ByLaws Amendments for Consideration at November Annual Meeting

[Editor’s Note: The following ByLaws changes will be voted on at the Annual Meeting during the Annual Dinner on November 3; see inserted flyer for more information about the Dinner.]

At the Boulder Group Council meeting on August 13, 2007, the Boulder Group Council adopted the following proposed amendments to the Boulder Group Bylaws. The amendments are generally not substantive, and are primarily designed to conform with changes made in 1997 to the State CMC organizational structure, which included modification of the composition of the State Board of Directors, and the creation of the State Council. Other changes include: making it explicit that to become a member, one must pay the applicable dues; a provision that inactive status occurs after non-payment of dues for 3 months (to be consistent with state Bylaws); elimination of mention of the “Junior Group Sponsor” (which no longer exists); assigning record maintenance functions to the Secretary, instead of the Vice Chair; clarifying that it is the Outings Committee that approves trip leaders; removing a reference to use of the Brainard Cabin in the “Finance” section; and specifying that Robert’s Rules of Order will be used to resolve procedural disputes at meetings, instead on mandating their use for all Club meetings.

In the Bylaws amendments proposed below, language to be removed is identified by strikeout, while new language to be inserted is underlined. Comments on

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State Board Adopts Strategic Plan

At its July 14, 2007 regular meeting, the State CMC Board of Directors approved a strategic plan for the Club to carry it through the 100th anniversary of the club to the year 2012. The process began in May 2006 and is expected to be completed on October 27, 2007 when the strategic plan is presented to the State Council for its approval. The plan currently consists of a vision statement, a mission statement, a listing of the Club’s values, and a listing of adopted strategic goals and objectives. The plan will be supplemented by additional strategies and tactics developed at the state level and by the individual Groups as they see fit. The plan is expected to be updated every three years.

The process began with CMC President, Janice Palmer’s e-mail to group chairs to reflect on the appropriateness of the CMC mission statement adopted in 1912. Progress of the Strategic Planning Committee (Committee) has been reported at each of the quarterly Board meetings since, as well as at the semi-annual State Council meetings. A survey of member opinions was conducted in the Fall of 2006 and is expected to be completed October 2007.

The Board approved the following vision statement: We connect people with the Colorado Mountain experience. We are the premier membership organization providing human-powered mountain adventures that are safe, enjoyable, and environmentally responsible. The Board identified primary values as: Members,
Conservation Chair Report

Our new Conservation Chair, Kristyn Kilfoy, will begin her term in October. Prior chairs were Sandy Hollingsworth (4/2006–9/2007), Bev Gholson (2000–2006) and Bobbie Klein (1998 to 2000, the first Chair). Kristyn has worked with Outdoor Colorado and WRV, a BMS graduate, and enjoys hiking and climbing with the CMC. She works as a computer professional and is a certified project manager. Kristyn says that she has a strong love of the environment since she was child growing up in Colorado. Please join us in welcoming her to the Council! And thanks to our past chairs for establishing relationships with other conservation groups in the area.

On October 30 the Brainard Area Winter Trail Use committee (including our Conservation Chair) will be having their annual meeting with the USFS to review trail locations, signage, and other aspects of the Brainard Lake area. On September 10, several CMC members walked with staff of the Boulder Ranger District and members of Boulder Mountain Bike Alliance to evaluate recent Waldrop trail reroutes plus assess the Little Raven Trail for possible future projects. Further discussions will be held regarding placing biking trails compatible with hiking trails as planned in the Forest Service Master Plan which was finalized in December 2005. Watch for future updates.

In August, the CMC submitted comments to Boulder County Parks and Open Space regarding the proposal to develop parking areas at the Hesst trailhead. In brief, we support the expansion of designated parking to promote safe access to the trails as long conservation is factored in to the location of parking. We also support retaining the existing parking spots along the road to the trailhead since they provide further, safe access points. Thanks to the CMC member who brought this issue to our attention.

Please feel free to contact Kristyn via e-mail at conservation@cmcboulder.org with your thoughts.

— contributed by Sandy Hollingsworth, current Conservation Chair

Learn To Be a Cabin Host

Host training can be your ticket to a good time for you and your friends. This is where one of the current Hutmasters teaches volunteers how to be a Cabin Host for the Brainard Cabin. This training will qualify you and your party to stay overnight — what a great option for your getaway plans! Training is scheduled for October 6 and 20. The cabin is still in need of Hosts for the following weekends: every weekend in Dec. except the last, the first weekend in Feb. and all of March except the first weekend. There is complete information about the cabin online, including all 68 pages of the Cabin Users Manual (whew!). You can also make cabin reservations online, and, new this year, pay via credit card.

