



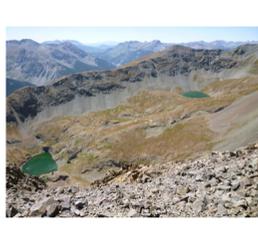
Canyon to Crest Call Western Slope Group October 2020

Mountain Goats on Georgia Pass close to Breckenridge. Photo by Babs Schmerler.

See below on how to submit your favorite photo for the newsletter!

Trip Report: Dome Mountain, 13,370'

Here's a few photo's from John Broadbooks' hike up Dome Mountain close to Silverton on September 2. The hike was ~5.5 miles RT with ~2,500 feet of elevation gain. We were the only party in the area on that day. It was a perfect day for being in the mountains close to Silverton. Clockwise, starting from the upper left: John and Babs at the summit; Brenda heading up the ridge to the summit; John, Babs and Bud taking a snack break; looking down from the summit at 2 small lakes in Cataract Basin; looking up the drainage to the saddle with the ridge to Dome Mountain on the left.



OUTINGS

OCTOBER / NOVEMBER TRIPS** (click on titles for more info and to sign up):

[Saturday 10/3, Dillon Gulch Doggie hike](#), Mod B. Bud Tasch.

[Friday-Sunday 10/16-18 San Rafael Swell Camping/Hiking Trip](#), Horseshoe canyon and possibly Crack canyon TBD. Registration deadline 10/11.

[Saturday 10/24 Shavano Rock Art Tour \(\\$18-22 fee\)](#), Mod A. (Anne Keil). Ute Museum docent led hiking tour.

[Sunday 10/25, Fisher Towers, UT](#), Easy B. John Broadbooks.

[Sunday 11/1, Flume Canyon](#), Mod A. Mary Pltz.

**All members and guests must sign a new [liability waiver \(effective March 2020\)](#):

Starting July 1 revised COVID policy:

- Expanded activities to include overnights, backpacking trips, climbing, & scrambles.
- Group size max of 10 (including trip leader).
- At least 6 feet social distancing required (otherwise use a mask or mouth/nose covering) at the trailhead pre-trip, when passing other recreators, and at the trailhead post-trip.

PRESENTATIONS

[Wednesday 10/7 6-7pm. RIMS mobile app training](#). Zoom webinar.

[Wednesday 10/7 7-8pm. Mind-body connection for mountain fitness](#). Zoom webinar, \$5.

[Thursday 10/8 6:30-8:30pm. Trip planning for everyone \(fee\)](#). Zoom webinar. Denver Group.

[Tuesday 10/13 6:30-8pm. Yoga for hikers, fundraiser for new CMC website \(fee\)](#). Zoom webinar.

[Thursday 10/15 6-7pm. RIMS mobile app training](#). Zoom webinar.

CLASSES

Wilderness First Aid is now a hybrid 16 hour online/in-person class. This serves as both an initial certification and recertification. \$200 members, \$245 nonmembers, and 5 spots each class are free for leaders with online application and 6 trip commitment in 2 years. Western Slope field day location TBD. Each date is a separate 4 hour class. More info [here](#) and dates added regularly. [October 11](#), [October 17](#), [October 25](#), [November 7](#)

Trip leader training: Zoom online class portion of trip leader training will be scheduled later this year. This will also be available to leaders as a refresher.

WSG Bylaws Approved

Thanks to all of you who voted to approve our Bylaws! To view a copy, click [here](#).

WSG Election: 2021 Council Members

Western Slope Group members will be voting online this month for the slate of WSG Council Members for 2021. Below are the candidates' bios. Next year, we hope to organize an in-person WSG Annual Dinner and Meeting and hold the election then.



Chair: Brenda Leach

I've lived in Colorado for 37 years and have been a CMC member for 27+ years. I had been a very active member in the Boulder Group while living in the Front Range. In 2008, I served as the Boulder Group Chair. My husband and I moved to the Ridgway area in 2018. I enjoy the beauty and variety of the western slope and the multitude of areas for exploring and recreating, mostly without crowds. I've been serving as the Western Slope Group Chair since mid-June 2020.



