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Newsletter of the Eldora Civic Association February 2012



◀ An unabridged stretch of Middle Boulder Creek

▲ Looking east from Brookside Cabin at Sixth Street and Eldorado Avenue



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 Pete Birkeland, Randy Leever
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 Eldora Road Cleanup – Earl & Barbara Bolton
 Nominations – ECA Board
 Social – ECA Board
 Transportation – Pete & Sue Birkeland,
 Audrey Godell and Joe McDonald
 Member participation on these committees is
 welcomed and encouraged.

Calendar of Events:

First Friday of each month at 5:00 PM – Eldora Night at the Pioneer Inn (Call Ted Warren at 303-258-7273)
 Thursday, March 8, 2012 at 6:00 PM – ECA Board Meeting (Leever) 7784 Baseline Road, Boulder
 Saturday, April 15, 2012 – Deadline for submissions to the May issue of the Eldora High Country
 Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 6:00 PM – ECA Board Meeting (Birkeland) 3075 5th Street, Boulder
 Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 9:00 AM – Eldora Adopt-A-Road Cleanup (Bolton) 502 Eldorado Avenue
 Saturday, July 14, 2012 at 4:00 PM – Annual Business Meeting (McDonald) 695 Bryan Avenue
 Wednesday, August 8, 2012 at 7:00 PM – Eldora History Night (Gold Miner Hotel) 601 Klondyke Avenue
 Saturday, August 18, 2012 at 2:00 PM – Annual Member Meeting (Gold Miner Hotel) 601 Klondyke Avenue
 Sunday, August 26, 2012 from 12:00 to 2:00 – Eldora Community Picnic (Bolton) 502 Eldorado Avenue



Photo by Dave Hallock

ELDORA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Minutes for Board Meeting

Saturday, December 10, 2011

Todd's and Lisa's cabin, Eldora

The ECA Mission is to improve civic conditions to promote a feeling of good fellowship and sociability, to maintain the social fabric, and to establish and maintain a reasonable balance between preservation and use of the natural environment in the Eldora area.

It was a day that held great promise for any endeavor, especially a meeting of the Eldora Civic Association, that most exclusive of men's clubs. Great deliberations and momentous decisions were imminent. Red Juno wine and Blue Moon beer, as well as delightful munchies, awaited the thirst and hunger of these men in whose hands the future of Eldora rested. But despite the good cheer and confidence of our heroes, the gods had more in store than a typical meeting of the Eldora Civic Association. It would be memorable indeed.

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 pm. President Joe McDonald, Pete Birkeland, Dale Johnson, Randy Leever and Todd Buchanan were present.

Joe asked for committee reports.

Dale gave the financial report, which appears as item I below.



Randy and Pete reported on their meeting with Jim Spent, general manager of the Eldora Mountain Resort (EMR) regarding the proposed expansion of the ski area. (Their previously written report of the meeting appears as item II below.) Pete and Randy emphasized that Jim is very knowledgeable, experienced, and determined. He has thought through a number of environmental aspects of the project, including the preservation of tree diversity as trails are cut. Randy noted that a service road on the south side of the creek from the planned bridge would not be built.

The board agreed on the following three positions/proposals:

- 1) As Eldora resident Gary Weber had already proposed, EMR should be responsible for an independent, expert monitoring of wind speeds in the area in which it hopes to expand, from the top of Corona to Hessie.
- 2) EMR should put new six-passenger chair lifts on the front side of the mountain within the current boundary, which is also windy, before proceeding with its request for expansion on the north side.
- 3) EMR should consider expanding instead to the south/southwest toward Jenny Creek.

As the gods did, thus men do; and the gods were sometimes given to excess. At least one of our heroes, upon sobering up, had second thoughts regarding position/proposal #3. Specifically, expansion toward Jenny Creek would amount to the disruption of another undisturbed piece of Nature. The Eldora Community should rest assured that this point will likely be revisited at the next meeting of the Eldora Civic Association, and until then can remain "our little secret".

Todd reported on the second Welcome to Eldora sign. All the materials are now in his possession, and he plans to complete the sign before the world ends sometime in 2012. All agreed that if the prophecy comes true, it will be fitting for the town to go down as having been a very happy and welcoming place to reside.

It was proposed that ECA consider buying a roadside machine that indicates the speeds of passing cars. Todd said he would price them.

Randy magnanimously agreed to postpone his report on carbaryl spraying so that Joe could report on the vacation request of Mark Johnson.

Joe reported on the Johnson vacation request, on the west side of the 6th Street Bridge, and the board agreed that in the absence of a guarantee that historical creek access to pedestrian travel would be preserved, ECA should oppose the request. Dale made the motion and Randy seconded it. Joe will write a letter to the Land Use Department stating that position.

For the social committee, Todd reported that neither of the two local web designers he knew were able to take on the Eldora website, and he proposed that a request go out with the next newsletter for a web designer/maintainer who could volunteer his or her services. He agreed to speak with Joe's daughter Lara about this.

NEW BUSINESS

Matt Phillips made a proposal to sell to the Eldora Land Preservation Fund a creekside property at the east end of town at a reduced price corresponding to approximately the market value of two TDRs (Transferable Development Rights), to assure the property would not be developed. The two development rights could presumably be sold to recoup the expenditure, with the property preserved.

As if written for a cheap sitcom, the questions period of Matt's proposal was abruptly terminated by Assistant Secretary Lopez bursting through the front door, and in a low shout demanding: "Who parked his red truck directly opposite my driveway?! I just backed into it!" Whereupon Matt, the only driver of a red truck present and the most likely suspect, and Todd, friend of Matt and the loyal husband of Assistant Secretary Lopez, followed the Assistant Secretary out of the house. Within minutes, Todd returned to report that events outdoors were proceeding civilly enough.

In the discussion that followed, board members felt it was not clear that the property was really buildable and needed to be preserved, or that the TDRs were certain to be issued. The proposal as presented was voted down.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Secretary Buchanan

I. Summary of ECA Financial Report of 11/30/11:

Checking Account Balance \$6494.92, up \$595.71 since beginning of Fiscal Year 2011-12 (9/1/11 thru 11/31/11)

Savings Account (Eldora Land Preservation Fund) Balance \$25,244.63, up \$552.84 since beginning of Fiscal Year 2011-12.

For period of 9/1/11 thru 11/31/11:

Revenue of \$2795 all from Membership Dues

Disbursements of \$2199.29

Net Income: \$595.71

Two CDs have been rolled over, reinvesting interest earned and now total \$6447.53, up \$138.80 since beginning of Fiscal Year 2011-12

Total Account Balance is now \$38,187.08, up \$1287.35 since beginning of Fiscal Year 2011-12.

Respectfully submitted,
Dale Johnson, Treasurer

II. On Aug. 29, 2011 Randy Leever and Pete Birkeland met with Jim Spenst, general manager of the Eldora Mountain Resort (EMR) above the "Y" on the 4th of July Road. This was after our planned spring skiing tour of the area was cancelled. A bit later Laura Fisher joined them as she was walking her dogs up the road. The main topic was the ski area expansion down to the Hessie area. As a reminder, EMR has delivered their plan to the USFS, but none of it has been approved yet.

