

<p>Day, Date, Departure Time &amp; Departure Place</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Outing Description</b> <b>Winter 2013 - 2014</b></p> <p><a href="#">Logistics, outing rules, meeting places, and difficulty ratings</a></p> <p>Email schedule changes and updates to: <a href="#">Lyle Hancock</a>.</p> <p><b>Schedule changes and trip updates are in red</b></p> <p>If you have received this schedule by mail, please keep in mind that additions and changes are continually being made. Please ask someone with internet access to inform you when these updates occur or go to a friends computer or the library to view the updates at <a href="http://www.seniorsoutdoors.org">www.seniorsoutdoors.org</a>.</p> <p>Participation in Seniors Outdoors! activities by non-members is limited to two outings per year. Visitors who wish to actively participate are expected to join Seniors Outdoors!</p> <p>Participants (new &amp; old) as we start the winter season please review the <a href="#">Guidelines for Outing Participants</a> found on the SO! Web Site. It contains important information about our requirements and general alpine safety.</p> <p>Meeting Place Abbreviations: ACP: Animas City Park; TC: Trimble Crossing; Tam: Tamarron; DMR: Durango Mountain Resort; SRP: Santa Rita Park; RC: Rec Center</p>	<p><a href="#">Difficulty Rating,</a> <b>Total Length</b> &amp; <b>Elevation Gain</b></p>
<p>Starting Fri Dec 6 throughout the ski season at DMR.  Start date dependent on DMR opening and snow conditions.</p>	<p><b>SO! Downhill Ski Group.</b> Meet other SO! skiers and ski with a group at your level on various days throughout the ski season. All abilities are welcome.</p> <p>Contact Bruce Rodman at <a href="mailto:Mtnman16@gmail.com">Mtnman16@gmail.com</a> to be placed on the SO! Downhill Ski Group distribution list. Please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Self-description of your skier abilities, e.g. intermediate</li> <li>2) Home phone number.</li> <li>3) Cell phone number if you carry a cell phone on the mountain.</li> </ol> <p>If you are looking for ski companions of similar abilities, then you can 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 carpool from Animas City Park. The groups</p>	<p>Novice, intermediate and expert skiers</p>

	<p>usually meet during the noon hour for lunch on the second floor (bar level) at Dantes when it is open. You can 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 co-coordinators Bruce Rodman at 970-385-7899 or Jim Shadid at 970-884-4612.</p> <p>On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, John Montle (or Betsy Petersen, backup) leads a group of intermediate skiers interested primarily in groomed slopes. John or Betsy looks for you shortly before 9:00 am and then again shortly before 9:30 am at the base of Lift 1 (the Six Pack lift.) They will email out messages only when a leader will not be present as expected. These group sessions will probably begin later in December when ski conditions are judged good. First timers should contact John Montle at 769-6108 or <a href="mailto:mntnlvr@frontier.net">mntnlvr@frontier.net</a>. Backup group leader is Betsy Petersen at 259-5417 or <a href="mailto:betsyp@bresnan.net">betsyp@bresnan.net</a></p> <p>Jim Shadid has organized another group of skiers who ski primarily moguls and trees, and race NASTAR. If you would like to receive e-mails when members of this group will be skiing, contact Jim at 884-4612 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:shadid@wildblue.net">shadid@wildblue.net</a>.</p> <p>Be sure to check the DMR web site for actual opening date. Snowboarders are welcome to join the SO! Downhill ski group. Novice, intermediate and expert skiers</p>	
