



# The Mogul Examiner

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## Seeking TWO Board Members

Spring is upon us and it is time to consider serving on the ski club board. Each ski club member has valuable input and may not realize their potential. The three board positions open are 2-year terms and attending monthly board meetings is necessary. The board meets a couple of times in the summer to prepare for trips and before the monthly social meetings September – February. Past board members cannot believe how fast that time goes, and many agree to serve a 2<sup>nd</sup> term before being term limited. Jerry Obrist and Krista Potter are two examples of their second term ending. We thank them for their time and input into trip decisions along with the other activities the club offers. Donna Awtry has served her 1<sup>st</sup> two-year term and is willing to serve another two years.

Any current member can volunteer either themselves or another person for a board position. Please text or call the secretary, **Krista Potter, at 402-560-0487**. There should be pent up energy to ski/board next season, and this will be a great opportunity to assist in next year’s trip decisions. Contact Krista now and help the club set up trips for next season!

## TRIPS

To quote the Grateful Dead, “what a long strange trip it’s been.” This non-ski ski season is almost over and we are looking forward to more normal conditions next season. We are all weary of going nowhere and doing very little. This too shall pass.

In conversations with tour operators and the reps from the other FSA clubs (all by email or Zoom) everyone expects higher than normal numbers next season. During the 2019-2020 season we filled 130 trip spots on all our club trips. This year the number was 25. Next season we will plan for normal numbers and give early notice to our members on possible trip destinations so those who purchase pass products can choose the options that fit their plans. We know that FSA will return to Telluride staying at Mountain Lodge as we did this year. CSC will have a trip in the traditional 2nd week of December slot and look for possible locations for a late February or early March trip.

If anyone has questions or suggestions, just send me an email. Stay safe and good luck in your vaccine search. I have had my first shot and look forward to having a completed vaccine card. The new badge of free passage.

Steve Meyer  
Trip Chair

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# ASPEN SNOWMASS®



Our December 2020 Snowmass trip was the club's first attempt to run a trip during the current pandemic. Based on early survey responses we determined that a bus trip was not possible. We switched to a drive out only trip and plunged into the abyss. Signups were about half of normal but we got an unexpected boost when Ann Frederick (a former member who retired and

moved to San Diego) called about adding on since the San Diego Ski Club cancelled all of



Ann Frederick ready to fly!

their trips. She brought along several more from the area and we ended up with 18 people driving and flying into new restrictions for our group trip.

We were all in 2-bedroom units at Tamarack, but based on Pitkin County rules we could not meet with anyone not in our own lodging unit indoors. The hot tubs at Tamarack were limited to one lodging unit at a time. No group activities and face coverings were always required outside your unit in any public



Todd and Teresa Ingram

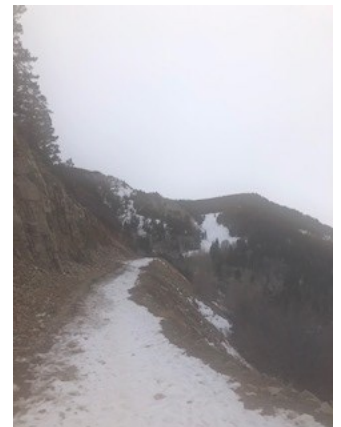
place. Mask up in lift lines and on the lift. There was lots of brown on the hillsides due to the skimpy snowfall in the previous month.

The actual snow conditions were a pleasant surprise. The snow coverage on the runs was excellent although not a lot of runs were open. The open runs had no rocks and some variety. Our condos were really close to the base area so going back to the condo for lunch was no problem. Aspen Mountain was also open with a little bit more open terrain, so some skiers ventured there on the second day (free bus service and we were right across from the bus barn). Other than it being a little chilly it was as good as could be expected.

Day 3 brought about 4-6 inches of new snow. Some went to Aspen for the day and one group was missing the distinctive whoop of Jim Crook on a powder day. It is amazing how much difference 6" makes over a decent base. Visibility was a little sketchy at times, but all made it back to the condos safely.

Our last day brought more new snow and the first opening of both Elk Camp and the Big Burn areas. The only downer was the long lines at the base area chair, but the untracked runs on the top made up for it. It was a great way to end a nervous trip for all involved. We hope to see you all and many more next season when we can again get together under more normal circumstances. There are no group pictures because we were not allowed to be that close to one another. Thanks to all who participated in this adventure and Hollis Anderson for being trip captain.

The picture to the right shows the condition of lower Campground without snowmaking. Steve Meyer walked over there one afternoon on the ditch trail. Snowshoes were not needed.







Hollis Anderson, Trip Captain



Ann Frederick and Wayne Springer



Audrey Lausterer and Bryce Ahlers



Ann Frederick





## Skiing Telluride During a Pandemic

The Telluride website states it best:

- \* Views that take your breath away.
- \* Deep powder.
- \* Endless runs.
- \* Blissful solitude.
- \* No lift lines.

It's the last two descriptions – blissful solitude and no lift lines – plus the addition of “wear a mask” that really summarizes what it's like to ski Telluride during a pandemic.

We had 30 participants at our peak of signups for this annual Flatland Ski Association (FSA) trip. At the end of December,

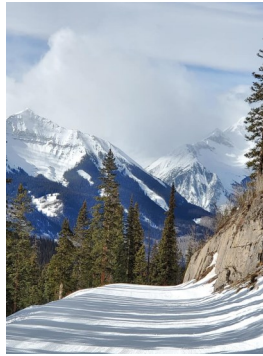


when we learned that Telluride's San Miguel County was still in the Orange Zone for COVID-19 levels and

restrictions, we offered all 30 a full refund if they cancelled by year-end. That's how we ended up with the seven who arrived in Telluride on January 30.

