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CMC Trail Crew Member Joey putting some back into his work on CDT / CT Section 20! Photo Credit: CMC Stewardship Manager Brian Bergeler

## 14er Summits in Decline?

With the recent **citing** of Colorado's 14ers summits in decline by the CFI, **the Colorado Mountain Club's role in promoting sustainable recreation and equitable access becomes more vital than ever**. CMC volunteers have been crucial in maintaining access to peaks like the Decalibron Loop, ensuring that Colorado's recreation areas remain open to the public while protecting the natural environment. As stewards of

these landscapes, CMC volunteers continue to lead the charge in conservation, education, and advocacy to preserve Colorado's outdoor heritage for all.

[Learn More About CMC Conservation HERE](#)

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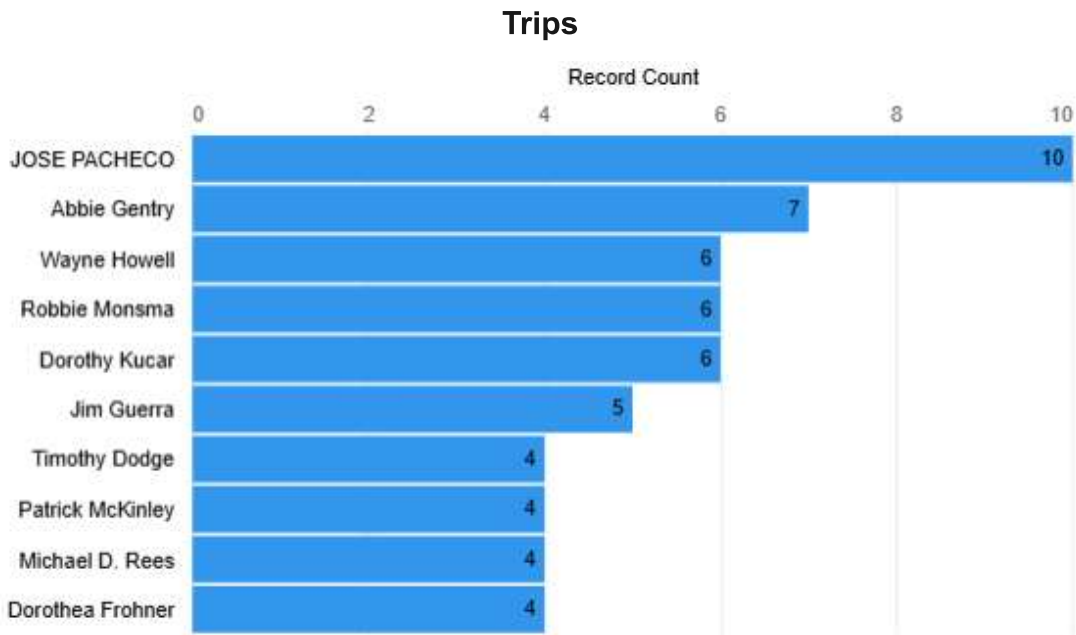


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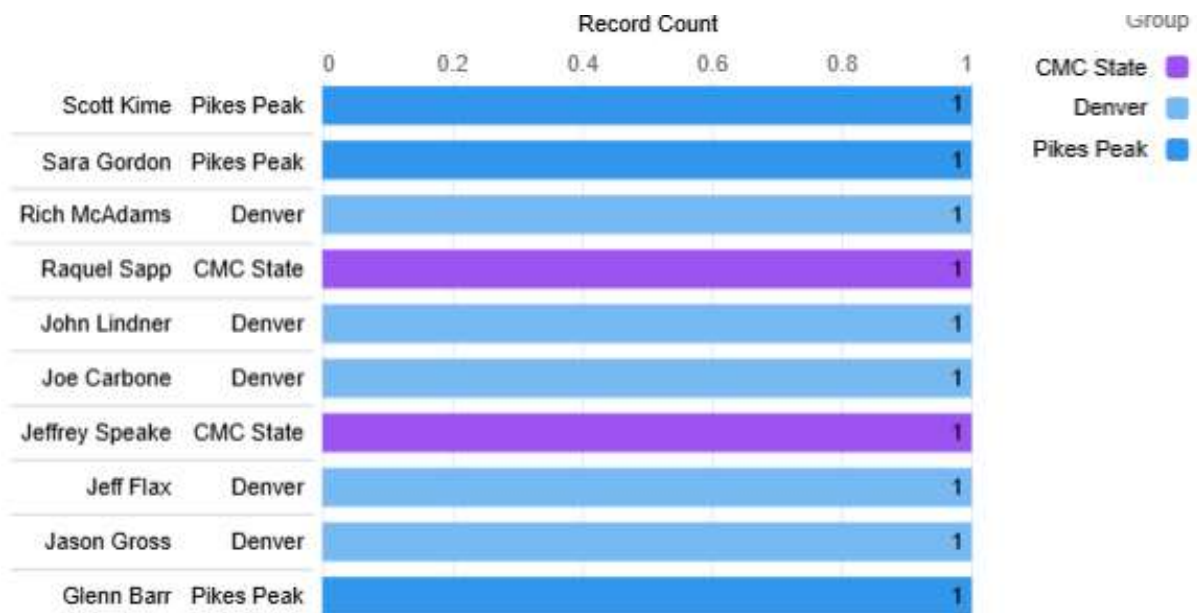
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## Volunteer Leaderboards from August 2024