<p>Sat. Dec. 7 ACP 9:00 am Tamarron 9:20 am</p>	<p><b>Snowshoe Snowden Meadows</b> Join John's annual 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 and John always provides surprises and adventures! Bring hot dogs or brats for a cookout. 4WD conv. Limit 15 because we enter wilderness. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK <b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581</b> <a href="mailto:jmartin@mydurango.net">jmartin@mydurango.net</a></p>	<p>Moderate 5-7 miles 700'</p>
<p>Tues Dec 10  Social: 6:30 pm  Potluck: 7:00 pm  Rec Center</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b> <b>Winter Potluck</b> <b>Social and Music: 6:30 pm</b> <b>Potluck: 7:00 pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil. A-F Salad    G-M Main Dish N-R Dessert    S-Z Main Dish</p> <p style="text-align: center;">In addition to your potluck dish please bring non-perishable food donations for the Durango Food Bank.</p>	
<p>Wed Dec 11 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>Wednesday Wanderers Walk the Animas River Trail.</b> Every Wednesday through the winter join Eric to walk the River Trail from Santa Rita to Home Depot and back. May turn back sooner or go on to Escalante subdivision if</p>	<p>Easy 5-7 miles Flat</p>

	<p>desired. Enjoy wildlife, river views and companions. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. If there are problems with construction on the trail south from Santa Rita the group may choose instead to hike north to Rec Center or 32<sup>nd</sup> street.</p> <p><b>For Info, call Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	
<p>Sat Dec 14 thru Sat Mar 1 9:00 am ACP 9:20 Tamarron</p>	<p><b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b> Back by popular demand! Specific details for these Saturday Snowshoe hikes (destination, description, 4WD, etc) will be e-mailed about two days in advance. This year, John will offer a combination of snowshoeing, XC skiing, or both. Turn backs with a partner may be permitted. Carpool \$4-\$7, depending on destination. Dogs OK</p> <p><b>RSVP: John Martin 247-2581 or <a href="mailto:jmartin@mydurango.net">jmartin@mydurango.net</a></b></p>	<p>Allegedly moderate but your experience may vary</p>
<p><del>Sun Dec 15</del> ACP 9:00 a.m. TC 9:10 a.m. Tam 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>XC Ski Tour in the area around Molas Pass/Andrews Lake: CANCELLED</b></p> <p>This would be dependent on snow conditions and would be for advanced beginners to intermediate skiers. It would be a chance to brush up on XC skills on gently rolling terrain before the season really gets under way. Carpool \$6</p> <p><b>RSVP Leader: Bill Cagle <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy 4 miles 400</p>
<p>Wed Dec 18 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>
<p>Wed Dec 18 ACP 8:30 am Tam 8:50 am</p>	<p><b>Snowshoe and XC Ski-Gladstone to Storm Peak Basin.</b> Ski with Howard or snowshoe with Betsy from Gladstone mine north of Silverton up the county road into beautiful Storm Peak Basin surrounded by majestic peaks. Glorious views. Play time for skiers after lunch! OK for slower hikers/skiers to go at their own pace as far as they wish. Carpool \$8. No dogs.</p> <p><b>Leader: Howard Drake RSVP: Betsy Petersen 259-5417 or <a href="mailto:betsyp@bresnan.net">betsyp@bresnan.net</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate to hard ~ 5 miles 1,000 (mostly above 11,000)</p>
<p>Thurs Dec 19 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am</p>	<p><b>Lime Creek Road Snowshoe:</b> This will be an easy snowshoe for people just getting into snowshoeing (and anyone else who just wants to get outside and enjoy the outdoors). We will drive to the old Lime Creek Road turnoff from Hwy. 550 and head out along the road as far as we wish and then return on the same route. This will be weather dependent (enough snow to snowshoe on, etc.). Carpool \$6. 4WD if snow conditions exist on Hwy. 550. Dogs OK, Limit 20 <b>RSVP Rich Butler 970-403-3185 <a href="mailto:rbutler54@gmail.com">rbutler54@gmail.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy +/- 4 miles 600 ft</p>
