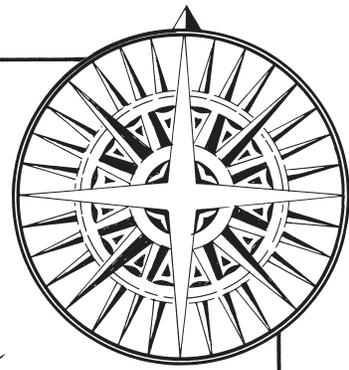




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A Brief Note from the Editor

This month's issue is a bit unusual in a Profile that will continue into a third issue; but Mark Scott-Nash's interview seemed worthy of this unprecedented event. There is also, alas, no pictures or artwork. Part of the reason for that is there was so much to pack into this issue; but also because I am not receiving submissions from anyone of this nature. So, I encourage and remind everyone that this newsletter is for and about our members, and whatever *you* want to see in it. You can submit digital photographs of your club activities on the website -- go to cmcboulder.org, then Groups/Share Your Photo. Please do so, so I can have some pictures in the next issue! Also, please note:

Deadline for March issue is Feb 11
--the Editor

Conservation Applications Due March 1

Since 2000, the Boulder Group of the CMC has accepted applications for conservation funds from the Bob Farley Memorial Trails and Conservation; appli-
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Profile Continuation: Mark Scott-Nash

Editor's Note: This month we continue our interview with Mark Scott-Nash, which started in the January issue, available online. Mark is married to Shelly Scott-Nash, whom he mentions during the interview. Due to length, some sections had to be abbreviated. -- Editor

Mark: ... This was the second time that I'd seen a rescue in the mountains. Plus that was also year that Shelly and I climbed Denali. This other guy, whose partner had bailed, shared our tent. He was part of Seattle Mountain Rescue, and helped me get pumped up to go join Rocky Mountain Rescue.

Compass: So when you started getting involved with RMR, you stopped being so involved in the CMC, having only so much time...

Mark: Yes, of course. It was a new thing for me to do outdoors, though it's *not* recreation! I learned to climb in the CMC, which was fun, but it was also a lot of work. The same kind of thing happens in RMR, except the end result is you get to save people's lives. The experiences you have rescuing people, over time, are pretty profound...

Compass: How are they doing as an organization? I know any volunteer organization may struggle once in a while.

Mark: Well, RMR is going to have their 60th anniversary [this] year. It's amazingly old.

Compass: And did Chuck Demerest help start it?

Mark: No, it started long before Chuck was involved. One of the first group

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Annual Report from the Conservation Committee

First, thanks to the Conservation Committee members for their work throughout 2006. Special thanks to Bev Gholson for her leadership of the Conservation Committee for nearly six years. Thanks to Pat Butler for her annual noxious weed hike in July to help eradicate those threatening weeds and for her work, along with Peter Berkeland, Peter Richards, Dave Robertson, Steve Priem and others on the Winter Trails Use committee. They continue to work with the Boulder Ranger District to improve the signage and trails for the Brainard Lake Recreation Area snowsports users. Thanks to others who have participated in conservation projects mentioned in the Compass including those receiving some funding through the CMC Boulder group. Every person's contributions made a difference in the conservation and trails access for our members, plus others.

Conservation grants totaling \$5035 were awarded to Colorado Fourteeners Initiative, Wildlands Restoration Volunteers, and Forest Watch. We supported the Flatirons Climbing Council's proposal regarding Eldorado Mountain and Western Mountain Parks Trail Study area and submitted comments to Boulder Ranger District on Urban Front Country Initiative regarding recreational shooting, campfires and dispersed camping in the Arapaho-Roosevelt Forests. We discussed some East Portal trailwork issues with the Forest Service and the Winter Trails Use committee met in October.

