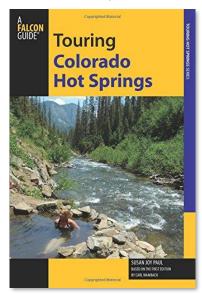


# **Pikes Peak Group Monthly Program**

## Susan Joy Paul Presents: Hot Springs, Peaks, and Waterfalls: Colorado Towns that Have it All!



Susan Joy Paul



Susan's first book

Colorado is home to dozens of hot springs, hundreds of waterfalls, and thousands of mountains. Why not enjoy them all in one trip?

Join us for this free slideshow presentation and Q&A by Falcon Guides author and CMC guest speaker Susan Joy Paul on Tuesday, September 20 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Mountain Chalet, 226 N Tejon Street in downtown Colorado Springs.

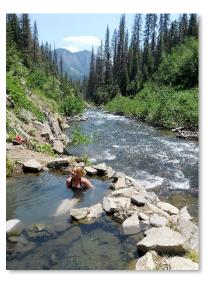
Susan has been to the summits of more than 500 ranked peaks, hiked to more than 100 waterfalls, and soaked at more than 30 hot springs. She documented her experience and research in three guidebooks, *Touring Colorado Hot Springs* (2012), *Hiking Waterfalls in Colorado* (2013), and *Climbing Colorado's Mountains* (2015).

This presentation will highlight eight areas of the state where you can climb a peak, hike to a waterfall, and soak at a hot spring in a day or over a weekend: the Pikes Peak region, Denver/Boulder area, Buena Vista/Salida, San Luis and Wet Mountain Valleys, Glenwood Springs, Steamboat Springs, Pagosa Springs, and Ouray will be featured.

Come on out, see your friends, and plan your next adventure!



Mount Peck



**Rainbow Hot Springs** 



La Plata Falls

# **Your PPG Council**

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Interested in serving on the Pikes Peak Group Council? Please contact the Chair.

# Welcome New PPG Members!

Karen Bishop David Brudzinski Michelle Butler Daniel Campbell Kevin Cardenas Melissa Cholewa Howard Evans Seamus Foster Sara Gordon Matthew Griffith Sonia Griffith Sarah Hetenbach Kelsey Kaht Dan Kay Joanne Larraga Doug Lollar Tyler McKenzie William Neal Jennifer Schmidt Brad Sherman Brenda Wernsing Rebecca Widrick Ethan Widrick John-Peter Zenthoefer





New Member Orientation – July 30. Seated L-R: Nancy Briley, Doug Lollar; Back Row L-R: Joanne Larraga, Ronald Dirlam, Paul Schoell (leader), Laurie Benjamin, Marvin Wooten, Kim Wetzel (leader), Michele Butler, JP Zenthoefer, Glen Luther, Anthony Sanabria, Warren Paul and Buck the Dog. Photo by Dean Waits

# **CMC Trip Leaders**

# Why Become a CMC Trip Leader?

That's a good question, and asked of students in the PPG Trip Leader Training course. As you can imagine, the answers vary quite a bit, but some of the common responses over time have been:

- You get to do what you want (well within reason anyway). That is, if you don't like to go on trips by yourself, create an interesting trip and you will have people join you.
- You get to pass on skills and experiences to members of your trip and possibly also learn some new ones which can be a very rewarding experience.
- You receive an intrinsic satisfaction of introducing people to your activities.
- You get a bigger discount at the local gear shop.

Whatever their reason or reasons, many have become CMC trip leaders and are enjoying it. If you're not a trip leader yet, you're invited now to register online for the fall PPG Trip Leader Training course in September and tell us your reason for becoming a CMC trip leader. (*See Classes on page 3*.)

# **Upcoming PPG Classes**

# Pikes Peak Intro to Mountain Biking Basics

Learn the gear, maintenance, safety, and entry level techniques for basic mountain biking. Mountain biking is a great way to enjoy the wilderness with a little more skill and finesse, of getting out for a short outing after work, and for building cardio before a big climb. There will be two classroom sessions and three field sessions for the mountain biking class. The cost is \$60. There are also rental costs if you don't own the gear. The mountain biking classroom dates are 07 and 08 Sep, and the field dates are 10, 17, and 24 Sep. A strong fitness level to go on a full day technical bike ride is required for the field sessions as this will not be casual riding. The field sessions will be progressive in nature to build on skills. For more details, please contact Eric Hunter.

