

The Happy Vailee

Spring/Summer 2011

President's Message

As the welcome sight of spring and summer emerges, we hope you are ready to enjoy the sports and the social agenda we've planned for you. This summer you can join the club's travels for golfing and photographing hiking, take in an opera; enjoy much socializing at parties, hikes and rides, and do-si-do at an old fashioned square dance. Please thank the coordinators and leaders of our events when you see them for all the work they have done to give us a summer of fun!

During the past year we made a giant leap forward into the present. Check out Vail Club 50 on Facebook. Let your family and friends see the pix, the videos, and add comments about our sweet life enjoying the club's activities. Our website homepage has the Facebook link www.vailclub50.com. Speaking of websites, ours is getting about 350 unique hits each month, great exposure for our club. The on-line membership signup introduced last fall has been tremendously successful. For a first-time use, the problems were few and benefits were great. We hope that the second round, late this summer, will be even more flawless. No computer? No problem. Paper forms will still work.

You have joined an "all volunteer" club. We have no paid staff, no office, and no equipment. The members volunteer some of their free time to organize the sports and social events and perform all administrative tasks. This is how we are able to offer very modest membership dues; and how we keep your cost for the social activities as low as possible. For the 22 years of the Club's existence, the work has passed from one member volunteer to the next; when your turn comes to share in that responsibility we will expect and welcome your participation. The club can only be as good as the members make it. *"You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give!"* – Winston Churchill

Enjoy a safe, happy, and healthy season. I'll see you on the trails, the trips, and at the parties.

Carol Campbell, President

Fall and Winter Highlights

The winter season has been filled with activities. In addition to an excellent season of skiing, x-country and snowshoeing we have had some great social events. **Linda Hryckowian** organized the kick-off Après Ski Party at the Colorado Ski Museum. Over 120 members met and drank beer, wine and munched hors d'oeuvres. All enjoyed seeing old friends and making new while talking of plans for the upcoming season. **Bruce Williams** planned the first Snowmass trip of the season which was attended by 45 members. Additional trips, planned by **Roger Kleen**, followed and gave members the opportunity to ski or snowshoe at a venue different than our incredible local sites. The Holiday Gala, adeptly organized by **Judy Pecsok**, was held at the Beaver Creek Park Hyatt where almost 200 members dined and danced to Tina and the Millionaires. The New Year was off to a good start on a sunny, but cold day with a brunch at the Nine Iron Grill at the Cordillera Valley Club hosted by **Abby Dixon**.

New members had a chance to meet the VC 50 Board and each other for cocktails in January in an event hosted by our President **Carol Campbell**. Thanks to **Marlene Kearney**, an annual excursion to Winter Park's Arlberg Club was a much appreciated interlude for those who participated. The Super Bowl Party at Balata's brought cheers from both Packer and Steeler fans. Thanks to **Kim and Bill Cox, Judd and Gretchen Babcock** for their enthusiastic attention to detail at this party.

Charlie Sherwood led the Shrine Hut Trip at a particularly snowy time this year. This was a time for bonding while admiring the wintry, high alpine environment. **Lois Schwager** and **Dyann Linger** planned the Pot Luck Dinners providing members a chance to get to know each other in a smaller setting. Thanks to **Chuck Bailey**, both Square Dancing evenings were loads of fun with a caller who helped beginners feel comfortable learning the steps. Puttin' on the Ritz, beautifully organized by



Activity Calendar

Make Prompt Reservations

- **Golf Outing in Denver**
Tuesday-Wednesday,
May 17 & 18
- **Summer Solstice Dinner & Dance**
Tuesday, June 21
- **Bravo! Kickoff Brunch**
Sunday, June 26
- **New Members' Party**
Thursday, July 7
- **Lake Dillon Boat Trip**
Thursday, July 14
- **Pot Luck Dinners**
Tuesday, July 19
- **Wolcott Yacht Club Breakfast**
Friday, July 22
- **"Carmen" Opera in Central City**
Tuesday, July 26
- **Presidents' Dinner Dance**
Sunday, August 14
- **Estes Park Golfing & Photography Hiking**
Wednesday-Thursday,
August 17 & 18
- **Square Dancing**
Monday, August 22
- **Annual Old Fashioned Picnic**
Friday, August 26
- **Annual Golf & Tennis Outing**
Thursday, September 8
- **Autumn Equinox Sunset & Cocktails**
Tuesday, September 20

Check the deadlines carefully.

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Pam and Jim Starr, took place on February 14 with dinner and dancing at the Ritz Carleton.

Keeping up with the active life, we enjoyed an evening of Bowling at the Solaris organized by **Lois Bruce**. Even beginner bowlers reveled in the camaraderie and good food of the evening. A Moonlight Snowshoe at the Cordillera Mountain Course and Timber Hearth was organized by **Joyce and Jim Nielsen**. This was a nice addition to the regular snowshoe series capably organized this year by **Will and Michele Darkin**. **Jeanne Mosier**, with a team of



very committed captains and assistants, put together an outstanding Ski Treasure Hunt at Vail with an après ski party at Cucina Rustica. **Patty Rasmussen** introduced us to the Silver Plume Melodrama where members booed at the villain and cheered for the heroes. **Tom and Marci McCalden** worked again to allow VC 50 to enjoy a wonderful Vilar Evening of culture. **Patsy Rowe** coordinated the NASTAR races with a lot of competition on difficult snow; the winner was really the great time we all had at the après ski party at Manor Vail. Thanks to all the chair people for doing a fabulous job; we couldn't have the fun we have without you!

The Club thanks our Social Chairman, **Nancy Alexander**, Ski Coordinators **Patsy Rowe** and **Jon Myers**, Snowshoe Chairman, **Will and Michele**

Darken for their excellent work.