New Council Secretary Needed

Susan Flack, the current Council Secretary, will be leaving her post at her term’s end, having served for three years. Volunteers are encouraged to apply. This position is great way for a new member to learn more about how the club works, get to know the council members, and/or who might be considering a council position in the future. Duties include attend monthly Council meetings; record the minutes including attendance, motions, and financial matters; submit typed meeting minutes to Council members for approval within two weeks following the meeting via the group email list; submit final copy of minutes to the club room manager and vice chair for recordkeeping; help monitor the Council mailing list; assist the Council Chair with agenda and minutes.

If you have any questions regarding the position, please feel free to reach Susan via email at secretary@cmcboulder.org.

New Council Treasurer Needed

Paul Culnan will leaving the post of Treasurer, at the end of his term, and so this opens up the position. Paul has been a CMC member for 10 years, and has been treasurer for eight years. So this is the chance to learn from a pro! His description of the position: very light bookkeeping, manage the checking and savings accounts and make financial reports to BCMS Council and the CMC State controller.

Cross-Country Ski Clinic

Mark your calendars for the annual cross-country ski school. Classroom seminar is Tuesday Dec 4 and field trips are Saturday Dec 8 and 15. More details in the November Compass or check the online calendar.

Mailing Party: Oct 18

Come to the Clubroom and help mail out the November 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, Oct 18, at 5:30pm, so please just drop in. Phone Sheila at 303-554-7688 for more information.
Strategic Plan
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Volunteers, Recreation, Education/Skill Building, Conservation, Safety, and Collaboration. The Board decided not to make any revisions to the mission statement in the development of this version of the plan. This was due to a statewide member survey which revealed that 87% of respondents either agreed or strongly agreed that the current mission statement is relevant, appropriate and descriptive of the Club’s purpose.

The six adopted goals are: 1) Members - Provide an excellent experience for members and prospective members; 2) Recreational Opportunities - To provide and encourage enjoyable, safe, environmentally responsible, human powered recreation activities; 3) Education - Teach mountaineering and outdoor skills to enhance safety, enjoyment and the appreciation of the natural environment; 4) Conservation - To sustain wilderness, wildlife and native ecosystems in Colorado for the appreciation and enjoyment by current and future generations; 5) Organization - Provide an organizational structure and infrastructure that optimally supports the organization; and 6) Financial - Build and sustain a strong, diverse financial base.

Further details can be obtained from any State Board member, or Executive Directory, Kristy Judd in the Golden office. Feel free to offer comments and suggestions to any Boulder Group Council member as to how any aspect of the strategic can be implemented at the local level. □

— contributed by Peter Gowen, State Board representative and BCMC Council Member

State Board Adopts 2007-2008 Budget

At its July 14, 2007 regular meeting, the State Board adopted the budget for the fiscal year covering October 2007 through September 2008. While the budget is similar to the 2006-2007 budget in most areas, notable differences include:

1) a change in the allocation formula where department allocations towards general and administrative (G&A) expenses are allocated based on relative size of the departments’ expense budgets and square footage occupied; 2) CMC Press sales are expected to increase with the aid of a part-time sales person; 3) a reduction in Conservation grant funding with a focus on land stewardship programs; 4) expected increased corporate funding for education; 5) and additional ½ staff person and additional efforts for membership recruitment, service and marketing; 6) and additional ½ staff person for development (fundraising); 7) a lower cost format for the Trail & Timberline (T&T) with a savings of $5,000; 8) opening of the museum in winter of 2008 with increased revenues and expenses.

The budget is balanced at $1,809,196, with revenues matching expenditures. The Denver Group pays $30,398 for operating expenses for the AMC building and $94,996 for staff support of its operation. The Education Department covers its entire revenue of $214,000 from non-membership sources, paying $25,153 towards general and administrative overhead. The Conservation Department receives $20,000 of its $207,134 total revenue from the general fund and pays $21,879 towards general and administrative overhead. Adventure Travel and the CMC Press spend what they generate after making general and administrative overhead contributions of $33,850 and $23,066 respectively. Total Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) revenues are $156,034, in support of general overhead, CMC Press, conservation, education, web site and marketing, and museum programs.

