

# *New Mexico Cross Country Ski Club*

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## ***Ski Club BBQ & Pot Luck*** ***Saturday, June 4, 2011*** ***4 - 7 p.m.***

*See enclosed flyer*

***Wildlife West Nature Park  
Edgewood***



*Photos by John Thomas & Dave Saylor  
Wildlife photos by Roger Holden*

## 2012 Bus Trips By Angela Welford

I am excited to announce the two bus trips for the 2012 ski season. Mark your calendars and start saving your pennies now. The trips are:

**Ouray, CO,  
January 13-16**  
*Friday-Monday, Martin Luther King weekend*  
We will stay at the Box Canyon Lodge with hot springs. Total cost is \$260.



Marty Perez and Kerri Wormwood,  
Crested Butte, 2/11/10.

*Photo by Dave Gabel*

## Frisco, CO, February 23-26

*Thursday-Sunday*

On this trip 5 lucky people will win **A FREE PASS** to a downhill area in the Frisco area. We will stay at the Cross Creek Condos where we have previously stayed. Total cost is \$300.



Yolanda & Dave Ploor, Karen Rougeux, Marcia Congdon, John Thomas, Dave Saylor, Marilyn Szydlowski, Holly Noland and Bob Long, Crested Butte, 2/11/11.

*Photo by Lucy Miller*

We are within walking distance of great restaurants in both towns, as well as opportunities for "class 3" shopping expeditions.

Registration forms will be sent with the September newsletter. Please see the two documents, *Bus Trip Policy* and *Bus Trip Procedure* on the Club website for more information.

Both trips are open to children over the age of 12 when accompanied by a parent, grandparent or legal guardian.

If you have never been on a bus trip, please consider trying one or both this year. Both locations have been very popular in the past, so I anticipate the spots will fill fast. ■

## 2012 Hut Trips By Guy Miller

### Continental Divide Hut (*beginner trip*)

**January 23-27** (*includes travel days*)

As of press time, the trip is full, although not all skiers have paid to reserve their spots. Cost is \$108, including dinners at the hut.

This relatively new hut is located off of Tennessee Pass, near Leadville, Colorado. Skiers of unproven capability will not be turned away as long as they are capable of skiing at a Class II level, and are able to carry a full pack. They must possess appropriate backcountry skis, boots and bindings.

We did this as a beginner trip a few years ago with good results. The ski in from Tennessee Pass is less



Frank Perniciaro and Pamela Crane, Ben Eiseman Hut,  
3/30/11.

*Photo by Carl Smith*

than half a mile, with very little elevation gain. This is intended as a FUN learning experience. No pressure; no worries; just do it!

Contact me to discuss the appropriateness of your participation and to discuss your gear for this trip at 294-7940 or [xcskiboy@aol.com](mailto:xcskiboy@aol.com).

### Fowler-Hilliard Hut

**March 3-8** (*including travel dates*)

Two vacancies remain for this trip, which is for experienced hut skiers. Cost is \$147, including dinners at the hut, fees and taxes. We will depart Albuquerque on Saturday, March 3. We will occupy the hut March 4-6, and ski out and return on Wednesday, March 7. All skiers should allow an extra day, March 8, in the event we are unable or unwilling to get all the way home.

The first night we will stay at the hostel in Leadville, which we did this past season. We will stay there again on this and other trips that take place in the Leadville area.

Interested skiers should contact me at 294-7940 or [xcskiboy@aol.com](mailto:xcskiboy@aol.com) without delay. ■



## Hostel Trip in 2012

By Guy Miller

In 2010 we did our first hostel trip, to Durango. We had a half dozen or so folks with us, and the feedback that I got seemed overwhelmingly favorable.

This past season, we engaged the services of the hostel in Leadville, which is by far one of the best hostels I've ever visited.

The Leadville facility does what few others do . . . they FEED us. And it's GOOD food . . . AND cheap! Check them out at <http://leadvillehostel.com/home.htm>.

I am considering doing a hostel trip to Leadville, probably a 3-nighter, in early February or mid-March. Please contact me at 294-7940 or [xcskiboy@aol.com](mailto:xcskiboy@aol.com) to indicate interest or to get further details. ■



Chris Standish in Crested Butte, 2/12/11.

Photo by Angela Welford

## Return to Yellowstone National Park

By Ray Berg

A group of skiers from NMCCSC will return to Yellowstone National Park for a week of skiing next **January 28 to February 3, 2012**. Yellowstone has some of the best cross country skiing in the west, in one of the most diverse places on earth. We will have the chance to visit hot springs, follow buffalo herds, and maybe, if they cooperate, observe some of the wolf packs in the wild.

We fly into Bozeman, MT, on Saturday, then take the stage (*actually a small bus*) to Mammoth Hot Springs at the north entrance to the park. The trip starts with an orientation on Saturday evening. We will spend 3 days in Mammoth Hot Springs, 2 days at Old Faithful Lodge, then the last day back at Mammoth before finishing Friday evening. All ski routes into the back country will be guided by park rangers.

Cost for the trip is expected to be approximately \$3,000, including air transportation, lodging, meals and guides. The trip is limited to 20 people. I am assembling a list of people interested in the trip. If you are interested, contact me at 366-8104 or [rsberg01@comcast.net](mailto:rsberg01@comcast.net) to get on the list. ■



NM Cross Country skiers in 2007 at one of the springs at Mammoth Hot Springs.

Photo by Ray Berg



Pam Reynolds and Gordon Eatman look for the perfect telemark slope while skiing in Crested Butte, 2/13/11.

Photo by Rich Besser

Are you a Member?

Join or renew your NM Cross Country Ski Club membership now — see enclosed membership form.

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Sherry Fitzmaurice, Brush Creek,  
Crested Butte, 2/12/10.

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