Nancy Alexander, Social Chairman & the Board of Directors

Downhill Ski Season Recap

We kicked off the season with the ski leader sign up party on November 30 with over 50 people in attendance. The 2011 Vail Club 50 ski season was blessed with copious snow. In fact, as of this writing we've received 360 inches and it's only March 2! A new ability level was added to our ski groups in Vail making four in all: Blue, Blue Black, Black Diamond and Double Diamond. Since we tend to get smaller numbers in Beaver Creek, we have stayed with 3 levels at that ski area. Over 80 people expressed a willingness to lead and the email list of VC 50 members who indicated an interest in downhill skiing has grown to 450 names. Luckily they don't all turn up at Mid Vail at the same time although sometimes it feels like that!



X-Country Skiing Highlights

The Cross Country Ski group had a very successful season. We skied at Leadville, Maryflower Gulch, Meadow Mountain, No Name Road, and 3 different segments of the railway line from Tennessee Pass to Minturn. Our organization is growing. We averaged about 12 people per outing (up from 7 last year). Our high was 24 in Leadville. Next year **Helena Leslie** has graciously agreed to do the emails and some of our "veteran" skiers will, we hope, lead some of our ski outings. Thanks to all who came out for a fun season.



Thanks to everyone who contributed their time, effort and energy to make the season so much fun for us all. Next year we look forward to another great season under the leadership of **Jon Myers** and **Carol Ferguson**.

Patsy Rowe & Jon Myers

Downhill & Cross Country Ski Program Co-coordinators



Snowshoe Program

The 2011 snowshoe season was a blast – there were dandy new trails and many golden oldies. We enjoyed 12 Wednesdays of frosty events and warm companionship.

Our Hero of the People award goes to two people, **Jackie Anthony** and **Magrit Brinker**. They arranged multiple complex events, including one frustrating weather cancellation. Of course, there are other Important Heroes, who devised and led shoes, often including a shared lunch, without whom the show could



not have gone on: **Helena Leslie**, **Nancy Alexander**, **David Staat**, **Charlie Sherwood**, **Chris Matlon**, **Marcia and Tom McCalden**, **Dean and Linda Wolz**, **Linda Hryckowian**, **Louise Willimann**, **Abby Dixon**, and **Marlin Smickley**. An award also goes to **Pat and Larry Stewart** for opening their home for the season finale. All of these Heroes spent a lot of time and effort to put together adventures for the rest of us to enjoy. They have caused new friendships to occur, old ones to renew, and have made us more aerobically fit. Thank you!

*Michele and Will Darken
Snowshoe Coordinators*



Summer Activities

Some Events Fill Up Before The Deadlines So Mail Your Check Early To Ensure Your Reservation

GOLFING IN DENVER

*Tuesday & Wednesday
May 17 & 18*

On May 17th, join us to play golf at the Lone Tree Golf Club and Hotel, with tee times starting at 11 a.m. We have booked the rooms at the hotel. The total cost per night is \$210.96 and includes tax, two players' green fees, golf cart, hotel room, breakfast muffins and coffee. On Wed the 18th, we will play Deer Creek Golf Club, with tee times starting at 10 a.m. Price will be \$50 per person, including cart. The group will gather for dinner on Tuesday night.



To sign up, and for further information, contact **Wayne** or **Jan Abbott**, 970-748-9266, cell 970-471-3829, email awabbott@msn.com. **Deadline for signing up is May 7.** Please let us know if you are organizing your own foursome. The trip will be limited to the first 28 members who register, but we'll keep a short waiting list just in case.

SUMMER SOLSTICE DINNER & DANCE

*Summer Thyme Restaurant,
Red Sky Ranch
Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.*

Join us for the annual Summer Solstice Dinner and Dance. Cash bar opens at 6:30 p.m. followed by a scrumptious buffet dinner including salad, seared salmon, grilled chicken breast, zucchini Pappardelle, veggies and dessert. Harris and Harris will be playing dance music with a swing and a western flavor.

The cost is \$35 per member and \$55 per guest. This event may sell-out before the deadline so book early by sending your check, payable to Vail Club 50, to **Marla Shainman**, 587 Kensington Drive,

Cordillera, CO 81632. Your check is your reservation and must be received by **June 8**. Contact Barry and Marla Shainman at 970-569-3832 or bjsmbs@comcast.net.

BRAVO! KICKOFF BRUNCH Four Seasons Resort, Vail Sunday, June 26, 11 a.m.

What would the summer be without Bravo? Join your friends for Sunday Brunch on opening day to welcome in the Bravo! season. We will gather for drinks - cash bar - followed by a buffet brunch at the brand new Four Seasons. The cost of the event is \$32 for members and \$40 for guests. Please send your checks made payable to Vail Club 50 to **Kathy Moore**, P.O. Box 1813, Edwards, CO 81632. Checks need to be received by **Friday, June 5**. Contact Diana Heinle at 303-809-8069 or deheinle@aol.com with questions.



NEW MEMBERS' PARTY Thursday, July 7, 6:30 p.m.

This party is for new Vail Club 50 members who joined for the first time in 2010/2011 and have not yet attended a New Members' Party. We would like to meet you and we hope you can join us for wine and hors d'oeuvres, hosted by **Carol Campbell** and **Al Aronowitz**. You will learn more about the fun that goes on in this wonderful club and meet our hiking, biking, golf and tennis coordinators as well as the Board members. There is no cost for this event. Please notify Carol Campbell by **July 2** if you will be attending. Call 970-926-6320 or email carolcampbell@cs.com. You will be given driving directions at that time.



LAKE DILLON BOAT TRIP Thursday, July 14, 11:30 a.m.

New this summer! Climb aboard a pontoon boat for a three hour scenic cruise on Lake Dillon. We will reserve five pontoon boats, each holds eight people, so we are limited to 40 people.