1. The main thing we wanted to get across was the village opposition to extending the runs down to Hessie. We explored the idea of creating shorter runs (and maybe more of them) while keeping all new lifts on that side of the mountain within the current boundary.
2. Jim argued that the EMR goal was to keep a certain amount of vertical feet for windy days, and to do that they had to stay below a particular top elevation (too windy above that) and extend down to the Hessie area.
3. He said the pumping plant has been scrapped, and a parking lot has never been in the plan. He feels the influence on wildlife will not be great, and wildlife issues will be included in a future EIS.
4. He appeared to be concerned about the environment. The trails that will be cut and extend down to the Hessie area will be relatively narrow. He has a plan to preserve tree diversity when trees are selected for cutting. The trails will not be bulldozed as they are constructed. It probably is hard to prevent some bulldozing, but they do have to construct the bridge and the base area for lift #15.
5. The lift to the west of Corona (their #16) will be constructed last, if at all, using helicopters. But bulldozing will be required to construct the base area. The plan also calls for some glading, and when this is done, beetle killed trees will first be removed. Finally, to counter Laura's opposition to snow making noise on the new runs, they hope to lay the snow down in as short a time as possible (1-2 weeks?).
6. We also talked about trail work on Corona this fall. It is to solve a problem bottleneck area. Trees will be taken out, and the discussion turned to how to dispose of the trees (chip, burn, etc.). Laura expressed concern about safe burning, but Jim is confident they can burn in a safe manner. He said they have burned most summers, and have a record of safe burning. USFS protocol will be followed.

**Eldora Land Preservation Fund
Donations since October 2011:**

- Anonymous
- Tom and Susan Dewey
- Diane Brown
- Experimental Aircraft Association
- Lowel and Annie May Pierce
- Michael and Patricia McCoy

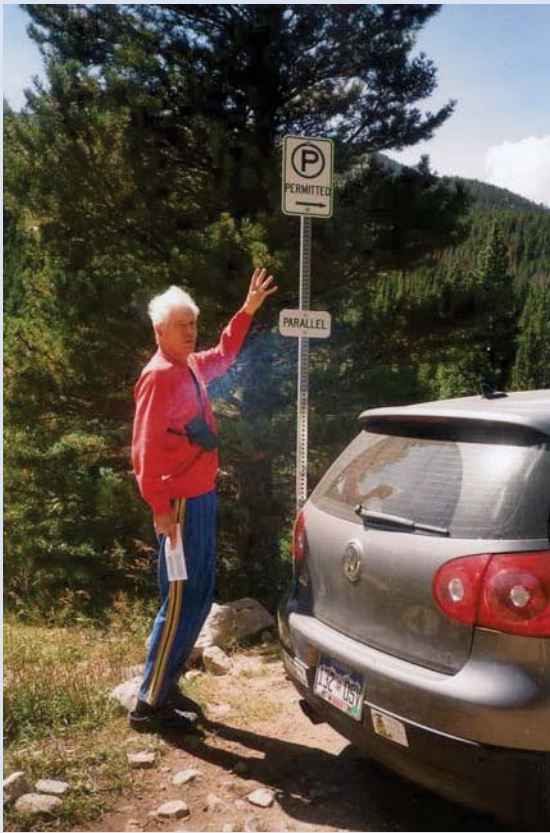
In memory of
Abe and Ruthanna McCoy and two
special dogs - Dinky May and Blackie

Balance in ELPF Savings: **\$25,685.94**

Balance in ELPF/ Boulder County
Parks and Open Space Foundation:
\$8,061



The Hessie Hassle



▲ Pete Birkeland shows a parking permitted sign.
▼ Peter Richards is beside a no parking sign.



The letter in the mail box was from Boulder County. I opened it up, and there it was:

The People of Colorado vs. Peter Birkeland

I was to appear before the court on December 1 at 2 PM. It was to contest a \$15 parking ticket on the Hessie Road over Labor Day weekend, and if I lost I would have to pay more. Finally I could tell the court about the People's case for parking on the Hessie Road.

The ticket was very clear - a violation for parking where prohibited by sign. We had parked 0.4 miles west of the end of the asphalt on County Road 130. Sue and I had picked what we thought was the widest place around, and later measured it at 18 feet, or enough space for cars to get around. We were one of 82 tickets written in 2 days. We looked around for "no parking" signs and saw none. The sign in question is the white sign where the asphalt ends that says to park only in designated areas. I dare say, nobody reads that sign. The only obvious "no parking" signs are those with a red "P" with a slash through it, and they are at the Hessie "Y" 0.8 mi from the end of the asphalt.

I busily prepared my case. Not being a lawyer, I remembered back to the Perry Mason TV series for examples. I photographed the entire scene on a busy weekend. I counted the "permitted" vehicle spaces at about 11. This compares to about 13 spaces for emergency vehicles along the road. One can drive into Hessie to park, but we poor pensioners cannot afford high-clearance vehicles to get over the big rocks in the road, commonly hidden beneath water. So how can the County deny the People of Colorado access to the Indian Peaks Wilderness from this portal without offering an adequate amount of parking? I thought my case was a slam dunk.

Two days before my day in court, there was a message on our phone telling me "case dismissed." Maybe the People of Colorado heard about the OCCUPY HESSIE ROAD movement?

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Typical summer weekend parking on the 4th of July Road near Hessie

Happy Valley Happenings



◀ The Fisher home was a social hub in December 2011, hosting the Eldora Holiday Potluck December 10 and a Christmas luncheon on a beautiful, sunny day December 23.



Here's looking at you, kid.

Pictured at the Christmas luncheon left to right in the back row are Marilyn Roossinck, John Brocklehurst, Barbara and Earl Bolton, Ginny Leever, Ted Warren, Barbara and Jerry Donahue and Teddy Warren. In the front row are hostess Laura Fisher, Lisa Lopez, Spirit (the dog) and Ron Leever. ▶



Eliot Snyder and Dave Hallock replaced the barrels that hold up the Marysville mailboxes, which were damaged by an over-exuberant snowplow driver a couple of winters ago. Frank Parrish kindly donated two shiny new barrels for the project.



◀ Last fall Eldora, Nederland and the Arapaho Ranch were chosen as the location for the production of a film called "Fishing Naked." The "Sunkist" cabin at 7th and Eldorado was used for several scenes in the movie, along with a teepee that was erected at the east end of the Arapaho Ranch. The crane that lifted a UFO into the air at the west end of the Arapaho Ranch is pictured. 6

Happy Valley Happenings



Old roof in May 2011



New roof in progress

October 2011



The Gold Miner Hotel – January 2012

◀The Gold Miner Hotel's brand new red roof looks proudly patriotic with the intense blue sky and fresh white paint. The two photos above are by Diane Brown; the photo of the new roof on the left is by Scott Bruntjen, hotel proprietor.



Eldora in 1937 by Donald C. Kemp; Gold Miner on the left

Kemp Collection – Nederland Area Historical Society

The Nederland Area Historical Society has a large collection over 250 of Donald Kemp's original photos of the Eldora area. Last summer they informed ECA that if we would like to use any of these photos for the Eldora High Country newsletter, there would be a fee of \$10 each. For a small non-profit organization like ECA, this is not something we can easily afford, and it is very disappointing that NAHS is not willing to share photos free of charge with the Eldora community from which they originated.

