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CMC Boulder Group Council Chair's Report
"I'm happy to be able to report that our move into our new clubroom was successfully completed in December and was properly celebrated with our annual holiday party. The clubroom really looks great and is announced to the public with our new lighted exterior sign which proclaims, “Here we are, world!” The clubroom is the culmination of a lot of planning and hard work by many people over the past year.

I’m very grateful to everyone who put in their time and energy to make it a reality. The results are truly gratifying – I feel happy every time I go inside. We have managed to create an attractive space which makes efficient use of a much smaller floor plan to meet our teaching, office space, and gear storage needs. If you haven’t seen it yet, be sure to stop by!"
~Roger Drake, CMC Boulder Group Council Chair

For the entire report, please see:
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/cmc-boulder-group-council-chairs-report/

2012 Spring/Summer Boulder Mountaineering Schools (BMS)
Dates are set for the spring/summer/fall courses for 2012:

Spring/Summer Schools Orientation Night
Monday, February 27, 7pm in the Boulder Group Clubroom
***Attendance at the Orientation Night is not required for signing up.

SIGN-UPS START ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 8am.
See www.cmcboulder.org/bms/springSchedule.html for all of the lecture and field trip dates and the sign-up procedure.

This year’s spring/summer schools include:
Hiking and Survival Essentials (starts 3/6)
Hiking Navigation (starts 4/3)
Basic Rock School (starts 4/17)
Hiking Route and Trip Planning (new course, starts 4/19)
Basic Snow (starts 5/15)
Intermediate Snow (starts 5/29)
Rock Leading School (starts 6/5)
Backpacking (starts 7/10)

If you’re unable to attend all of the lectures and field trips this spring/summer, some of the courses will be offered in the fall. For the fall schedule, please see: www.cmcboulder.org/bms/fallSchedule.html.

Contact Brenda Leach at: bms@cmcboulder.org for more information or questions.

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Attention Instructors -Volunteer for 2012 Spring/Summer BMS
The spring/summer session of the Boulder Mountaineering School (BMS) is looking for instructors to help teach courses. The school directors will be contacting past instructors, but interested and capable parties should feel free to contact them first!

For the course schedule, please see: www.cmcboulder.org/bms/springSchedule.html.

For more information, or to volunteer, contact the school directors:
Hiking Schools: Karen Baldwin, bhs@cmcboulder.org
Basic Rock School: Brenda Leach, brs@cmcboulder.org
Snow Schools: Jim Leffingwell, snow@cmcboulder.org
Rock Leading School: Clint Locks, rls@cmcboulder.org

Instructors, your time and efforts are much appreciated!

Boulder Group Sponsored Wilderness First Aid Training
Wilderness First Aid Training
Sat & Sun March 10-11, 8am-5pm ($155*)
*Scholarships are also available for those who qualify.
The Boulder Group is offering a 16 hour WFA course this spring.

The training is provided by Vern Miller, President and Lead Instructor of TrailMed Wilderness Medicine. Vern has been active in Search and Rescue for over 18 years and is currently a Paramedic for Rocky Mountain National Park.

This course is required training for new trip leaders and all BMS Senior Instructors and is highly recommended for existing Trip leaders who currently lead more technical trips.

The WFA training will be valid for 3 years.
Wildlands Restoration Volunteer Training
This summer the Boulder CMC Group will be working with Wildlands Restoration Volunteers (WLRV) on projects near Brainard Lake. If you are interested, check out these WLRV training opportunities:

Project Leadership Training Sat, Feb 18
Crew Leader Training in Eco Restoration Sat, Mar 17
Tool Manager Orientation Wed, Mar 28

For additional trainings and more information please visit: www.wlrv.org.

~Doug Yohn, CMC Boulder Group Conservation Chair

Meet the New Trip Leaders
The Outings Committee would like to introduce two new trip leaders, Charles Thabault and Paul Raab. Both Charles and Paul have recently become A/B Hike Leaders. We congratulate them on this accomplishment and for their volunteering spirit. For full reports on our new leaders click on the links below:

Charles
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/meet-the-new-trip-leader-charles-thabault/

Paul
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/meet-the-new-trip-leader-paul-raab/

Eleven Graduate from 2012 BMS Ice Clinic
Eleven enthusiastic students turned out for the BMS 2012 Ice Clinic. Volunteer instructors spent one evening introducing equipment and ice climbing techniques to the students in the clubroom. Two field trips were conducted in RMNP on January 14th and 15th. A great time was had by all!

Graduating students were: Sylwia Hendrickson, Jill Webster, Robert LeClair, Ian Haygood, Erin Thompson, Max Perez, Gerard Fitzpatrick, Yaroslav Lototskyy, Keir Hart, Doug Oatis, and Walter Keel.

Thanks to all of the volunteer instructors: Jill Yarger, Brian Lavin, Luther Birdzell, Irina Overeem, and clinic coordinator Kent Crites.

Upcoming February Boulder Group Trips:
Saturday, February 11
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/mitchell-lake-moderate-ii-ski-tour/
Mitchell Lake, Moderate II Ski Tour
Please contact trip leader, Eileen Monyok to sign up for the trip:
  eileen_m50@hotmail.com, 303-530-4321

Saturday, February 11
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/arapaho-lakes-advanced-i-ski-tour/
Arapaho Lakes, Advanced I Ski Tour
  Telemark Tour, Black Downhill
Register with leader, Steven Haymes,
  email: srhaymes@yahoo.com (Please include your phone # in email!)
  phone: 303-444-4765 (Between 9am and 9pm)

Saturday, February 11
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/antelope-ridge-moderate-i-ski-tour-off-trail/
Antelope Ridge, Moderate I Ski Tour
  Off Trail
Contact trip leader, Rick Casey, by email for a phone interview:
  caseyrick@gmail.com, 303-345-8893

Saturday, February 18
Peaceful Valley, Beaver Reservoir, Coney Flats Loop, Moderate II Ski Tour
Contact trip leader, Patricia Butler, for more information:
  butler@csd.net, 303-440-0586

Future State CMC Adventure Trips:
June 2012, Experience 71 Miles on the Yampa River, Rafting & Hiking
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/experience-71-miles-on-the-yampa-river-rafting-and-hiking/

August 2012, Summit Highest Peak in Russia, Mt. Elbrus
http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/go-climb-the-highest-summit-in-europe-mt-elbrus-18510-ft/

BIG Thanks to Donna Marino for her contributions this past year as Compass Editor. Her parting comments can be read at:
  http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/30/passing-the-baton/.

For more information regarding these and other Compass articles, please visit:
  http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/

For Compass contact information, Boulder Group Location, Times, etc., please visit:
  http://cmcboulder.wordpress.com/2012/01/29/compass-contact-information-and-boulder-group-tidbits/

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