

#### **Program**

If you enjoyed the program from November 2018, addressing history of the Sandia Ski hill, the program this month is a don't miss program. "The Ski Club February general meeting program will be a Power Point presentation of the history of cross country skiing in the Jemez Mountains from 1968 to the present. Information about trails, including maps and slides, in the following areas will be presented: general area where National Forest roads were skied but not marked, Baca Land and Cattle Company Ranch, Redondo Campground, East Fork, Los Griegos, Peralta (Corral Canyon), and Valles Caldera National Preserve."





# **Trip Report**

Beginners Class Fresh snow, 10 instructors, and 25 students provided a great day for everyone. Based upon feedback from various participants it was fun, and fruitful day. We look forward to seeing everyone again when the snowflakes fall out of the sky. Ten instructors who made it a fun day: Susan R, Jim W, Bet G, Guy M, Peter M, David D'A, Marlene B, Barry R and Gordon E.

## **Pagosa Springs Car Trip**

The bus transportation half of this trip has been revised to car transportation. However, several skiers are excited for the recreation opportunities at Pagosa Springs February 21 through February 23/24. Recreation includes shopping, snacking, dining, building snowmen, steaming alluring hot springs, and of course sliding and gliding across the snow. If you have not signed on yet (life gets busy), the group will be using the Quality Inn at Pagosa for lodging.

If you are new to skiing, some of those friendly folks that were at the beginners lesson look forward to skiing class 1 tours. Additionally, leaders will be heading out to do class 2 and 3 ski tours as well.

Available techniques for turning the skis as you go downhill include the tree bounce (bring a helmet), face plant (bring a shovel), crash and burn before the turn (bring a fire extinguisher), or bend the knee and turn with ease (brings a smile). Barry is offering tips and pointers to improve your tele turning & smiling on Saturday morning at the Wolf Creek ski area.



Make sure you rent the right telemark equipment, rental equipment is available from;

The ski area, (\$24 for the day) <a href="https://wolfcreekski.com">https://wolfcreekski.com</a>

KAFB, if you have access to get on base.

Contact Barry if you have any questions <u>barryxwind@msn.com</u>





**Smiling Tele Skier** 

Yea! There is something for everyone on this car trip to a special area, groomed tracks on gentle grades for Class 1 skiers, longer ski tours for Class 2 & 3 skiers near Wolf Creek Pass. Lift served skiing at Wolf Creek ski resort. Telemark session at the ski area from a seasoned tele skier. Please note that several patrons at lift served ski areas are using helmets. Below are two web sites to guide your search for the perfect ski trail, and some snapshots of the area.

https://pagosanordic.com/pagosa-springs-winter-trail-maps/ http://www.pagosatrails.net/home/cross-country-skiing



Higher elevation trail options at Pagosa (near Wolf Creek Pass).







Lower elevation trail options at Pagosa Coyote Hill (above) West Fork (right)

# **Presidents Day Yurt Trip**

Three spots are open for the yurt trip to Trujillo Meadows and Flat Mountain Yurt for 2 nights and 3 days of the Presidents day weekend. Approximate lodging cost is \$80 per person, with transport and shared food as additional cost. The yurts are in the vicinity of Cumbres Pass. Contact Scott Mitchell.

https://southwestnordiccenter.com/yurts/flat-mountain-yurt/ https://southwestnordiccenter.com/yurts/trujillo-meadows-yurt/

#### **Spruce Hole Yurt Trip**

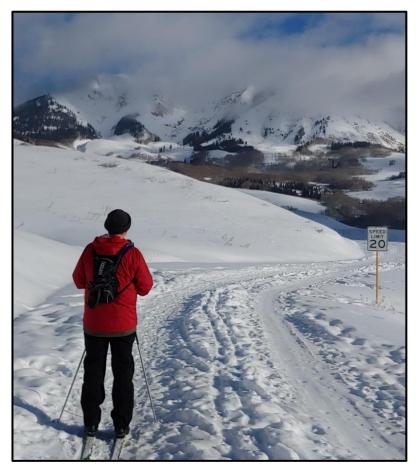
There is an opening for one, on this yurt trip scheduled for February 28 – March 1. Contact Dana Price. <a href="https://www.yurtsogood.com/">https://www.yurtsogood.com/</a>

## Telemark Skiing Clinics, Demos, Lessons, Sessions

Saturday February 22, offers 2 opportunities to learn about the graceful telemark turn from telemark experts. The session at Wolf Creek is open to club members and is detailed under the 'Pagosa Springs Car Trip'. If you can't get away, and make the trip to Wolf Creek, you can head to Pajarito for the 2020 telebration with the Telenators.



<u>Crested Butte Trip Report</u> Pictures say it all (speeding, eating, smiling, hitting the fresh snow jackpot, peaceful streams, snow cone mountains, festive lighting) Thank You, Marcia, Debbie, Teri, and Stacey for sharing pictures.















