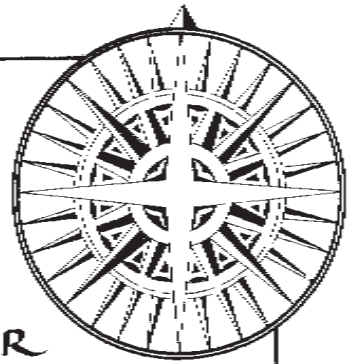




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New Member Orientation: September 21 at the Clubroom



A New Members hike to Royal Arch in May 2005
(we're not sure about the guy in the back though!)
(contributed by a participant)

COLORADO MOUNTAIN CLUB FALL 2005 EQUIPMENT \$ALE

The CMC Fall 2005 Equipment Sale will be on Friday, October 14, 6-8 pm at the American Mountaineering Center, 710 10th Street in Golden, in the conference room on the ground floor. Sale is open to the public. CMC members will be selling all types of outdoor gear, including backpacks, technical apparel, climbing gear, mountaineering equipment, backcountry & alpine ski gear, kayaks, cycling gear, maps, books, backpacking gear and other miscellaneous equipment.

Come welcome new members to the CMC on Wednesday, September 21, 7-8:15pm, at the CMC Clubroom. Any CMC member can come and is an ideal time to make new contacts. As a follow-up,

You must be a CMC member to sell, open to the public to buy. CMCers, see the April MHM and Compass for details. For additional information, contact Zoe Katsulos, zfoto@aol.com.

a New/Potential Members Hike will be Saturday, Sept. 24th to the Royal Arch starting at 9:00 a.m.. Meet at the east side of the Saver's parking lot. This is a Grade B hike that takes about 1.5 hrs. Contact number for Orientation: 303-554-7688. For the hike, Diana 303-492-6700 (day), 303-494-9493 (evening)

The CMC Boulder Group Annual Dinner is coming up: prepare to be amazed!

The annual dinner is on the horizon! It *will* be held Sunday, Nov 6, it *will* be at the UMC, the food *will* be simply delicious, and there *will* be some great speakers -- but beyond that details will be announced. The Boulder Group of the CMC has some amazing members, accomplishing amazing feats of courage and skill in many a far flung global destination. Come hear about some of them at this year's annual dinner, where you'll experience what life is like among the "not so rich and famous". If you would like to help make it happen (what a networking opportunity!) contact Marilyn Fellows at marilyn.fellows@ERATradewind.com or 303-887-1919. So save the date and plan to attend!

Cabin Work Parties:

Learn how to open the CMC Cabin for *your* future trip

Contributed by Otto Vern

Help get our beautiful cabins ready for the winter. No sign-up necessary. These outings are work *and* parties...both! We always have a good time and we always feel marvelously satisfied afterwards. Two trips are planned.

Trip #1: Saturday, September 10: Ärestua Cabin on Guinn Mt. Meet at the Rollinsville Store at 8:00am. **Trip #2:** Saturday, October 1: Brainard Lake Cabin. Meet at the Cabin at 9:00, OR meet for carpooling at 8:00, in the parking lot of the County M.H. Center, which is in the N.E. corner of the intersection of North Broadway and Iris avenue. We will once again ask the Forest Service to waive the entrance fee for volunteers, and we will most likely be asked to park on the unpaved road off the N.W. corner of the lake (200 yards EAST of the cabin).

Tasks to be done: Wood cutting, hauling, splitting, and stacking. Clean the insides of the cabins. Replace the solar panels at Brainard, and perhaps do some additional inside wiring. Miscellaneous repairs, as needed. No sign-up is required. Please bring: work boots/shoes, work gloves, your lunch. Questions? Call or e-mail Otto Verdoner, 303-443-9883, cabins@cmcboulder.org

Volunteers Needed!

Celebrate Eldorado '05!

Support Eldorado Canyon State Park on Sat, Sept 17. Trail run in the park at 8am, trail building 9am, climber safety booth. Later, a party at The Spot bouldering gym at 6pm: bouldering competition, a live auction of the Classic Climbs with Climbers Climbers! See www.aceeldo.org/celebrate_eldorado.

