

Full Season Schedule - Spring 2022

Date & Location	Outing description	<u>Difficulty info</u>
<p>Wed, Mar 2 9:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW Hike</u> <u>Animas River Trail</u></p> <p>Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphlke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Thu, Mar 3 10:00 am</p> <p><u>ACP</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>WEH Snowshoe Haviland Lake or Overend Park</u></p> <p>Haviland Lake TH or Leyden St TH for Ned Overend Park Snowshoe Hikes.</p> <p>Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Whenever possible group may return by original route or a slightly more challenging for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH.</p> <p>Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles</p>
<p>Fri, Mar 4 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am <u>Purg</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Friday Snowshoe</u></p> <p>Specific details for each Friday Snowshoe outing will be e-mailed about 2-3 days in advance to the group members. Participants must sign up in order to join the group and receive the emails.</p> <p>To sign up for this snowshoe subgroup, send an email to clagow@rmi.net.</p> <p>This is a backcountry winter outing. While we will strive to avoid avalanche danger, all participants should educate themselves about avalanche risks, conditions, and safety. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p>	<p>Moderate to Hard 3+ miles 500-2000 ft Moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Mar 8 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00am <u>TH</u> 9:20am</p>	<p><u>Snowshoe or Hike Haviland Lk, Chris Park area</u></p> <p>Depending on conditions, we will either hike or snowshoe in the Haviland Lk/Chris Park area. Outing will have moderate up and down. Please indicate where you will meet us.</p> <p>Carpool \$4, Limit 15, RSVP to Betsy Petersen betsyp@bresnan.net 970-259-5417 SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate 4-5 miles for snowshoe, 6 miles for hike 500ft gain Moderate Pace</p>

<p>Tue, Mar 8 5:00 pm</p> <p><u>RC</u> 5:00 pm</p>	<p><u>New Member Orientation</u></p> <p>Before the March General Meeting we will have an orientation meeting for new SO! members. If you have joined SO! within the last two years, please come and join us for an informative session about what SO! has to offer. After the orientation, stay for the social half hour and meeting presentation. RSVP Harding Cure at hardingcure@gmail.com Full Covid vaccination and masks are required indoors.</p>	<p>Informative</p>
<p>Tue, Mar 8 6:00 pm</p> <p><u>RC</u> 6:00 pm</p>	<p><u>SO! General Meeting</u></p> <p>Covid policy: Full Covid 19 vaccination regimen and masks required indoors.</p> <p>Agenda: 5:00-6:00 PM: New member orientation session 6:00-6:30 PM: Social half hour with no refreshments. 6:30-7:30 PM: meeting and presentation.</p> <p>Presentation title: “ When ancient climate and continents collided; the tropical beaches and lost rivers of Hermosa Mountain”</p> <p>Speaker: Gary Gianniny</p> <p>Presentation summary: Tropical Durango? Approximately 315- to 305 million years ago the place we call home was about 5 degrees north of the equator, and on the down-wind western margin of the largest continent this world has ever known. The strata which make up Hermosa Mountain, and the beautiful cliffs which mirror the sides of the Animas Valley near Hermosa, tell a tale of changing climate and mountains which towered over the region, only to be eroded completely away. At times our region was covered with clear tropical oceans teeming with ocean life, and forest-covered river deltas, only to switch to hyper-arid times marked by deposits of salt, gypsum, when the most abundant life locally was bacterial mats. These ancient deposits host aquifers, hot springs, oil, gas, and even Helium resources in this region. In this talk, I invite you to see the evidence of this tale as discovered by our research team composed of Fort Lewis College students, faculty, and my colleagues from across the west.</p> <p>Speaker bio: Gary Gianniny is a geology professor at Fort Lewis College in Durango, CO and an avid southwestern US river rafter. His research and that of his students 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>Easy, fun and informative</p>
<p>Wed, Mar 9 7:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 7:30 am</p>	<p><u>Sand Canyon Switcheroo</u></p> <p>CANCELLED!</p> <p>This is a thru hike on the main Sand Canyon Trail. A truly wonder-filled hike with Puebloan ruins to view and vistas galore. One half of the group will start at the northern trail head and one half of the group will start at the southern</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1,390 ft gain difference Moderate pace</p>

