe-ers. We will be out about 3 hours and take a break for snack/lunch. The</p>	<p>Easy-moderate</p>

	<p>regular Saturday snowshoe season starts Dec 1st but this year it looks like we can start earlier. Weather report looks good for this Saturday and there should be plenty of fresh snow!</p> <p>If you are unsure of your equipment or need to borrow some then contact John Martin. I have 2 extra pairs of snowshoes and 2 extra pairs of poles. Also we recommend everyone carry shovels even on these moderate outings so I will bring a few of those also.</p> <p>Let's meet at 9AM at Rec Center. Other pickup points need to be arranged such as Trimble Crossing or Purgatory Flats Trailhead parking. Dogs OK.</p> <p>Please RSVP to John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com or 970-749-4056</p>	
<p>Sun, Oct 21 - Wed, Oct 24</p> <p>SRP 11:00 am</p>	<p><u>Explore Easy Slot Canyons Near Goblin Valley State Park</u></p> <p>Day one drive to Goblin Valley State Park in Utah (about a 4 ½ hour drive). Bring lunch to eat on the road. Set up camp, eat dinner then explore the Valley of Goblins. Day two explore Little Wild Horse and Bell slot canyons. You will need some minor scrambling skills in both canyons, not mind squeezing though tight areas, and be willing to wade through thigh deep water. Day three explore Crack Canyon and possibly Chute Canyon if time permits. Bring water shoes. Carpool and camping fees TBD. Limit 8. One Dog okay. RSVP Joline Morrison 970 884 2572 or morrisjp@uwec.edu Co-leader Mike Morrison 970-884-2572 or morriscm@uwec.edu</p>	<p>Hard due to distance and scrambling. Day 2: 8.7 miles 71 vertical. Day 3: 7 miles Crack Canyon. Perhaps 4.5 miles more if the group decides to do Chute Canyon.</p>
<p>Sun, Oct 21 4:00 pm</p> <p>Durango RV Rentals, US 160 near Three Springs entrance 4:00 pm</p>	<p><u>Skiers Potluck Dinner</u></p> <p>Attention Downhill Skiers and Boarders: Get acquainted, reacquainted and/or just have a good time at a pot luck gathering at Durango RV Rentals on US Highway 160 near the entrance to Three Springs. Bring your own beverages and dish to share. We need a count of attendees via RSVP no later than October 13. RSVP to Bruce Rodman at Mtnman16@gmail.com or 970-385-7899. (Please leave your email address with phone message.)</p>	<p>Delicious</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 22 9:30 am</p> <p>Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD</p>	<p><u>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</u></p> <p>This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com or 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com or 970-403-3089</p>	<p>Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 mph average pace</p>

nursery) 9:30 am	Click here for additional details	
Wed, Oct 24 8:30 am RC 8:30 am TC 8:40 am PURG 9:00 am	Hike Kendall Mt. Two (13,066 ft.) CANCELED From Silverton we will use the Kendall Mt. 4-wheel vehicle road. We will drive up to the junction of Deer Creek Road, park vehicles, and hike the road the remaining way up to the trail. We will traverse the mountain side to the summit of Kendall Mountain Two (13,066 ft.) We will then descend the summit and explore the ridgeline with the option to hike to Kendall Mountain One (13,338 ft.) Hike at a moderate pace. Carpool \$12. 4WD/HC/Low vehicles required. Two well behaved dogs OK. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com	Hard 4-6 miles 2,200-2,500 ft.
Wed, Oct 24 9:00 am Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am	Wednesday Easy Hikers CANCELED, TO BE COMBINED WITH PIONEER TRAIL HIKE ON 10/31 The destination is Edgemont Highlands trails. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. No dogs. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com	Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.
Wed, Oct 24 9:00 am TH parking lot on 160 W behind Giant Gas Station	WW hike Twin Buttes CANCELED BECAUSE OF WEATHER AND TRAIL CONDITIONS We will hike some of the trails below Twin Buttes, following trails and old roads and railroad grades. Dogs on leash only. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP non-members only Petra Heinsen (323) 632-9981 petraheinsen@gmail.com About Wednesday Wanderers	Moderate 3.5 miles 500 ft.
Thu, Oct 25 10:00 am Home Depot	Thursday Road Bike Ride Easy pace, 29 miles. Due to the closure of Santa Rita Park to visitor parking through October (and possibly longer), the Thursday Bike Ride will depart from Home Depot starting this Thursday, October 18. Because it is growing colder, start time will change to 10 am. Meet at the parking area next to the Home Depot Garden Center.	Easy

