



## Mile High Mountaineer

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**Join us for the  
Denver Group Annual  
Dinner & Meeting,  
Saturday, October 28,  
2023!**



*Photo courtesy of Julian Carr*

This will be our first in-person Annual Dinner since 2019. We'll gather at the AMC in Golden and enjoy a catered dinner, beverages, volunteer recognition, and interesting speaker presentation. Come and reconnect with your fellow CMCers, make new friends, and celebrate all things CMC.

Our speaker will be Julian Carr, award-winning professional skier and athlete for Rab. Julian has been featured in seven Warren Miller films, developing a reputation not only for big airs, but for all-around skiing.

He received the 2021 George Mallory Lifetime Achievement Award for adventure. He has also received the 'Photo of the Year' award from Powder Magazine, won the prestigious Sickbird Award on the Freeskiing World Tour, is an X-Games GOLD Medalist, won 3rd Place in an esteemed Powder Magazine Reader Poll, and he holds two world records in cliff height. Julian serves as an ambassador for Protect Our Winters (POW), and as a board member of Conservation Lands Foundation. He's the founder of Discrete Clothing and the Cirque Series, a mountain running series that's in its seventh season, where he's the active Race Director.

His talk is titled "Other Side of Fear" and will explore the topic of fear, his journey and relationship with fear, and how it applies to outdoor adventure and everyday life.

Make your reservation [HERE](#) by October 16th. Share your photos! Send digital photos of your various CMC activities to [cmcdgcc@gmail.com](mailto:cmcdgcc@gmail.com) for use in a photo display during the first half of the event.

## Call for Nominations:

# 2023 Service Awards and Volunteer of the Year Award

Help select the 2023 Denver Group Service Award (SA) recipients and Volunteer of the Year (VOY). They will be recognized at our Annual Dinner.

The SA is intended "to recognize members who perform a vital service to the Denver Group of the CMC on a continuing basis." There are several SA recipients each year.

The VOY is awarded to one Denver Group member each year. The VOY:

1. Helps make the CMC the great organization it is.
2. Is not easily discouraged.
3. Sticks around when the going gets tough.
4. Demonstrates concern and integrity in representing the CMC members.
5. Is a dedicated volunteer who has consistently remained active.
6. Brings fresh or creative ideas to the CMC.
7. Makes the system work by being involved in multiple aspects of CMC.

Volunteers make CMC an outstanding organization and we appreciate every single one of them. They perform in a variety of important capacities: trip leaders, school directors & instructors, section chairs, committee members, council members, and event coordinators. They are the lifeblood of this Club. Do you know a particular volunteer who stands out?

To nominate volunteers for a service award or VOY, please [submit this form](#) by **October 15, 2023**.

## Volunteer for the Denver Group Council

The CMC Denver Group Council is recruiting candidates to fill open positions. The Council meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month to discuss issues affecting Denver Group members and to implement policy decisions. Council positions are an excellent way to volunteer and serve the CMC in a leadership role. You'll influence policy, meet several other volunteers, and learn a lot more about the Club. Those selected will serve a three-year term beginning November 1, 2023, thru October 31, 2026.

Please submit a short bio to [cmcdgcc@gmail.com](mailto:cmcdgcc@gmail.com), including a photo of you, an explanation of your CMC experience, why you would like to join the council, and how you think you can contribute.

## Start Your Journey to Becoming a Denver Group Trip Leader

Have you ever been disappointed that you didn't get on the trip you wanted? Or maybe your perfect trip wasn't even offered? Remember that our trip offerings are dependent on our volunteer leaders and their availability. If you can't find the type of hike that you want or you have trouble getting on it, consider becoming a trip leader yourself. You can choose what you want to lead and when. You choose when and where to meet and how many participants you will allow. It's the perfect solution. Leading can also be a very rewarding experience.

Find out [how to become a trip leader](#), including the necessary prerequisites and steps.

Contact [dgleadershipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:dgleadershipcommittee@gmail.com) with additional questions.

Martha Mustard - Trip Leader, Mentor, Instructor, and Leadership Committee Member

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## Know Before You Go! Hunting Season is Here

Hunting season has begun in many areas where CMCers recreate throughout the state, so familiarize yourself with the planning resources you need to avoid active hunting. Warning notices are rarely posted at trailheads, so add this info to your trip planning checklist. It's essential to wear "hunter orange" or "hunter pink" colors whenever you and your dog(s) enter the backcountry during hunting season. Make yourself as visible as possible.

Most Colorado hunting takes place in September and October although some hunting on the eastern plains is allowed in late August through December. A few areas are designated open to hunting Memorial Day to Labor Day. All dates are posted at [Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Big Game Hunting Planner](#), updated each year.

However, you'll want to know about the places where there will be NO hunting while you're there. That'll vary each year according to CPW's determinations. It may also vary by proximity to roads and trailheads. For up-to-date information, call the Hunter Outreach Line, 303-291-7526, or email [hunteroutreach@state.co.us](mailto:hunteroutreach@state.co.us). They may steer you away from your intended area and suggest another area nearby where hunting is prohibited. If in doubt, you can also call the specific land manager office.

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## Articles on outdoor topics

[Users beware: Trail apps have been leading to problems in public lands](#) - Denver Post

[Protect landowners while providing access to peaks](#) - Mark Udall

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## Upcoming Trips, Courses, and Events

Check out the [CMC Calendar](#) to find your next outdoor fun!  
[Schools and Course offerings](#)

## Become a Trip Leader!

Stay active, explore more places, and make new friends.

### **Denver Group Contacts**

#### **COUNCIL**

[Denver Group Council](#)  
*Meets Monthly, 2nd Tuesday*

#### **COMMITTEES**

[Leadership Committee](#)  
[Schools Committee](#)  
[Conservation & Trails Committee](#)  
[Member Initiatives Committee](#)

#### **SECTIONS**

[Ascending Hikes](#)  
[Backpacking](#)  
[Bobcats](#)  
[Fly Fishing](#)  
[Over the Hill Gang \(RMOTHG\)](#)  
[Photography](#)

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## Call for Submissions



Have an item you'd like included in a future Mile High Mountaineer newsletter?

**The next deadline is Friday, Oct 6.** Guidelines:

- Articles should be 200 words or less, **OR** submitted as a PDF
- MHM editor reserves the right to determine what's included in the newsletter and edit submissions for clarity and length
- Submissions must be relevant to the Denver Group of the CMC and/or its members; paid advertisements are not accepted.

Please send submissions to: [cmcdgcc@gmail.com](mailto:cmcdgcc@gmail.com).

Questions, comments, or submissions? E-mail [cmcdgcc@gmail.com](mailto:cmcdgcc@gmail.com).

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