# PPG ARCPro Sport Lead Climbing Class

This two-day class will teach participants the skills needed to safely lead sport climbs; to include setting up a top-rope anchor, cleaning the anchor and rapping down, along with some more advanced sport climbing skills. On day 1 we will focus on the safety components and transitions of leading sport climbs and cleaning/rapping sport climbs, then on day 2 students will practice leading, will learn movement techniques, how to fall safely (with some practice taking real falls), and advanced leader belaying. It is designed for the climber who has climbed top-rope style, but who would like to advance into being a fully "independent climber" able to put up ropes at the start of a climb, and safely take down ropes at the end of a climb. Prerequisites: Participants are expected to either be graduates of BMS Rock or have experience with good climbing belay skills, good climbing communications, and a good working knowledge of knots and the climber's safety system. Your experience does not need to be extensive, but this is not an introduction to climbing class. The cost for this class is \$75. For more details, please contact Collin Powers or Scott Kime.

# Pikes Peak Intro to Technical Canyoneering

If you have completed the Intro to Desert Trekking & Canyoneering *and* Basic Mountaineering School Rock Climbing courses, here is a chance to take those skills to the next level. Come learn the proper gear, safety, and techniques for technical canyoneering. There are many nuances to this environment that should warrant a safe approach such as provided by this class. The course cost is \$150. The classroom session is on 14 Sep. There are two evening field session to cover some basics and evaluate fitness levels scheduled for 15 and 22 Sep. Then we go on a four-day trip to the desert scheduled for 02 Oct through 05 Oct. This year's desert trip is planned for the San Rafael Swell in Utah. A strong fitness level to go on daily full day hikes with scrambling and rappelling on high exposure in hot terrain, squeezing through narrows, and hiking all day in loose sand and deep water is required for the field sessions will be progressive in nature to build on skills. Attendance at the classroom session and local field sessions will be required to attend the Utah trip. Prerequisite: Completion of both BMS Rock Climbing course *and* Intro to Desert Trekking & Canyoneering course is required! A city parks permit to rock climb is also required and must be obtained prior to the course. For more details, please contact Eric Hunter.

# Pikes Peak Intro to Desert Trekking and Canyoneering

If you have only been hiking in the high altitude for your spring, summer, and fall there is another world out there. When you have climbed enough peaks to wonder what other environments might be out there, the next step for you may be desert terrain. Come learn the proper gear, safety, and entry level techniques for basic desert trekking and basic canyoneering. There are many nuances to this environment that should warrant a safe approach such as provided by this class. The course cost is \$90. The classroom session is on 21 Sep. There is a one-day field session in Colorado Springs to cover some basics and evaluate fitness levels scheduled for 25 Sep. Then we go on a five-day trip to the desert scheduled for 28 Sep through 02 Oct. This year's desert trip is planned for the San Rafael Swell in Utah. A strong fitness level to go on daily full day hikes with scrambling on moderate exposure in hot terrain, squeezing through narrows, and hiking in loose sand is required for the field sessions. The field sessions will be progressive in nature to build on skills. Attendance at the classroom session and local field session will be required to attend the Utah trip. For more details, please contact Eric Hunter.

# Pikes Peak Trip Leader Training

This course provides the necessary training and satisfies part of the requirement of becoming a CMC trip leader for the Pikes Peak Group. (Completion of a Wilderness First Aid course and CPR course are the other requirements of becoming a trip leader.) The classroom sessions are on 22 September and 29 September. The field session on the morning of 2 October will be scheduled as a CMC trip. The cost for this class is \$25. For more details, please contact Paul Schoell.





To register for classes or trips, go to www·cmc·org



# Starts September 7

Starts September 11

## Starts September 14

# Starts September 21

Starts September 22

# **Upcoming PPG Classes** (continued)

# PPG ARCPro Crack Climbing Class

This class will focus on crack-climbing techniques for climbing finger to fist-sized cracks, along with touching on chimney and offwidth techniques. The class is led by Jes Meiris, our PPG ARC Program Technical Director, assisted by the program directors. We will not be teaching any gear placement or lead climbing in this class; we will focus on climbing techniques while on a top-rope belay. Prerequisites: Students should have basic rock climbing skills, such as taught in our BMS Rock Climbing or the equivalent, to include belaying and climbing communication. Leading skills are not necessary. The cost for this class is \$75. For more details, please contact Collin Powers or Scott Kime.