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<p>Fri, Oct 26 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am <u>TH</u> 9:10 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Perins Peak South</u> Hike on a well-established trail from the Rockridge Trail Head Parking lot. Enjoy beautiful La Plata Mountain, Missionary Ridge and City of Durango views at the destination. Hiking poles helpful for return trip. No Dogs. Carpool \$1. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Wayne Bedor waynebedor@yahoo.com or 970-769-6548</p>	<p>Moderate 5.5 miles 1,800 ft gain</p>
<p>Sun, Oct 28 8:00 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Prater Ridge Trail</u> This hike in Mesa Verde National Park begins on the west end of Morefield campground. The trail ascends Prater Ridge and follows a loop around the top of the ridge, and descends by the same route. A cut-off trail can be taken which shortens the trail by 5 miles. Changes in elevation and vegetation along with views of the surrounding area are highlights of this trail. Carpool \$6. Limit 15. No dogs. Hunting Season – Wear Orange. RSVP Nancy Federico 259-1949 fortfed@gmail.com</p>	<p>Moderate 7.8 miles 850 ft.</p>
<p>Mon, Oct 29 9:30 am</p> <p>Home Depot Parking Lot (South End near the HD nursery) 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Bike Ride for Intermediate Road Cyclists</u> This is a nobody-gets-left-behind social ride from Home Depot to Bread and back. Helmets are required. Contact either of us if you have questions and to be added to an email list. Bob Schuckhart: bschuck1@gmail.com 832-285-2373 or Co-leader Hugh Brown: hugh.m.brown2@gmail.com 970-403-3089</p> <p><u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>Easy 16 mile ride at an 11-13 m average pace</p>
<p>Tue, Oct 30 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am <u>TH</u> 9:15 am Dry Fork Road Parking Lot right off Lightner Creek Road CR 207</p>	<p><u>Hike Barnroof Point</u> NEW HIKE This is a fairly easy climb up a well-defined trail to the west end of the mountain with a short scramble to get on top. Half mile of bushwhacking to get to Barnroof point after a relatively easy 1½ mile hike toward the east end of the mountain. Great views of the La Platas. No dogs. Wear orange. Carpool \$2 RSVP: Wayne Bedor 970-769-6548 waynebedor@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Moderate 5 Miles 1,900' Elevation Change</p>

<p>Wed, Oct 31 8:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Starvation Creek</u> LOCATION CHANGE</p> <p>The Oct 31 location of the WW hike of the old Rio Grande Southern RR has been changed from the Hesperus area to the Cherry Creek area (a couple of miles farther west in north Thompson Park, between Hesperus Hill and Mancos Hill), because I could not obtain permission to cross private property.</p> <p>We will walk 1+ mile(s) to Starvation Creek, to a collapsed RR trestle, the site of a near-catastrophic train wreck where the locomotive was left dangling over the gulch. (I will show photos). We can walk farther along the right-of-way if desired. Meet at the Rec Center SW corner parking lot at 8AM sharp. For those willing to drive, please bring high clearance, and preferably, 4WD vehicles to access the railroad bed above the Cherry Creek Campground. If it rains, it will be muddy. Carpool \$2. No dogs. RSVP non-members only Jim Shadell 247-5597 jimshadell@gmail.com Hunting season wear orange.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy 2+ miles Negligible gain</p>
<p>Wed, Oct 31 9:00 am</p> <p>Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> DESTINATION AND LEADER CHANGE</p> <p>The destination is the Pioneer Trail and Edgemont Highlands trails. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Turn backs possible. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact David Wright at djwright001@gmail.com or 259-5978 or 382-1842 (cell).</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Thu, Nov 1 10:00 am</p> <p>Home Depot</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> Easy pace, 29 miles.</p> <p>Due to the closure of Santa Rita Park to visitor parking through October (and possibly longer), the Thursday Bike Ride will depart from Home Depot starting this Thursday, October 18. Because it is growing colder, start time will change to 10 am.</p> <p>Meet at the parking area next to the Home Depot Garden Center.</p> <p><u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>Easy, 29 miles</p>
<p>Fri, Nov 2 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Vallecito Creek Trail</u> LEADER CHANGED FROM BETSY PETERSEN TO NANCY FEDERICO</p>	<p>Hard at Moderate Pace 10+ miles 1,200 ft.</p>