<p>Sat Dec 21</p>	<p><b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b></p>	<p>See Dec 14</p>
<p>Sat Dec 28</p>	<p><b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b></p>	<p>See Dec 14</p>
<p>Wed Jan 1 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>

Sat Jan 4	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b>	See Dec 14
3 days and 2 nights. Tentative departure date Saturday, Jan 4, subject to change depending on weather. Leave Durango by 7:30 am	<p><b>XC-Ski on Grand Mesa:</b> Cross-country ski atop Grand Mesa with 35 km of trails groomed for classic and skate skiing. Usually the grooming and snow conditions are both excellent, and it is mostly gentle, rolling terrain best suited for lightweight, skinny skis. You can choose what difficulty of loops you would like to try and can ski at your own pace. Since the trails are well marked, you are not likely to get lost! We will stay 2 nights in Cedaredge at the base of the Mesa (motel with hot tub and breakfast!). Other meals will be eaten out. Bring snacks and water. \$15 donation for trail grooming should be part of your budget.</p> <p>Itinerary: Day 1: leave Durango at 7:30 am, brunch/lunch on the way, ski about 5 hours Day 2: leave motel by 9:00, ski about 5 hours with a lunch break at a restaurant on the mesa top. Day 3: leave motel by 8:00, ski about 4 hours, lunch somewhere between Cedaredge and Durango. Dogs are not allowed on most trails. Carpool \$30, 4WD convenient in case of snow-packed roads. Final decision on departure date will be made two days prior to departure.</p> <p><b>RSVP: Charlie Berglund 247-9747 <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a></b></p>	Easy to Most Challenging Mileage and elevation gain will vary, depending on chosen routes
Wed Jan 8 SRP 9:30 am	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	Easy Flat 5 -7 miles
<b>Thurs Jan 9</b> Nordic Center at Purgatory 10:30 am	<p><b>Classic XC-Ski Clinic at DMR Nordic Center.</b> The Nordic Center at Purgatory is offering a FREE classic cross-country ski clinic to members of Seniors Outdoors! There will be a class for beginners and one for intermediate skiers who wish to improve their cross-country skills. Equipment rentals are available on site. (\$7 for SO! members). Please come 20 minutes early if renting. There are picnic tables along the trails for people who want to bring a sack lunch with them and enjoy the beautiful trails after the clinic. The Nordic Center is located across the highway and about 1/3-mile north from the Durango Mountain Resort entrance. Since the lesson is free, we think it would be nice for each person to donate a small amount in appreciation for the instructors. <b>Please RSVP by January 2<sup>nd</sup></b> so the Nordic Center can determine how many instructors are needed. <b>RSVP: Sue Agranoff 970-946-9946 <a href="mailto:sagranoff@alum.mit.edu">sagranoff@alum.mit.edu</a></b></p>	
Fri Jan 10 ACP 9:00 am	<p><b>X-C Ski Tour.</b> Moderate cross-country ski tour somewhere where snow conditions are best. Limit 12. No Dogs. Carpool TBD <b>RSVP Leader: Travis Ward 970-247-1310 <a href="mailto:tlward@frontier.net">tlward@frontier.net</a></b></p>	Moderate 4-8 miles <500
Sat Jan 11	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b>	See Dec 14

<p><b>Sat Jan 11</b> Twin Buttes TH 10:00 am</p>	<p><b>Snowshoeing 101 for beginners. POSTPONED until we have better snow conditions.</b> Join Dell to learn the ins and outs and ups and downs of snowshoeing. Practice will be near Dells home on nearly flat terrain. Bring lunch or snacks, water, snowshoes, poles, gaiters and winter snow boots or heavier hiking boots that are appropriate for snowshoeing. If you need snowshoe rentals, call Dell for suggestions. Parking for Twin Buttes Trailhead is just west of the Giant gas station on west US 160. Carpool \$2. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Dell Manners 385-0555 or <a href="mailto:dmanners@sisna.com">dmanners@sisna.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy Short distances Minimal elevation gain</p>