# **PPG ARCPro Self Rescue Class**

Ever wondered how you might react if your climbing partner were injured? What about if you were injured? Would you be able to get down safely as a team? In the PPG ARCPro Self-Rescue Class, you will learn tips and techniques to deal with unpleasant situations in the mountains. Whether you are an alpine climber seeking endless ridgelines, looking to break into multipitch ice this year, or a seasoned rock climber with regular days at our local crags, this course is for you! The Self Rescue Class offered by Pikes Peak Group is a key element of our Advanced Rock Climbing Program. Students are given the skills, along with practice, to deal with many of the situations that can occur in a climbing scenario. This class does not deal with any of the medical components and implications of an injury-based rescue; that is far beyond the scope of the program. This class teaches participants the safety components and transitions that can assist a climbing team to extricate themselves from a number of situations. The class is led by ARC Pro Technical Director, Jes Meiris, who climbs, guides and teaches for a living. The cost for this class is \$95. For more details, please contact Collin Powers or Scott Kime.

# Pikes Peak WFA (Wilderness First Aid)

This two-day, sixteen-hour ECSI accredited course consists of instruction devoted to medical evaluation and treatment in the wilderness setting where definitive medical care is not readily available. Day one consists of classroom presentations and practicals on the variety of situations you might encounter in the backcountry and wilderness areas. Day two continues with a short classroom presentation followed by almost a full day of practical, hands-on training in the field. This course satisfies a requirement for trip leaders. The sessions are on Saturday 22 Oct and Sunday 23 Oct from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. A comprehensive textbook and a field guide are included and you will receive your WFA card. **Note:** This course does not teach CPR, which is taught in a separate two-hour class (with separate sign up required) at the same location right after the completion of the WFA course. The cost for this course is \$70. For more details, please contact Paul Schoell.

# **Pikes Peak CPR Training**

Knowing CPR can be life-saving! Did you know the number four cause of death in the backcountry is heart attack? If you never had CPR training or it's been a while, this two-hour American Heart Association accredited training is for you. It includes the latest classroom instruction and hands-on training in CPR/AED for the Adult/Child/Infant (chocking conscious and unconscious). This class satisfies a requirement for trip leaders. A CPR card good for two years will be issued upon completion. The cost for this class is \$25. For more details, please contact Paul Schoell.

# **CMC Member Discounts**

Adventure Medical Kits Ajax Bike and Sport – Aspen, Carbondale American Mountaineering Museum – Golden Bentgate – Golden Breckenridge Nordic Center – Breckenridge City Rock – Colorado Springs Friction Labs Frisco Nordic Center – Frisco Golden Bike Shop – Golden Great Storm Brewery – Colorado Springs Ken's Anglers – Littleton Lumiere Telluride Moosejaw Mountain Chalet – Colorado Springs Mountain Equipment Recyclers – Colorado Springs Mountainsmith – use code CMC25 Neptune Mountaineering – Boulder ProMotive.com R&W Rope – use code CMC-EKH7-15 ROCK'n & JAM'n – Centennial, Thornton Rocky Bob's Fly Fishing Rods Summit Terragraphics The Custom Foot – Englewood The Mountaineers Books – use code FRESHAIR The Trailhead – Buena Vista TrailRunner Magazine Vagabond Ranch Huts Wilderness Exchange Unlimited – Denver



Starts October 22

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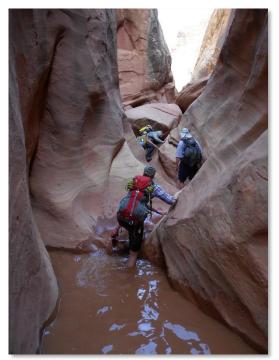
For details visit the Member Benefits section of the CMC web site.

