



General Meeting – Board Positions

Board Positions and Volunteers

The general membership will dine on cheesecake after they vote on the board positions at the March meeting. Three board positions are being vacated, and a candidate/volunteer for each position has been found for each position. Nominations of other candidates/volunteers can be made from the floor. Board turnover is occurring for Refreshments, Instruction, and Newsletter. Jim Whitfield is stepping forward for Instruction, Terri Elisberg and Phyllis Pryor stepped up to serve Refreshments, and Amy Mathis volunteered for Newsletter. Please lend your support to all the board members in the coming year.

March 2020 program

The program for March 12 general meeting will be a slide show of pictures from our recent club skiing events. Thank you all for sending Bob your favorite pictures, many of them are being used in the show.

GPS Technology Refresher and Route Planning/Tracking Apps

Gerry Trujillo presented “Current Location and Route Planning Resources” at the club’s January 2020 meeting. He received positive feedback as well as some club member’s workflows and experiences, which Gerry had solicited.

Gerry originally planned to review mapping and route planning applications and resources. GPS technology is a complex field so he elected to begin with basics on how the GPS systems function. There was insufficient time to cover applications and resources as originally planned.

Gerry has offered to present a brief review of GPS technology before going into applications and resources that may be utilized in planning/recording/mapping your next outing. He’ll discuss tracking your route and editing functions provided by applications. He’ll then continue to apps for mapping your recorder tracks. Realizing that most apps have a fee structure, his goal is to explore capabilities of “free” apps and services. A date has yet to be determined, but Gerry hopes to present early in the ski season, providing members time to explore the technology for themselves.

Gerry invites club member participation by hearing about your favorite apps and workflow, to be included at his presentation. If interested, please send Gerry an email to: gerttruj@yahoo.com

Membership

New members dues paid after February 1 include membership for the next season.

The Future for Ski Club Bus Trips

Back in the day, our Club had three bus trips per year until the early 90's when we reduced our offering to two per year. Now, it seems, we are having difficulty filling both trips and we're wondering if we can reasonably expect to fill even a single trip. Your Board will need to be making decisions in the coming weeks about continuing with our bus trip program, and we'd like your help.

In the next week or so, we will send out via e-mail a brief survey to all of our members. Please be on the lookout for the survey so that you can complete and submit it for the Board's consideration.

Do you want bus trips to continue? Will you go on them? Are there specific places you'd like to go or not go? What aspects of our bus trips do you like or dislike?

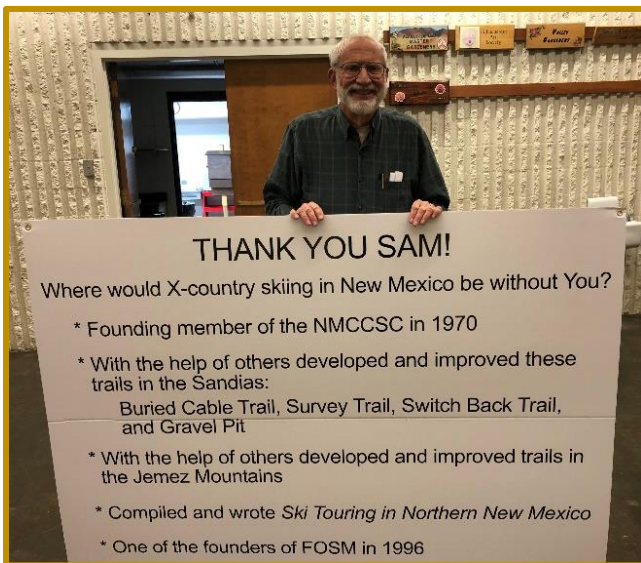
Please give us your feedback so that we can better provide activities that appeal to you. You count on us for that, and now we're counting on you. Thanks !!!

Summer Picnic

The picnic is typically scheduled in June, before the historic monsoon starts. The time and place will be announced by email and newsletter.

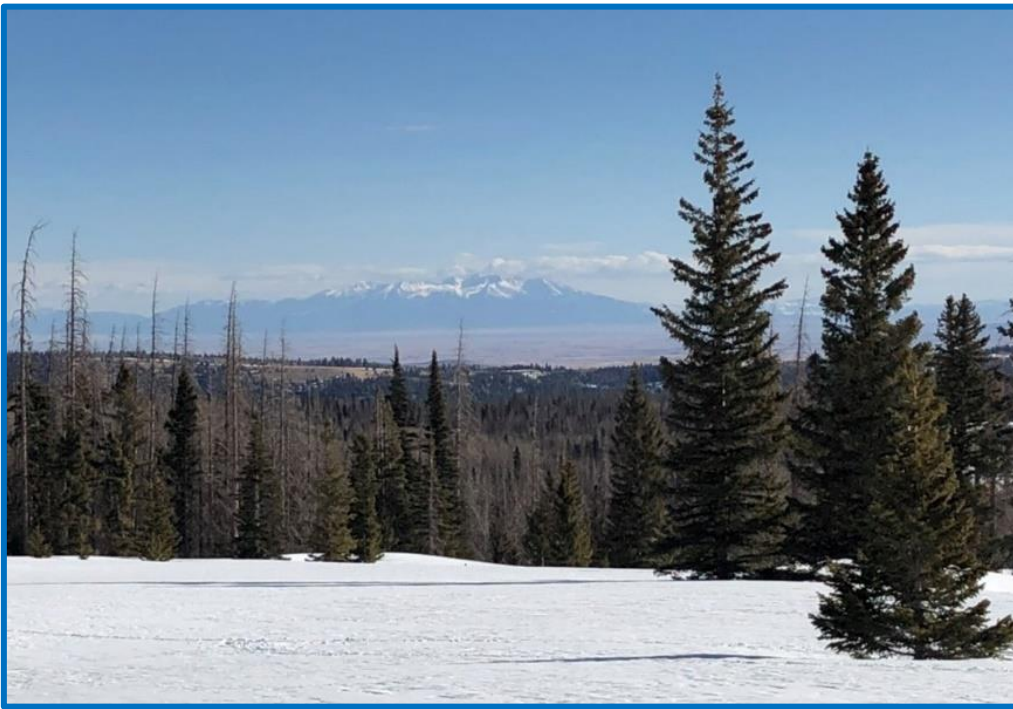
Trip reports

Sam Beard, who helped layout and maintain several trails in the Jemez, has lead has led several Class 1 and Class 2 trips this year to the Jemez. The common theme of all reports this year, and previous years, everyone is smiling, even when the snow is less than perfect.



A special rip to Yellowstone, one bus trip to Crested Butte Colorado, one car trip to Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 4 yurt trips to the Chama area comprised the preplanned trips this last year. Here are some photos from the Spruce Hole Yurt trip. Thank you Dana, Lew, Marlene for indisputable evidence of the exemplary views, adventure, and skiing.





Banca Peak, Birdeyes view from the skylight,
Sunrise, Pulling the sled, Home



<i>Calendar of Events 2019-2020</i>	
Thursday March 12 7:00-9:00PM	General Meeting At Garden Club
Weekend June TBD, afternoon	Summer Picnic

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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
Sawtooths	https://www.sawtoothavalanche.com
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