<p>RC 8:00 am Fire Station at Florida Rd and CR 234 8:15am TH 8:45 am</p>	<p>This Weminuche Wilderness hike provides beautiful views as it climbs up, down and along Vallecito Creek. We will hike to the second bridge or shortly before it, along a well-defined trail. Turn backs OK with partner(s). Rated hard due to the distance. Carpool \$4. Limit 15. One dog transported by owner, on leash or voice control. RSVP NANCY FEDERICO fortfed@gmail.com 259-1949</p>	
<p>Mon, Nov 5 8:45 am RC 8:45 AM</p>	<p><u>Geology hike up Animas Mt</u> CANCELLED Due to a professional conflict, this hike has been cancelled. Possible reschedule next year. This is a moderate hike to top of Animas Mt. along a well-defined somewhat rocky trail that loops back to TH. Expert geologist discussion of wide variety of Durango area geology viewed along the trail. Bring lunch. Limit 15. No dogs. Carpool \$1. RSVP Jeff Brame 759-9827 geostar20@aol.com</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles RT loop Elevation gain 1535'</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 7 8:00 am ACP 8:00 am TC 8:10 am PURG 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Day Hike or Snowshoe to Ice Lake</u> A summer time favorite hike, but sometimes doable in mid-autumn. We've done this hike the past two years. Snowshoes likely to be needed for part of the hike. Carpool \$7, dogs OK. Limit 10. RSVP Chris Blackshear: chris.blackshear@gmail.com or 970-238-1541. Hunting season wear orange</p>	<p>Hard 8 miles 2700 ft</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 7 9:00 am Fairgrounds Parking Lot 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is Dalla Mountain Park. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 7 9:30 am SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Animas River Trail</u> Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions on brisk winter mornings. Participants may turn back early or continue further, if desired. Dogs must be leashed. No RSVP required. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or pahlkee@aol.com <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy 5 - 7 miles Flat</p>

<p>Thu, Nov 8 10:00 am</p> <p>Home Depot 10 AM</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> Easy pace, 29 miles. Due to the closure of Santa Rita Park to visitor parking through October (and possibly longer), the Thursday Bike Ride will depart from Home Depot starting this Thursday, October 18. Because it is growing colder, start time will change to 10 am. Meet at the parking area next to the Home Depot Garden Center. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>Easy, 29 miles</p>
<p>Fri, Nov 9 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Climb Perins Peak & E. Twin Butte</u> Hike up to the base of East Twin Butte, the higher of the two buttes, on the Twin Buttes trail system. Then climb up a rough scabbly use trail to the summit. Return to the base and head cross country over to Perins Peak with some scrambling and a little brush beating to the summit. Then down the trail to Rock Ridge and a short car shuttle back to the start. Limit 10. Dogs okay if they can politely share the trail with Mt bikers. Carpool \$2. RSVP Lynn Coburn harrisoncoburn@gmail.com 247-0914</p>	<p>Hard 9 miles Elevation gain+/-2400'</p>
<p>Tue, Nov 13 6:30 pm</p> <p><u>RC</u> 6:30 pm Social 7:00 pm Meeting</p>	<p><u>'Staying Safe on the Trails: Outdoor First Aid for Active Seniors'</u> You're alone in the woods when something goes wrong would you know what to do? Dr. Jay Mathers, DO from the Animas Surgical Hospital Emergency Department gives a basic overview of outdoor first aid. Topics discussed include what to do when hikers encounter common ailments like shortness of breath, dizziness, or sprains, how to prevent dangerous falls, and the top 10 critical items to include in your wilderness first aid kit. Speaker bio: Dr. Jay Mathers is an emergency medicine physician at Animas Surgical Hospital. He is board-certified in family medicine and fellowship-trained in wilderness medicine. Dr. Mathers has been a ski patrolman, Outward Bound instructor, and high altitude researcher. He has completed numerous ascents and rescues in Denali, Alaska. In addition to his duties as ER physician, Dr. Mathers teaches avalanche and rescue training to other medical professionals.</p>	<p>Easy, educational and fun</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 14 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u></p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>