# **Desert Canyoneering Courses**

## Desert Canyoneering Courses Being Offered in Colorado Springs – September and October, 2016

#### BY ERIC HUNTER

We have had great success in introducing a new area of outdoor enjoyment to our mountaineering audience: Introduction to Desert Trekking and Canyoneering course. This year we are expanding that to a second course, Introduction to Technical Canyoneering. If you have never been to a desert environment, but you would like to get a general introduction with day hikes, car camping, and minor scrambling, then the Basic course is for you. If you have completed the Basic course and BMS Rock Climbing, and would like to get your hands dirty and your knees bloody, as well as play with all kinds of canyon specific gear, then the Technical course is for you. Both courses start in Colorado Springs with one classroom and a local trip or two. Both classes then go to Utah for some phenomenal experiences in San Rafael Swell and Reef.



Introduction to Desert Trekking and Canyoneering is designed to present the concepts of safe desert travel with a US-centric approach to deserts. The classroom session presents safety in a desert environment, tips and tricks, and the awesomeness of remote places you can find right in your backyard (the Colorado Plateau). We spend a day in local terrain to put our hands on some of those concepts and evaluate everyone's endurance. We then go on a five-day trip to the Utah desert to explore some incredible slot canyons. The target audience is anyone new to the desert and canyoneering experience. The ability to go on full day hikes in loose sand/gravel, in desert heat, with some scrambling on minor exposure, is required. We will be car camping, so it is rather luxurious compared to a full backpacking trip. The classroom session is 21 Sep, the local field session is 25 Sep, and the Utah trip is 28 Sep through 2 Oct. The course fee is \$90.



Introduction to Technical Canyoneering picks up where the prior course leaves off, so satisfactory completion of the prior course and BMS Rock Climbing is required. The classroom session reviews all the prior material, then presents the gear and technique for safe technical canyoneering. This really increases the wow factor of your canyoneering and opens many new doors to exploration. We go on two local field days to practice with all the canyoneering gear and adding in self rescue techniques. We then go on a four-day trip to the Utah desert to explore some technical slot canyons. The target audience is anyone new to the technical side of canyoneering. The ability to go on full day hikes in loose sand/gravel, wade through very cold pools of water, stem, scramble, rappel, and climb is required. We will be car camping, so it is rather luxurious compared to a full backpack trip. The classroom session is 14 Sep, the two local field sessions are on 15 and 22 Sep, and the Utah trip is 2 Oct through 5 Oct. The course fee is \$150.

If you are interested in either of these courses, please look online for registration info. There is plenty of room still, and plenty of time to register, get time off from work, acquire what gear you might be missing, and plan for a fantastic adventure in the desert building new skills beyond what you might already know.

# September PPG Trips

## Putney Falls and Gulch

Leader: Nancy Altmansberger, 719-471-9549

Trail Mileage 8, Elevation Gain 1200, Driving Distance 70. Details: We will hike through Horsethief Park and on to Putney Gulch, Falls and the Crags area. We will return the same way that we came. CMC members only. A limited number of well behaved, friendly dogs are welcome on a first come, first served basis. Please register with leader by phone.

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Leader: Christie Lee, 719-243-1821, Christie80905@gmail.com Details: Contact leader at least two days prior to the trip.		
Mountain Bike Arkansas River/Bighorn Sheep Canyon	Saturday, 9/10/2016	Moderate

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 22, Elevation Gain 300, Driving Distance 250. Details: This is the first of three field trips for those completing the two Pikes Peak Group classroom sessions only. This is a great moderate ride along the historic trail from Wellsville to Coaldale on the north shore of the Arkansas River. There are interpretive signs along the ride to further immerse yourself in this historic route. The route starts on a graded road, which turns into a jeep road, which turns into a 4WD road, then finally back to a graded/paved road. The focus will be on using gears, selecting the path of least resistance, knowing when to hike-a-bike, and negotiating hills and varied terrain. Further details will be provided in the class.

## **Rappel RRCOS**

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 2, Elevation Gain 150. Details: This is the local field trip for those completing the Pikes Peak Group Intro to Technical Canyoneering classroom session only. We will hike to a wall in Red Rock Canyon Open Space and setup a rappel station. We will then work as a team on rappelling from that station. We will use the latest canyon descending tools and block off, pass knots, self rescue, etc. Our focus in on evaluation of everyone's terrain/route selection, scrambling and stemming skills, and endurance. Further details will be provided in the class.