The price for this picturesque outing on the beautiful lake is \$23 per person for the boat rental. Gather your friends and bring your lunch and drinks. To sign up call **Suzanne Padilla** at 609-658-0182 or email her at scpadilla@comcast.net. Make your checks payable to Suzanne Padilla and mail to 4532 Streamside Circle, Vail, CO 81657.

POT LUCK DINNERS Tuesday, July 19

What a fun way to enjoy the warm summer evenings, touch base with old friends and make new ones while enjoying a delicious dinner! This event is for singles, and couples members new and old. The host provides the house, plans the menu and prepares a main course. Guests are designated to a home. The host will contact you and ask you to bring a course to serve 8 people (appetizer, side dish, salad or dessert), a bottle of wine to share or beverage of choice. Everyone is encouraged to participate. If you would like to host a dinner, please contact **Lois Schwager** or **Dyann Linger** by **June 17**. Lois: 970-949-0988, loiss66@hotmail.com and Dyann: 970-845-7071, lingerfam@earthlink.net. Call to attend a dinner by July 5th. We have had hosts cancel at the last minute – unfair to all. Please make this a firm commitment if you agree to host a dinner at your home.



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WOLCOTT YACHT CLUB BREAKFAST

Friday, July 22, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

This annual event is always a big hit with the club members. Bike, kayak or drive to the Yacht Club for an outstanding and fun breakfast that Friday morning. The cost is \$17 for members



and \$23 for nonmembers. There will be a cash bar. Please make checks payable to Vail Club 50 and mail to **Helen Beckwith**, P.O. Box 2155, Vail, CO 81658. **Checks must be received by July 12.** If you have any questions, please contact Helen or Bruce at 970-748-1408 or hhor@vail.net. No walk-ins without reservations, please.

“CARMEN” OPERA IN CENTRAL CITY

Tuesday, July 26, 2:30 p.m.

Vail Club 50 has reserved a small block of tickets for this matinee performance in Central City. If you are an opera fan, I'm sure you're familiar with Georges Bizet's "Carmen." If you have never attended an opera, this would be a great introduction. This famous story of love, jealousy, and murder, set in Seville, Spain, follows the romance of the beautiful gypsy, Carmen, and her spurned lover, Corporal Don Jose. An easy to follow story in any language, it will be performed live in French with easy to see English subtitles. **IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO GET THE 30% DISCOUNTED TICKETS.** Please send your check payable to Vail Club 50 for \$42 to **Karen Spero**, P.O. Box 1349, Edwards, Co. 81632 before **May 15.** For questions, call Karen Spero at

970-926-1711. If you are driving back to the Vail Valley that evening we will dine as a group at the Blue Plate Bistro in Avon.

PRESIDENTS' DINNER DANCE

Park Hyatt, Beaver Creek Sunday, August 14, 6 p.m.

Once again the members of the Vail Club 50 will gather for the annual Presidents' Dinner Dance in the McCoy Ballroom at the Park Hyatt. This is a great evening, starting with a cash bar cocktail hour. A brief meeting of your incoming Board Members and farewell to the outgoing Board Members will be followed by dinner and dancing. Choices of dinners include Grilled Chicken Breast, Sautéed Scallops or Sweet Potato Gnocchi. Music will be provided by the Bob Finney Band. Valet park at the main entrance to the Hyatt Hotel for \$14, or park free in the Village Hall parking structure. Cost is \$42 for members and \$72 for non-members. Make out your check payable to Vail Club 50, **NOTE YOUR ENTREE OF CHOICE** and send to **Anne Ekstrom**, P.O. Box 393, Minturn, CO 81645. Anne is assisted by co-event leader **Donna Rosenberg**. Deadline for receiving checks is **Monday, August 8.**



ESTES PARK GOLFING & PHOTOGRAPHY HIKING

Wednesday & Thursday, August 17 & 18

You can golf, hike or both on this trip. The golfing group will be lead by Pat and Jim Bain. Wednesday golfing will be at the 18-hole Estes Park Golf Course starting



at 12 noon; cost is \$60.00 including cart.

Thursday morning tee-offs start at 10:30 at Marianna Butte in Loveland; cost is \$58.00 including cart. Make your golfing reservations through **Pat and Jim** at 970-926-3260 or patjim01@centurytel.net. Sign up by **August 2.** We are limiting golf to the first 28.



If you're a hiker, Master Photographer Dennis Jones, along with Yolanda Marshall, will lead you on photographic hikes both Wednesday and Thursday in the Rocky Mountain National Park. Dennis will help you frame photos of the mountain peaks, rivers, waterfalls, and fields of wildflowers. They will also explain the free and reduced rate for a senior pass to the National Parks which you can take advantage of for this trip. Sign up for a hike and get meeting places and times by emailing **Dennis Jones** and **Yolanda Marshall** at dreamcatcherimaging@yahoo.com.

Golfers and hikers will enjoy dinner together on Wednesday night at Nicky's Steakhouse. Two choices for lodging include:



Evergreen on Fall River, 3 miles from town. The cost is \$169/night for 1 bedroom with 1 bath: or 2 bedrooms with 1 bath for \$189/night, with minimum of 2 nights stay. **Reservation needed by June 1**, call 1-888-868-3393 or 970-577-9786.

An alternate for lodging is Best Western, Silver Saddle, in Estes with Continental breakfast for \$119.00/night. No minimum stay. Call 970-586-4476 for reservations.

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SQUARE DANCING

Eagle-Vail Pavilion

Monday, August 22, 6 p.m.

Back by popular demand, we will square dance this summer with Bear Miller, the "Premiere Caller of the Rockies." No square dancing experience is necessary! Wear ANY comfortable attire – western attire optional– couples



and singles welcome! You don't need to bring a dance partner, the squares change

frequently and everyone dances.