State dues will remain the same. State membership dues are used to pay for the T&T Activity Schedule, a portion of the G&A overhead, library and liability insurance. The budget expects an increase in the net number of new members by 200 as a result of the strategies recommended by the Membership Task Team. Some of those strategies include hiring staff, prospecting for new members using outdoor retailers mailing lists and creating a speaker’s bureau. If you’d like a copy of the full report of the Membership Task Force, please let me know and I can send you a copy electronically.

The draft budget was distributed to the Boulder Group Council one week prior to the July Boulder Group Council meeting, and 12 days before the July State Board meeting. While there were questions as to what some of the numbers meant at both meetings, the budget unanimously approved by the State Board, was identical to the draft previously circulated. The final approved budget is expected to be placed on the state CMC web page. I volunteered to serve on the State Finance Committee at the July State Board meeting, so I will be happy to entertain any comments or questions on either this budget or next year’s budget.

— contributed by Peter Gowen

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BUYERS: BRING VARYING BILL DENOMINATIONS OR CHECKS FOR PURCHASES; NO CHANGE-MAKING BY CMC WILL BE AVAILABLE. Doors for sale will open at 6:00 pm; no “early birds” (including sellers dropping off items).

Questions? Contact Zoe Katsulos by email (preferred) at zfoto@aol.com or phone, 303-666-7672. Thanks! □

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EXPEDITION SEEKING MEMBERS
“Team Colorado- Denali 2008”
Via West Buttress: 2-30 June 2008
Team Training/ Prep: Dec 07- May 08
Leader/ FFI: Dave Altieri (summit in 2000)
daltieri@techvets.com … daltieri@usafa.af.mil
November 2007 Trips

Tuesday, October 02
Hiking Lecture
Navigation & Route Finding
Lecture #1
Learning to find your way with a topo map and compass is a fundamental skill to safely enjoying the outdoors. This course covers navigation, route-finding problems, navigating in adverse conditions, weather, clothing, and trip planning. Prequisites are Hiking 1. Lectures 9/25, 10/2; 10/9. Field Trip: 10/13-14weekend (either Sat or Sun).
Sign-ups begin at the 8/21 BMS Schools Overview and Signup Boulder Leader: Samuel Levis 303-665-1310 bhs@cncboulder.org Trip#1761

Wednesday, October 03
Afterwork Social Hike
Moderate A
On Trail
Casual pace
Enjoy a relaxing 1-2 hour hike on south Boulder Mountain Parks and Open Space. Don't call, just show up at 6 p.m. at the Club Room (around the left corner from Neptune Mountaining and above Video Update in the Table Mesa Shopping Center). Boulder Trail Mileage: 4 Elevation Gain: 800 Drive Distance: 5 Topo Map(s): Boulder/Eldorado Springs Leader: Marilyn Fellows 303-499-6099 Marilyn@Gracie-Realty.com Trip#1975

Saturday, October 06
Boulder Slips III Climb
Boulder Canyon 5.8
Sport and mixed routes (5.8 to 5.10) at a newly developed crag in Boulder Canyon. Boulder Leader: Ron Olsen 303-449-1935 ron_olsen@qwest.net Trip#2388

Saturday, October 06 – October 07
Basic Rock School Lecture
Lecture #3
Basic Rock School is an introduction to rock climbing basics and safety techniques. Well suited to newcomers to rock climbing or those with some experience that want to review and update best safety practices. You will learn about equipment & knots, belaying, multi-pitch climbing, communication, rappelling, basic self-rescue and emergency situations. School consists of 2 lectures (9/11 & 9/18) and 3 field trips (9/22-23, 9/29-30, 10/6-7) weekends (either Sat or Sun). Sign ups begin at the 8/21 BMS Schools Overview and Signup. Boulder Leader: Steve Poulsen 303-258-7552 Trip#1772

Basic Rock School Field Trip
Field Trip #3
Basic Rock School is an introduction to rock climbing basics and safety techniques. Well suited to newcomers to rock climbing or those with some experience that want to review and update best safety practices. You will learn about equipment & knots, belaying, multi-pitch climbing, communication, rappelling, basic self-rescue and emergency situations. School consists of 2 lectures (9/11 & 9/18) and 3 field trips (9/22-23, 9/29-30, 10/6-7) weekends (either Sat or Sun). Sign ups begin at the 8/21 BMS Schools Overview and Signup. Boulder Leader: Steve Poulsen 303-258-7552 Trip#1773