Twin Buttes TH 9:00 am	The destination is Dry Fork Trail. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com	
Wed, Nov 14 9:00 am RC 9:00 am	Hike Animas Mt. We'll hike from the TH on the main trail for about a ½ mile then turn off to the right and proceed below the eastern rim of the Animas Mountain for 1 1/2 miles. We'll then hike up a gentle incline to the eastern rim to gain wonderful views of the Animas Valley and Missionary Ridge. From there hike to the peak with great views of Falls Creek and the La Plata Mountains for lunch. We'll return on the trail across the center of the mountain. No Dogs. Carpool \$1. RSVP to Wayne Bedor 970-769-6548 waynebedor@yahoo.com	Moderate pace 6 miles 1,535'gain
Wed, Nov 14 9:30 am SRP 9:30 am	WW hike Animas River Trail Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions on brisk winter mornings. Participants may turn back early or continue further, if desired. Dogs must be leashed. No RSVP required. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or pahlkee@aol.com About Wednesday Wanderers	Easy 5 - 7 miles Flat
Thu, Nov 15 10:00 am Home Depot 10 AM	Thursday Road Bike Ride Easy pace, 29 miles. Due to the closure of Santa Rita Park to visitor parking through October (and possibly longer), the Thursday Bike Ride will depart from Home Depot starting this Thursday, October 18. Because it is growing colder, start time will change to 10 am. Meet at the parking area next to the Home Depot Garden Center. Click here for additional details	Easy, 29 miles
Sat, Nov 17 10:00 am PURG	SO! Downhill Ski Group Meet other SO! skiers and ski with a group at your level on various days throughout the ski season. Skiers and boarders of all abilities welcome. While Purgatory has announced a November 17 opening date, check the web site if to	Downhill skiers and boarders of all abilities.

be delayed.

Contact Bruce Rodman at Mtnman16@gmail.com to be placed on the SO! Downhill Ski Group distribution list. Please provide:

- Self-description of your skier abilities, e.g. intermediate
- Land line phone number if available.
- Cell phone number if you carry a cell phone on the mountain.

If you are looking for ski companions of similar abilities, then you may email everyone on the distribution list that you are organizing a ski group on days and start times of your choice. Each group will meet at the base of Lift 1 (the Six Pack lift.) Some will coordinate to car pool from Animas City Park. The groups usually meet during the noon hour for lunch at Dantes when it is open. You could also use the distribution list to arrange trips to other ski areas such as Wolf Creek or Telluride. For more information, contact SO! Downhill Ski Group Coordinator Bruce Rodman at 970-385-7899 or Mtnman16@gmail.com.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays – Advanced Intermediate Groomed Run Skiing. John Montle leads a group of advanced intermediate skiers interested primarily in skiing fairly fast on groomed slopes weather permitting. He will look for you shortly before 9 AM at the base of Lift 1 (the Six Pack lift) or sometimes later if arrangements have been made in advance. Communications are generally done via email. These sessions will begin as soon as conditions are judged to be good. Contact John at jjmontle@frontier.net.

Mondays – Advanced to Expert All-terrain Skiing. Beginning January 7, Bruce Rodman will lead advanced to expert skiers interested in all mountain terrain including Blues, Blacks, and even occasional Greens; tree glades, and in good powder some bump runs. We shall meet near the base of Lift 1 (the Six Pack lift) at 10:15 am and stop for lunch at Dante's during the noon hour. Communications are generally done via email to Bruce if you will join on a particular day so he will look for you. Contact Bruce at mtnman16@gmail.com or 970-385-7899.

Mondays – Strong Intermediate Skiing. Beginning January 7, Lorri Andrew is leading a strong Intermediate Ski Group on Mondays, meeting in the Beach area on the way to Lift 1 (the Six Pack lift) at 10:00 am, conditions permitting. We will

	<p>ski groomed Blues and Blacks mostly on the back side, meeting for lunch at noon in Dante's. Contact Lorri at lorriandrew@gmail.com or 864-361-6797 if you plan to meet the group. Lorri will wear a white helmet and purple coat. We don't organize carpooling.</p>	
<p>Wed, Nov 21 8:00 am</p> <p>Santa Rita Park</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> DESTINATION & LEADER CHANGE Bisti Badlands For more information contact Ted Keller at keller.ted@gmail.com or Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>5 Miles Minimal Elevation Change</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 21 9:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Animas River Trail</u> Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions on brisk winter mornings. Participants may turn back early or continue further, if desired. Dogs must be leashed. No RSVP required. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or pahlkee@aol.com <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy 5 - 7 miles Flat</p>
<p>Fri, Nov 23 9:00 am</p> <p><u>TH</u> Big Canyon Parking Lot Next to Kia Dealership</p>	<p><u>Walk Off the Turkey</u> NEW HIKE Hike up Big Canyon trail into Horse Gulch, then up to Pautsky Point for lunch. Return via South Rim Trail for a nice loop hike. An easy, close-to-home hike and early turn backs (with friend) are allowed. Dogs OK. Carpool \$1. Leader: Bill Cagle RSVP: cagle81301@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Easy to Moderate 7-8 Miles 500' Gain</p>
<p>Wed, Nov 28 9:00 am</p> <p>Twin Buttes <u>TH</u>9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Wednesday Easy Hikers</u> The destination is Twin Buttes Cliff Rock Loop. Bring water, snacks and hiking poles. Dogs on leash or voice control OK. No RSVP necessary. For more information contact Dell Manners at 385-0533 or 903-6984 or dmanners@sisna.com</p>	<p>Easy Up to 3 miles Up to 300 ft.</p>