<p><b>Sun Jan 12</b> ACP 11:45 am Vallecito TH 12:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Vallecito Nordic or Skate skiing. (Rescheduled to Jan 19)</b> Meet with us to classic ski or skate ski around the east side of lake on a groomed track. Carolyn will meet the group at the Vallecito Nordic Center parking lot - so we need someone from Durango to organize the carpools at ACP and pickup a trip bag. When RSVP-ing please let Carolyn know if you would be able to pickup the trip bag and organize the group into carpools. Carpool \$4. 4WD preferable as it is usually needed after crossing the dam, limit 20, dogs OK. <b>RSVP Carolyn Striker 382-0162 <a href="mailto:honeee4him@yahoo.com">honeee4him@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles</p>
<p>Mon Jan 13 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am Tam 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>XC Ski from Silverton to Elk Park.</b> Ski down Animas Canyon and return. Afterwards, we will have tea and snacks at Howards home in Silverton. Carpool \$7. 4WD preferable. <b>Leader: Howard Drake RSVP: Connie Webbe 382-0009 or <a href="mailto:bcwebbe@aol.com">bcwebbe@aol.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 8 mile 400</p>
<p>Tues Jan 14 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am</p>	<p><b>Silverton/Animas River Snowshoe:</b> An easy to moderate snowshoe from Kendall Mountain Ski Hut in Silverton above the Animas north to Blair or Arrastra Gulch where we will drop down to the Animas and return to Silverton. Carpool \$7. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP Rich Butler 970-403-3185 <a href="mailto:rbutler54@gmail.com">rbutler54@gmail.com</a></b></p>	<p>Easy to Moderate 4.5 miles 300</p>
<p>Tues Jan 14 Social 6:30 pm Mtg 7:00 pm Rec Center</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Trekking in the Rolwaling Valley of Nepal with Jim Sumrall:</b> Jim is an experienced Sierra Club outings leader. The Rolwaling Valley is a seldom visited area of Nepal just south of the Chinese/Tibet border. Come view the landscapes of glaciers, glacial lakes and the Tasi Lapche Pass at elevation 19,000 feet. The trek involves a life adventure with local high school orphans.</p>	
<p>Wed Jan 15 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>
<p>Wed Jan 15 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10</p>	<p><b>Moderate snowshoe in vicinity of Cascade Creek.</b> Exact route will depend on snow conditions and group preference. Expect to spend about four hours on the trail. Carpool \$4. Limit 12. No dogs. 4WD if Hwy 550 is snowy. <b>RSVP: Charles Berglund 247-9747 <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a></b></p>	<p>Moderate 8 miles 400-800</p>
<p>Sat Jan 18</p>	<p><b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b></p>	<p>See Dec 14</p>
<p><b>Sun Jan 19</b> ACP 11:45 am</p>	<p><b>Vallecito Nordic or Skate skiing. (Rescheduled from Jan 12)</b> Meet with us to classic ski or skate ski around the east side of lake on a groomed track. Carolyn will meet the group at the Vallecito Nordic Center parking lot - so we need</p>	<p>Moderate 5 miles</p>

Vallecito TH 12:30 pm	someone from Durango to organize the carpools at ACP and pickup a trip bag. When RSVP-ing please let Carolyn know if you would be able to pickup the trip bag and organize the group into carpools. Carpool \$4. 4WD preferable as it is usually needed after crossing the dam, limit 20, dogs OK. <b>RSVP Carolyn Striker 382-0162 <a href="mailto:honeee4him@yahoo.com">honeee4him@yahoo.com</a></b>	