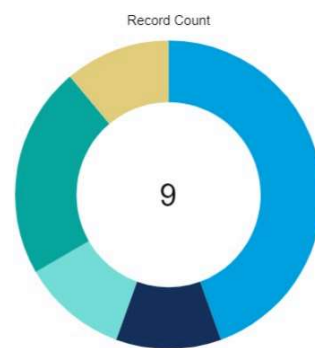
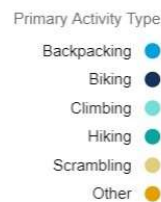
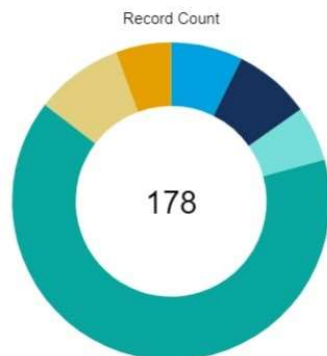
Thank you to everyone that led trips this past month. We are grateful to all of our talented and dedicated volunteers. In particular, **thank you Jose, Abbie, Wayne, Robbie, Dorothy, Jim, Timothy, Patrick, Michael, Dorothea** and everyone else adding trips to the calendar for members!

### Courses



Thanks to everyone that led courses during the month of July! Congratulations to our top performing leaders: **Scott, Sara, Rich, Raquel, John, Joe, Jeff & Jeff, Jason & Glenn!**

### Trip & Course Count: August 2024



**Backpacking** : 1 Boulder, 11 Denver, 1 Gore Range  
**Biking**: 12 Denver, 2 State  
**Camping**: 1 Denver  
**Climbing**: 1 Boulder, 7 Denver, 2 PPG  
**Conservation**: 2 Denver  
**Family**: 2 State  
**Fly Fishing**: 1 Denver  
**Hiking**: 6 State, 74 Denver, 3 Boulder, 6 NoCo, 11 PPG, 3 Gore Range, 7 WSG  
**Scrambling**: 3 Boulder, 13 Denver, 2 NoCo, 1 PPG  
**Trail Running**: 3 Boulder

**Climbing**: 1 ArcPro, 3 TCS  
**Mountaineering**: 1 PPG  
**Risk Mgmt**: 1 Boulder  
**Wild Med**: 1 CPR, 2 WFA, 1 WFR  
**Hiking**: 1 DEN



## IT'S OFFICIAL & IT'S HERE!

We are excited to share with you the **Fall '24 & Winter '25 Course Catalog**. Thank you so much for your time and effort in making this project happen, and cheers to a great season ahead!

We've already begun planning for the next Course Catalog and need your help!

### **DEADLINES: Spring/Summer Edition**

Course with start dates: April 1, 2025-  
September 30, 2025

Materials Due = February 1, 2025

Release Date = March 1, 2025

[Fall '24 & Winter '25 Course Catalog](#)

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## ***LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES***



### **Volunteer Leaders Needed for ATA!**

**AIARE 1 GRADS REINFORCE YOUR SKILL SET BY VOLUNTEERING TO BE AN ATA FIELD INSTRUCTOR**

ATA teaches students how to **avoid** avalanche terrain and includes a half-day field session usually held on Jones Pass Road. Four field sessions are currently planned on Saturdays:

***December 21, January 4 and 25, February 15***

[Register Here](#)

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## Recognize your CMC School & Section Volunteers with the gift of SWAG!

Take advantage of a special bulk order discount program with RAB to show appreciation for your School Instructors or Section Leaders. Find program details using the form linked below:

[CMC Volunteer Recognition Special Offer](#)



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## New and Prospective Member Nights



New Member nights are a great way to advertise for your School or Section to prospective members. You will setup a table and have a chance to share about why someone should consider joining!

[Golden Sept. 18](#)

[NoCo Sept. 24](#)

## CMC Monthly Leadership Virtual Meeting: September 23rd

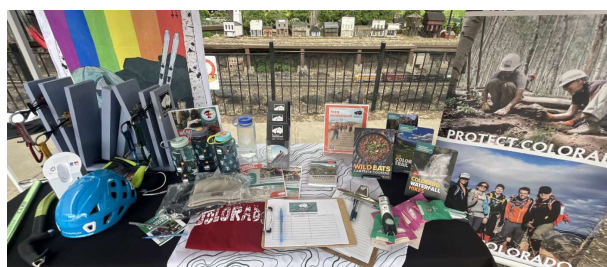
The next School & Section Leader Monthly Call is happening **September 23rd**. Please RSVP using the link below.