	<p>trail head, meeting to share lunch somewhere in the middle. This hike will involve switching vehicles (Switcheroo). So, if you are a driver, plan on having your car driven by another SO member, and driving another members car to return. We will pre-stage at the Colorado Welcome center in Cortez.</p> <p>Carpool \$10. Limit 15. No dogs RSVP Steve Krest at stevekrest@gmail.com or 970-903-4332 SO! Outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	
<p>Wed, Mar 9 9:30 am</p> <p>SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW Hike</u> <u>Animas River Trail</u></p> <p>Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphlke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
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<p>Fri, Mar 11 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am Purg 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Friday Snowshoe</u></p> <p>Specific details for each Friday Snowshoe outing will be e-mailed about 2-3 days in advance to the group members. Participants must sign up in order to join the group and receive the emails. To sign up for this snowshoe subgroup, send an email to clagow@rmi.net. This is a backcountry winter outing. While we will strive to avoid avalanche danger, all participants should educate themselves about avalanche risks, conditions, and safety. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p>	<p>Moderate to Hard 3+ miles 500-2000 ft Moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, Mar 14 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Sand Canyon/Rock Creek Loop</u> SCHEDULE CHANGE FROM MARCH 7 TO 14 We will begin on the Sand Canyon Trail, cross over to the East Rock Creek Trail to the Rock Creek Trail and return to the TH. Distance and pace make this slightly harder than moderate. Refer to excellent description by BLM at</p>	<p>Moderate plus, 10-11 miles, little elevation gain and loss Brisk pace,</p>

	<p>https://www.blm.gov/visit/canyons-ancient-national-monument.</p> <p>No dogs. Carpool \$10 RSVP Tim Tischler 512 971-4229, 970 247-7970 SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only</p>	
<p>Wed, Mar 16 9:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW Hike</u> <u>Animas River Trail</u></p> <p>Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphalke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Wed, Mar 16 9:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Animas River Trail</u></p> <p>Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphalke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Fri, Mar 18 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am Purg 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Friday Snowshoe</u></p> <p>Specific details for each Friday Snowshoe outing will be e-mailed about 2-3 days in advance to the group members. Participants must sign up in order to join the group and receive the emails.</p> <p>To sign up for this snowshoe subgroup, send an email to clagow@rmi.net.</p> <p>This is a backcountry winter outing. While we will strive to avoid avalanche danger, all participants should educate themselves about avalanche risks, conditions, and safety. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p>	<p>Moderate to Hard 3+ miles 500-2000 ft Moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, Mar 21 9:00 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>X-C ski La Plata Canyon</u> CANCELED</p> <p>Depending on snow, we will ski up the creek bed and a bit through the woods, then up the road to the Chimney, returning downhill on the road.</p> <p>Dogs OK, no limit, carpool \$3. RSVP Harding Cure, hardingcure@gmail.com or 602-369-4273. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate, 8 miles, 900 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>

<p>Tue, Mar 22 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00am <u>TH</u> 9:20am</p>	<p><u>Snowshoe or Hike Haviland Lk, Chris Park area</u> Depending on conditions, we will either hike or snowshoe in the Haviland Lk/Chris Park area. Outing will have moderate up and down. Please indicate where you will meet us. Carpool \$4, Limit 15, RSVP to Betsy Petersen betsyp@bresnan.net 970-259-5417 SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate 4-5 miles for snowshoe, 6 miles for hike 500ft gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Wed, Mar 23 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. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphalke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Mon, Mar 28 9:00 am</p> <p><u>TH</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Haflin Creek</u> We will meet at the parking lot just off CR 250. This will be a relatively short hike up the first two miles of Haflin Creek. If it is not too muddy, we may go a bit farther. No Dogs, Limit 15. No Carpool. RSVP Wayne Bedor at waynebedor@yahoo.com or cell 769- 6548 or home 764-4089 SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate, 4 miles RT Elevation gain 1500 ft. Moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Mar 29 7:30 am</p> <p><u>ACP</u> 7:30 am Purg 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Ski from Red Mt Pass to Prospect Gulch overlook</u> We will park at Red Mt Pass (11,075 ft) and ski near the St Paul Lodge, heading south and east working our way up to 12,250 ft. where we should be able to look into Prospect Gulch and see Silverton Mountain Ski Area as well as Minnehaha Basin. There will be opportunities to ski laps on 25 degree slopes. Skiers must have climbing skins and the ability to make turns on powder slopes and wind crust, and be able to traverse obstacles and trees. Date may change due to snow conditions. Bring avalanche gear, a good down parka, and down pants Car Pool \$10. Limit 8. No dogs. RSVP Bart Womack, yobart99@msn.com, 970-749-0286 This is a backcountry winter outing. SO! recommends that all participants carry appropriate gear (beacon, shovel and probe) and educate themselves about avalanche risks, conditions, and safety. SO! Outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Hard 5 miles 1,250 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>