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Conservation Apps Due

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cations for 2007 are due by March 1. Projects generally should include involvement by and/or benefit CMC Boulder Group members. Funds may be given to projects sponsored by other organizations if they benefit CMC Boulder Group members. Trails are a priority for the Farley funds, other types of activities are a priority for the conservation fee funds. Funds may be used for materials, revegetation supplies, signs, tools, t-shirts for volunteers, mapping equipment, advertising costs and other such non-personnel costs. Projects receiving matching funds are preferred. The applicant(s) should play a role in organizing the project, including coordinating with any applicable public land agency. The Conservation and Trails Committee of the Boulder Group will review all applications, make a recommendation to the Boulder Group CMC Council by mid-March and all applicants will receive a written reply of the decision regarding their application. The amount available varies each year depending on membership fees and existing Farley Funds. Written applications may be mailed to Sandy Hollingsworth, Boulder Group Conservation Chair, at the CMC Clubroom, 633 South Broadway Unit N, Boulder 80305 or via e-mail to conservation [at] cmcboulder.org with CMC Conservation Fund Application in the subject line. Feel free to e-mail questions prior to the deadline. □

Report from the Colorado Fourteener Initiative

2006 Report to the Boulder Group of the Colorado Mountain Club (BCMC) on the Alpine Restoration of Pyramid Peak: Thanks to generous funding from the [BCMC], we were able to complete much-needed restoration, seeding, and stabilization work this year on Pyramid Peak. Located in the spectacular Elk Range, Pyramid Peak (14,018') is one of the highest peaks in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness and one of the most difficult of the Fourteeners to climb. Prior to the initiation of this stabilization project in 2005, the hiking corridor to the summit of Pyramid Peak was a maze of braided social trails, deep erosion gullies (up to 4 feet deep and 15 feet wide in places!) and severely tram-

pled plant communities. CFI completed a new, sustainable trail to Pyramid's "amphitheatre" this year, focusing recreational use onto a single route, greatly reducing impacts. Over 350 check dams and rock steps and 300 feet of rock walls were built on the 6,200 foot-long section. Stabilization work entailed constructing a series of rock and wooden retaining walls that were backfilled in order to re-contour the loose and gullied slope. CFI staff and volunteers also mulched and seeded the re-contoured area with native seed collected on-site by volunteers. Seed collected for this project included mountain brome, black-tipped senecio, thurber's fescue, various species of asteraceae, and various sedge species. The weekend volunteer project was held September 1-3, 2006 and was led by John Giordanengo, CFI's Restoration Manager. Volunteers learned about seeding techniques, alpine botany, and a variety of restoration methods. On behalf of CFI's staff, volunteers, and board of directors, please accept our sincere thanks to the BCMC for contributing \$2,100 in April of 2006 to support our restoration efforts on Pyramid Peak! In 2007, restoration and sustainable trail construction work will take place on Windom Peak, Uncompahgre Peak, and the east side of Mt. Massive. Additionally, trail maintenance projects will take place on 20 Fourteeners through our Adopt-a-Peak Program. If you are interested in volunteering with CFI in 2007, please refer to our spring newsletter or call Anya Byers, Volunteer Coordinator, at 303.996.2755. You can also find volunteer opportunities listed on our website at www.14ers.org. Thanks for your continued support and participation! □

On-line Trip Scheduling

Check out the new Colorado Mountain Club Online Activity Schedule by logging into www.cmc.org. You can find details on trips, register for confirmed trips online, and "express interest" in unconfirmed trips then receive an email when the leader confirms. (However, Boulder group members must still call the leader to register). Leaders can add new trips to the schedule at any time. With over 1300 trips as well as information on over 350 leaders, this was a major undertaking and there are bound to be some errors. If you see errors, please send an email to

billsmith [at] cmc.org or call 303-279-3080. □

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We consulted with Vera Smith of the State CMC who submitted positions opposing Forest Service land sales, then comments regarding Rocky Mountain National Park Wilderness and White River National Forest Draft Travel Management Plan. For 2007, Clare Bastable is the new state CMC Director.

If you have an interest in participating in the Conservation and Trails Committee or come across items of interest, please e-mail conservation [at] cmcboulder.org. Thanks for treading lightly!

*-- contributed by Sandy Hollingsworth,
Conservation Chair*

Volunteers Needed

Mailing Party

Thursday, February 22

Come to the Clubroom and help mail out the March 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, February 22, 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, especially from recent CMC trips and events.