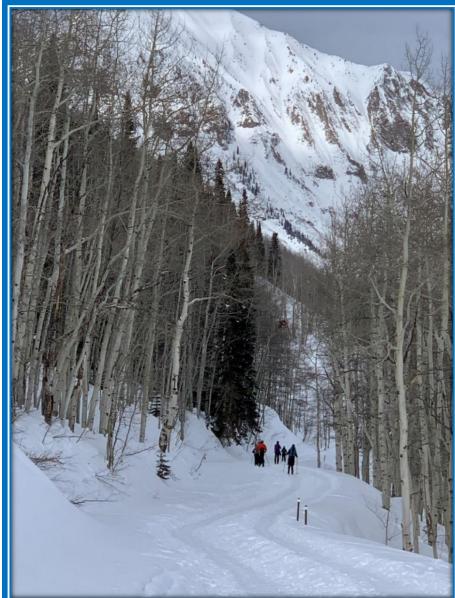












# **Caps and Shirts**

Did you miss out getting a top hat, and a festive shirt from a class 5 shopping tour at Crested Butte? If you answered yes, the next best thing to evince the serenity and happiness of cross country skiing is a cap and t-shirt from the club. Baseball caps are \$15, and shirts are \$20. If your bargain hunting, cap and shirt together are \$30.





Calendar of Events 2019-2020				
Thursday	February 13 7:00 – 9:00 PM	General Meeting at Garden Club		
Saturday - Monday	February 15 – February 17	Yurt Trip, Trujillo Meadows and Flat Mountain		
Friday-Monday	February 21 – February 24	Car Trip: Pagosa Springs, Colorado		
Saturday-Sunday	February 22- February 23	Telebration at Pajarito		
Thursday	March 12 7:00 – 9:00 PM	General Meeting at Garden Club		

#### **Marking Email as Spam**

The club has received notice from SWCP support. SWCP (SouthWestCyberPort) is the company that supplies and manages our eGroup list server. We pay them for this service.

They report that some @comcast recipients in NMCCSC have been reporting their NMCCSC emails as spam. When comcast gets that message it cancels all NMCCSC emails going to all @comcast recipients. This impacts a large number of our club members.

SWCP is doing an investigation as to who these 'spam reporters' are. A few lines of information have been added to the bottom of the emails from NMCCSC. They will use the information in those lines to discover the 'spam reporters' and then remove them from the list.

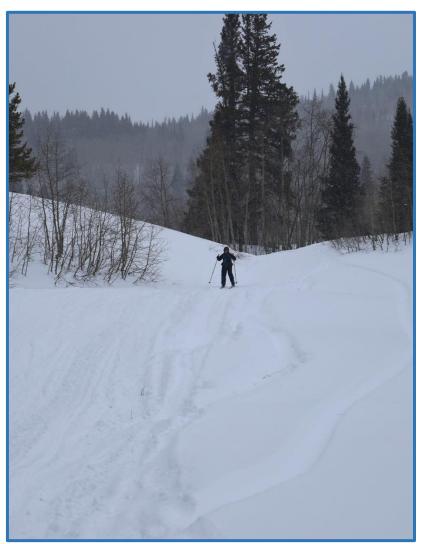
If you receive multiple emails from 'Fred Flinstone via NMCCSCeGroup' that bring little value to you, and subsequently mark it as spam -- You are not marking Fred Flinstone as the spamer, you are essentially marking anything that comes from NMCCSCeGroup as spam. Probably not your intention, but that's what happens behind the scene.

Therefore, please don't mark NMCCSC emails as spam. Alternatively we ask that you go to the bottom of the email click UnSubscribe or contact Marilynn (<a href="mailto:egroup@nmccskiclub.org">egroup@nmccskiclub.org</a>) to be removed from the NMCCSC egroup listing.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Marilynn EGroup Chair

Editor's note: If your email provider does not support the "unsubscribe button' as mentioned by Marilynn, please contact Marilynn to be removed from the egroup listing. Regrettably there is no perfect solution, we are confined by constraints of underlying software systems, plus extra email when members get excited about fresh snow, or a good day of skiing. Thank You for your consideration. Speaking of fresh snow, more pictures of the white gold at Crested Butte.







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Ratings					
Class	Vertical Climb (ft)	Distance (miles)			
One	Less than 1000	Less than 5			
Two	Less than 2000	Less than 5			
Three	Greater than 2000	Greater than 10			
Four	Unpatrolled, mountainous terrain, with the purpose of downhill skiing. Slopes can be greater than 25 degrees. Knowledge of use of climbing skins, avalanche gear needed.				

Steepness of slopes, skill level, and stamina can also dictate the ski tour rating. Please see the webpage for more information.

http://nmccskiclub.org/ski-outings/

Avalanche Outlook			
US	https://avalanche.org/		
Canada	https://www.avalanche.ca/map		
Taos	http://taosavalanchecenter.org		
Crested Butte	http://cbavalanchecenter.org/		
Some of the sites from https://avalanche.org			
Colorado	http://avalanche.state.co.us/		
Utah	https://utahavalanchecenter.org		
Tetons	http://jhavalanche.org		
Yellowstone	https://www.mtavalanche.com		
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