## Mountain Bike Buena Vista/Midland Railroad Grade

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 12, Elevation Gain 730, Driving Distance 250. Details: This is the second of three field trips for those completing the two Pikes Peak Group classroom sessions only. We will bike the historic Midland Railroad Grade on this Rails to Trails program route from Highway 24 to a Buena Vista overlook and back. The trail is a single track along an old railroad bed, but with some technical sections were the trestles have been removed. Excellent views of the Sawatch Range and many historic artifacts await you on this trail. Further details will be provided in the class.

#### Willow Creek - Dome Rock Trail Loop

Leader: Y Mason, youdew@aol.com

Trail Mileage 5.5, Elevation Gain 1100, Driving Distance 70. Location: Willow Creek Trail - Dome Rock Trail are located in the southern section of Mueller State Park. Details: We will be hiking on established trails and amongst Mother Nature's artwork of multi-colored aspens. The connector trail to Dome Rock Trail is severely eroded and can be slippery, therefore the use of hiking poles is highly encouraged for extra support, especially for hikers with knee challenges. Expect a creek crossing. Notes: Please bring enough water to stay hydrated, edibles/snacks, sun protection, a first aid kit, rain gear (just in case), and a camera!

# Lovell Gulch Trail Project #8

Leader: Thomas Mowle, 719-216-3932, tommowle@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 1.5, Elevation Gain 200. Location: North of Woodland Park. Details: Trail work. Open to the public. Ages 16+; under 18 must be accompanied by parent/guardian. Day hike. Bring your lunch. The Pikes Peak Group is continuing to help the National Forest with maintenance on Lovell Gulch Trail #706 near Woodland Park. This year we will be working on the area around the main stream crossing, and some eroding slopes on the "stem" of the trail. On this final workday, we will be doing restoration work. Volunteers will have about a ¾-mile hike to the work area, carrying tools. Volunteers must bring work clothes and gloves, water, snacks, sunscreen, and hat. If you are a CMC member, please log on to register. Once the project is full, we will not be able to accommodate any additional volunteers unless additional leaders/tools are recruited. This is for safety's sake—to retain a safe crew leader to volunteer ratio—and due to the number of tools available. Please cancel if needed to make room for others, and join the wait list if the trip is full.

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# September PPG Trips (continued)

# **Rappel RRCOS**

Mt Esther

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 2, Elevation Gain 150. Location: Colorado Springs, CO. Details: This is the local field trip for those completing the Pikes Peak Group Intro to Technical Canyoneering classroom session only. We will hike to a wall in Red Rock Canyon Open Space and setup a rappel station. We will then work as a team on rappelling from that station. We will use the latest canyon descending tools and block off, pass knots, self rescue, etc. Our focus in on evaluation of everyone's terrain/route selection, scrambling and stemming skills, and endurance. Further details will be provided in the class.

Thursday, 9/22/2016

Friday, 9/23/2016

Saturday, 9/24/2016

Leader: Nancy Altmansberger, 719-471-9549 Trail Mileage 6, Elevation Gain 1600. Details: From Chipita Park we will hike to the top of Mt. Esther for gorgeous views of the north side of Pike's Peak. We have to start early because parking there are only three parking places at the trailhead. I drive an SUV. We may need one more SUV. CMC members only. A limited number of well behaved, friendly dogs are welcome. Please register with leader by phone.

# **Mountain Bike Picketwire Canyon**

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 18, Elevation Gain 350, Driving Distance 250. Details: This is the third of three field trips for those completing the two Pikes Peak Group classroom sessions only. We will bike from the Withers Canyon Trailhead into Picketwire Canyon. We will pass a Spanish Mission and Cemetery, a very large set of dinosaur tracks, and stop at the historic Rourke Ranch. There are also Paleo Indian rock art sites along the way. The trail begins as a very technical road which becomes single track through more goat heads than you can imagine. It becomes a 4WD road quickly with some technical sections. This is an incredible canyon to explore that needs a bike to get to all of it in one day. Further details will be provided in the class.

# **Farish in the Fall**

Leader: Y Mason, youdew@aol.com

Trail Mileage 5, Elevation Gain 400, Driving Distance 35. Location: Farish is located on Air Force Academy property; however, we will access Farish via Woodland Park. Details: Specific details will be emailed to registered hikers a few days prior to the hike. This hike is through some very serene and beautiful countryside, especially during the fall when the aspens are at their best. We might even get a glimpse of some elk while strolling through the forest. This property borders the national forest; however, Farish Recreation Area (where we will be hiking on trail) prohibits hunting. Notes: Please include a first aid kit, water, snacks, sun protection (hat, sunscreen etc.) and rain gear just in case. Be prepared for anything! Option to lunch at Joanie's Deli afterwards.