Bring a finger food – appetizer or dessert, and your drink. We'll supply cups, plates, napkins, and a keg. If you are not a beer drinker please BYOB.

We'll first enjoy appetizers, drinks, and mingling. Dancing will begin at about 6:30 p.m. We'll break after about an hour for desserts and drink, followed by more dancing. This will be a fun and unique evening!! The cost for this event is \$10. **Please submit your reservation by August 8.** Make checks payable to Vail Club 50 and mail to **Elaine Gelvin**, P.O. Box 363, Avon, CO 81620. Contact Elaine at 970-949-4064 or e-mail her at egelvin@vail.net

ANNUAL OLD FASHIONED PICNIC & GAMES

Singletree Community Center

Friday, August 26

Noon – 4 p.m.

The Old Fashioned Picnic is back for the third year. The club will furnish fried chicken, dishes, cups, silverware, and games. You should bring a dish to share and something to drink. To spark

your competitive spirit, we will award prizes for the games this year. To help coordinate the meal and plan for the correct number of participants, please contact **Sue Clark** at 970-748-8664 or **Georgi Imbach** at geoimbach@verizon.net by **Friday, August 19.** There is no charge for this event.



ANNUAL GOLF & TENNIS OUTING

The Cordillera Valley Club

Thursday, September 8

The 20th Annual Golf and Tennis Outing will be returning to last year's venue, The Cordillera Valley Club. You can choose to play a nine hole scramble at the Club or two hours of round robin tennis at Beaver Creek, or just come to dinner. Golf check-in is at 2:30 p.m. with a shotgun start at 3 p.m. Tennis starts at 1 p.m. Details of the tennis matches will be sent via email prior to the event. We will then gather at the Nine Iron Grill at 5:30 p.m. to review all the results - victories and defeats. There will be a cash bar followed by hors d'oeuvres, a buffet dinner and awards. Golf and tennis attire is acceptable although collared shirts are required. Range balls, green fees, carts, dinner, gratuity and prizes are included for golfers. Tennis players will receive tennis balls, snacks and dinner.

Price of event as follows:

VC50 members golf & dinner: \$80.

Non members golf & dinner: \$95.

Valley Club members golf & dinner: \$42.

If you can only join us for dinner: \$30 members and \$40 non-VC50 members. Make checks payable to Vail



Club 50 and mail to **Jim and Karen Haeffner**, P.O. Box 2669, Edwards, CO 81632. **Reservation deadline is August 25.** If you have any questions, please call Jim at 970-479-1043. There are a limited number of tee time positions available. Please indicate on your check the event you will join and your golf handicap or estimated score for 18 holes.

AUTUMN EQUINOX SUNSET & COCKTAILS

Lodge at Cordillera

Tuesday, September 20

5 p.m. photo shoot

6:30 p.m. cocktails

Bring your cameras for an hour of "fall foliage foto" shooting from one of the best photo spots in the area. Capture incredible photos from 5 p.m. till 6 p.m. then watch the sunset and admire the beautiful mountain view from lounge-side or pool-side at The Lodge at Cordillera. Meet new friends and make contact with old ones while munching specially prepared hors d'oeuvres and enjoying a cash bar. Cost is \$18 for members and \$23 for guests. Make out your checks to Vail Club 50 and send to **Ray and Jan Cartade**, 147 Eagles Glen, Edwards, CO 81632. Check for this event is needed by **August 31** to reserve our private party affair. If you have any questions you can contact Ray and Jan at cartade@centurytel.net or 970-926-8435.





SUMMER SPORTS PROGRAMS

The sports programs are for Vail Club 50 members. A member is welcome to bring a guest, but the guest must sign a Liability Waiver at the beginning of the event. Event leaders will have the Liability Waivers. We limit non-member participations to two sporting events for the season.

Ladies' Par 3 Golf

Our 2011 season will begin on June 6th. We will meet each Monday at 9 a.m. at the Willow Creek Par 3 Course in Eagle Vail. All levels of golfers are welcome. Each Monday we will have about 90 minutes of fun on the course and then go to lunch. There will be the opportunity for a lesson with a golf professional or one of our own Vail Club 50 low handicap players sometime during the season. Prizes for games such as closest to the pin, best attendance, low gross and most pars will be awarded at the end of the season luncheon (date to be announced). If you have questions or would like to join the group, please notify one of the chairpersons.



Sue Clark: 970 748-8664

Pam Sherman: 240 291-1116

Par-3 Golf Coordinators

Tennis

This summer's program will be similar to that of past years. Doubles play will be on Thursday mornings at Ford Park in Vail for 2 hours starting at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. There is a clinic offered from 9 - 10 a.m. by the Ford Park tennis pro. The doubles will be gender independent, depending on your level of play, which will be evaluated weekly based on your results. We typically have a wide range of levels, but a minimum ability (3.0) is required so that the program is fun for everyone. Any questions about players meeting the minimum ability level will be resolved by a co-chairperson. You will play 8 games partnered with the other 3 players on the court with you. Games will be regular scoring except when you are approaching your time limit (10 a.m. or 12 p.m.). The cost to play is \$5. There is an additional fee established by the pro for the clinic. Play will begin in mid June and run through the end of August. You will need to notify the appropriate co-chairperson by Tuesday noon if you wish to play that Thursday. Please notify Patti Rasmussen if you wish to play this year so a tennis email group can be created.