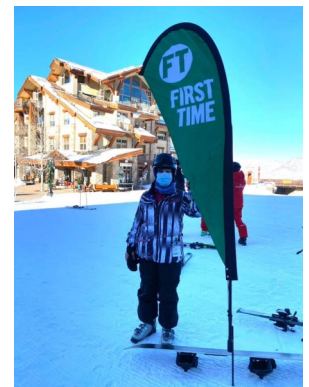
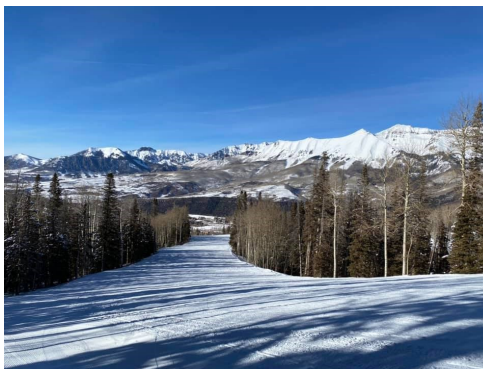
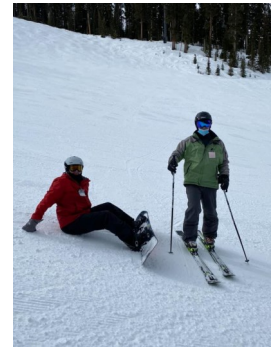
Occupancy at Mountain Lodge Telluride was maxed at 50% due to the Orange restrictions, with no more than one household lodged in each of their units. No large group gatherings. No NASTAR racing. Masks required at all times in public unless actively eating or drinking. We were housed in three separate units – two of them in the same building.

Our units were either immediately available upon check-in, or were ready shortly



thereafter. The Mountain Lodge Telluride is ski-in, ski-out, with two access points. The one serving our two buildings the best was lower, off the Double Cabin run. The other run, Village Bypass, was an uphill/downhill hike.

Check-in was almost touchless, with unit keys and property maps in lock boxes using codes emailed to us. An on-demand shuttle drove us around the area, including the nearby Market and Village Square. Each participant was allotted a 1-dozen assortment of free Boulevard beer and their new seltzers.



The first two days of skiing the temps were lower and the snow conditions were good. On the third day the temps rose and by day's end it was like skiing on mashed potatoes. That slush froze overnight and the fourth day the snow was hard as a rock, icy and needed more grooming.



We arrived in Telluride just after a snow fall of several inches and when we woke up on the day of departure (for all but Jim, who stayed behind for one more day of powder), it had snowed 3-5 inches overnight. Jim really enjoyed that fresh powder, saying it was the best day of the week.





What did our seven participants think about their time in Telluride? In one word (and in left to right order as pictures above and below):

- COVID - Rich Gray
- Fun - Teresa Ingram
- BonVivant - Jim Gray
- Exciting - Todd Ingram
- Magnificent - Jamie Roemer
- Exhilarating - Carl Roemer
- Fantastic - Cara Buettner



If COVID-19 kept you from joining this year's trip, don't dismay! FSA is back in Telluride again for the 2022 season. And CSC will be lodging again at Mountain Lodge Telluride. Assuming most of us get vaccinated and the coronavirus tapers off by then, it will be a regular FSA event with the two banquets, racing, dancing and more. And free Boulevard beer!

Teresa Ingram, Trip Captain



Flatland Ski Association  
 How High Can You Go, How Far Can You Ski Challenge  
 Monday February 1, 2021

You can ski as much as you want, no pre-registration needed. You will need a ski app on your smart phone that tracks your elevation, speed, and "mileage" for the day. Such as Strava, there are several available.

At the end of the day take a screenshot of your screen showing the following:

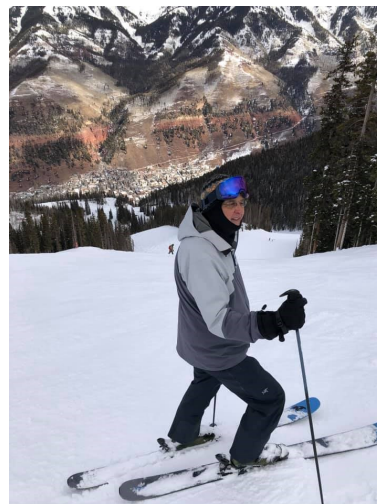
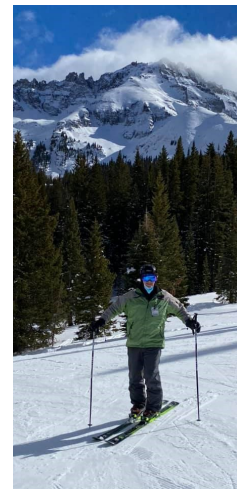
- The highest elevation for the day
- The number of miles or runs that you did
- The max speed for the day
- And the Vertical descent

Text the screenshot along with your name, and Ski Club to 785-250-8219 by Monday evening at 7pm

Each participant will be entered into the Prize drawing for some cool Boulevard Beer Swag.

Winners will be notified via Text.

In lieu of downhill races, FSA had a fun 1-day contest. Carl Roemer won the prize for highest elevation for the day, loading up on a bunch of Boulevard swag. Congrats, Carl!





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