<p>Wed, Mar 30 9:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Animas River Trail</u></p> <p>Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita Park to Home Depot and back. Participants may turn back earlier or go further, if desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and walking companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. For more information contact Eric Pahlke at 247-1130 or ehphalke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5-7 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Mon, Apr 4 10:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u></p> <p>This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p> <p><u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Wed, Apr 6 - Fri, Apr 8</p> <p>TBD</p>	<p><u>Fisher Towers/Mystery Canyons Utah</u></p> <p>Car-camping and Off-trail Hiking north of Moab. Three days of tough off-trail hiking and scrambling, including some exposure, through complicated red-rock country north of Moab, UT. Spectacular scenery includes deep canyons and tall towers. Two nights of car-camping. Day 1: Drive to Fisher Towers area in AM and establish camp, have lunch, then do a 5.5-mile (1100 ft elevation gain) introductory shuttle-car hike up to the main Fisher Towers, over to an arch and viewpoint of the Mystery Canyons, and then down through a canyon to Onion Creek. Day 2: Mystery Canyons and Mystery Towers 8-mile shuttle-car hike. Go up West Mystery Canyon, cross a ridge into Middle Mystery, cross another ridge into East Mystery, then over another ridge and out West Stinking Spring Canyon. 1,500 ft. of gross elevation gain. Rough cross-country hiking and scrambling, including quicksand hazard. Day 3: Middle and East Stinking Spring Canyon loop hike. About 6.5 miles and 1200 ft. of gross elevation gain. Expect more of the same deep canyons and rough country. Drive home in the afternoon. Carpool TBD. Need at least two high-clearance vehicles for car shuttles. Limit 10. No Dogs. RSVP John Bregar 385-1814 johnbregar09@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Most challenging, hardest day is 8 miles and 1500 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Wed, Apr 6 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Horse Gulch</u></p>	<p>Easy 4 – 5 mi.</p>

<p><u>SRP</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p>The hike will be selected depending on trail conditions. Dogs are ok but must be leashed until we get past city limits to BLM land. Limit 15. RSVP Eric Pahlke 247-1130 ehphlke@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>400 ft. gain Easy pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 7 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Easy Outings</u> Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 7 10:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Fri, Apr 8 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Haflin Creek trail</u> From the trailhead in the North Animas Valley we will hike up Haflin Creek to the intersection with Missionary Ridge Trail. After a leisurely lunch, return by the same route. A good early season conditioning hike, with excellent views of the La Platas. Carpool \$2. Limit 12. Two well behaved dogs on approval. RSVP Troy Albright 580 747-6294 talbright318@gmail.com SO! Hikes are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Hard 8 miles, 3000 ft. elevation gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, Apr 11 10:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Apr 12 6:00 pm</p>	<p><u>SO! General Meeting</u> Covid policy: Full Covid 19 vaccination regimen and masks required indoors.</p>	<p>Easy and Fun</p>

<p>RC 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Agenda: 6:00-6:30 PM: Social half hour with no refreshments. 6:30-7:30 PM: meeting and presentation. Title: Fire Mitigation: What you need to know and who can help Speaker: Charlie Landsman Presentation summary: Charlie Landsman, La Plata County Coordinator for Wildfire Adapted Partnership will share information on how you as a homeowner can protect your property from wildfire. From structure hardening against ember ignitions to defensible space to financial incentives, Charlie is available to insure you have the information you need to reduce your wildfire risk before the next fire ignites. Speaker bio: Charlie Landsman has been with Wildfire Adapted Partnership, a Durango, CO based non-profit organization, for 5 years and in his role has worked with dozens of local communities and hundreds of residents to reduce the risk to lives and property throughout La Plata County. The work that Wildfire Adapted Partnership has done through their Coordinators and Ambassadors has been credited with reducing losses in multiple fires including the 416 fire.</p>	
<p>Wed, Apr 13 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am</p>	<p>WW hike Carbon Junction The trail starts with a series of switchbacks to the top of the mesa then to a junction with the South Rim trail. We will continue on our trail until the intersection with Crites Connect and Sidewinder, where we will return by the same trail. No dogs. Limit 15. RSVP Tricia Bayless 799- 4535 tbayless@bresnan.net. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 1,000 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 14 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Easy Outings Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Lower Altitudes Near Durango Easy Pace</p>
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<p>Fri, Apr 15 9:00 am</p> <p>Hermosa Gas Station 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Highway Cleanup</u></p> <p>Come join other SO! Members as we clean up our two stretches of Highway 550. We will meet at the Hermosa Gas station (Speedway) lot and head straight out. No coffee and donuts this time. Bring work gloves and orange vest if you have one. If you don't have a vest, we have several.</p> <p>RSVP: Betsey Butler, ejbutler12@gmail.com or phone 609-532-6948</p>	<p>Easy route, Easy pace</p>
<p>Mon, Apr 18 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Falls Creek Ridge</u></p> <p>This hike starts on CR 203 about 3 miles north of where it branches off from US 550. We will go up an old road easement, cross Falls Creek twice, and then go along the ridge south to a high point for lunch.</p> <p>Carpool \$2. No dogs.</p> <p>RSVP: Clark Lagow clagow@rmi.net</p> <p>SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate 4.4 miles 890 ft. gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, Apr 18 10:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u></p> <p>This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back.</p> <p>Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com</p> <p>During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p> <p>Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Apr 19 9:00 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Barnroof Point</u></p> <p>MOVED FROM APRIL 19 TO APRIL 18</p> <p>A fairly easy hike with one short steep exposure at the beginning. We will hike to the north end of the peak for some great close up views of the La Platas. A bit of bushwhacking is involved. View petroglyphs and maybe Peregrine Falcons.</p> <p>Carpool \$2. Limit 12. No dogs</p> <p>RSVP Steve Krest at stevekrest@gmail.com or 970-903-4332</p> <p>SO! Outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate 4 - 5 miles 1,900 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Apr 19 5:00 pm</p> <p>Brame home 5:00 pm</p>	<p><u>SO! Board Meeting</u></p> <p>The quarterly SO! board meeting will take place at the home of Jeff Brame, beginning at 5:00 pm. For the address check the membership roster. All members are welcome at SO! board meetings, but please notify Jeff if you plan to attend.</p> <p>RSVP: Jeff Brame, geostar20@aol.com</p>	<p>Easy and informative</p>

