



The Newsletter of the CMC Pikes Peak Group

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The Pikes Peak Group in Pictures

Mount Herman



Trinchera Canyon







Heizer Trail to Barney's Dome



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

Welcome New Members!

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Member Discounts

Adventure Medical Kits

Ajax Bike and Sport

American Mountaineering Museum

Atrevida Beer Co (was Great Storm)

Bentgate

Breckenridge Nordic Center

City Rock

Friction Labs

Frisco Nordic Center

Gearonimo

Gold Camp Brewing

Golden Bike Shop

Ken's Anglers

Lumiere Telluride

Moosejaw

Mountain Chalet

Mountain Equipment Recyclers

Mountainsmith

ProMotive.com

R&W Rope

ROCK'n & JAM'n

Rocky Bob's Fly Fishing Rods

Summit Terragraphics

The Custom Foot

The Mountaineers Books

The Trailhead

TrailRunner Magazine

Vagabond Ranch Huts

Wilderness Exchange Unlimited

30% off Colorado State Parks



The Colorado State Parks Annual Pass provides unlimited access to all Colorado State Parks - perfect for getting outside this summer. This pass is regularly \$80, but as a benefit of your CMC membership, you can purchase a Colorado State Parks Pass at a 30% discount for just \$56! We have a limited quantity of these discounted passes, so don't wait to get yours.

Learn More

COVID-19 and Colorado Mountain Club Programming

From the Thursday, May 28, 2020 Update:

Full protocols for planning and attending both CMC Trips and CMC Schools after June 1, 2020 can be found below. In accordance with a recent amendment to Governor Polis' Executive Order D 2020 044, Colorado Mountain Club has decided to open up our radius for outdoor recreation from a 10-mile radius. The amendment states: "Travel to within their local community or as necessary to access outdoor recreation areas. If travelling outside their community, Coloradans are urged to honor all restrictions in place at their destination and avoid travel to counties or municipalities that issue travel restrictions."

As CMC Trips resume, please consider smaller mountain towns when deciding where to recreate, adhere to all local and county level closures, and be safe out there while following our protocols, which were created following expert advice from CDC, state and local public health departments, and guidance from our elected state and local officials. We also consulted Golden Fire Department, first responders, land managers, CMC volunteer leadership, and our members.

- Protocols for CMC Trips
- Protocols for CMC Schools
- Checklist for Participants, Trip Leaders, and School Directors



RESPECT ALL CLOSURES

All CMC programs will be required to have up-to-date knowledge of the county and land manager regulations.



KNOW THE SYMPTOMS

All participants must report any symptoms & take their temperature 24 hours prior to start of program & day of, too. Cancel if feeling ill.



WEAR A MASK

Masks must be worn at all times during all CMC programs.



PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

All program participants are required to have a minimum of 6-feet in between each other



NO CARPOOLING

Carpooling is prohibited for a CMC program, unless people are from same household



8 PEOPLE OR LESS

CMC gatherings will be restricted to 8 people or less, including trip leader, school director/instructor



STAY CLOSE TO HOME

Travel to access outdoor recreation is allowed, but please follow all county & local closures to protect those mountain towns.



HAND HYGIENE

All program participants must carry hand hygiene supplies: alcohol-based hand sanitizer (70%) or biodegradable hand soap

All participants must first sign an updated liability waiver prior to going on/leading programs
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Conservation Corner

Access Limitations for State Wildlife Areas and State Trust Lands

The State of Colorado has changed its access rules for State Wildlife Areas (SWAs) and State Trust Lands. Effective July 1, users must have a valid hunting or fishing license in order to access SWAs or State Trust Lands leased by Colorado Parks and Wildlife. The policy is intended to help address some illegal activities while promoting the original intent for these properties to provide wildlife habitat and wildlife-related recreation. In the Pikes Peak Area, the most notable impacts are to Dome Rock SWA, south of Mueller State Park, and to Beaver Creek SWA, near Penrose. There is some possibility that the restriction on Dome Rock and other popular recreation areas may change as the program is rolled out. CMC is actively working with CPW staff and the state commission to fully evaluate this decision and develop creative solutions for popular SWAs. More info.

Trail Stewardship

Due to the difficulty of maintaining safe, healthy practices during trail work, we are not sponsoring any work this year, nor do we expect to promote the projects led by like-minded groups. Instead, we are spending the summer scouting out future projects in Lovell Gulch and also in the Tri-Lakes area that we may be able to begin in 2021.

Waldo Canyon

The Waldo Canyon Final Community Vision Report has been published at Re-Imagine Waldo Canyon. The next step will be to have City Council approve the purchase of the Black Canyon Quarry, which should be finalized on June 23. After that, the pace of trail designation and construction will be up to the National Forest.

Weather the Storm



In the 108 years since its founding, the CMC has weathered some serious storms—two world wars, Spanish Flu, the Great Depression, the Vietnam War, the Cold War. These events were separated by decades, but they had something in common: the CMC survived each of them because of our dedicated community. Now we are in a new storm—the novel Coronavirus Pandemic. And we need your help. Will you help us weather this storm?

Support CMC - Weather the Storm

Pikes Pique

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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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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Members:

- Text: \$2 per line, \$10 minimum
- Ads: ¼-page \$25, ½-page \$50

Non-members:

- Text: \$3 per line, \$15 minimum
- Ads: ¼-page \$30, ½-page \$60

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:

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The deadline for submissions is the 14th of each month.

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