This makes us all the more grateful to Eldora community members who have so unselfishly shared their collections of Eldora photos and stories so that the history of Happy Valley comes alive for both old timers and newcomers alike. If you have a photo or story you would like to contribute to the Eldora High Country newsletter, please contact Diane Brown, editor, eldoradh1@rmi.net.



Memorial to William Fagan Gross

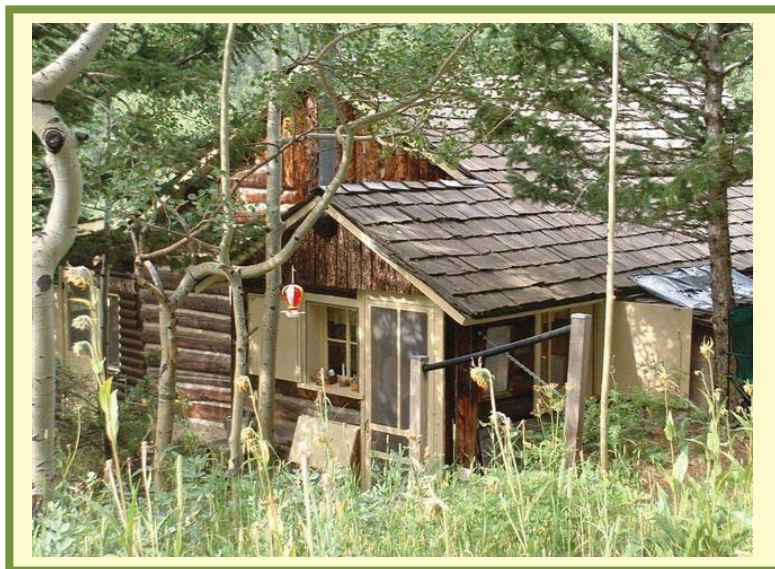
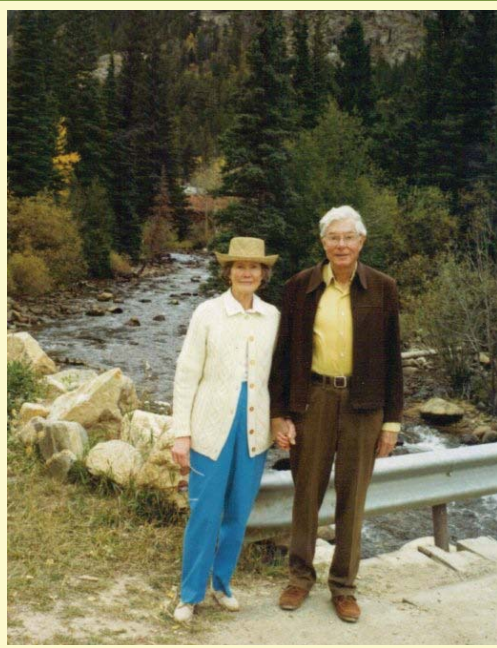
June 2, 1917 – January 18, 2012

William Gross first came from Webster Groves, Missouri to Eldora as a one-year old child in 1918. In 1908 his mother, Ora Fagan, had taken the narrow gauge Switzerland Trail train up to Eldora and fallen in love with the town. She married Herman Gross in 1912 and they continued visiting Eldora, renting cabins, until they bought Peek-A-Boo cabin in 1923 for \$750. Young Bill practically grew up in the summers in Eldora until 1939 when he began graduate school. He even attended the Eldora School one September, so they could stay for the fall colors. Bill Gross and Phil Rouse had great fun a couple of summers printing the *Eldora Echo*, using a little hand press.

William Gross came to love Eldora for its natural beauty, quiet, peaceful charm and historic ambiance. As an adult he was a steadfast defender of these values and a proponent of keeping Eldora unspoiled. The times were changing and developers had their eyes on Colorado. Bill and his childhood friend, Phil Rouse, teamed up again, this time to pursue the disincorporation of Eldora as a means of protecting it from change. William F. Gross, along with Deborah D. Evans, G. N. Brasel and Earl C. Bolton signed the petition filed on June 7, 1972 in District Court, County of Boulder. On June 18, 1973 the Colorado Supreme Court ruled 5-0 that the Town of Eldora should be abandoned. It was decided that Boulder County forestry zoning would best protect the setting of the valley.

After disincorporation the Eldora Civic Association was formed with the active involvement of William Gross. He served on the board and was a constant source of information. He has made many contributions to the ECA newsletter in the form of historical memoirs, photographs and personal stories.

William is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Mary Nell, whom he married in Eldora in 1947, two sons Richard (Regina) and William (Wendy), a daughter Kathy Dugan (Skip), four grandchildren and one great-grandson. The Gross cabins remain in family hands with many generations of enjoyment ahead.



▲ Mary Nell and Bill Gross as newlyweds in 1947 at Peek-A-Boo cabin and in later life at the Sixth Street Bridge on Middle Boulder Creek in Eldora.

Peek-A-Boo cabin is perched above the valley on Eldorado Mountain where Jack Gilfillan moved it log by log from the busy valley bottom. It is one of Eldora's historic treasures, carefully preserved in its original state.▶

Eldora Bottle Art



In the winter
soil heaves;
with spring melt
rise bottles
like these.



Pioneer families
left them here;
now our families
hold them dear.



Sun lights glass of every hue:
golden amber, cobalt blue,
amethyst, red, aqua, too.
Bottles so enhance the view.



Eldora
Weather
Report



Perhaps unusual for Eldora – no snow for the month of September; however, October and November brought a total of forty-one inches.

Ice covered the creek in November. However, much to Brock’s painful embarrassment, the ice was not as safe to walk on as hoped. On December 2 while returning from Hessie and following ski tracks on the frozen beaver pond, he broke through into hip deep water and hobbled home with two swollen and painful knees. On the same day his wife Willi fell in the house and fractured her coccyx. Willi has endured severe pain and remains housebound.

December reminded us that winter had arrived with two mornings of minus Fahrenheit temperatures and thirteen inches of snow in the first week. Very cold winds with the temperature down to minus 2° Fahrenheit on December 23. Christmas Day was calm with a clear blue sky and the Cohagen meadow, covered with snow, sparkled as with a trillion diamonds.

Eldora’s infamous wind took us out of the old year and into the new and dropped two separate blankets of five-inch snowfalls in the first ten days of 2012. Today, January 11, 2012, is a shocker five inches of snow with forty mph wind.

John “Brock” Brocklehurst



Eldora's Extreme Wind Event of November 12, 2011



●Our weather station is out of commission. A circuit board problem I think. We're guessing the wind was gusting 90-100mph. There are dozens of down, some uprooted, trees around the valley. Mostly between 8th and 10th streets and around Amy and Mary's house in Marysville. Power was out for about 15 hours. We lost some branches off our big Doug Firs, but otherwise unscathed, unless you count sleeplessness! Laura Fisher

●I walked your property today due to 80-100 mph winds last night uprooting 2 trees in Marysville that sort of missed Mary and Amy's house. ...as in 30 foot lodgepole stuck in aspens above front deck railing + 80 foot Engelmann spruce wedged between the house wall and propane tank....Lots of insurance, etc. calls on my part. Tree roots are taller than me! Confirmed: YOUR HOUSE IS FINE! Kathleen Henningsen

●One hundred mile winds hit our cabin uprooting big trees, but not hitting the house directly (minor damage). We lucked out, but I've begun to think we must be in the eye of the storms – hail 2 years ago and now this! Amy Hoffman

●I'm down at Kathmandu because our power in Eldora has been out since around 8:30 last night. It's supposed to come back on by 3 this afternoon. I needed to come down here because of that class I'm taking -- things are due that I need to submit on-line, plus I have to take 2 quizzes today.