Next Compass deadline: Feb 11

Call for Summer Trips

Trip leaders, once again it's time to submit trips for the Summer Activity Schedule. This schedule will include trips from 5/1/2007 through 10/30/2007. Trips must be submitted to the Trip Schedulers (or entered on-line, see below) no later than Tuesday, March 6, and if you can get them in earlier, it's always helpful. Trip Schedulers are:

AB Trips: Ruth Eastman,
ruthanneastman [at] msn.com,
303-652-3097

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a_keane [at] indra.com,
303-258-9390

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ahalper [at] cisco.com,
720-562-6740

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butler [at] csd.net,
303-440-0586

With the new on-line trip scheduling, it is also possible for leaders to submit their own trips instead of contacting one of the schedulers above to submit the trip for them. To do this log into state web site at www.cmc.org and click on the "Leader" link in the upper right hand corner of the page. Note, trips that leaders submit will still be approved by the outings and BMS committees before appearing in the on-line and printed schedules.

If you have questions about leading or scheduling trips, please email outings [at] cmcboulder.org or call 303-554-5546. □

Cody Ice Festival, Feb 16-19

The 9th Annual Water Fall Ice Festival, the "Friendliest Little Ice Festival in the Northern Rockies," will be held February 16-19, 2007, Friday noon to Monday noon, in Cody, Wyoming. "Tough Axe" contests will be held with prizes. Festival cost is a whopping \$25.00 (daily hot meal service extra). Online registration www.southforkice.com before February 1st, 2007. Registration includes swag bag of free goodies from sponsors and

vendors. Admission cost includes Friday night "Pot Luck," climbers slide shows, Saturday and Sunday happy hour with Red Bull. New Belgium Beer Company complementary beverages all weekend. Daily meal services extra, and provided by local Cody sponsors. Lodging paid separately. For lodging, inquire at:

*Bison Willy's Base Camp or Bunkhouse, 877-587-0629,
www.bisonwillys.com

*Big Bear Motel 139 West Yellowstone Ave., 307-587-3117,
www.bigbearmotel.com. (This motel is closest to the nightly entertainment, rooms start at \$35.00/night.) □

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a powder storm, will stay overnight at the cabin, and ski Sunday before returning to the ski area. Nederland. Register with leader. Cleve Armstrong, (303) 427-0845.

Sunday, February 25

RMNP Hidden Valley Ski Area
Adv. I Ski Tour
Climb up the old Hidden Valley ski area in RMNP if snow is good. Good downhill skills required plus climbing skins or lots of wax! Register with leader. Bruce Immele, (303) 903-4517. (Trip#35854)

Tele/AT Backcountry Ski Clinic
Field Trip #2: Survival Skiing
Topics: ascending and descending techniques and survival skiing skills. Registered students only. Register with leader. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35931)

Tuesday, February 27

BMS Spring/Summer Field Trips Overview
Signups and Lecture
Come find out all about the 2005 BMS Spring/Summer Schools & clinics, including Avalanche clinic, Hiking 1, Hiking 2, Basic Rock, Basic Snow, Intermediate Snow, Rock Leading School, Backpacking. Applications and early sign-up for all these clinics available. Meet at 7PM at the Boulder Group club room. Bring your checkbook if you plan to sign up at the meeting. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#37225) □

Profile: Mark Scott-Nash

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leaders of RMR was Tom Hornbein.

Compass: Really! The guy who did Everest? [Note: The first American expedition to climb Everest was in 1963. Tom Hornbein and Will Unsoeld put up a new route on the trip, the West Ridge/North Face route via the Hornbein Couloir.]

Mark: Yes, [Tom] went to CU; he was a student at the time. So, it's a funny group; they have this heroic, macho image, but if you meet them, you might think it's a slightly strange group of people. They might not be the best climbers, or the toughest mountaineers, or the best medical people; but they're the people who put the time in to do the work. That's the case with the CMC too. I came up with this theory: people are far more concerned with their hobbies than with their jobs, because they're doing it for fun. Which means they're more serious about it than their jobs! ... It's probably the busiest rescue team in the country, for an all volunteer team. Some rescue organizations might have an executive director, or someone, who gets paid: nobody on RMR has ever been paid. All the money that they make goes into their services.

Compass: Now you mentioned a book you're working on...