### Upcoming topics include:

- Updates to Trip Leader Process
- Documenting Volunteer Hours at CMC
- Website Updates



[RSVP Here](#)



## CMC Street Team: Takin' it to the Streets and Getting S\*\*\* (stuff) Done!

[Watch the recent training!](#)



## Important Update About R&P TBD

The Routes and Places Committee has decided that we are going to **fully phase out Route and Place TBD by December 31, 2024**. We know this has been an important route and place to efficiently schedule trips and courses, however it is problematic because it does not align with land agency regulations.

**TBD CU L8R:** CMC announces the phase-out of the Route/Place TBD option for trip leaders to improve trip planning accuracy, enhance participant experience, and align with Leave No Trace principles.

**Meet with Mara :** This form is meant for you to fill out if you are interested in attending a virtual workshop one evening in the near future to go over how to schedule trips/courses and answer any questions in regards to the phase out of Route and Place TBD.

[Read the Blog](#)

[Forum Form](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**SAVE THE DATE**

OCT 24  
4-7PM

GOLDEN, COLORADO

**ANNUAL RODER DINNER  
POTLUCK AND KEYNOTE**

FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT CMC VOLUNTEER  
LEADER EDUCATION

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Bring a dish to share, connect with friends, and enjoy a beer at New Terrain Brewing at the 2024 Annual Roder Dinner. All proceeds from the ticket registration support our education programs that promote mountain safety, helping us to continue providing essential training and resources. Don't miss this chance to celebrate, be inspired, and support our mission!

[RSVP Here](#)

**Do you need to PULK up?! 🏋️**

**SEMINAR:** This seminar by speaker Ron Stokley will briefly cover the history of pulks as well as the features-of and considerations-for a good sled.

[Nov. 5th Seminar](#)





## **CMC Volunteer of the Month: Dorothy Kucar**

Dorothy Kucar first discovered the Colorado Mountain Club (CMC) while researching hiking clubs ahead of her move to Colorado, with CMC standing out for its variety of events and courses. She joined the Boulder chapter in the spring of 2017 but initially wasn't very active. In 2021, after a chance meeting with Sheryl Lampert, Director of the Alpine Climbing School (ACS), Dorothy was inspired to enroll in ACS. The standout feature for her was the focus on couloir climbs, a type of adventure she had heard about but had limited experience with.

ACS elevated her hiking skills, and since then, Dorothy has completed multiple couloir climbs, is nearly finished with her 14ers list, and has expanded her climbing to international snow climbs and scrambles. In 2022, she became both an assistant instructor for ACS and a CMC trip leader. She enjoys leading trips because it allows her to meet fun people, make friends, and schedule hikes she's passionate about.



Currently, Dorothy's biggest passion is Flatirons scrambling in Boulder, which involves unroped 4th and low-5th class slab scrambles. She's organized several of these early-morning trips, and participants have responded with enthusiasm. Looking ahead, Dorothy hopes to become a CMC Technical Trip Leader to lead her own couloir trips—so stay tuned!

[Watch Dorothy's Latest Tips on Scrambling Here](#)

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## RISK Management Corner: September 2024



### Incident Management: September 2024

Altitude Sickness during a 3-day BPX Trip in Rocky Mountain National Park

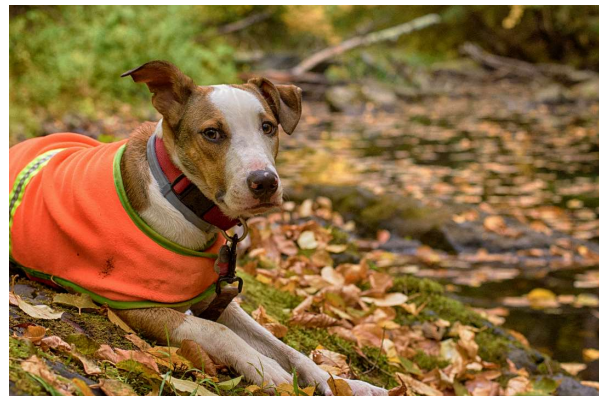
[Read The Blog](#)

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### Fall is almost here, and so is hunting season!

The majority of public lands in Colorado are open to multiple types of recreational use. There is no need to limit your outdoor activities in the fall; however, general knowledge of hunting season dates and safety tips can help keep you safe.

[Blog Article From Robbie Monsma](#)





[Register for ATA](#)

Available in the Fort Collins, Denver and Colorado Springs areas in 2025 as well as virtual for renewal.

## Attn: Winter Trip Leaders!

Avalanche Education Requirements for leaders:

- Avalanche education is a necessary part of managing risk in outdoor recreation in Colorado. CMC recommends avalanche education for all trip leaders regardless of sport or season.
- Any trip leader traveling on snow covered terrain at any time of year is required to have the following avalanche education based on the terrain.
- Avalanche Terrain Avoidance (ATA) is recommended for all CMC trip leaders (regardless of sport or season) and required for leaders who travel in snow-covered areas but do not travel in avalanche prone terrain.
- AIARE Level 1 (or equivalent) is required for trip leaders who travel in avalanche prone terrain.

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