<p>Wed, Apr 20 7:00 am</p> <p>SRP 7:00 am for breakfast SRP 8:00 am for no breakfast</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Sand Canyon</u></p> <p>Optional breakfast meeting at Benys in Cortez will start the day. We will travel from there to the lovely canyon area west of Cortez. There will be views of Ancestral Puebloan sites, interesting rock formations, and if the timing is right, blooming cacti, shrubs and flowers. Hiking on mostly sand and rock trails. Approx 1 ½ hour drive each way. Carpool \$10. No dogs. Limit 15. RSVP Lindy Ivie (505) 690-4903 iviedgo@gmail.com. Co-leader Joe Ivie. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 600 ft. gain Easy pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 21 9:00 am</p> <p>TH 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Overend Park Loop</u></p> <p>Meet at Schneider Park (on Roosa just south of the skateboard park) at the 9th Street Bridge. We will explore the backyard of Durango by completing a big loop, including an ascent of the Hogback. All on-trail but some parts will be very steep on loose, slippery soil (especially the Hogback). Poles helpful for the descent of the Hogback</p> <p>No carpool, Limit 10, Dogs OK on leash per city regs. RSVP Lynn Coburn, harrisoncoburn@gmail.com or 970-903-4619 SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate + 8-9 miles 1800 ft. elev. gain Moderate to brisk pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 21 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Easy Outings</u></p> <p>Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile.</p> <p>Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p> <p><u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
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<p>Mon, Apr 25 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Prater Ridge</u></p> <p>Prater Ridge is in Mesa Verde National Park next to the campground. We hike up to a plateau and then make a</p>	<p>Moderate 7.3 miles</p>

<p><u>SRP</u> 8:00 am</p>	<p>loop on the well-established trail. This is an interesting area that was hit by a wildfire about 20 years ago. On a clear day, the views stretch up to 100 miles. No dogs due to National Park. Carpool \$8. RSVP: Clark Lagow clagow@rmi.net SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>890 ft. gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, Apr 25 10:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Apr 26 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am Dry Fork/ Hoffheins <u>TH</u> 9:20 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Dry Fork Loop</u> DATE CHANGE FROM APRIL 5 TO APRIL 26 This is a moderate hike on a well-defined trail. The first part climbs 1154 feet over 3.3 miles up to a high point, 8180 feet on the Colorado Trail. From there it is downhill to Gudys Rest, The return is by the Hoffheins Connection Trail to the TH. Limit 12. Two well-mannered dogs OK with approval. Please indicate where you will meet us. Car Pool \$2. RSVP Nancy Mead 259-5978 nancy.a.mead@gmail.com SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only</p>	<p>Moderate 8.5 miles 1290 ft. Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Wed, Apr 27 8:30 am</p> <p><u>SRP</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Sauls Creek</u> This hike is in a lovely mostly wooded area with a couple of steep but short climbs. Well behaved dogs ok, include in RSVP. Carpool \$7. Limit 15. RSVP Lorie Hansen lmhansen39@gmail.com. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles 600 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Apr 28 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Easy Outings</u> Friendly dogs & hikers welcome Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>