Patti Rasmussen: parasmussen@aol.com , 303-918-0740

Chuck Bailey: chuckski970@aol.com, 415-383-9797

Tennis Coordinators



BIKING 2011

We will again be biking on Mondays and Fridays this summer – June through September. Before the first ride, please have your bike road ready (brakes, tires, chain, gears and seat adjusted). It is important that you arrive on time and be ready to ride at the appointed time. We will leave promptly. Remember to bring enough water, sun screen, a helmet, a spare inner tube and pump. There will be a sign-in sheet on the windshield of the bike leader. When you have finished the ride, be sure to sign out. Please bring a cell phone if you have one. Lunch will either be a sack lunch or at a restaurant. The bike leader will let you know the meeting place, time and lunch arrangements. The schedule below has many great rides and a few open dates - please consider volunteering to lead a ride by emailing me at Rich.Freyberg@comcast.net. Each week, starting the end of May, an email detailing the rides for the following two weeks will be sent to those who signed up for biking.

Vail Club 50 Biking Shirts - Biking shirts designed just for the Vail Club 50 cyclists are great looking and fun to wear on the rides. Send an email to Linda Hryckowian-Finn at lhwhiskers@aol.com or call Linda at 970-926-3642 to order a shirt. She has all the details.

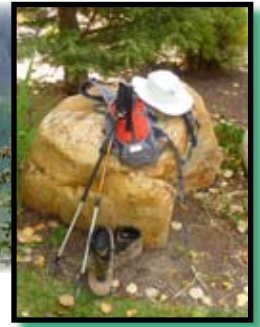
Have fun and enjoy the summer,

Rich Freyberg: Rich.Freyberg@comcast.net, 970-306-1227

Biking Coordinator

Day	Date	Leader	Ride	Difficulty
Sun	May 15	FYI	Santa Fe Century	Hard
Sat	May 21	FYI	Independence Pass Ride	Difficult
Mon	June 06	Babbie VanDyk	Edwards to Eagle Hills and back. Lunch at Riverwalk	Easy/Moderate
Fri	June 10	Rich Freyberg	Costco to Dotsero & back - 25 or so miles (easy riders could turn around earlier then graze at Costco	Easy/Moderate
Sun	June 12	FYI	Denver Century	Hard
Mon	June 13	Peter Rosenberg	Dotsero to Burns (almost) and back - paved road only	Easy/Moderate
Fri	June 17	Chuck Bailey	Moderate ride - to be determined !!!	Moderate
Sat	June 18	FYI	Boulder Sunrise Century	Hard
Mon	June 20	Bernie Schwarz	Arrowhead to Red Canyon & back (mainly bike path)	Easy
Fri	June 24	Rich Freyberg	Lionshead to Vail Pass & back - 32 miles	Moderate
Sat	June 25	FYI	Lap the Lake - Turquoise Lake 3 times !!!	Hard
Mon	June 27	Babbie VanDyk	Around Lake Dillon counter clockwise, start in Dillon, lunch at Arapahoe Café	Moderate
Fri	July 01	Ed Tudanger	Edwards to Battle Mountain & back - lunch in Red Cliff	Moderate/Hard
Mon	July 04	no ride		
Fri	July 08	Larry Stewart	Carbondale to Woody Creek (and back). This is a little longer than we did last year but it is an easy addition. For those who don't want to add the additional distance, they can start/meet us at Basalt.	Easy/Moderate
Sat	July 09	FYI	Triple Bypass	Impossible
Mon	July 11	Peter Rosenberg	Dotsero to Glenwood Springs & back. Lunch at Juicy Lucy	Moderate
Fri	July 15	Ed & Hope Tudanger	Colorado River Road - 2 groups - Ed will lead the aggressive riders, a few miles of dirt road - Hope will lead a less aggressive group, no dirt. Lunch at Moe's in Eagle	Easy/Moderate
Mon	July 18	Linda Hryckowian	Possible ride to Keystone & back - TBD	Easy/Moderate
Fri	July 22	Bernie Schwarz	Minturn, Ranger Parking to Vail & back (mainly bike path)	Easy
Sat	July 23	FYI	Colorado Eagle River Ride	Hard
Mon	July 25	Chuck Bailey	Vail to Copper & back	Moderate/Hard
Fri	July 29	Patsy Rowe	Mineral Belt Trail in Leadville	Easy
Mon	Aug 01	Patsy Rowe	Brush Creek Road to Sylvan Lake Ranger Station. Lunch at Adam's Rib.	Easy
Sat	Aug 06	FYI	Copper Triangle	Hard
Mon	Aug 08	Bernie Schwarz	Frisco to Breckenridge & back (bike path)	Easy
Fri	Aug 12	Pat & Larry Stewart	As much of Vail Pass as you want. Picnic at Pat & Larry Stewart's house	Easy/Moderate
Mon	Aug 15	Sue Kuntz & Don Carrell	Frisco to Breckenridge & back	Easy
Sun	Aug 21	FYI	Deer Creek Challenge	Gotta be kidding
Mon	Aug 22	Mary Lamb Lucas	Beaver Creek Parking Lot to Bachelor Gulch & back	Moderate/Hard
Fri	Sept.02	Babbie VanDyk	Dillon to Montezuma & back	Moderate

The following biking dates are still open: August 5, 19, 26, 29. September 9,12,16,19,23. To volunteer contact Rich.Freyberg@comcast.net 970-306-1227. No ride on Sept 5



2011 HIKING

Welcome to the 2011 Vail Club 50 Hiking Program. With the addition of our new Moderates group, this year's program has something for every hiker. The Tortoises are our mellow group, the Moderates undertake longer more demanding hikes at an even pace, and the Hares like to hike faster and go further. The organizers are Sherry Luhman (970-926-6587, SHLuhman@gmail.com) for the Tortoises, Louise Willimann (970-343-2220, l.willimann@gmail.com) for the Moderates, and Helena Leslie (970-479-0634, hglnc@aol.com) for the Hares. Each group has selected a range of hikes – described as easy, moderate, or difficult – based on distance, elevation gain, and walking speed of the hikers. Those of you who have indicated an interest in hiking will receive periodic e-mails reminding you of the upcoming hikes, providing a brief description of the hike and the meeting place, and advising you of any changes. If you find that you are not receiving the hiking notice e-mails, contact Helena Leslie at hglnc@aol.com to become part of the hiking e-mail database.