Tuesday, October 09
Hiking Lecture
Navigation & Route Finding
Lecture #3
Learning to find your way with a topo map and compass is a fundamental skill to safely enjoying the outdoors. This course covers navigation, route-finding problems, navigating in adverse conditions, weather, clothing, and trip planning. Prequisites are Hiking 1. Lectures 9/25, 10/2; 10/9. Field Trip: 10/13-14weekend (either Sat or Sun).
Sign-ups begin at the 8/21 BMS Schools Overview and Signup Boulder Leader: Samuel Levis 303-665-1310 bhs@cncboulder.org Trip#1762

Saturday, October 13 – October 14
Hiking Field Trip
Navigation & Route Finding
Field Trip
Learning to find your way with a topo map and compass is a fundamental skill to safely enjoying the outdoors. This course covers navigation, route-finding problems, navigating in adverse conditions, weather, clothing, and trip planning. Prequisites are Hiking 1. Lectures 9/25, 10/2; 10/9. Field Trip: 10/13-14weekend (either Sat or Sun).
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Fall Equipment Sale

The Fall Equipment Sale will be Friday, October 19, 6-8 pm at the AMC in the conference room on the ground floor.

SELLERS: For each item you are selling, attach an envelope on which is printed your NAME, ITEM, SELLING PRICE, WHETHER YOU WILL ACCEPT A CHECK; attach envelope to item. All items must be tagged before bringing them to the sale. Bring your items to the AMC on Thursday, October 18, 4-7:00 pm or on Friday, October 19, after 9:00 am and no later than 5:30 pm.

Any outdoor gear is appropriate for the sale, technical clothing only, no street clothes. Also no older model straight downhill skis. All monies go directly to Continued on page 4, Gear Sale
the proposed amendments may be made directly to the Boulder Group President, Tom Wilson.

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Anyone who wishes to support the objectives or participate in the activities of the organization may become a member upon submitting a properly completed Membership Application, along with the appropriate membership dues. The following types of membership are in effect:

Section 5. No member of the Group whose dues are six months in arrears shall be eligible to vote or to enjoy any other of the privileges or benefits offered by the Group. Such members shall be placed on an inactive file. The Council …

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

Section 1. (a) Officers The governing Council of this organization shall consist of the following officers: a Chairperson; a Vice Chairperson; a Secretary; a Treasurer; four Council members, each elected for a term of four years, such terms to be staggered so that only one Council member is elected each year; a retiring Chairperson for a period of one year immediately following his/her term of office; the Chairpersons of the Standing Committees and the Junior Group Sponsor.

(b) State Board Representatives. The Boulder Group shall be represented on the Colorado Mountain Club State Board of Directors by a fixed number of representatives specified by the Constitution of the Colorado Mountain Club. The group Chairperson may appoint an alternate for a representative unable to attend a State Board Meeting.

b) Council. The Boulder Group Chairperson shall serve as representative of the Group on the Colorado Mountain Club State Council. The group Chairperson may appoint an alternate to represent the group at the State Council meeting, provided that actual notice of appointment of the alternate is provided to either the CMC Executive Director or State Board President prior to any meeting at which the Group Chairperson’s designated alternate shall serve.

(c) Mode of Election. Officers, Council members, and State Board Representatives shall be elected… Officers, Council members and State Board Representatives shall take office at the close of a joint meeting of the old and new Councils during the month following the annual meeting.

(d) The term of office for officers and State Board Representatives and standing committees shall be for a period of one year.

… (f) 1. CHAIRPERSON. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the organization and of the Council; represent the organization on the State Board of Directors; Council; appoint all Standing Committees; and be ex-officio a member of such committees. All appointments by the Chair shall be subject to the confirmation of the Council.

2. VICE-CHAIRPERSON. The Vice-chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the organization and of the Council in the absence of the Chair; shall maintain record book(s) in which the bylaws, special rules of order, standing rules, and minutes are entered, with any amendments to these documents properly recorded, and shall have the current book(s) on hand at every meeting, and shall assist the Chair as needed or requested.