Dome/Elephant Buttresses Trail Restoration Project

On Saturday, September 24, 2005 the Wildlands Restoration Volunteers will host a project to help restore trails that provide access to the Elephant Buttresses and Dome Rock. As many climbers are aware, these have become a maze of user created social trails, and along the Silver Lake Ditch,

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Beware the foraging bears!

Mailing party September 15

Come to the Clubroom and help mail out the September Compass! This is a relaxed way to meet people and give something back to your favorite club.

The next issue will be ready to mail on Thursday, September 15, at 5:30pm, so please just drop in. Phone Sheila at 303-554-7688 for more information.

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We welcome announcements, articles, letters, artwork, and photos. Please submit material to the Editor by the **second Monday** of the month for inclusion in the following month's issue.

Blob Rock and Bitty Buttruss Climbing Areas Reopened

U.S. Forest Service reopened Blob Rock and Bitty Buttruss August 1. These areas are up Boulder Canyon about 1.5 miles east of Boulder Falls. For the most current closure information, check signs in the areas, or visit the Boulder Ranger District web site at <http://www.fs.fed.us/arnf/districts/brd/index.htm>

Fall HAMS Seminar

The High Altitude Mountaineering Section of the Denver group will present its 17th annual training seminars from Oct 3 to Nov 14 on Monday evenings. Due to space limitations, we could not print the full announcement, but check your weekly GPS or, better yet, www.cmc.org. These lectures are prerequisites for Denver's Advanced Mountaineering School.

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or aqueduct, that runs along the base of the cliffs. There is a great need to establish a series of better routes to the various climbing areas and close off the unsustainable trails. This project will involve trail construction, trail closure, weed removal and extensive revegetation work. Lunch will be provided. Number of Volunteers: 60. Min. Age: 16 with an adult. To register, go to www.wlrv.org, click on "Projects", then "Sign-Up." You can also send email to info@wlrv.org or call 303-543-1411

HAMS Trips to Alps and Bolivia in 2006

Bolivia: Introduction to High Altitude Mountaineering

Huayna Potosi (19,968'), Mururata (19,250'), Illimani (20,893'). June 9-24, 2006. Cost: \$2,640, including air fare + \$385 extra for Illimani climbers

Join the High Altitude Mountaineering Section for a visit to Bolivia that will introduce you to high altitude climbing. We'll adjust to the altitude for several days near Lake Titicaca, site of many Inca ruins, and then climb two high, but not technically difficult, peaks near La Paz. An optional extension to Illimani will allow a smaller group to experience a more demanding peak.

Participants should be graduates of a CMC high altitude or advanced mountaineering school. Instructors in CMC high altitude schools, or senior instructors in Club basic mountaineering schools also are welcome to apply. Recent BMS graduates may be taken on a space available basis with instructor recommendation. Group size is limited to 14 climbers, plus the leaders.

Cost includes air fare, lodging, ground transport, outfitter fees, meals on the mountains, most leader expenses, and CMC fee. Cost does not include insurance, most hotel meals, shots, medications, bar tab or souvenirs. Final cost may vary slightly depending on air fares and currency exchange issues.

Trip leaders are Steve Bonowski (Denver Group) and Mark Thomas (Boulder Group). The trip itinerary and application form can be obtained from Steve: nztrekker@earthlink.net, or P.O. Box 280286, Lakewood CO, 80228. Trip packet is not available on line. No phone calls please.

Bernese Alps: Hike to the Eiger and Jungfrau

September 4-14, 2006. Cost: \$3,750, including air fare.

The Bernese Oberland, north of the Rhone River valley in southern Switzerland, is considered by many persons to be the most beautiful area of this scenic country. This is your chance to experience the Oberland first hand, as you trek eastward during a week from the town of Lenk to Grindelwald, nestled at the base of the two spectacular alpine peaks. Lodging will be in comfortable small town hotels and maybe a mountain hut. Hikers carry only day packs as the other luggage is hauled to the next night's stay via taxi.

Participants should be strong hikers capable of walking 10-12 miles and gaining as much as 4,000' of vertical on each of several consecutive days. Preference will be given to graduates of a CMC entry level hiking school (e.g., Wilderness Trekking in Denver, Hiking School in Boulder, etc.). Limit is 11 hikers, plus the leader.