Hiking Safety and Responsibility

Safety is out top priority. On all hikes, bring plenty of water, rain gear, sun protection, and trail snacks/lunch. We strongly advise having good hiking footwear and trekking poles, as well as a basic first aid kit. On June and September hikes, be prepared for muddy and/or snow-packed trails. On high altitude hikes, bring a hat, windbreaker, and layered clothing. Trip Leaders are encouraged to remind those who sign-up for the hikes about these and other special needs particular to their itinerary. Walkie-talkies will be used on all hikes so that, at a minimum, the lead hiker and the sweep can remain in contact with each other.

We strongly advise purchasing a CORSAR card available from Forest Service offices and Ptarmigan Sports. This card costs \$12.00 for five years coverage, and it may save you considerable expense if you sustain injury and have to be rescued. For more information go to www.dola.state.co.us/dlg/fa/sar/sar_purchase.html . Though we discourage the use of cell phones on hikes, it is useful to carry one should you need to call 911 to summon rescue, even though a walk may be necessary to find a cell.

Hiking Participation Rules and Regulations

1. Leaders have the right to deny participation to those who do not register in a timely manner. To participate, you must call or e-mail the leader at least 12 hours prior to the hike. Kindly do not call or e-mail the morning of the hike or simply show up at the designated meeting point. This is discourteous to the leader who should know who is coming ahead of time. Also, weather and trail conditions sometimes require last-minute changes, postponements, or cancellations, and the leader cannot inform people who are not registered.
2. Leaders have the right to limit the number of hikers in their group. This information will be indicated in the mass mailings that will be sent periodically.
3. If you must cancel, give the leader the courtesy of a call or e-mail by the evening before the hike so that the group does not waste time waiting for you at the meeting place.
4. Many hikes involve crossing streams on log bridges, traversing rock or boulder fields, and have short sections of steep climbs or descents. If you know you cannot handle these obstacles please do not sign up for the hike. Contact the leader to ascertain whether the hike will involve obstacles of these types.
5. The Leader is the LEADER! Unless another hiker is designated, the Leader will always be the first hiker in the queue. The Leader will also designate a sweep who will always be the last hiker in the queue
 - A. During a hike, Leaders and Sweeps may be reassigned but all hikers in the group must be made aware of this by the Leader at a rest stop.
 - B. Hikers who want to go faster than the Leader, or explore alternative routes will be immediately considered as resigning from the Vail Club 50 hike and shall not be treated as hike participants by the Leader or Vail Club 50.



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HIKING 2011

Welcome to the 2011 Vail Club 50 Hiking Program. With the addition of our new Moderates group, this year's program has something for every hiker. The Tortoises are our mellow group, the Moderates undertake longer more demanding hikes at an even pace, and the Hares like to hike faster and go further. The organizers are **Sherry Luhman (970-926-6587, SHLuhman@gmail.com)** for the Tortoises, **Louise Willimann (970-343-2220, l.willimann@gmail.com)** for the Moderates, and **Helena Leslie (970-479-0634, hgl NYC@aol.com)** for the Hares. Each group has selected a range of hikes – described as easy, moderate, or difficult – based on distance, elevation gain, and walking speed of the hikers. Those of you who have indicated an interest in hiking will receive periodic e-mails reminding you of the upcoming hikes, providing a brief description of the hike and the meeting place, and advising you of any changes. If you find that you are not receiving the hiking notice e-mails, contact Helena Leslie at hgl NYC@aol.com to become part of the hiking e-mail database.

HARES HIKING SCHEDULE 2011

Day	Date	Hike	Difficulty	Miles	Elev.	Leader Name	Phone	Leader E-Mail
Wed	Jun8	Slide Lake	Mod	6.8	1370	Greta Blamire	970 949 5645	gretabl@yahoo.com
Sat	Jun18	Grizzly Creek	Easy	4		Alice Boone	970 949 5399	Aliceinvail@comcast.net
Wed	Jun22	Native Lake	Diff	8.4	2100	Patti Rasmussen	303 918 0740	paramussen@aol.com
Wed	Jun29	Stag Gulch	Mod		1500	Lois Bruce John Merritt	970 376 8505 970 306 2025	ldbruce2445@gmail.com jmmerrittarc@yahoo.com
Wed	Jul6	Red & White Mtn.	Diff	11	2700	Will Darken	970 926 2330	willhdarken@aol.com
Sat	Jul9	Camp Hail – Kokomo Pass	More Diff	8.5	2600	Sue Padilla	609-658-0182	scpadilla@comcast.net
Wed	Jul13	East Vail to Two Elk	More Diff	11	2300	Marlin Smickley	970 926 4248 970 390 7961	Marlin_smickley@comcast.net
Sat	Jul16	Hunky Dory Lake	Mod	7	2030	Greta Blamire	970 949 5645	gretabl@yahoo.com
Wed	Jul20	Beaver Lake	Mod	3.3	700	Magrit Brinker	970 949 0726	MAB26@earthlink.net
Sat	Jul23	Castle Peak	Most Diff		1500	Chris Matlon	970 926 0331	Limit 16 hikers chrismatlon@yahoo.com
Wed	Jul27	Booth Lake	More Diff	12	3000	Abby Dixon Holly Gill	970 926 1581 970 926 4027	abbydixon@centurytel.net gillholly2@aol.com
Sat	Jul30	Olsen Lake	More Diff	12	2960	Sue Kuntz Don Carrell	970-748-4176 509-554-6454	BSKuntz@aol.com
Wed	Aug3	Uneva Pass	Most Diff	10.75	2140	Sue Kuntz Don Carrell	970-748-4176 509-554-6454	BSKuntz@aol.com
Wed	Aug10	Mount Massive	Most Diff	13	4450	Marlin Smickley	970 926 4248 970 390 7961	Marlin_smickley@comcast.net
Wed	Aug17	Deluge Lake	Diff	8	3085	Alice Boone	970 949 5399	Aliceinvail@comcast.net
Wed	Aug24	Turquoise Lake	Diff	7.3	3260	Magrit Brinker	970 949 0726	MAB26@earthlink.net
Wed	Aug31	Argentine Peak	Diff	7	2500	Will Darken Ray Cartade	970 926 2330 970 926 8435	willhdarken@aol.com cartade@centurytel.net
Sat	Sep10	Missouri Lakes/ Fancy Pass	More Diff	10.2	2,450	Lois Bruce John Merritt	970 376 8505 970 306 2025	ldbruce2445@gmail.com jmmerrittarc@yahoo.com
Wed	Sep14	Salmon Lake	Diff	10	2200	Will Darken Ray Cartade	970 926 2330 970-926-8435	willhdarken@aol.com cartade@centurytel.net