Mark: It's called 'Playing For Real', it's about stories from RMR, about the missions, and the interesting side of RMR. It's got a little bit of history, how it was formed, why it was formed, but it's not a history book. For instance, Airplane Gully, the airplane that crashed there was lost for a long time, they never knew where it went down, because it happened in 1948, they searched and searched the Indian Peaks, but they didn't have the search techniques that they have today. RMR did a lot of searching for that plane in those early days. When they finally did find it, even though it was a big plane, there were only three people in it. They only missed getting over the mountain by about twenty feet.

Compass: When will it be published?

Mark: March 2007. CMC Press is publishing it, and that's a good tie-in, because RMR and CMC ... share a lot of history. In the early days nearly all mem-

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February 2007 Trips

Thursday, February 1

Thursday, February 1
Brainard Lake Moderate Ski
Tour
FULL MOON SKI. Leave Boulder after work at 5PM. Ski the CMC South trail to Brainard lake and back on the road. It's a special way to experience this easy ski route. If the skies are clear, we'll barely use our headlamps. We will be back in Boulder by 10PM. 6/500' Jack Zuzack 303-447-8898.

Tele/AT Backcountry Ski Clinic
Lecture (Ski)
Lecture #1
This course will cover basic backcountry/peak skiing safety skills for the Colorado backcountry, including survival skills, survival skiing and peak skiing/navigation. The clinic consists of 3 lectures (2/1,2/15,2/22) and 3 field trips (2/11,2/25,3/4). Signup begins at the Nov 6. BMS Winter Field Trips Overview and Signup Meeting.
Applications available at www.cmcboulder.org. Application deadline Jan 15. Lecture #1 topics include equipment and survival planning. For registered students only. Meet at Boulder Group club room, 633 S. Broadway, Unit N 6:30 PM. Register with leader. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35914)

Saturday, February 3

Saints John Easy III Ski Tour
Drive to Montezuma and ski an old mining road to the ghost town of Saints John on the slopes of Bear Mountain. Depending on group and weather, proceed to Wild Irishman Mine for lunch. Leaders will offer information on back country equipment and tele technique. After a moderately steep half mile, the trail proceeds gradually up the Saints John valley. Montezuma. 6/400. 140 mi. Register with leader. Reed Bailey, (303) 499-3731. Carol Saunders, (303) 499-3731. (Trip#35815)

Yankee Doodle Lake Mod. II Ski
Tour
Start from Lake Eldora Ski Area on the forest access trail. Climb past the down-

hill run and descend to the Jenny Creek valley, then to Yankee Doodle Lake. Nederland/East Portal. 10/1,900. 45 mi. Register with leader. Steve Priem, (303) 499-9024. (Trip#35836)

Arapahoe Lakes Adv. I Ski Tour
Telemark Tour
Climb steadily to the Lakes. Enjoy a 1000 tree and powder run back to a fast trail. Climbing skins and good telemark/downhill skills required. Avalanche gear encouraged. Register with leader between 9AM and 9PM only. East Portal. 7/2,000. 110 mi. Register with leader. Steven Haymes, (303) 444-4765. (Trip#35821)

Saturday-Sunday February 3-4

Winter Camping Field Trip
This clinic is geared toward those with minimal winter camping experience. The course covers tent camping, building snow structures such as kitches, walls & emergency shelters such as snow caves. Travel via snowshoes or skis. Clinic consists of a lecture (1/15/07) and an overnight field trip (2/3/07-2/4/07). Register with leader. Willy Gully, (303) 939-8382. (Trip#35913)

Advanced Mountaineering School
Field Trip #2: Snow Structures
Students practice building emergency snow shelters such as ranger trenches and snow holes, and then snow caves and igloos. They then practice cooking and sleeping in them. Registered AMS students. Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35920)

Sunday, February 4

Commando Run
Adv. III Ski Tour, Difficult
Ski Commando Run on Super Bowl Sunday! 2800 ft of climbing with 5100 feet of drop over 18 miles. Climbing skins, avalanche transceiver and shovel required. Participants must be capable of skiing in trees. Meet at Call Leader 6:00 am. Vail Pass. 19/2,800. 200 mi. Register with leader. Ken Baugh, (303) 666-6941. (Trip#35819)

Monday, February 5

Baldy Bowl Mod. II Ski Tour
Telemark Practice
From Boreas Pass Road, ski up the western slopes of Bald Mtn. on a road with views of the Tenmile Range. Bowl has moderate and gentle slopes and glades. Climbing skins, avalanche gear and good tele/AT skills required. Boreas Pass. 6/2,000. 160 mi. Register with leader. Ronald Spoerl, (303) 494-7977.