The wind was blowing like crazy last night. At 4:00 a.m. my smoke alarm starting beeping due to lack of power, and I couldn't figure out how to turn the beeping off. It almost drove me crazy but then I guess it gave up. It's connected to the electrical system (not a battery one) and I poured over the directions, tried to rig up something so that the silence button would stay pushed in (a piece of wood with duct tape, but it I couldn't get it taped tight enough). Smoke alarms suck. Audrey Godell

●My daughter Sue and I stopped by our cabin at Peterson Lake after the wind storm. A live tree had fallen on the cabin roof. It has been removed – little damage. Edna Hollis

●Regarding the huge wind event: Eldora is, of course, used to wind, but that was over the top. Alice Anderson

●On Arapaho Ranch powerful 92 mph winds blew out the west end of a barn. Virginia Evans

●Eldora Mountain Resort: Thousands of trees were blown down in the forest and across ski trails during the wind event on November 12, making it necessary for crews to clear the trails. The interior forest is largely impassable due to fallen trees. Also the wind stripped away much of the unprotected snow cover on open slopes and deposited it god knows where.

A Look at Nature: “Blown Away”

By Dave Hallock

Wind is one of the most defining elements of our local landscape, particularly during the winter. Some people learn to love it, as nature dramatically reminds you of her great strength. Others dislike it and can be worn down over time, eventually moving away. The wind is likened by some as a form of growth management.

Willow thickets along the creek on Arapaho Ranch provide birds, moose and other wildlife a life-saving buffer from the wind. ►



The wind is always a factor relative to where you park your car, the shape, materials used and entrance location to your house, and whether to leave anything lying around outside. I remember our first winter in Eldora where the cabin’s bathroom roof consisted of sheets of plexiglass – a previous owner’s idea for getting nice views of the night sky while lying in the bathtub. When the wind blew hard I noticed that in one corner the plexiglass lifted off the rafter a fraction of an inch and I made a note to deal with it soon. Well, “soon” was not soon enough. A few days later when we came home from work, the plexiglass was all gone, never to be found again, probably someplace in Kansas. One can’t be lazy with the wind.

Why are the winds so strong here in winter? It is a combination of factors related to our geographic location, being mid-continent, mid-latitude, and high on the east side of the Front Range. The predominant movement of upper atmosphere air masses in the Northern Hemisphere is from west to east; they move from high pressure to low pressure areas but move perpendicular to the pressure gradient and are continually deflected to the right (east) due to the influence of the earth’s rotation and the Coriolis force. There are additional clockwise movements around high pressure systems and counterclockwise flows around lows. During winter, the winds become stronger as the north to south temperature gradients increase along with a southerly movement of the polar jet stream, which at times is positioned directly over the mountains where we live.

A moose (behind maple bush) seeks shelter in dense aspen on the Kemp Pasture at Arapaho Ranch. ►

During windstorms wildlife avoids open areas and depends on heavily forested areas for survival during subzero temperatures with exceptional wind chill factors. Fallen logs, rock outcrops and even manmade structures help break the force of the wind. Smaller mammals can burrow underground, but the larger ones have no choice but to tough it out by curling up in the snow or on dry grasses and staying as low as possible.



The mountains (we live in the Southern Rocky Mountains), being perpendicular to the prevailing air mass movement, can cause waves and meanders. Our location is on the east side of the Front Range, the last or easternmost range of the Southern Rockies. There is no other mountain range to the east to keep the winds aloft, so they flow over the Continental Divide and barrel down to the plains. Strong winds are a reality on the east side of mountain ranges in the Northern Hemisphere.

A good reference with a well thought-out explanation of our local climate and winds is *A Sierra Club Naturalist's Guide to The Southern Rockies* by Audrey Benedict, a resident of Overland Road. Being a local, many of her examples pertain directly to our neck of the woods.

One of the most characteristic features of the persistent winter winds of our area is the crest cloud that hangs on the Continental Divide. Clouds are formed by moisture laden air that cools. The air masses, driven by strong westerly winds, rise going over the Divide, causing them to cool and lose their moisture on the west side. The air mass will then be drier on the east side, bringing us wind but often little moisture. If the air mass has abundant moisture we may get “blow over” snow. The closer one is to the Continental Divide, the more persistent the wind throughout winter and the greater the blow over snow. It can be a whiteout in Eldora with blowing horizontal snow while virtually calm and clear in Nederland. I jokingly theorize that there is some magical place to the east of Eldora where all the horizontal snow collects into huge snow drifts.

The blow over snow is an important component of our total moisture equation by forming much of the snowpack in the subalpine forests above 9,500 feet elevation. This is most common from December through the end of February. In March and April, as the polar jet stream moves north, upslope storms become the dominant moisture creators, while the convectional thunderstorms of summer are a third moisture system. The subalpine forests are relatively drought proof as they get moisture from all three systems.

Another phenomenon of the westerly winds is that they can be warm. Generally influenced by a low pressure system off to the east, these wind systems are extremely strong with high speeds, generally extending down to Boulder and further east. The air mass first loses most of its moisture on the west side of the Continental Divide; the remaining dry air then warms as it descends due to compression. These are commonly called “Chinook” winds. Some attribute the name to meaning “snow-eater” in some native-American language, but may actually derive from the Chinook Indians, who lived in the Pacific Northwest where there were warming ocean winds into the interior. Sometimes these winds will arc over Eldora, where it will be calm, and crash down further to the east. A characteristic feature will be what Lee Evans called “the high-arc Chinook cloud,” which will be situated well east of the Continental Divide over Eldora or the Arapaho Ranch.



Crest Cloud on the Continental Divide ▲



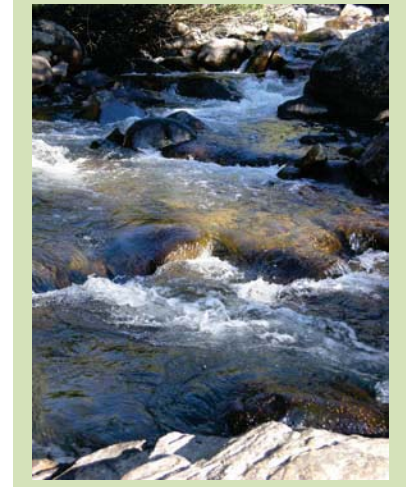
Dave Hallock finds wind protection in the shelter of an unmanaged forest. ►

Eldora's Bridge District



Sixth Street Bridge with Welcome Sign for Train circa 1905
Photo by W. C. Spratt - O'Connor-Pierson Collection

Just as Eldora's proximity to Middle Boulder Creek is a defining characteristic of our community, so are the bridges that tie the north and south sides of the creek together like so many shoelaces on a lady's boot. Bridges come and go with age and stream flow, but two old bridges have persisted through time: Sixth Street Bridge and Marysville Bridge. Sixth Street Bridge has been rebuilt several times. The location of Marysville Bridge was changed, though the original bridge still stands.