<p>Thu, Apr 28 10:00 am</p> <p>RC 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u></p> <p>This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Fri, Apr 29 9:00 am</p> <p>SRP 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>NM Arches Hike</u></p> <p>We will hike to impressive Anasazi and Octopus arches and some lesser or imposter arches in Northern New Mexico. The hiking is relatively short and easy, but there will be some scrambling and a bit of off-trail bushwhacking. Carpool \$5. HC helpful. Agile dogs OK. Limit 15. RSVP Harding Cure 970-382-8286 hardingcure@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate per scrambling, 3 miles, 300 ft. gain Easy pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 2 - Fri, May 6</p> <p>RC 8:00 am</p>	<p><u>Explore Utah Canyons along Hole-in-the-Rock-Road.</u></p> <p>Camping trip into the Hole-in-the-Rock area, Utah. Explore Coyote Gulch, Willow Gulch to Broken Bow Arch, Forty Mile Ridge to Sunset/Moon Rise Arches and if time and interest permit, Fifty Mile Bench Ridge Hike (Window Wind Arch and/or Navajo Point Ruins). This will be an exploratory set of hikes from a car camping spot near Dance Hall Rock off Hole-in-the-Rock Road. Day 1 is ~8-hour drive to the camp site. We will leave RC at 8:00 am and re-meet at the Junction of Utah 12 and Hole-in-the-Rock-Road. Day 2 will be the most difficult day into Coyote Gulch via Crack in the Wall and hiking up canyon to Cliff Arch, Coyote Bridge and hopefully Jacob Hamblin Arch. Plan on a 14/15-mile 9-hour day. The following days will be shorter day hikes to the arches mentioned above. 4WD/high clearance. No dogs due to Glen Canyon NRA regs. Limit 10. Details on carpooling/what to bring, etc. to be discussed. Carpool TBD. RSVP rbbutler54@gmail.com. Phone: 609-532-6949. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p>	<p>Most Challenging to Hard. Scrambling on slick rock pitches with some exposure. Moderate pace, but steady due to distance. Please Google these hikes to get an idea of suitability.</p>
<p>Mon, May 2 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Dry Fork to old social trail</u> CANCELLED</p> <p>We will hike the Dry Fork loop but on the 2nd half of the loop we will use a short bushwhack to get to an old trail and loop back to the beginning. Carpool \$2. Limit 12. 2 well behaved dogs OK. . RSVP Lorie Hansen Lmhansen39@gmail.com SO! Hikes are limited to fully vaccinated members only</p>	<p>Hard 9-10 miles Approx 1200 ft. elevation gain Brisk Pace</p>

<p>Mon, May 2 10:00 am</p> <p>RC 10:00 am</p>	<p>Monday Road Bike Ride This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Wed, May 4 8:30 am</p> <p>Twin Buttes TH behind Speedway on 160 West 8:30 am</p>	<p>WW hike Twin Buttes Trail and Cliff Rock Loop This hike goes up steeply then has gentle ups and downs as it climbs up to the old railroad grade. Here we will continue straight on the Cliff Rock Loop, which will give us lovely views of Hogsback and Perrins Peak. We will follow this loop until it intersects with the RR grade then head back down on the same trail. Limit 15. RSVP Tricia Bayless 799- 4535 tbayless@bresnan.net. Well behaved dogs ok. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 6.5 miles 900 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 5 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Easy Outings Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 5 10:00 am</p> <p>RC 10:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Road Bike Ride This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 9 10:00 am</p> <p>RC 10:00 am</p>	<p>Monday Road Bike Ride This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>

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Tue, May 10 6:00 pm RC 6:00 pm	SO! General Meeting Covid policy: Full Covid 19 vaccination regimen and masks required indoors. Agenda: 6:00-6:30 PM: Social half hour with no refreshments. 6:30-7:30 PM: meeting and presentation. Program: TBA	Easy and Fun
Wed, May 11 8:30 am Spur Line TH 8:30 am	WW hike Spur Line Trail This trail system is in the Three Springs area. Take 3 Springs Blvd. to the 2nd roundabout, keep going straight on a gravel road for about ¼ mi. to TH. The hike is in the open and fairly level and will be good for the early season. Dogs ok on leash only. Limit 10. RSVP Ray Walker 382-7662 raynsue@bresnan.net. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers	Moderate 4.25 miles 100 ft gain Moderate pace
Thu, May 12 9:00 am RC 9:00 am	Thursday Easy Outings Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers	Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace
Thu, May 12 10:00 am RC 10:00 am	Thursday Road Bike Ride This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details	28 miles, moderate pace
Fri, May 13 8:30 am TH 8:30 am	Climb Crader Ridge, 8,175 ft. Meeting at the Horse Gulch TH, we will hike the Horse Gulch trails to the start of Crader Ridge and then bushwhack with some scrambling to the high point. Spectacular views and fun slickrock walking. For a complete description see http://debravanwinegarden.blogspot.com/2017/03/pautsky-point-and-crader-ridge-to-point.html Limit 10, no carpool, dogs OK.	Hard, 8.2 miles, elevation gain 2320 ft. Moderate pace

	<p>RSVP Lynn Coburn 970-903-4619 harrisoncoburn@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	
<p>Mon, May 16 - Wed, May 18</p> <p><u>RC</u> 10:00 am</p>	<p><u>Full Moon Camp-out at Bisti/De-Na-Zin Badlands</u> After driving approx. 80 miles to the Bisti Badlands, we will carry packs in approx. one mile, and find a spot to enjoy two nights under the full moon. After getting set up we will explore some of the nearby hoodoos and petrified logs. Our second day we will visit some of the further special features of this unique desert wilderness. Our third day will involve packing up and driving to the nearby De-Na-Zin Badlands, and visiting the remnant ponderosa pine grove that grows out of the desert hardpan, a legacy of cooler climate from long, long years ago. Expect to carry in all the water you will need for two nights, bring water for our third days hike and a late return home on the third day. Limit 12. Two well-behaved dogs on approval. Carpool \$12 RSVP Steve Schnarch 970 749-4478 ssalivedgo@gmail.com SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate, Approx. 8 miles each full day. Mostly flat with hills. Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 16 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Wed, May 18 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Colorado Trail to Gudys Rest</u> From the upper trailhead, the hike begins with a gradual but steady uphill and follows along the creek from above through the canyon. The trail then descends slightly arriving at a bridge after 1.5 miles. Once at the bridge, there are a series of switchbacks for 1.5 miles to Gudys Rest. Return is along the same route. Carpool \$2. No dogs. Limit 15. RSVP Cindy Werland (512) 791-8498 cewerland@gmail.com. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 6 mi. 700 ft gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 19 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>

