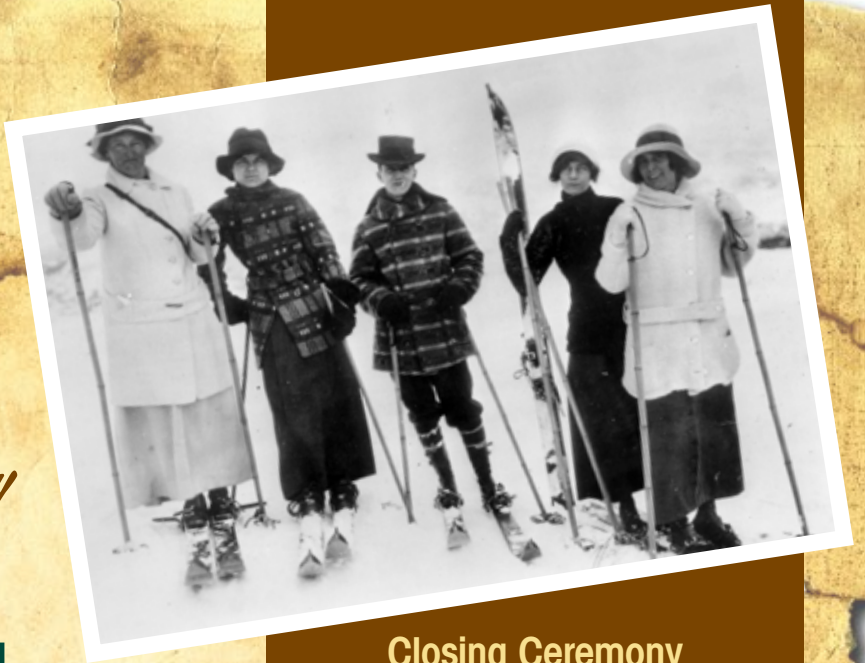


The Grand Winter Sports Carnival Kick-off Ski Trek!

Celebrate the
100th Anniversary
of the 1st Winter Carnival
West of the Mississippi
Friday, December 30, 2011



HISTORY: Commemorating two Norwegians Carl Howleson and Angell Schmidt's 1911 ski trek from the top of Corona Pass to Hot Sulphur Springs. Each carried 35-pound backpacks and a rifle. The entire trek was 44 miles in 9 hours.

DEC. 30, 2011: Six period-dressed trekkers will start at the top of Corona and ski down the old railroad grade to the Idlewild trails, near Winter Park, to Fraser on the River Trail, along the Fraser to Granby Trail to Tabernash and to the YMCA, ending in Hot Sulphur Springs. Trekker escorts: *Bryan Mountain Nordic Ski Patrol* of Devil's Thumb Ranch. **Come Ski With Us!**

THE CITIZENS TREK 12.5 miles:

Starting at **SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH/YMCA of the Rockies**, join the **Citizens Trek** to Hot Sulphur Springs across beautiful private lands. Official Start at 1 p.m. On-course aid station with food & drink, sag-wagon plus ski patrol. **Suggested Equipment:** light backcountry gear. Trail will be rolled, not tracked.

After the Trek: Welcome the Re-enactment Skiers, Torch Lighting Ceremony, Fireworks at 6 p.m., Skating Rink, Food & Fun Festival!

REGISTRATION: www.HeadwatersTrails.org/events.

All Trekkers must register. There is a \$25 donation to benefit Headwaters Trails Alliance and to offset grooming costs.

TRANSPORTATION: Park in Hot Sulphur Springs and take the FREE First Transit/Lift bus to the YMCA departing hourly 10 am - noon.



Closing Ceremony
COTTONWOOD PASS
Mailbag Trek
Saturday,
February 11, 2012

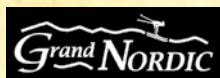
HISTORY: Commemorating the old mail route from Coulter Ranch, Granby over Cottonwood Pass to Hot Sulphur Springs.

THE TREK: Starts mid-morning at the historic Coulter Post Office off Hwy 40 at the western base of Red Dirt Hill. Skiers will carry a backpack with weight representing the mail to be delivered. There will be a division for trekkers in period costumes!

MORE: Aid station - ski patrol - Free Transit/Lift to Coulter House - Festivities after Trek in Hot Sulphur: Button Parade; Three-legged ski race; Historic Tours; Snowshoe Softball & the Grand Snow Ball.

REGISTRATION: ONLINE donation to www.grandnordic.org is requested.

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