Tuesday, February 6

Advanced Mountaineering School
Lecture #5: High Altitude Physiology and Peak Planning
At CMC Boulder Group Club Room 7:00 PM. Open to public, required for registered AMS students. Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35928)

Friday, February 9

Ice Climbing
Location to be determined by leader based on conditions. Ice climbing lecture, field trip, and BMS required. Tom Walker, (303) 666-7199. (Trip#35901)

Saturday, February 10

Coney Flats Easy III Ski Tour
From Beaver Reservoir glide into the valley below dramatic Sawtooth Mtn. Ward/Allens Park. 8/839. 50 mi. Register with leader. Bob Lewis, (303) 232-9587. (Trip#35817)

Saturday & Sunday February 10-11

Advanced Mountaineering School
Field Trips (both days, not overnight):
Ice Climbing & Fixed Line
Students will practice vertical ice climbing techniques with a top rope on water ice. Climbing and leading techniques are covered. Also, how to ascend and rappel high angle fixed lines on water ice across multiple anchor points. Crampons required. For registered AMS students only. Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35925)

Sunday, February 11

February 2007 Trips

Brainard Lake Easy II Ski Tour
Start from the road closure and head west on the CMC/South trail that includes easy climbs and short, exciting downhill stretches. Our destination is the BCMC cabin, a short distance northwest of the lake. Ward. 5/400. 25 mi. Register with leader. Louie Genduso, (303) 518-8948. (Trip#35832)

Tele/AT Backcountry Ski Clinic
Field Trip #1
Topics: avalanche awareness & beacon searching practice, emergency shelters & fires. Registered students only. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35916)

Tuesday, February 13

Advanced Mountaineering School
Lecture # 6
Topic: planning for final field trip. AMS students only. 7 PM at the Clubroom. Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35929)

Wednesday, February 14

CMC/South Trail, Easy II Ski Tour
Ski both in and out the easy South Trail Ward. 6/400. 50 mi. Register with leader. Tom Walker, (303) 666-7199. (Trip#35855)

Thursday, February 15

AT/Ski Mountaineering School
Application Deadline
Deadline for the AT/Ski Mountaineering course (offered in conjunction with the Denver Group). The course is designed to acquaint you with the skills, attitudes, and awareness needed for ski mountaineering tours, such as 13er and 14er ski descents in Colorado, and ski traverses such as the Haute Route in the Alps or the Wapta Traverse in Canada. Participants should be proficient on backcountry equipment (randonee skis, telemark skies, or split snowboards) and should be able to confidently handle 'black' slopes at ski resorts. The goal of the course is to prepare CMC members to make the transition from skiing groomed slopes at resorts to touring the off-piste environment in the mountains. The school consists of 3 lectures (3/6, 3/13, 3/20)

and five field trips (Mar 25/26, Apr 8/9, Apr 22/23, May 5/6, May20-22). Applications started last Nov 6 at BMS Winter Clinics Overview. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35934)

Tele/AT Backcountry Ski Clinic
Lecture #2
Topics: ski ascent techniques, route finding and navigation Registered students only. Boulder Group club room, 6:30 PM. Register with leader. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35915)

Saturday, February 17

Saturday Social for Spirit & Sweat
Moderate A Hike
The Saturday Social is a half-day hike with a social spirit and a sweaty end. We then try to warm up over some coffee or lunch. We meet at the Boulder CMC clubroom. Please arrive by 9:00 a.m. and help decide our destination. Come prepared to hike in any weather. Register with leader. Marilyn Fellows, (303) 499-6099. (Trip#35866)

Riviera Top Roping
Boulder Canyon 5.6
A sunny disposition makes this Boulder Canyon slab a popular destination. Lots of variety for all levels. We will do several routes ranging from 5.6 to 5.10. gsch [at] frii.net, 970-481-1048. Gary Schmidt, (970) 481-1048. (Trip#35889)