3. SECRETARY. The Secretary shall keep the records of the proceedings of the organization and of the Council and send out notices to the membership of meetings, and conduct official correspondence. The Secretary also shall maintain record book(s) in which the bylaws, special rules of order; standing rules, and minutes are entered, with any amendments to these documents properly recorded, and shall have the current book(s) on hand at every meeting.

ARTICLE III. STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. The standing committees of this organization shall include the following:

(a) An Outings Committee, which shall schedule trips, outings, and appoint all trip leaders, except for the leaders appointed by the Mountaineering School.

ARTICLE IV. FINANCE

Section 1. The income of the organization shall be devoted to the expenses of the administration and, by resolution of the Council, to such purposes as publishing scientific material, supporting conservation causes, increasing the library, erecting and maintaining cabins and trails for recreational purposes, and such other objectives as conform to the purposes of the Group. Special Funds may be allotted by the Council for other specific purposes. (a) Fees for Group activities and for the use of the Boulder Group’s mountain cabins shall be determined by action of the Council. The Brainard Lake cabin is reserved for use by Colorado Mountain Club members, their guests, or by special arrangement with the Cabins Committee chairman or Hutmaster.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

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Section 5. Procedure. Meetings shall be run in an orderly fashion by the Chair or Acting Chair in an informal manner where possible. Robert’s Rules of Order shall be relied upon to resolve any disputed governing the procedure at all meetings of the Group. A copy of Robert’s Rules of Order shall be maintained in the Group library and shall be considered the official copy for use in resolving procedural questions

— contributed by Peter Gowen, with approval by the Boulder Council

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sellers. If you want to donate the sale of your item(s) to the CMC, please note “CMC” on the envelope; checks to be made payable to CMC. CMC is not liable for lost/stolen items.

All unsold items must be picked up from the AMC the night of the sale, Friday, October 19, by 8:30 pm or prior arrangements for unsold item pickup must be made. Any items left after sale on Friday night will be donated. The office staff will retain sale envelopes for one week after the sale. Any monies not picked up by Friday, October 26, will be donated to the CMC.

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Explore the Stone Paths and Cobbled Streets of Tuscany

May 3 - 10, 2008

Brett Poirier, Wonder Walks West hiking naturalist, takes you on an adventure to connect with the natural world of ancient Italy as well as the human history of Tuscany and the people who live there now. Walks each day are 4-8 miles, and the group is limited to 12 people. Here’s just some of what you’ll see and do:

**Walk the Garfagnana**, home to Michelangelo’s marble mountains including the Orrido di Botri Natural Reserve

**Hike the Cinque Terre**, five small towns clinging to cliffs above the Mediterranean and connected by a hiking trail winding through olive trees and terraced vineyards

**Explore the Tenuta di Forci Estate**, a working wine and olive oil estate where you’ll stay in a restored 15th century restored farmhouse and hike to the shepherdess’ home to watch her work the magic of pecorino cheese and ricotta

**Cultural tour of Lucca** with a local guide

**Explore the Tuscan kitchen** with all meals prepared in the Tuscan style plus a cooking lesson from our local Italian chef

The all inclusive cost of €1900 covers everything from the time you are picked up at the airport or train station until you are returned there. Airfare not included.

To read more about this and other Tuscan adventures and for registration information, visit www.abbondanzatoscana.com or call (303) 554-0617
Colorado Mountain Club - Boulder Group

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The Evolution of the CMC: How we were then and how we are now

Presented by Jerry Caplan

Saturday,
November 3, 2007

at the
Avalon Ballroom
6185 Arapahoe Road, Boulder

Admission: $10
Food: Potluck, BYOB

Guests Welcome!

Evening Schedule
5:00 pm Social Hour
6:00 pm Dinner
7:00 pm Annual Meeting
7:30 pm Presentation by Caplan
8:30 pm Prizes
8:45 pm Dancing & Socializing

Jerry joined the Colorado Mountain Club in 1966 and served as president in 1993. He has climbed all the fourteeners and has hiked and climbed in Europe, Asia, Africa and New Zealand, mostly with the CMC. In 1993, Jerry was the first recipient of the Carl Blaurock Silver Piton Award. He is currently president of the Colorado Mountain Club Foundation.

CMC Boulder Group Annual Dinner Response

(Includes FREE raffle ticket!!)

Please list names of people attending:

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Number of people _______ @ $10 each
Total Amount Enclosed $____________________

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