Tues Jan 21 SRP 8:00 am	<b><i>Snowshoe or Backcountry Ski to Lobo Overlook.</i></b> Snowshoe or ski up the access road on the north side of Wolf Creek Pass to the top of the Continental Divide for one of the best scenic views to be found. No skins are necessary for backcountry skiers. There are several options to play in meadows on the way down. There is an optional trip afterwards to Pagosa Hot Springs. Locals rate every Tuesday is \$7. You must live within a 60-mile radius of the Springs and drivers license is required. Carpool \$14. Limit 12. 4wd is desirable if Wolf Creek Pass is in poor condition. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Nancy Mead 259-5978 <a href="mailto:nancy.a.mead@gmail.com">nancy.a.mead@gmail.com</a></b>	Moderate 5-6 miles 900
Wed Jan 22 SRP 9:30 am	<b><i>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</i></b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy  Flat  5 -7 miles
Wed Jan 22 5:30 pm	<b><i>SO! Board Meeting.</i></b> Committee Heads and general members are welcome to attend. <b>RSVP Clark Lagow <a href="mailto:clagow@rmi.net">clagow@rmi.net</a> or Betsey Butler <a href="mailto:ejbutler12@gmail.com">ejbutler12@gmail.com</a></b>	
Wed Jan 22 ACP 9:00 am TC 9:10 am	<b><i>Moderate snowshoe above Little Molas Lake.</i></b> Exact route will depend on snow conditions and group preference. Expect to spend about four hours on the trail. Carpool \$6. Limit 12. No dogs. 4WD if Hwy 550 is snowy. <b>RSVP: Charles Berglund 247-9747 <a href="mailto:chasberglund@msn.com">chasberglund@msn.com</a></b>	Moderate 8 miles 800
Sat Jan 25	<b><i>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</i></b>	See Dec 14
Thurs Jan 23 <del>Wed Jan 29</del> ACP 8:30 am Tam 8:50 am	<b><i>Backcountry ski into McMillan bowl. CANCELLED due to lack of snow.</i></b> This is intermediate terrain above Red Mountain Pass (above St Paul lodge). The area has great snow and avalanche danger is usually low. Need climbing skins and be able to make turns on intermediate terrain. Carpool \$9. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Jeff Bailey 764-8120 or <a href="mailto:jewlbailey@yahoo.com">jewlbailey@yahoo.com</a> Co-Leader: Darrell Maddox</b>	Advanced XC ski skills needed
Wed Jan 29 SRP 9:30 am	<b><i>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</i></b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy  Flat  5 -7 miles
Sat Feb 1	<b><i>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</i></b>	See Dec 14
<del>Sun-Feb 2</del> ACP 11:45 am Vallecito TH 12:30 pm	<b><i>Vallecito Nordic or Skate skiing CANCELLED due to lack of snow.</i></b> Meet with us to classic ski or skate ski around the east side of lake on a groomed track. Carolyn will be meeting the group at the Vallecito Nordic Center parking lot - so we need someone from Durango to organize the car pools at ACP and pick up a trip bag to bring to the Nordic Center. When RSVP-ing please let Carolyn know if you would be able to pick up the trip bag and organize the group into car pools at	Moderate 5 miles

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Wed Feb 5 SRP 9:30 am	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy Flat 5 -7 miles
Sat Feb 8	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b>	See Dec 14
Sun Feb 9 ACP 8:30 am TC 8:40 am Tam 8:55 am	<b>XC Ski from Red Mountain to Ironton Park.</b> Ski downhill from Red Mt. Pass down railroad grade to Ironton Park. Well spot cars for shuttle. Entire route is downhill; probably on unbroken snow. Well have tea and snacks at Howards home in Silverton. Carpool \$8. 4WD preferable. No dogs. <b>Leader: Howard Drake. RSVP: Connie Webbe 382-0009 or <a href="mailto:bcwebbe@aol.com">bcwebbe@aol.com</a></b>	Moderate 4 miles 1,500 down
Tue Feb 11 Social 6:30 pm Mtg. 7:00 PM Rec Center	<b>SO! General Meeting</b> <b>Avalanche Awareness for Players in the San Juan Snow:</b> Josh Kling, of Durangos Kling Mountain Guides, will present a program aimed at increasing our avalanche awareness and safety considerations for our members who love to play in the snow. This should be a helpful introduction to an important topic for the winter outdoors person.	