Cost includes air fare, ground transport & cable car fees, lodging, most meals, guide fees, luggage taxi, leader expenses, and CMC fee. Cost does not include insurance, a few meals, medications, bar tab, or souvenir purchases. Final cost may vary slightly depending on air fares and the currency exchange rate.

A trip itinerary and application can be obtained from the trip leader, Steve Bonowski, at nztrekker@earthlink.net, or P.O. Box 280286, Lakewood CO 80228. The material is not available on-line. No phone calls please.

September 2005 Trips

Saturday, Sept 3

Quandary Pk 14,265'
Difficult C On Trail

Climb one of the easier 14ners at a slow to moderate pace from Monte Cristo trailhead, we will hike the popular, normal route which is a good trail all the way. Meet at USFS Minturn Breckenridge. 6/3,370'. James Garnett, (303)564-8173. (Trip#29801)

Tuesday, Sept 6

BMS lecture #1 Lecture
Meet 6:30 pm at the Boulder Clubroom for the Introductory lecture. Dawn M DuPriest, (970)223-2621. (Trip#29787)

Wednesday, Sept 7

After Work Social Hike
Moderate A
Enjoy a relaxing 1-2 hour hike on south Boulder Mountain Parks and Open Space. Don't call, just show up at 6:00 p.m. at the Club Room. Boulder/Eldorado Springs. 4/800'. 5 mi. Steven Haymes, (303)444-4765. (Trip#29734)

Saturday, Sept 10

Flattop Mtn. 12,324'
Moderate C On Trail
From Bear Lake in the Rocky Mountain National Park we'll hike up the good trail to Flattop and look in vain for a pointy summit. McHenry's Pk. 9/2,900'. 160 mi. Nickie (Corinne) Kelly, (303)543-0109. (Trip#29815)

Swanson's Arete I Climb
Eldorado Canyon 5.5

An Eldorado Classic. The crux is getting to the base of the climb. Then three superb pitches up this fantastic arete. Rappel off. Call 303-935-3600. Jason Shatek, (303)995-3600. (Trip#29870)

Sunday, Sept 11

King Lake 11,431' Difficult B
>From Hessie take the King Lake Trail that parallels the S Fork of Middle Boulder Creek in the valley between Woodland Mtn and Guinn Mtn to this lake in a cirque of the Continental Divide. Nederland/East Portal. 10/2,422'. Donald Kava, (303)494-2632. (Trip#29763)

North Arete I Climb
First Flatiron 5.5

Run an airy ridge on a Boulder landmark after a moderate walk-in. 0/0'. 0 mi. Bruce Immele, (303)903-4517. (Trip#29843)

Greenspur III Climb
Redgarden Wall 5.9

Work your way up a series of dihedrals and cracks on beautiful Redgarden Wall. An intriguing and refined route. Ron Olsen, (303)449-1935. (Trip#29860)

Tuesday, Sept 13

BMS lecture #2 Lecture
Meet at the Boulder clubroom for the knot lecture.

Meet at 6:30 pm. Dawn M DuPriest, (970)2232621. (Trip#29788)

Wednesday, Sept 14

After Work Social Hike
Moderate A
Enjoy a relaxing 1-2 hour hike on south Boulder Mountain Parks and Open Space. Don't call, just show up at 6:00 p.m. at the Club Room. Boulder/Eldorado Springs. 4/800'. 5 mi. Marilyn Fellows, (303)499-6099. (Trip#29746)

Saturday, Sept 17

Sky Pond 10,880' Moderate B
>From Glacier Gorge Junction in RMNP, hike up Loch Vale past Timberline Falls to Sky Pond. McHenry's Pk. 9/1,700'. 174 mi. James Dimmick, (303)2501072. (Trip#29761)

Pawnee Pk. 12,943' Moderate B
The route takes us past Long Lake and Lake Isabelle to Pawnee Pass, then requires easy scrambling along the Continental Divide, leading to the summit. Ward. 10/2,500'. 70 mi. Peter Gowen, (303)4945420. (Trip#29778)

Wind Tower Area Climb
Eldorado Canyon 5.4

Leader's choice. We will climb one or more of the following 2 pitch climbs: the bomb (5.4), Breezy (5.4), or Tigger (5.5). Walk or rappel off. Call 720887-3882. Larry A. Pedigo, (720)887-3882. (Trip#29874)