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<p>Thu, May 19 9:00 am <u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Easy Outings</u> Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only. About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Fri, May 20 8:30 am <u>TC</u> 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Wallace Lake loop</u> We will start at Wallace Lk off Missionary Ridge and make a gradual climb on an old FS road for several miles to reach the high point. From there we will follow the Stevens Ck trail down and return to the TH using the Wallace Lake connector trail. Limit 12. Two well behaved dogs OK. Carpool \$4. RSVP Chuck Rancatti 425-231-0930 or chuck.rancatti@gmail.com SO! Hikes are limited to fully vaccinated members</p>	<p>Moderate 8 miles 1800 ft. elevation gain. Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Sat, May 21 9:00 am <u>RC</u> 9:00 am <u>TH</u> 9:30 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Boyce Lake loop</u> We will go east on the Purgatory trail for a short distance and then turn north. We follow a user trail with some bushwhacking north and make a loop around Boyce Lake. Dogs OK. Carpool \$4. RSVP: Clark Lagow at clagow@rmi.net SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Easy 4.4 miles 500 ft. gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 23 8:30 am <u>RC</u> 8:15 am</p>	<p><u>Geology Hike up Animas Mt. Trail</u> This is a moderate hike to top of Animas Mt. along a well-defined, somewhat rocky trail that loops back to TH. Many stops with expert geologist discussion of the geology that created the wide variety of north Durango scenery viewed along trail. Visual aids included. 5-6 hours in length; bring lunch. Carpool \$1. Limit 15. No dogs. RSVP Jeff Brame 759-9827 geostar20@aol.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate, 6 miles RT loop Elevation gain approx. 1520 ft. Moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 23 8:30 am <u>RC</u> 8:30 am <u>TH</u> 8:50 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Haviland area trails</u> Relatively easy/moderate hiking on trails, looking for early wildflowers. Route TBD depending on conditions, weather and flowers. Some ups and downs. Carpool \$4. Limit 15. No dogs</p>	<p>Moderate 4-6 miles Less than 800 ft. elevation gain Moderate pace</p>

	<p>RSVP Betsy Petersen betsyp@bresnan.net SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	
<p>Tue, May 24 8:30 am</p> <p>RC 8:30 am TH 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Hike Purgatory Flats Trail to the Animas River</u> Beginning just east of Purgatory Mountain Resort, this popular trail does the mountain-in-reverse, first descending to Purgatory Flats then following Cascade Creek all the way down to the Animas River. We will have a leisurely lunch at the picnic tables across the foot-bridge at the river, and then climb all the way back up to the TH. A local classic hike. Limit 12. Two well-behaved dogs on approval. Carpool \$4 RSVP Steve Schnarch 970 749-4478 ssalivedgo@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p>	<p>Hard 8.2 miles 1100 ft. Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Wed, May 25 8:30 am</p> <p>Skyline TH 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike Skyline and Smokejumpers Trails</u> We will hike up Skyline Trail on well graded switchbacks to the top of Raider Ridge. We will then follow the ridge north on Smokejumper Trail to a great viewpoint then back down the same way. Dogs on leash only, include in RSVP. Limit 15. RSVP Chris Wiehage 903-5353 cwiehage22@gmail.com. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles 900 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 26 8:00 am</p> <p>RC 8:00 am PURG 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>Cascade Creek Waterfalls from the South Side</u> We will begin at the water tower and hike up the trail on the SW side of Cascade Creek as far as the 2nd waterfall. ALERT: There are three vigorous side creeks to wade (maybe bring old tennis?), and the last mile is off trail. Limit 12. Carpool \$4. One dog is OK but RSVP. RSVP Travis Ward at tlgward@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Hard 10 miles RT and 1000 ft. elevation gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 26 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, May 26 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Easy Outings</u> Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>