Vice Chair: Anne Keil

I have been a Denver CMC member and trip leader since the late 1990s and have lived in Colorado since 1995. I have led hikes (A-C), biking trips, snowshoeing and downhill skiing trips and have written articles for Trail and Timberline. We moved to Montrose 2 years ago and love exploring the Western Slope from the desert to the mountains without all the crowds. I am a semi-retired physical therapist.

I have been serving as Vice Chair and Outings Chair this year.



Treasurer: John Broadbooks

I moved to Colorado in 1978, spent most of my working years (30 yrs) in financial services, running the collection departments of two of the seven largest credit unions in Colorado during that time, along with the last six years of my career with a credit union owned mortgage company. I retired in 2016 after 38 years in the Denver metro area, moved to Montrose and live a slower paced life on the beautiful western slope near my favorite part of the Colorado (the San Juan mountains). I have been a member of CMC since 1995, completed Wilderness

Trekking school in 1996, BMS in 1998, and was an assistant instructor in BMS in 1999 and 2000. Trip leader (mostly C & D hikes) since 2005. Completed the 59 fourteeners in 2005, the centennials in 2009, and continue a quest to climb all the thirteeners. Present list is at 263, but unsure if I will ever finish--the quest is the thing!



Secretary: Karen Mann

Being a Philly girl, I grew up far from the Rocky mountains. Hiking & camping were a very foreign activity to me. Then my husband and I moved to Colorado 7 years ago. I fell in love with hiking as well as other outdoor sports. Learned how to ski and snow shoe, and looking forward to learning how to cross country ski and well as fly fish. I completed the Colorado Trail in 2019 by segment hiking over the last

5 years. Currently work for Colorado Mountain Expeditions as a Colorado Trail guide. Certified as a Wilderness First Responder. We recently moved to Montrose from Cotopaxi (Arkansas Valley area). New to Colorado Mountain Club, and look forward to taking leadership courses and exploring the San Juan's with you all.

Outings Chair: OPEN

Some of the tasks of the Outings Chair include contacting trip leaders to post trips, adding trips to the WSG monthly newsletter, encouraging new trips leaders and attending WSG Council meetings every odd-numbered month. Contact Anne at WSGofCMC@gmail.com if you're interested.

Conservation Chair: OPEN

Some of the tasks of the Conservation Chair include acting as a liaison to the state CMC Conservation Department, keeping informed about Western Slope advocacy and stewardship issues and opportunities, keeping WSG members informed about conservation topics and attending WSG Council meetings every odd-numbered month. Contact Brenda at WSGofCMC@gmail.com if you're interested.

Seeking Monthly Newsletter Volunteers

We'd like your help! If you have requests for newsletter content or would like to contribute, let us know! Deadline to submit information, articles or photos is the **25th of each month** for the following month's newsletter. Email us at WSGofCMC@gmail.com.

We are also looking for a volunteer to be the **Newsletter Editor**. We use myEmma, a tool which has many features that facilitate creating our monthly newsletter.

We're slowly accumulating past issues of our monthly *Canyon to Crest Call* newsletter. Here are our past issues:

2020 PDFs: [July](#), [August](#), [September](#).

2020 Western Slope Group Council

Chair: Brenda Leach (Ridgway)

Vice Chair & Outings Chair: Anne Keil (Montrose)

Treasurer: John Broadbooks (Montrose)

Secretary: Ward Luthi (Grand Junction)

Conservation Chair: Bill Hamann (Grand Junction)

We've set our Council meetings for the 2nd Tuesday of odd-numbered months, 5:30 - 7pm. The next meeting is November 10. The location will be determined closer to the meeting date. It could be via Zoom while we're dealing with COVID-19. WSG members are welcome to attend.

CMC connects Coloradans with more than 3,000 trips, hikes and activities annually. Members also receive huge deals on outdoor gear, lodging, events and more.

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