<p>Wed, Nov 28 9:30 am</p> <p>SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Animas River Trail</u> Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions on brisk winter mornings. Participants may turn back early or continue further, if desired. Dogs must be leashed. No RSVP required. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or pahlkee@aol.com</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy 5 - 7 miles Flat</p>
<p>Sat, Dec 1 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am PURG 9:30 am (if ski resort is open, meet at trailhead parking lot across from PURG on east side of US 550)</p>	<p><u>Snowshoe Snowden Meadows</u> LEADER CHANGED FROM CLARK LAGOW TO JOHN MARTIN This is our annual kickoff for the snowshoe season. Join our snowshoe jaunt from Andrews Lake area up to the meadows at the foot of Snowden Peak, with a lovely short scenic canyon along the way. Beautiful, rewarding hike. Bring hot dogs or brats for a cookout. Limit 15 due to wilderness regulations. 4WD conv. Carpool \$5. Dogs OK.</p>	<p>Moderate 5-7 miles 700'</p>
<p>Wed, Dec 5 9:30 am</p> <p>SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Animas River Trail</u> Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions on brisk winter mornings. Participants may turn back early or continue further, if desired. Dogs must be leashed. No RSVP required. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or pahlkee@aol.com</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy 5 - 7 miles Flat</p>
<p>Sat, Dec 8 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am TBD other locations</p>	<p><u>Saturday Snowshoes</u> Specific details for Saturday Snowshoe hikes (leader, destination, description, 4WD, etc.) will be emailed about 2-3 days in advance. An avalanche beacon and shovel are highly recommended on all snowshoes. More importantly, you need to know how to use them. Turn backs with a partner may be permitted. Carpool \$3-\$8, depending on destination. Dogs OK. Leaders: Clark Lagow and others TBD.</p>	<p>Moderate to Hard 3+ miles 500-2000 ft.</p>
<p>Tue, Dec 11 6:30 pm</p>	<p><u>SO! Holiday Potluck</u></p>	<p>Easy!</p>

<p>Rec Center Social: 6:30 pm Potluck: 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Begin Your Holiday Celebrations by enjoying some food and fun with your SO! Friends! Main Entree of Turkey, Ham and Vegetarian Dish will be provided. Social: 6:30 pm – Potluck: 7:00 pm Bring your own table service (plate, cup, tableware and napkin) plus a dish for 8 with a labeled serving utensil. A-F: Dessert G-M: Side Dish N-R: Side Dish S-Z: Appetizer In addition to your potluck dish, please bring non-perishable food donations or a check donation for the Durango Food Bank</p>	
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Outings will meet and depart from the following locations:

- **ACP:** Animas City Park for outings to the north or out Florida Rd. The park (a narrow grassy area) is located on E. 2nd Ave. immediately north of 32nd (just north and east of North City Market). Note that it is on the WEST side of the river, so coming from Main Ave., you do NOT cross the bridge! Meeting area is on 2nd Ave just after turning north off 32nd St.
- **PURG:** Purgatory Resort – at entrance, unless otherwise specified
- **RC:** Durango Community Recreation Center for overnight trips and some other outings. The Rec. Center is located at 2700 Main Ave. Please park in the lot closest to Main.
- **SRP:** Santa Rita Park (Durango Visitor Center) for outings to the south or either way on Hwy. 160. The park is located at the intersection of Hwy 160-550 & Santa Rita Drive, 1 mile South of the Doubletree Hotel. We gather behind the Santa Rita Park Sign.
- **TAM:** Tamarron – parking lot at Tamarron Resort
- **TC:** Trimble Crossing – west side of parking lot at Trimble Crossing in front of the hardware store
- **TH:** At the trailhead or other location for some outings