Tues Feb 14 ACP 10:00 am Fire St. #5 10:15 am TH 10:30 am	<b>XC Ski Vallecito Lake East. Postponed to Feb 25.</b> Track or skate ski the groomed trails on the southeastern side of Vallecito Lake at your own pace. A suggested fee of \$5-\$10 may be donated at the TH. Fire Station #5 is on Florida Road just past Edgemont Ranch at junction with CR 234. Carpool \$5. 4WD preferable. Dogs OK. <b>RSVP: Jan Collins 382-0211 or <a href="mailto:jcvmona@yahoo.com">jcvmona@yahoo.com</a></b>	Moderate 4-8 miles Minimal elevation gain
Wed Feb 12 SRP 9:30 am	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy Flat 5 -7 miles
<del>Wed Feb 12</del> SRP 8:30 am ABC in Mancos 9:45 am	<b>XC Ski Chicken Creek Cancelled due to poor snow.</b> With breakfast option at Absolute Bakery & Caf (ABC), 110 S. Main St. in Mancos. Ski at moderate pace along Chicken Creek trails on groomed track. \$5 donation for trail grooming is suggested. Carpool \$6. 4WD convenient. No dogs. <b>RSVP: David Wright 259-5978 or <a href="mailto:djwright001@gmail.com">djwright001@gmail.com</a></b>	Easy to moderate 5-6 miles Minimal elevation gain
Thurs Feb 13 ACP <b>8:30</b> am Tam <b>8:50</b> am	<b>Backcountry Ski into McMillan Bowl.</b> This is intermediate terrain above Red Mountain Pass (above St Paul lodge). The area has great snow and avalanche danger is usually low. Need climbing skins and be able to make turns on intermediate terrain. Carpool \$9. No dogs. <b>RSVP: Darrell Maddox <a href="mailto:damaddox@elskies.com">damaddox@elskies.com</a> or 303-775-3208. Co-Leader: Jeff Bailey</b>	Advanced XC ski skills needed
Sat Feb 15	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b>	See Dec 14
<del>Tues Feb 18</del> SR 9:00 am	<b>Easy Snowshoe in the La Platas: Cancelled.</b> We will drive to La Plata Canyon Road and snowshoe up the La Plata River banks and road and then return on same route. This will be an easy snowshoe for beginners and anyone else aiming to get outside. Carpool \$2, Dogs OK. <b>RSVP Rich Butler 970-403-3185 <a href="mailto:rbutler54@gmail.com">rbutler54@gmail.com</a></b>	Easy ~4 miles ~ 400

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Thurs Feb 20 5:30 pm	<b>SO! Outings Committee Meeting</b>	
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Wed Feb 26 SRP 9:30 am	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy Flat 5 -7 miles
Sat Mar 1	<b>Saturday Snowshoe with John (Martin).</b>	See Dec 14
Wed Mar 5 SRP 9:30 am	<b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b>	Easy Flat 5 -7 miles



<p>Fri. Mar. 7 to Sun. Mar. 9. RC 9:00 am</p>	<p><b>Car Camping/hiking trip to Utah:</b> In and around Moab. We will drive over on Friday and find a campsite, then spend the time hiking and exploring the many canyons or scrambling over some of the spectacular slickrock buttes. Some exposure on slickrock scrambles. Trip limit 12. Primitive camping. Bring firewood and plenty of water. Carpool \$TBD.</p> <p><b>RSVP Leader: Bill Cagle <a href="mailto:cagle81301@yahoo.com">cagle81301@yahoo.com</a></b></p>	<p>Hard 6 8 miles/day 500 Many times Scrambling</p>
<p>Tues Mar11 New Member Orientation 5:30 pm Social: 6:30 pm Potluck: 7:00 pm Rec Center</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SO! General Meeting</b> <b>2014 Spring Potluck</b> New Member Orientation 5:30 pm Social: 6:30 pm Potluck: 7:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bring your own table service and a dish for eight with a serving utensil. A-F Main Dish    G-M Dessert    N-R Main Dish    S-Z Salad</p> <p style="text-align: center;">In addition to your potluck dish please bring non-perishable food donations for the Manna Food Kitchen.</p>	
<p>Wed Mar 12 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>
<p>Wed Mar 19 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>
<p>Wed Mar 26 SRP 9:30 am</p>	<p><b>WW hike: Animas River Trail.</b> See Wed Dec 11. No RSVP required. Dogs must be on leash per city ordinance. <b>Leader: Eric Pahlke 247-1130</b></p>	<p>Easy Flat 5 -7 miles</p>

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