Over the Hill III Climb
Rincon wall 5.9
Eldorado Canyon
We'll climb Over and Out (5.8 dihedral and 5.6 cracks). Next we'll link up to the second pitch of Over The Hill (5.9-). If time permits, we will do Emerald City (5.9) or something on the West Ridge. Larry A. Pedigo, (720) 938-5178. (Trip#35879)

Peaceful Valley or Hessie
Easy Ski Tour II
Destination dependent on conditions. This tour is for beginners who have attended the ski clinic or have equivalent experience. Leader will offer tips on technique improvement. We'll aim for 6 miles and 600 ft elevation gain. Register with leader. Peter Birkeland, (303) 442-

0304. (Trip#35831)

Rogers Pass LakeMod. III Ski Tour
Follow South Boulder Creek Trail through trees to lake at the base of Rogers Pass. Trail starts at East Portal trailhead. Climbing skins strongly recommended. East Portal/Empire. Register with leader. Peter Gowen, (303) 494-5420. (Trip#35844)

Saturday-Monday, February 17-February 19

Advanced Mountaineering School
Field Trip #4
Student Peak Climb
Students perform one or two night peak ascent in winter conditions. Registered AMS students. Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35921)

Thursday, February 22

Tele/AT Backcountry Ski Clinic
Lecture (Ski)
Lecture #3
Topics: peak planning. Registered participants only. Meet at Boulder Group club room, 6:30 PM. Register with leader. Cindy Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35917)

Friday, February 23

Ice Climb
Destination determined by current conditions. Prerequisites: ice climbing lecture, field trip, and BMS. Tom Walker, (303) 666-7199. (Trip#35902)

Saturday, February 24

Mammoth Gulch to Nebraska Hill
Mod. III Ski Tour
New offering! From Mammoth Gulch, top out at 11,534 ft and find a fun way down. 10/2,800. 50 mi. Register with leader. Steve Priem, (303) 499-9024. (Trip#35837)

Saturday-Sunday February 24-25
Arestua Hut Adv. Ski Tour
From Lake Eldora Ski Area, follow the Jenny Creek Trail, past old mining cabins to the Arestua Hut. We'll look for
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bers were in both groups, though that's not so true now. For instance, the belay tower [*behind Whole Foods --Ed*] was built by Rocky Mountain Rescue, a long time ago, to teach belaying. As a matter of fact, the BMS school was formed to teach RMR how to do mountaineering.

Compass: Really! So BMS did not exist before that?

Mark: Right, but remember this was way back in the Fifties. And because of that, it was the first climbing school in Boulder. So, you could say it was the start of all climbing schools in Boulder. It was also very tied into the university. A lot of the members were students, and many of the instructors were CU professors. Right now, all that history is pretty obscure, but hopefully after this book comes out, it won't be... Mountaineers Press, out of Seattle, will distribute it.

Compass: How long have you been working on it?

Mark: I started in 2000, so it'll be seven years by the time it gets published. It didn't take that long to write, but assembling all the information took time. One

of the reasons I got the idea for the book, was when you tell these rescue stories to people, their jaws drop, they're just mesmerized...

Compass: That's great Mark. I bet it will be well read by many CMCers.

Mark: Hopefully well *bought* by a lot of CMCers! Now, I'm not making any money on the book. I'm donating all royalties to the RMR. So, buy the book!

Compass: Now another area of your mountaineering I know are your foreign trips. Were they CMC trips?

Mark: No, none of them were CMC trips, however most of them involved CMC members. ... I've had a mixed level of success, which says I've been trying to climb mountains I'm not always sure I can climb; it may also mean I'm not the greatest climber in the world! My philosophy has always been, besides picking a mountain that's a challenge, that you may fail on, is to have fun. And you're not going to have fun if you're with a bunch of people you can't get along with.

Its easy to get demoralized if you don't all agree on the same climbing philosophy from the start. If you give up on a mountain because you can't get along, that's pretty much a failure; but if you give up because it's a great climb, but it's just beyond you, then that's something else. ...

The interview with Mark Scott-Nash will conclude in the March Compass.

FOR SALE: TREK bicycle 7000. Lifestyle/hybrid. All aluminum alloy frame; 26" wheels; 21 speeds. Also includes car carrier & trail tires. Nearly new! CMCer (5'6") had accident, wants to sell. \$250 or best offer. 303-772-6072.

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