The following Hares slots are still open: June 1, 4, 11, 15, 25; July 2; August 6, 13, 20, 27; September 3, 7, 17, 21, 24, 28. To volunteer please contact Helena Leslie at 970-479-0634, hgl NYC@aol.com

MODERATES HIKING SCHEDULE 2011

Day	Date	Hike	Difficulty	Miles	Elev.	Leader Name	Phone	Leader E-Mail
Wed	Jun1	Eby Creek Mesa	Easy	5	500	Don Laughlin	970-328-1098	laughldj@earthlink.net
Wed	Jul6	Vail Mountain	Mod/ Diff	8.5	2760	Susan Kaemmerlen Paul Chapman	203-895-9507	SKaemmerle@aol.com
Sat	Jul9	Camp Hale- Kokomo Pass	Diff	11	2600	Sue Padilla	609-658-0182	scpadilla@comcast.net
Wed	Jul13	Whitney Lake	Mod	5	1850	Louise Willimann	970-343-2220	l.willimann@gmail.com
Wed	Jul20	Beaver Lake	Mod.	6.5	1700	Magrit Brinker	970-949-0726	MAB26@earthlink.net
Wed	Jul27	Mayflower Gulch Loop	Mod	5	1250	David Staat Nancy Alexander	970-926-3087	dstaat_dfs@yahoo.com
Sat	Jul30	TBD				Jennifer Cakir	630-841-7696	jcakir9555@aol.com
Wed	Aug3	Bowman's Shortcut	Mod	4	900	Dean & Linda Wolz	970-949-9332	wolz@mountainmax.net
Sat	Aug6	Wilder Gulch & ext	Mod	6	1000	Jon Schwartz	970-845-0481	jonbobbi@comcast.net
Wed	Aug10	Shrine Mtn. & Ridges	Mod	6	850	Susan Kaemmerlen Paul Chapman	203-895-9507	SKaemmerle@aol.com
Wed	Aug17	Fancy Lake	Mod/Diff	6	1260	Louise Willimann	970-343-2220	l.willimann@gmail.com
Sat	Aug20	Lake Constantine	Mod/ Diff	7.5	2000	Jon Schwartz	970-845-0481	jonbobbi@comcast.net
Wed	Aug24	Eagle Lake	Mod	5	500	Don Laughlin	970-328-1098	laughldj@earthlink.net
Wed	Sep14	Meadow Mtn./Whiskey Loop	Mod	7	1920	Susan Kaemmerlen Paul Chapman	203-895-9507	SKaemmerle@aol.com
Sat	Sep24	Uneva Peak	Mod	6	1600	David Staat	970-926-3087	dstaat_dfs@yahoo.com

The following Moderates slots are still open: June 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, 29; July 2, 16, 23; August 13, 27, 31; September 3, 7, 10, 17, 21, and 28. To volunteer please contact Louise Willimann at 970-343-2220, l.willimann@gmail.com

TORTOISES HIKING SCHEDULE 2011

Day	Date	Hike	Difficulty	Miles	Elev.	Leader Name	Phone	Leader E-Mail
Wed	Jun1	Eby Creek Mesa	Easy	5	500	Marion Laughlin	970-328-1098	laughlmf@earthlink.net
Sat	Jun4	Grizzly Creek	Easy/ Mod	4	1000	Pat Bain	970-926-3260	patjim01@centurytel.net
Wed	Jun8	Eagle-Vail	Easy	2.3	300	Dan Eastman	970-949-1366	dwestman@juno.com
Wed	Jun15	Hanging Lake	Mod	4.5	1200	Leila White	970-926-9886	whiteleila@msn.com
Wed	Jun29	Lake Isabel	Easy	4	500	Roger Kleen	970-748-8964	Vailrog1@yahoo.com
Sat	Jul2	Eagle-Vail/ Beaver Crk	Easy/ Mod	5	1500	Dan Eastman	970-949-1366	dwestman@juno.com
Wed	Jul6	Buck Creek	Easy Mod	4	1200	Dyann Linger	970-845-7071	lingerfam@earthlink.net
Sat	Jul9	Ptarmigan Loop- Vail	Easy	4	200	Jon Schwartz	970-845-0481	jonbobbi@comcast.net
Wed	Jul13	Lost Lake	Easy	6	550	David Staat Nancy Alexander	970-926-3087	dstaat_dfs@yahoo.com
Wed	Jul20	Off Mosquito Pass Rd	Easy	4	500	Roger Kleen	970-748-8964	Vailrog1@yahoo.com
Sat	Jul23	Shrine Ridge	Mod	3	937	Susan Clark	970-748-8664	Call only
Wed	Jul27	CO Midland RR	Easy	5.5	800	Sherry Luhman	970-926-6587	shluhman@msn.com
Wed	Aug3	Stone Creek	Easy	3	300	Lois Schwager	970-949-0988	loiss66@hotmail.com
Wed	Aug10	Twin Lakes Area	Easy			Dan Eastman	970-949-1366	dwestman@juno.com
Wed	Aug17	Missouri Lakes	Mod	7	1430	Pam Sherman	970-926-0236	pbsherman@hotmail.com
Wed	Aug24	Uneva Peak	Mod	6	1600	David Staat Nancy Alexander	970-926-3087	dstaat_dfs@yahoo.com
Wed	Sep7	Berry Picker	Mod	4.5	2200	Leila White	970-926-9886	whiteleila@msn.com