◀Margaret Frazier is the child in the middle of this picture of the original Marysville Bridge. The bridge railing still is the same today, but has been moved from the edge of the bridge to the center to keep traffic from crossing the bridge.



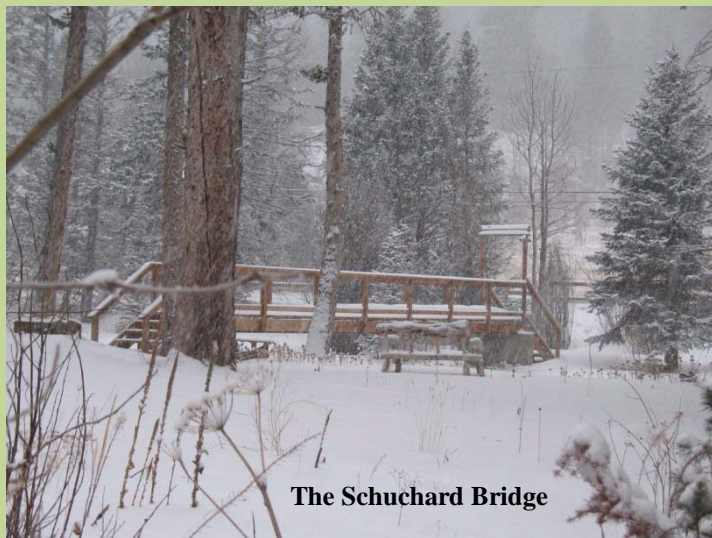
Today the old Marysville Bridge is closed to vehicular business. It is popular with tourists, fishermen and the dipper birds that nest under the girders, protected by fast rushing spring runoff. The bridge a short distance downstream that replaced it in 1961 was rebuilt in 1990.

Nederland Bugle – July 7, 1961
Marysville Bridge:

The new bridge over Middle Boulder Creek east of Eldora is now in use. It was built by county workmen to eliminate the sharp turns approaching the old bridge.



The Slusher Bridge



The Schuchard Bridge

Between the Marysville Bridge and the 6th Street Bridge there are currently five private bridges.



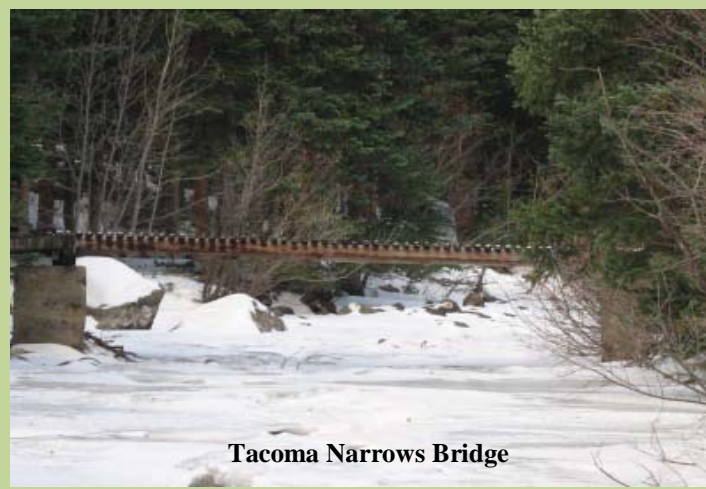
**Eldora's newest bridge:
the Burton Bridge**



**The Andersen Bridge
looking west**

Dan Woodward said the sign calling it "Tacoma Narrows Bridge" was a joke evoking that remarkable film of the Washington suspension bridge twisting violently before tearing apart. Phyllis and I do remember when the bridge was in dangerous disrepair, and how glad everyone was when it was fixed. - Paul Rock

West of the 6th Street Bridge there are only two bridges: The Tacoma Narrows Bridge and the Kyeshong Bridge.



Tacoma Narrows Bridge

The Tacoma Narrows Bridge in Washington State opened in July 1940 and four months later on November 7, 1940 collapsed into Puget Sound under high wind conditions due to a phenomenon known as "aeroelastic flutter." It was nicknamed "Galloping Gertie" because of the vertical movement of the deck observed by construction workers during windy conditions. At the time wind forces were not taken into consideration by engineers and designers. A new bridge was built in 1950 and nicknamed "Sturdy Gertie."

Jean Kindig's Kyeshong Bridge at 11th Street is for sure Eldora's version of a "Sturdy Gertie."

The Eldora Ski Area Road (County Road 140)



View of the Ski Area Road from the Caribou Trail

The Nederland Bugle – July 7, 1962 Road Men Whip Many Obstacles in Providing Access to Ski Area

High up where the falcons nest, bulldozers working from opposite directions on June 28 closed the gap on the new road leading to the Lake Eldora Ski Area. After a few days of clean-up work, the road was expected to be ready for hauling men and materials to the ski area. Completion of the road breaks a bottleneck which has hampered large-scale activity at the new facility. Heretofore access has been by means of a steep switchback road up the north side of Spencer Mountain.

The new route, gouged out of the craggy north face of Tennessee Mountain, has an average grade of about six per cent, with a maximum of around seven. Even though it now has uneven and rough spots, it is not a bad climb for a passenger car. Numerous difficulties slowed work on the road and made it a costly undertaking. At one point the builders encountered 468 feet of solid rock. This was blasted out at one time, more than a month ago. At the start it was estimated the work would take 60 days. On the 89th day a trail was finally punched through to connect the upper and lower sections of the road. Water presented a problem at a number of points, and metal culverts had to be installed. The Z. H. and W. A. Lowdermilk Company had the contract to build the road. Work started in April. Fourteen men have been working on the access route.

The new road offers some magnificent vistas, both of the Continental Divide and the Middle Boulder Creek valley. At one point there is a fine view of the cabins in Eldora, nestled far below. At another Devil's Thumb is etched sharply against the sky.



The Nederland Bugle – May 7, 1962 Construction is Under Way at New Ski Operation Slated at Lake Eldora

Although the ski development at Lake Eldora is a prime topic of conversation in the Nederland area, official announcements have been withheld. George Sweeney, president of the Lake Eldora Corporation, wrote the Bugle that the company's attorney has advised "that according to SEC regulations, no publicity of any sort whatsoever can emanate from this office."

However, on April 10 an advertisement appeared in the financial section of a Denver newspaper telling of an offering circular available on the Lake Eldora Corporation, a Colorado corporation, offering 45,000 shares of common stock at \$6.50 per share. This ad said: "The company proposes to construct and operate ski lifts and related facilities near Lake Eldora, Colorado."

About April 9 the Lowdermilk Company started construction of an access road to the ski area. This road starts just above the western terminus of the "haul" road and is etched into the north face of Tennessee Mountain. It is also reported that the Public Service Company will soon start construction of an electric power line to the ski area to serve the tow, shop, eating and other facilities at the site.