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<p>Fri, May 27 8:30 am</p> <p>RC 8:30 am</p>	<p>Hike Vallecito Creek trail</p> <p>The trail is rocky 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 creek view about 2/3 of the way to the bridge. Depending on the season, we may have snow, we may have flowers.</p> <p>Carpool \$5. Limit 12 Two well behaved dogs..</p> <p>RSVP Troy Albright 580 747-6294 talbright318@gmail.com</p> <p>SO! Hikes are limited to fully vaccinated members only</p>	<p>Moderate 6 miles Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Sat, May 28 8:00 am</p> <p>RC 8:00 am</p>	<p>Hike Goulding Creek Trail to Jones Creek</p> <p>This was a favorite club hike for many years, and now is an opportunity to see how the area is recovering from the 416 fire each year. We will hike the switchbacks up Goulding Creek (most of the elevation gain), follow the ridge south on the Pinkerton Flagstaff Trail, and descend on the Jones Creek Trail to Hermosa Creek. Carpool \$4. Note that this hike requires a car shuttle, and thus no dogs allowed.</p> <p>RSVP: Clark Lagow clagow@rmi.net</p>	<p>Hard 10.5 miles 2,400 ft. gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 30 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am Snow conditions dependent</p>	<p>Climb Madden and Parrott Peaks (11,972 & 11,857 ft)</p> <p>We will climb Madden from the Madden Peak Road; it should be a moderate climb on the old road/trail. After Madden, descend to the Madden/Parrott saddle and scramble up talus to Parrott. Then descend back to the saddle and bushwhack under the Madden ridge to the in-route.</p> <p>Carpool: \$6. 4WD. Limit 14 people and 2 well controlled dogs and better controlled owners OK.</p> <p>RSVP Rich Butler rbutler54@gmail.com 609-532-6949, Co-leader Betsey Butler</p> <p>SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p>	<p>Hard 6 miles 2,800 ft Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, May 30 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Monday Road Bike Ride</p> <p>This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back.</p> <p>Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>

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<p>Wed, Jun 1 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am</p>	<p>WW hike Hoffheins Connection</p> <p>This is an in and out hike with mostly gradual elevation gain as the trail heads north towards the Colorado Trail and Gudys Rest, with views of Perrins Peak, Barnroof Point and the La Platas. Carpool \$2. Well mannered dogs ok, include in RSVP. Limit 15. RSVP Robbin Clark (419) 230-7796 clark.robbin@gmail.com. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p> <p>About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 5 mi. 700 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 2 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Road Bike Ride</p> <p>This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p> <p>Click here for additional details</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 2 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Easy Outings</p> <p>Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p> <p>About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 2 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am Fire Station at CR234 & Florida Rd 9:10 am</p>	<p>Red Creek-First Fork loop</p> <p>We will hike up Red Creek trail. Follow Missionary Ridge trail west to the intersection with First Fork which returns to the TH. Nice views from Missionary Ridge. Carpool \$2. Limit 12. 2 well behaved dogs RSVP Judy Mack tupelo16@gmail.com SO! Outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Hard 10 miles 2,000 ft gain Moderately brisk pace</p>
<p>Mon, Jun 6 8:30 am</p> <p>SRP 8:30 am</p>	<p>Climb Diorite Peak 12,761 ft (Snow condition dependent)</p> <p>Climb Diorite Peak from Tomahawk Basin. The length of this climb will depend on snow conditions. The climb starts at junction of La Plata Canyon Road and Tomahawk Basin Rd. There will be talus to cross and route finding as</p>	<p>Hard 6 miles 3,000 ft Moderate Pace</p>

	<p>we might need to go off trail to avoid snow. This is a challenging climb – the pace will be kept moderate to enjoy the hike. The goal is Diorite Peak at 12,761. Carpool \$6. 4WD Required. No Dogs (talus is too tough). Limit 12.</p> <p>RSVP: Rich Butler 609-532-6949 rbbutler54@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p>	
<p>Mon, Jun 6 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Monday Road Bike Ride</p> <p>This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back.</p> <p>Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com</p> <p>During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p> <p>Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Wed, Jun 8 8:00 am</p> <p>RC 8:00 am</p>	<p>Hike Jackson Ridge to Rush Basin</p> <p>This is a hike from Echo Basin (10,600ft.) along the west-side of the La Plata Mountains. The Jackson Ridge (12,200ft.) runs to the south of Mt. Hesperus, with excellent views of all the western La Plata peaks. Our route comes from just north of Helmet Peak, and eventually drops to a high shelf of Rush Basin, with a glacial lake for those interested in a quick dip. (sandals recommended). An easy traverse takes us back below the Jackson and a final ridge walk home.</p> <p>Limit 12. 2 well-behaved dogs on approval. Carpool \$6. High Clearance vehicles required for 3 miles of rocky road.</p> <p>RSVP Steve Schnarch 970 749-4478 or ssalivedgo@gmail.com SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate 5.7 miles 1600 ft. elevation gain. Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Wed, Jun 8 8:30 am</p> <p>RC 8:30 am</p>	<p>WW hike Lower Hermosa Trail</p> <p>From the trailhead, the well-defined trail remains at approximately the same elevation with some ups and downs and crosses several side streams that are typically dry or flowing slightly. This is an in-and-out trail.</p> <p>Well mannered dogs ok, include in RSVP. Carpool \$3. RSVP Janice Prendergast (480) 390-6659 janice@prenkin.com . Co-leader Jim Prendergast.</p> <p>SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only.</p> <p>About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Moderate 5 mi. 500 ft. gain Moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 9 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Road Bike Ride</p> <p>This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread.</p> <p>Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>