# **Hike Ute Park and RRCOS**

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 8, Elevation Gain 750. Location: Colorado Springs, CO. Details: This is the local field trip for those completing the Pikes Peak Group Intro to Desert Trekking and Canyoneering classroom session only. We will hike a wet canyon in Ute Park and two dry to wet canyons in RRCOS. We will spend time looking at things like terrain/route selection, scrambling and stemming skills, endurance, and emergency situation choices (camping, exiting mid-canyon, water procurement, etc.). Further details will be provided in the class.

# Desert Hiking and Canyoneering Trip - San Rafael Swell, UT

Leader: Eric Hunter, 719-273-1018, ehunter67@yahoo.com

Trail Mileage 30, Elevation Gain 1500, Driving Distance 1000. Location: San Rafael Swell, UT. Details: This is the five-day field trip for those completing the Pikes Peak Group Intro to Desert Trekking and Canyoneering classroom session only. We will drive to Goblin Valley SP, UT and setup a car camp base camp. We will then hike in Goblin Valley and visit the Goblin's Lair and practice working as a team to get through some obstacles in Goblin Valley. If there is time we may also hike Curtis Bench. On Thursday we will hike Wildhorse Canyon down and back and up to the Grotto Class 2, B, III and approx. 12 miles. On Friday we will hike Crack Canyon down and back Class 2, B, III and approx. 9 miles. On Saturday we will hike up Bell Canyon and down Little Wild Horse for a change in pace, Class 2, B, III and approx. 10 miles. Substitutions may be made to accommodate weather, road closures, etc. Further details will be provided in the class.



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**Climbing Class IV** 

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Saturday, 9/24/2016

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# **Conservation Corner**

## **National Forest Travel Management Planning**

The Pike-San Isabel National Forest (PSI or NF) has started a Travel Management Plan (TMP). The TMP is a process during which the NF considers opening up currently unmotorized trails to motorized use, and also reviews every current legal motorized route to see if:

- it should be closed to the public,
- it should be closed seasonally, or have the dates of seasonal closure changed,
- maintenance should be increased or decreased, to support different types of vehicles, or
- Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV) should be allowed or prohibited

There will be a public meeting from 5–7 pm on Thursday August 25 at the Leon Young Utilities Service Center, 521 S Hancock Expressway, Colorado Springs. Source information (maps, tables, letters).

The PPG will be submitting comments by the due date, Sept 8. While you are welcome to submit your own individual comments, please also provide comments to Tom Mowle, or to any Council member, so we can consider them for our group's input.

Comments would particularly focus on

- Access: Does a change make it harder to reach trails, climbing spots, or other recreation areas?
- Recreation: Does a change to OHV use make recreation less or more enjoyable?
- Conservation: Does closing or limiting a route or closing a dead-end road or changing nearby OHV use help preserve wilderness or roadless areas?
- New proposals: Are there route changes not included in the proposals that we would like to see?

# **Gold Camp Brewing Discount**



Gold Camp Brewing Company, 1007 S Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO, offers a 10% discount to Colorado Mountain Club members. Just show your CMC membership card at the brewery and each card holder will receive 10% off of their bill.



# Pikes Pique

# September 2016 | No. 227

Pikes Pique is the monthly newsletter of the Pikes Peak Group of the Colorado Mountain Club. It is a forum for enhancing skills for backcountry travel in the Colorado mountains and communicating information, news, and upcoming events to members and interested parties.

The purpose of the CMC is to unite the energy, interest, and knowledge of the students and lovers of the mountains of Colorado; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains on behalf of science, literature, art, recreation; to stimulate public interest in our mountain areas; to encourage the preservation of flora, fauna, and natural scenery; and to render readily accessible the alpine attractions of this region.

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#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Have a fun story or trip you want to share? Please submit your articles, along with pictures, to be considered for publication in the next *Pikes Pique* newsletter.

Please send to:

David Anderson, editor danderso@uccs.edu

The deadline for submissions is the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Use the above contact information for corrections and comments as well.

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