The following Tortoise hiking slots are still open: June 11, 18, 22, 25; July 16, 30; August 6, 13, 20, 27, 31; September 03, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, and 28. To volunteer please contact Sherry Luhman at 970-926-6587, SHLuhman@gmail.com



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bunco

This is a social event, a party, a blast! Twelve people get together twice a month for a dice game played with wild abandon, hoping to take home a few more shekles than they came with. The game will rotate among the participants homes. Join this new group by calling **Karen Pope** at 954-260-0277 or kpope56@gmail.com. Karen will provide the details, where, when.

Mah Jongg

Every Monday 1 p.m. till 4 p.m. Vail Club 50 plays Mah Jongg every Monday at 1 p.m. The game rotates to a different house each week, so contact **Gini Oldenburg** or **Pat Bain** if you would like to play. We have beginning players and experienced players, so you will be comfortable at whatever your level. If you would like to be a part of this group call Gini at 970-352-6881 or 303-868-3667 or email samolden@aol.com; or Pat at 970-926-3260 or email patjim01@centurytel.net.

Pickleball

Pickleball is a sport described as “a combination of ping-pong, tennis, and badminton” that boasts an estimated 100,000 players. Add to the numbers by joining Vail Club 50 Pickleball this summer. Call **Joe Rink** for where and when. Joe can be reached at joerinkjr@gmail.com or 303-870-1313.

Poetry

This new group meets on Monday afternoons from 4 to 5 p.m. for a relaxing hour or

so for reading poems aloud. So after an energetic day you can join this group and enjoy the beautiful words created in some of our favorite poetry. Bring your favorite poem to read with this group. If you are interested, please contact **Marlin Smickley** at 926-4248 or Marlin_Smickley@comcast.net.

Hi-Lo Poker

If you would enjoy a game of afternoon poker this summer join the Vail Club 50 Hi-Lo Poker group. The group meets once each week. Contact **Barry Shainman** at 970-569-3832 or barryshainman@centurytel.net and tell him you are interested; he will let you know day of the week, location and time.

Quilting

Have you often admired the craft and artistry of a quilt and thought you might like to learn that skill? If you're looking for a unique way to strengthen friendships and get those creative juices flowing, consider joining the Vail Club 50 Quilt Group! You will meet once a month and be taught the basics of quilting: selecting patterns and fabrics, block construction, quilt assembly, and quilting the final product—all of the intricacies of quilting. You do need a sewing machine, general sewing supplies, a cutting mat, quilting ruler, and a rotary cutter. The Edwards quilting group meets every 3rd Mon. from 9-4 at the Ambulance Building behind the Edwards Post Office...come and leave at any time. The Gypsum group meets every 4th Tues. from 6-8 p.m., usually at the school district office. If you

are interested in joining the quilters, please contact **Sharon Friedman** at 970-926-1133 or **Pam Starr** at 970-926-6051.

Website:

www.vailclub50.com

The club website is a wonderful information and picture experience. Many of our best club moments are captured in pictures and shown on the club website. Check it out; you may see your photo there! Not only can you view photos from past events but also download the newsletter, access the membership form for joining or rejoining the club, access the liability waiver (which must be signed by guests before participating in a sports event), and link to change your mailing or email address. Our Webmaster, **Jenny Rink**, does a masterful job of developing and managing our site. You can contact Jenny at jennyrink@gmail.com.

Sunshine

Melanna Marcellot is our “Sunshine” lady. Please call her at 970-926-6296 if you know of any member who is seriously ill so that she can send some Vail Club 50 cheer their way.

Club History

We preserve essential records of the club to serve as a collective memory of this special organization and to serve as an important resource for the future. If you have history of past club years in the form of: papers/records, photographs with dates, films with date and place, video tapes, or electronic records, please contact our Archivist, **Shary Balius** at 970-926-7106

or sbalius@umich.edu to see if they should be archived.

Photographs

If you take photos of a club event we hope you will make them available to our photo history files and website. Please contact our talented photographer/ Historian, **John Merritt** at jmmerrittarc@yahoo.com or 970-306-2025. We would love to have you share the great moments you captured with your cameras. For website posting contact our webmaster Jenny Rink at jennyrink@gmail.com.

Membership

Our membership year runs from September 1 to August 31 of the following year. The membership fee is not prorated. If you know of anyone who wishes to join the club, encourage them to go to www.vailclub50.com, and fill out the membership form. Payment can be made online using PayPal or credit card, or by mailing a check. No computer? Call our Membership Chairman, **Karen Pope**, 954-260-0277, and ask to be mailed a membership form. If you change your mailing address, phone number or email address, please let Karen Pope know as soon as possible so that the membership roster accurately documents your information. Go to our website and then click on: Contact Us, Officers/ Board, click on Karen's name and send her your updated information. If we do not have your current addresses (email and postal), you will be unable to receive the newsletters and information on upcoming events.



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