



SEPTEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER DINNER

With a hint of fall in the air and cooler evenings, we are returning to indoor dining. On **Thursday, Sept. 16th** we will enjoy an Italian dinner at the Brickhouse Restaurant, 100 E. Third St., Rifle. Doors will open at 5:00 (no earlier) for cocktails. Also, appetizers will be served, including an antipasto of cured meats, Italian cheeses, olives, marinated veggies, fresh baked bread, and garlic knots with garlic butter and marinara. But save your appetite for one of the **4 delicious entrée** choices that Jason has selected for the evening. The **vegetarian and gluten free (GF)** entrée is **(#1) Spaghetti squash** with tomato basil and mixed summer veggies. There is also **(#2) Rosemary chicken breast** with wild rice and grilled summer veggies (also GF). The third entrée is **(#3) Beef medallions** with rosemary au jus with new potatoes and grilled veggies (also GF). And the final selection is **(#4) Garlic shrimp alfredo** with broccoli and cauliflower. Also, **salads** will be served with all the dinners. Still hungry? After dinner you will have a choice of cannoli or chocolate mousse with strawberries. Non-alcoholic beverages also are included. The inclusive cost is **\$32 per person. Checks** (no cash please) should be made out to the 100 Club and **received no later than Thurs. Sept. 9th**. Be sure to indicate your entrée(s) on your check. Feel free to use **#1** through **#4** as per the above descriptions. Do not select your dessert on your check, as you will do that after dinner. Unfortunately, **we cannot refund payments after Sept. 9th**. Mail your check to Donna Phelps at 110 Beaver Ln, Carbondale, CO 81623-8765. There is a limit of 65 people, so timeliness is essential. There will be a wait list if necessary. All name tag wearers

will receive a hug from the beautiful hostess and handsome host. P.S., In case you're wondering, we will be returning to Aspen Glen on Oct. 21st to enjoy our dinner in their new heated patio tent set up especially for a romantic dining experience. Questions: call Bruce at 963-9654.

SEPTEMBER HIKES

Dates in **bold** typeface are Wednesdays (more strenuous). See the **2021 Hiking Schedule** and **Explanatory Notes** for secondary departure times/meeting places.

Sep 6 – North Fork/Lone Pine Loop, 7:30 at Office Depot. North of El Jebel, the "Lone Pine" in the name should tell you all you need to know. We've hugged this tree a time or two in the past. Choose from long or short loop options or simply hike out and back as far as you like. Some steep sections and a stream crossing.

Sep 8 – Haystack Mountain, 6:00 at Office Depot. Between Mts. Daly & Sopris, climb 3800' in 6.5 miles from Snowmass Creek TH 6.5 miles to the top of Haystack Mountain. Wet stream crossing at 1.5 miles. Great views!

Sep 13 – Mansfield Ditch, 7:30 at Meadows Mall. NW of New Castle, the Mansfield Ditch Trail begins along Buford Road, climbs to a divide between West & Main Elk Creek, then follows the contour of the old ditch in a NW direction. You can return via the same route or crossover to Cherry Creek and return to TH via Buford Road. [Note: This replaces another hike near Sweetwater due to uncertain status of Glenwood Canyon.]

Sep 20 – East Elk Creek/Spring Creek, 8:00 at Meadows Mall. At the end of East Elk Creek Road, just past the Nielson's house, follow East Elk (aka Centennial) Trail to its confluence with Spring Cr. (just past the East Elk Cr. crossing), where it exits a narrow gorge.

Seasonally low flow should make the crossing manageable.

Sep 22 – Ashcroft/McArthur Mtns., 7:00 at Office Depot. In Castle Creek Valley near Ashcroft, turn left on Express Creek Road toward Taylor Pass and park at the Markley Hut TH. Hike up Express Creek Rd. to Richmond Hill Rd. Easy bushwhack through open terrain to reach peaks; **OR** Taylor Pass/Lake, same meeting time and place as above. Take Express Creek Rd. to Taylor Pass, then continue down the south side of the pass to Taylor Lake and back.

Sep 27-Oct 1 – Kanab, UT overnight trip. Trip details will be published in the **Hikers' Blog** no later than mid-September.

SEPTEMBER CYCLING

Wednesday September 1, 9:00 at CMC park & ride (west side of Hwy 82 at CMC turnoff). 20-mile loop: Rio Grande Trail to Cattle Creek Road to Catherine Store Road, looping back to Cattle Creek Road via Crystal Springs (CR103-CR112). Meet at Brew Pub for lunch. Patti will send out email reminder with map before the ride.

Wednesday September 15, 9:30 at Aspen Rec Center (ARC). Ride to Maroon Bells & back to ARC. Brown bag lunch at the lake.

To join Patti's 100 Club bikers' list, please email Patti Sundermann at pattisundermann@gmail.com & you will receive updates before each ride. Happy biking!

TENNIS ANYONE?

Interested in playing mixed doubles tennis? Meet at Sayre Park courts Fridays at 9:00 until further notice. All skill levels welcome. Call/text John Burg at (970) 355-9104 to be added to his email list.

LADIES' BRIDGE

Time to resume playing. Call Barbara Larime at (970) 384-2835 if you are ready to play.

MEN'S BRIDGE

Men's Bridge meets two Thursday evenings each month, starting at 6:30, and ending about 9:00 p.m. Games are hosted by players at their homes. Our big news is that we are back to playing bridge in person. Shots are required, while masks are optional.

We are seeking additional players. Surely some readers of this missive played bridge in their youth, before adult responsibilities intervened, and could now return to this enjoyable activity. There is no better way of strengthening mental acuity, and the companionship is excellent. For additional information contact Stephen K. Huber SHuber@uh.edu.

ROSTER CHANGES FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

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Litten, Carole	970-355-8981	New phone