View of Devil's Thumb from the Ski Area Road

The valley walls of the Middle Boulder Creek drainage above Sulphide Flats are oversteepened in places as a consequence of glaciation. Mass movements such as rockfall and soil creep are a concern on these steep slopes.



The Nederland Bugle – July 7, 1962
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Gabor Cseh, resident manager of the ski project, said he expects the road to be open for public travel on weekends in a week or two. The pace of construction is increasing, now that better access is available. Location of the lodge has been staked, and construction is to start momentarily. The contractor was slated to start work on the practice lift July 5.

Cseh said the Public Service Company has agreed to have power lines built to the ski area by the time they are needed. The lines, slated to go up the mountain from Marysville, are to be of ample capacity for future development, such as the Alpine Village scheduled for next summer.

There is some doubt whether the big lift, called No. 1, can be installed in time for the coming ski season. Cseh indicated last week that the negotiations tend slightly to the favorable side. Only part of the lodge is to be built this summer. It will be two stories, 40 x 50 feet. This will provide space for shelter, a lounge, and first aid facilities. Next year a semi-circular addition, 50 x 80 feet, is to be built. The No. 3 lift is not scheduled for installation until next summer. Reports are that \$400,000 has already been spent on the project, which backers hope will be a major recreational facility of Colorado.

Planning is under way on another recreational development of large-scale proportions in the Nederland vicinity. Sponsors said it was too early to make an announcement at this time.

The Nederland Bugle – July 1963:

Gabor and Eva Cseh became citizens of the United States, receiving their final papers in June. They are living in the J. H. Kelly house on the north hill.

The Nederland Bugle – August 18, 1962
Ski Work Crew Races Weather

In a race against an early snow or freeze, workers at the Lake Eldora ski course are making every effort to have basic facilities shaped up while weather holds good. If the lifts and lodge can be substantially finished before cold weather arrives, the management expects to open this new Colorado ski area to the public in late November or early December.

The three-mile access road is completed and is being used to haul men and materials to the site. It is rough in spots and needs widening in others. The company management hopes to have some help from the county in getting the road in shape and keeping it cleared of snow.

Estimates are that the area will attract a minimum of 2,000 visitors a week when it is open for operation.

Large trucks have hauled heavy loads of sand, gravel, steel, lumber and other materials up the access road in recent weeks. Primarily required before the snow flies is the concrete work, erection of the steel lift towers, and completion of the lodge walls and roof. Pouring of concrete was scheduled to start August 8.

Nine towers are required on the No. 2 lift in the practice area. This will be 1,000 feet long and have a vertical rise of 350 feet. The No. 1 lift will have 15 towers. It will be 3,800 feet long and have a vertical rise of 1,000 feet.

As of August 7 there were 43 workers employed on the project. Gabor Cseh, manager, hoped to increase the work force to 50 men. If the facilities can be completed enough to have skiing this winter, between 15 and 20 men will be employed during the season, Cseh said.

The lodge and base facilities are at an elevation of 9,400 feet. These are almost five miles from Nederland. Besides the two lifts now under construction, a No. 3 lift is planned for future addition. This will reach to an elevation of more than 10,500 feet. The development lies in a natural amphitheater at the east base of Bryan Mountain with Ute Mountain forming a northern boundary. The longer runs will be directly west of the masonry and log lodge, while the practice runs will be to the southwest.



Ski Area Impacts to Wetland and Aquatic Ecosystems

Impacts to Wetlands: The ski area has a long history of causing a net loss of wetlands. Approximately 32 acres have been covered over, from the creation of their parking lot in the 1960s, to obtaining Nationwide Permits over the past 15 years that cumulatively filled up to 1 acre, to the more recent creation of a reservoir that caused the loss of a small wetland at the bottom of a kettle pond (which was ruled as a non-jurisdictional wetland by the Corps of Engineers). Collectively, these losses are equal to the third largest wetland loss known in Boulder County history.

Some Impacts to Aquatic Ecosystems:

The use of Peterson Lake and Lake Eldora for snowmaking has likely had impacts on animals and organisms using these ecosystems. Creating more ski runs combined with climate change generally leads to the need for more snowmaking. Beaver appear to be having trouble sustaining themselves in the lakes and basins around the ski area. Fluctuating water levels in lakes with beaver lodges make it more difficult for beaver to make it to winter food caches and more vulnerable to predators. Historic beaver lodges on both lakes have been less active to nonexistent for the last decade. Impacts to other species, such as the capshell snail known from Peterson Lake, are also likely.

Dave Hallock



Carbaryl Update

Due to the late snowpack, the spraying of carbaryl to combat the mountain pine beetle was delayed this year. Carbaryl should not be sprayed near water or on snow that will melt and drain into a stream or lake. Spraying at the ski area occurred July 11-15, 2011; there was good weather (little rain or wind) and the spraying progressed rapidly. Spraying at the ski area occurs on both Forest Service lands leased by the ski area and on private land.

One area of concern is the ski area continues to spray carbaryl on the lodgepole pines within the forest patch just southwest of the entrance gate. There is a wetland along the perennial drainage just to the south of the forest as well as a small wetland within the forest patch. The ski area claims to be following Forest Service guidelines for the spraying of carbaryl, which include maintaining buffers around wetland, perennial and intermittent streams and other water bodies of 100 feet to minimize the opportunity of the pesticide reaching these hydrologic features. Virtually the entire forest patch is within 100 feet of a wetland. Carbaryl has been detected in the water downstream from this site.

The ski area has been made aware of this concern. It is hoped that they use an alternative method to control the mountain pine beetle in this forest patch.

Dave Hallock

After the water pumps were first installed in 1968 for making snow, the beavers often chewed the power lines to the pumps that brought water out of Peterson and up the hill for snow making. At first ski area workers trapped and moved the beavers, but then they returned, so managers began killing the beavers. With each new owner and manager, the fate of the beavers fell into less caring hands, yet the beavers continued to return, present in some years, not in others. In years of large drawdowns beavers would move their lodge a bit south and reappear the next year. Some years the beavers would be at both Lake Eldora and Peterson Lake, some years at only one lake. Now the ski area has begun to remove the lodges and change the shore line at the west end of Peterson Lake each year. The ski area has been very aggressive in recent years with equipment and monitoring boats left at the west end of the lake all summer and drawdowns in the winter. The beaver ponds south of Dixie Lodge and up toward Tennessee Mountain seem to no longer be maintained by beavers, perhaps because there was drought and now monitoring equipment and pumping on Lake Eldora, too. The old photos show how beautiful the shoreline of Peterson Lake was before the ski road ruined the north shore and the east end was sculpted to keep the water level high for snowmaking in the winter. The road construction and the rising water level killed many, many trees. Then snowmaking doomed the beavers because they interfered with pumping water from the lake. Anonymous observer

The Conversion of Glacially Formed Kettle Ponds into Storage Ponds for Snowmaking



Trees have been cleared from around this kettle pond wetland at Eldora Mountain Resort in preparation for snowmaking water storage.



Heavy machinery filled the kettle pond and widened the depression as a water storage reservoir for snowmaking.