September 2005 Trips

North Face II Climb
The Matron 5.6

This outstanding route begins in a vertical crack ending in a classic roof. Above that it's smooth sailing up the ridge and two long rappels off. BLMS required. 0/0'. 0 mi. Brenda Leach, (303)525-3660. (Trip#29830)

Der Zerkle II Climb
Flatirons 5.6

Climb straight up a slab to an verhang. Pass this by going through a hole. Climb a gully to the top. William Clopton, (303)775-9083. (Trip#29851)

Sat/Sun, Sept 17-18

BMS Basic Rock Field Trip
Registered BMS students will practice knots, belaying, self-rescue and basic rock climbing techniques. Each student will attend only on their pre-determined day. Dawn M DuPriest, (970)223-2621. (Trip#29794)

Sunday, Sept 18

Odessa Lake 10,000' Moderate B
Starting at the Fern Lake TH, hike this beautiful trail up to Odessa Lake. McHenrys Pk. 8/1,215'. 150 mi. Louis F Genduso, (303)530-3795. (Trip#29727)

East of the Sun, II Climb
The Dome, 5.7
Boulder Canyon

Roofs, ramps, corners, faces, cracks. What more could you want on this 3 pitch close-

in climb. William Clopton.
(303)775-9083. (Trip#29852)

Tuesday, Sept 20

BMS lecture #3 Lecture
Meet at the Boulder clubroom for this lecture. Meet at 6:30 pm. Dawn M DuPriest, (970)223-2621. (Trip#29789)

Wednesday, Sept 21

After Work Social Hike
Moderate A
Enjoy a relaxing 1-2 hour hike on south Boulder Mountain Parks and Open Space. Don't call, just show up at 6:00 p.m. at the Club Room. Boulder/Eldorado Springs. 4/800'. 5 mi. Marilyn Fellows, (303)499-6099. (Trip#29747)

Thursday, Sept 22

Disappearing Crack I Climb
Boulder Canyon 5.5
Follow a crack that goes away. Finish on a slab and over a bulge. Afternoon climb. Bruce Immele, (303)903-4517. (Trip#29842)

Saturday, Sept 24

Royal Arch Difficult A
From the Bluebell Shelter, hike along the Royal Arch Trail. Trail is quite steep at times. Moderate pace. Eldorado Springs. 5/1,200'. 2 mi. Diana Dear, (303)494-9493. (Trip#29765)

Colorado Trail Moderate B
SE Kenosha Pass

Hike the section of the Colorado

Trail that goes to the southeast of the pass through aspen and open meadows. There are panoramic views of South Park and surrounding peaks. Jefferson. 12/1,200'. 120 mi. Marilyn Fellows, (303)499-6099. (Trip#29769)

Sat/Sun, Sept 24-25

BMS Belay Tower and Climb Field Trip
Registered BMS students will take the belay test and do a multi-pitch climb. Each student will attend only on their pre-determined day. Dawn M DuPriest, (970)223-2621. (Trip#29795)

Sunday, Sept 25

Lookout Mountain Loop
Moderate B
Follow a mix of trails and go cross-country on this loop around and up to the summit of Lookout Mountain in RMNP. Views of Mount Meeker, Twin Sisters, Wild Basin and several aspen groves. Please do not bring GPS's or other electronic navigation gadgets. Optional after-hike dinner in Lyons. Allens Park. 8/2,000'. 4 mi. Register with leader Steven Haymes, (303)444-4765 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. only. (Trip#29729)

Yellowspur III Climb
Redgarden Wall 5.10
Eldorado Canyon

This is one of the all time classics of Eldorado Canyon. Enjoy seven pitches of varied climbing on this route with spectacular position and exposure. Start variation,

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1935. (Trip#29859)

Tuesday, Sept 27

BMS Lecture #4
Meet at the Boulder clubroom
at 6:30 pm. Dawn M DuPriest,
(970)223-2621. (Trip#29790)

Wednesday, Sept 28

After Work Social Hike
Moderate A
Enjoy a relaxing 1-2 hour hike
on south Boulder Mountain
Parks and Open Space. Don't
call, just show up at 6:00 p.m.
at the Club Room. Boulder/El-
dorado Springs. 4/800'. 5 mi.
Connie Schwab, (303)516-9797.
(Trip#29748)



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