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<p>Thu, Jun 9 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Thursday Easy Outings Friendly dogs & hikers welcome. Destination will be at lower altitudes near Durango and announced at the parking lot. Whenever possible group may return by the original route or a slightly more challenging route for those who choose the Extra Mile. Do not RSVP. Text Ted if you need more specific info or wish to meet at the TH. Carpool varies by destination, approx.-\$3-4. Ted Keller 970-759-7207 text PREFERRED SO! Outings are limited to vaccinated members only.</p> <p>About Wednesday Wanderers</p>	<p>Easy-Moderate +/- 2 miles Easy Pace</p>
<p>Fri, Jun 10 9:00 am</p> <p>ACP 9:00 am PURG 9:30 am</p>	<p>Hike Larkspur Lane An annual favorite named by John Montle in 2001 for the larkspur and other flowers carpeting the meadows. And now, 21years later, John is still actively hiking with Seniors Outdoors! and will celebrate his 90th birthday later this month! We recognize and thank John for his many years of participation and leadership in SO! The hike follows the well-established lower Engineer Mountain Trail part way up and bac through woods and meadows with great views. Lunch at a view spot. Carpool \$5. Limit 15. Early turn-backs OK. Dogs OK. RSVP: Betsy Petersen (substituting for Clark Lagow) betsyp@bresnan.net please indicate where meeting. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated members only.</p>	<p>Moderate+ 8 miles 2000 ft. gain Moderate Pace</p>
<p>Mon, Jun 13 9:00 am</p> <p>RC 9:00 am</p>	<p>Monday Road Bike Ride This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations.</p> <p>Click here for additional details</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Tue, Jun 14 7:30 am</p> <p>RC 7:30am Purg 7:45 am TH 8:00 am</p>	<p>Hike Crater Creek Falls A challenging on & off-trail hike with unique destination and route. Starting at Andrews Lake, we take the Crater Lake trail for 3.5 miles. Then we go off-trail for about a mile, dropping 750 ft to the top of three 100 ft. waterfalls on Crater Creek. Our return route will depend on conditions, possibly hiking back up to return via the Crater Lake Trail, or an off-trail basically horizontal traverse across 4.5 miles of untouched pristine country, crossing 3 creeks and numerous small ridges. The bushwhack route is a little different each time. For experienced hikers. Plan on being out for a long day, lots of up and down, a few scratches, and a great time. Timing of the hike may be</p>	<p>Hard 9.25 miles 1750 ft. Moderate pace.</p>

	<p>adjusted to catch the height of run-off. Route map available at https://caltopo.com/m/NGMN Limit 10. 2 well-behaved dogs on approval. Carpool \$7. RSVP Steve Schnarch 970 749-4478 ssalivedgo@gmail.com SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated SO! members only.</p>	
<p>Wed, Jun 15 8:30 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 8:00 am Purg 8:30 am</p>	<p><u>WW hike</u> <u>Upper Elbert Creek Trail</u> Hike through an open meadow along and above Elbert Creek then hike along a ridgeline to a scenic overlook. Usually great flowers. Carpool \$4. Two well behaved dogs ok, include in RSVP. Limit 15. RSVP Susan Beck-Brown 759-3421 sbeckbrown@yahoo.com Co-leader Shelley Leader shelley.leader@gmail.com. SO! outings are limited to fully vaccinated and boosted SO! members only. <u>About Wednesday Wanderers</u></p>	<p>Moderate 5 mi. 700 ft. gain High Altitude Min. elevation 10,000 ft. Easy pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 16 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, Jun 20 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back. Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 23 9:00 am</p> <p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. <u>Click here for additional details</u></p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>
<p>Mon, Jun 27 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Monday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 16-mile bike ride from the Rec Center stopping at PJs and back.</p>	<p>16 miles, moderate pace</p>

<p><u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p>Contact Ride Leader: John Martin at mudpatch22@gmail.com During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	
<p>Tue, Jun 28 12:00 am Chris Park</p>	<p><u>SO! Annual Picnic</u> SO! will hold its annual picnic and general meeting during the afternoon and evening of June 28 at Chris Park. Details will be forthcoming.</p>	<p>Easy & Fun</p>
<p>Thu, Jun 30 9:00 am <u>RC</u> 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Thursday Road Bike Ride</u> This is a 28-mile bike ride from the Rec Center to Bakers Bridge and back, stopping at Bread. Contact Ride Leaders: Rick Boebel, Pat Lyon, Daniel Saum, and Rodger Steeper at ThursdayBikers@seniorsoutdoors.org During the pandemic SO! outings are limited to members with completed vaccinations. Click here for additional details</p>	<p>28 miles, moderate pace</p>