▲ All kettle pond photos were taken from the Jenny Creek access trail by Dave Hallock
▼ Below a yellow pond lily by Diane J. Brown



Glacially Formed Kettle Ponds:

A kettle is a shallow, sediment-filled body of water formed by retreating glaciers or draining floodwaters that left huge melting blocks of sediment rich ice that were buried by large quantities of glacial till or moraine deposits. Most kettles are less than 2 kilometers in diameter and less than 10 meters deep.

A kettle pond receives its water from precipitation and/or ground water. Kettle ponds are wetlands or bogs and are important ecological niches for certain symbiotic species of flora and fauna. Because of the closed environment of ponds, such small calm bodies of water normally develop self-contained ecosystems. At Eldora Mountain Resort some of the unique species that may utilize the ponds are yellow pond lily, chorus frog, tiger salamander, water strider, water boatman, fairy shrimp and whirligig beetle.



The kettle pond is lined with geomembrane, creating a sterile and inhospitable environment for its former inhabitants. With trees gone, solar radiation is intense.

Amphibians, because they are closely tied to the presence of water, are specialists and good indicators of the health of riparian and lacustrine (lake) environments. Amphibian populations are sensitive to turbidity, metals, pH and predation by fish, among other factors, and can serve as indicators of the impact of increased siltation caused by logging, slope clearing and road building, pollution caused by mining and disruption caused by stocking fish in lakes which do not naturally support fish populations (Hammerson 1982, Corn and Vertucci 1992, Corn et al. 1993).

Amphibian populations have experienced major decimation across a variety of habitats and species on a world-wide basis in the last ten to fifteen years. Current hypotheses explaining the losses include acid deposition, increased ultraviolet radiation and pathogens or some combination of the three. In Colorado, some species which were widespread, if not common, in montane ecosystems only fifteen years ago, such as the Boreal Western Toad and the Northern Leopard Frog, have become or are becoming quite scarce.

(From the Eldora Environmental Preservation Plan)

A map of Eldora Mountain Resort shows numerous sites for water storage and pumping. These include snowmaking ponds, water storage tanks, waste water treatment ponds, Jenny Creek pump station, and Peterson Lake and Lake Eldora as snowmaking water resources. At this point in time one more kettle pond reservoir is being planned.

Eldora Mountain Resort Expansion

The Ski Area Position:

Eldora Mountain Resort

- The new lifts and upgrades will greatly enhance the skiing and riding experience at Eldora.
- Eldora (ski area) has always been a good neighbor in the community.
- Eldora (ski area) has a great track record of environmental awareness and protection.
- The new lifts and facilities will create hundreds of new jobs and an economic boost.
- The upgrades in the Master Plan include a boundary adjustment of less than 80 acres that will allow skiers/riders to fully utilize existing terrain.
- New lifts will not only better serve existing terrain, but will also make the mountain safer for all skiers and riders.



Eldora Environmental Preservation Plan:

- Nighttime noise from snowmaking
- Visual impacts due to vegetation clearing
- The largest potential impact on the town of Eldora would be withdrawal of water from Middle Boulder Creek at Hessie. Winter withdrawals would have significant impacts.
- Increased skier use will increase the amount of water handled by EMR's waste treatment plant. Water quality in Peterson Lake and groundwater seeping from its tributary to Middle Boulder Creek at Marysville could be affected.

Comments about EMR's decision to close Indian Peaks lift during non-holiday weekdays:

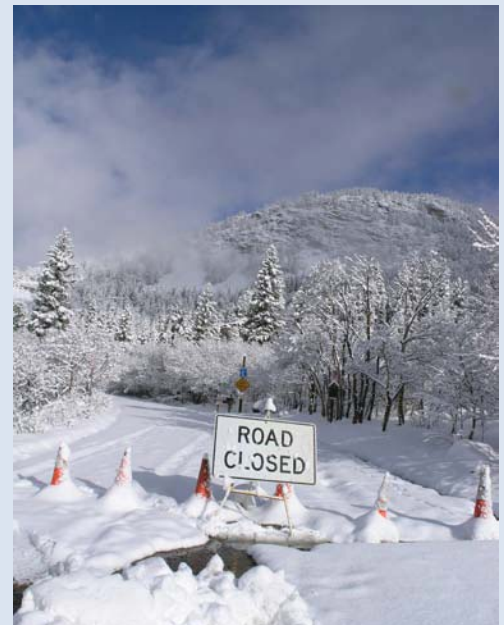
- Whoever planned Eldora (ski area) really screwed it up. People call it "Windora."
- If it's windy...I don't ski there, which is why I really don't ski there much anyway.
- They need to suck it up and put in high speed lifts at Eldora; it's a painful wait for the amount of vertical skiing you get.
- I don't blame anyone holding a season pass being upset by them closing Indian Peaks lift. Eldora's season passes are quite pricey.
- This is terrible news! Having been a strong supporter of Eldora I am getting more and more disillusioned. This decision closes the best terrain on the whole mountain. Why would I ski Eldora now? The only reason to go to Eldora was for this lift and terrain. You could choose to deal with all the kids on the front side of the mountain or deal with the wind and ice on the Corona side. I choose not skiing at all left with this decision.
- I have no idea how Eldora stays in business anyway.
- Interesting decision in light of Eldora's recent master plan approval/pending other hurdles of 3-4 (?) new lifts, some of which will be in the Corona area. Not economically feasible to run Indian Peaks, but they plan to invest capital in more lifts and infrastructure? Employing 3-4 more \$10 an hour employees will affect the bottom line that badly? Must be some thin margins.
- There is probably the amount of electricity used to run that lift and added maintenance. Certainly more than the wages of a few lifties.
- At the dawn of another proposed Eldora expansion, it seems like a questionable tactic to close a lift on weekdays that was described as an essential component to staying competitive with other resorts just 15 years ago. It begs the question, just how necessary is the new proposed growth? Will it allow Eldora, as the current Master Plan states, to "remain competitive in the local skier market, better retain existing guests, and attract new visitors," or will it also be something that 15 years down the line will be afterthought and an unnecessary expense for the resort?
- How can they justify an expansion to create more terrain when they can't afford to keep all of their current terrain open? And who is going to pay for all this expansion? We will, in increased ticket and pass sales, and I wonder if a couple of years later, when they don't draw all the crowds that they think they will have, we will be told that they can't afford to keep that new terrain open either.



ECA Member Comments on Ski Area Expansion



Mineral Mountain faces the proposed ski area expansion project.



The Fourth of July Road just west of Eldora, a major portal to the Indian Peaks Wilderness, could see significant impacts if ski area expansion occurs.

- We will send letters, with an emphasis on the original promises made by the ski area through Mike McCoy that the ski area would never impact Eldora as now proposed.
- Thanks for keeping me informed. You can definitely count me in as one who is strongly opposed to the EMR expansion plans.
- It seems to me that the expansion of the ski area serves only one recreational use in the multi-use Forest Service world. I can't even imagine, but it would be like when they built the ski area road way back when.
- Ski area and trail closures due to pine beetle damage, wind, etc. confirms our suspicion about the ski area trying to expand or get permission to expand then sell to some other lucky sucker.
- It seems that a major rationale for the expansion into the valley being put forth by the ski area is protection from the wind. I wonder if they have collected wind measurements to substantiate that claim... If not, and if it is merely a supposition, it could be one point on which to challenge the expansion. EMR should be willing to provide verifiable measurements of wind speed at different elevations on comparable sites on the slopes with enough samples to be statistically valid. Should they not show any significant improvement, it might weaken their argument for at least the part of the expansion related to bringing runs to lower elevations and to the base of the mountain into Hessie. This also puts the burden of making a strong argument on the expansion on the EMR. And it is a perfectly fair question.
- During the small EA the ski area did for the "Corona Grading" project, they claimed that the wind comes out of the north to northwest (which they also state in their management plan accepted by the Forest Service). I asked them for data supporting this statement. They just sent back a wind rose and no data. They said they had a wind meter in the area, but provided no data. So, we will see what they have when they formally submit. It is a critical question.
- Even though I am or used to be an avid skier. I believe the desired results for the ski area expansion can be done within current ski area boundaries by making more trails within their current ski area boundaries, by improving existing infrastructure and creating more terrain within the current boundaries. I think the high wind 21

excuse does not warrant potentially adversely affecting current wilderness area. Expanding up top within their existing boundaries is what I think should occur. Their proposal of using lower terrain will be too low come spring time and those trails at lower elevations will be adversely affected by the spring warm up. Besides, who wants to ski on 60 mph wind days anyways? I think the ski area does not need to risk negatively affecting the wildlife that exists at Hessie from beaver to moose, etc. I think you are right to question that which will affect all our back yards, so to speak, especially when that back yard is wilderness areas.

- We need to understand the price that nature pays for our entertainment.

- Laura Fisher happened upon a meeting between Randy Leever and Pete Birkeland of Eldora and Jim Spent, General Manager of EMR. They were reviewing the map of the EMR Master Plan in “real space” noting landmarks, terrain, etc. Eldorans related their concerns for wildlife corridors, destruction of habitat, visual impact of proposed expansion of the permitted boundary and suggestions that new terrain could be developed within the current boundary, etc. EMR’s argument for expanding the boundary is to accommodate the operation of new lifts during high wind days that currently require the closure of lifts. Spent maintained that their research shows that the two new lifts that start at the bottom of the valley (starting 50 ft. from Middle Boulder Creek) to part way up the mountain would be operable on high wind days. (We should request that data.) As to the wildlife, Spent insisted that EMR coexists with deer, elk and moose already and that the moose know to wait until 5 pm to access the trails! In his mind there would be no impact to recreational users of the 4th of July Road in winter and that the new “Low E” snowmaking equipment they just spent \$250K on, would only be noticeable on calm days.

Spent said that if Boulder County required it, they would improve the 4th of July Road from the end of the pavement to the proposed new bridge, but that there would be no winter maintenance of the road. It would, however, become a means for ski patrol to remove injured skiers, by sled or snow mobile, to awaiting emergency equipment at the end of the pavement in Eldora. Currently they take the injured up and over the mountain. The current plan is to present to the Forest Service, in one EIS, all of the Master Plan proposed improvements, except the Proposed Moose Glade Lift (below and to the west of the current Corona lift).

- Hessie is a year-round primary access into the Indian Peaks Wilderness Area. The focus is on a non-motorized experience. Is this compatible with bringing lift operations and snowmaking into the bottom of the valley? There is ongoing planning occurring looking at redesigning the parking and access to the Indian Peaks. One of the goals has been to reduce impacts to the riparian and wetland ecosystems along Middle Boulder Creek and in Hessie. Do we reduce impacts on the north side of the creek just to increase them on the south side?

A rich wetland and riparian area exists along Middle Boulder Creek below the Corona Pod. It is enhanced by the presence of a healthy beaver colony. Is this compatible with bringing the lifts down into the valley floor along with an access route from the Fourth of July Road?

The proposal from the ski area includes an emergency access route from the Fourth of July Road. Are the impacts of industrial recreation (tree clearing, lifts, outhouse, snowmobiles and grooming machines, snowmaking, a new bridge across Middle Boulder Creek, and potential spraying of carbaryl) compatible with the habitat? There is potential displacement of wildlife including moose and boreal owl. Do we simply accept this degradation of the habitat as a cost of having some additional vertical feet on a ski run? There are currently few human generated impacts on the south side of Middle Boulder Creek. What is the potential for increased access to the south side of Middle Boulder Creek for recreation during the winter and summer? Can this be controlled by the ski area and/or the Forest Service, particularly during the summer when both parties have a poor history of controlling access on their lands? Do we really want to open up a whole new area to summer recreation as it is probable that social trails will evolve? What are these impacts to the ecology of Middle Boulder Creek?

- Some problems with Eldora Mountain Resort are the lack of sufficient base and/or the base is hard, icy and snow-packed and does not hold snow due to winds; instead of powder the slopes are groomed by snowcats; also the drive up Boulder Canyon can be treacherous.

Eldora Pioneer: Frank Armstrong

Frank C. Armstrong, also a St. Louisian, was another picturesque early comer to Happy Valley, his arrival preceding that of Jack Gilfillan. He was a heavy-set man of medium build, blue-eyed, and with regular, finely modeled features, crowned by thick, iron-grey hair. By profession he was a mining engineer, and a United States Deputy Mineral Surveyor. Frank seemed to bubble over with quick, impatient energy, which was apparent in the speed and unflagging endurance he manifested in hiking to and from survey sites, and on the survey itself. Men found it difficult to keep pace with him; and axe and chain-men in his employ were unanimous in their verdict that he was no easy man to work for.



Frank C. Armstrong with his horse near Arapaho Peak
Photo by Donald C. Kemp

He was on the trail to the job by daylight, and often it was dark ere he returned to camp. He never carried or stopped for noon-day lunch, and he showed considerable impatience when his assistants insisted on so doing, as Frank considered such indulgence to be a mark of weakness. Thus, while the weaklings were satisfying the inner man with a sandwich or two, he would pace back and forth, forth and back, pausing now and then to check up on the progress of the diners. The minute the last crust of the sandwich had disappeared, back to the job they went, without further delay.

In the early days when Armstrong first arrived in Happy Valley, he had, with James T. (Jimmie) Phillips, done considerable prospecting, and the two located and patented several claims. None of these appear to have amounted to much, and aside from the record that they were located, nothing further is known of them.

Satilla Lode on Ute Mountain – September 30, 1892

Memphis Lode on Spencer Mountain – October 18, 1892

St. Louis Lode on Spencer Mountain – October 18, 1892

Anthracite Lode on Eldorado Mountain – November 3, 1893

When Frank was engaged in field work, he had an undeviating custom at night of anointing feet, arms, hands and face with camphor ice, a large tube of which he always carried. (One can imagine the condition of bed clothes after several such applications). Thus greased, he felt he was proof against colds, was protected against ill results from wearing wet boots, rendered immune to sunburn, and otherwise fortified against the ravages of climate and elements.

Eccentricities aside, his reputation in his profession was of the highest. His surveys, notes, and maps were models of neatness and accuracy. And as a man in the community, he had many friends and few enemies.

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Eldora and Spencer Mountain in 1899 ►
Photo by W. C. Spratt
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A Snow Donut on the Eldora Ski Area Road