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Western Slope Group

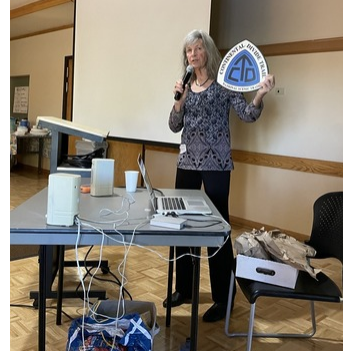
October 2022

CMC hike to Highland Mary Lakes by Silverton. Photo by Brenda Leach.

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

WSG 2022 Annual Dinner

A group of almost 2 dozen of us enjoyed the WSG's annual dinner at the Delta Rec Center on September 24. It was a potluck and some delicious dishes were brought by all. Jennifer Roach gave a great slide show of her backpacking and hiking trips on the Continental Divide Trail. She covered the entire 3,100 miles over a 5-year span. The photos were beautiful and what an accomplishment!



2023 WSG Council Members

At the annual dinner in Delta, the members present approved the slate of candidates for 2023:

- Chair: Anne Keil
- Vice Chair: Brenda Leach
- Treasurer: John Broadbooks
- Secretary: Jill Mattoon
- Conservation Chair: Open

We would like to thank Karen Mann for serving as Secretary since June 2020. And, we would like to thank Ross Mittelman for serving as the Conservation Chair since October 2020.

The Conservation Chair position is now open. See the [Conservation Chair job description](#) for more info. If you're interested, please contact us at WSGofCMC@gmail.com.

Trip Report: Otto's Wall, Grand Mesa

Anne Keil led a trip to the middle "plunge" section of the Palisade Plunge. The trail drops off the edge of the mesa through aspen forests to the trail that John Otto blasted into the side of the Grand Mesa, formerly known as the Wild Rose trail. There were great views and some fall colors. The trail descends 600 feet in less than a mile and then is fairly mellow. But, yes, they did have to hike back up the incline on return to the cars. Photos by Anne.



CMC Social Gatherings

Are our members interested in gathering not only for trips? Contact WSGofCMC@gmail.com to organize something social or post on the WSG Facebook page.

WSG Facebook Group and Email Lists

If you are interested in mountain biking, road biking, backcountry skiing, downhill skiing, ice/rock/technical climbing, car camping, social dinners / happy hours, technical peaks or backpacking trips, we have created email lists specific to each of these categories to notify members about upcoming or short notice trips/events as conditions warrant. Please contact WSGofCMC@gmail.com and tell us if you'd like to be added to one or more email list.

Additionally, we have a private Facebook group "CMC Western Slope Group" that we use in addition to the email groups. This group is available to post photos, announce last minute trips, trip reminders or activities. If you're interested, send a request in Facebook to join the group.

ALL CMC OUTINGS : [The CMC Trips List & Map](#)

Guests must now create an account and sign a waiver before signing up for trips. Guests may attend up to 2 trips. If a trip is full, please sign up on the waitlist as there are participants that may cancel.

TRIPS: NEW WEBSITE! Now all of our activities are in one place at [Western Slope Group Calendar](#)

[Saturday 10/8. Old Owl Crk Pass Fall Colors Current, New and Prospective Member Hike.](#) Mod A. Anne Keil

[Tuesday 10/11-10/14. Camping Colorado National Monument.](#) BPX car camping, Denver Group.

[Friday 10/14-10/17. Green River UT Camping and San Rafael Swell Hiking.](#) Friday and Monday optional hikes and additional weekend hikes TBD by WSG leaders.

[Saturday 10/15 TBD](#) Moderate fun hike for Green River UT camping participants. Paul Sheya

[Sunday 10/16. Little Wildhorse / Bell Canyon Loop.](#) Mod B. For Green River UT camping participants. Brenda Leach

[Saturday 10/22. Dominguez Canyon Trail.](#) Mod B. Victor Ketellapper.

[Saturday 10/22-24. Backpacking Wheeler Geologic Area.](#) Denver Group.

[12/20/22-1/10/23 Patagonia 0 Circuit Trek.](#) Adventure Travel, fee.

[5/19-30 2023. Croatia.](#) Adventure travel, fee.

[In-State-Outing \(ISO\) Week 1, Vallecito Lake.](#) Aug 13-18, 2023. State CMC.

[ISO Week 2, Vallecito Lake.](#) Aug 20-26, 2023. State CMC and WSG leaders.

****All members and guests must sign a new liability waiver with the new website**

COVID policy for trips: [updated Feb 23, 2022](#)

PRESENTATIONS

[CMC Schools & Classes Webpage:](#) **For some classes and schools that are offered on the full CMC calendar (typically on the front range or via ZOOM), we can arrange field days on this side of the state but need a minimum number of participants between the various CMC groups. Please let us know if something interests you.

[ATA-Avalanche Terrain Avoidance,](#) a 2-day course required for trip leaders and open to all members will be scheduled this winter, dates TBA. CMC Leaders and Instructors will be required to meet these requirements by September of 2023.

[AIARE \(Avalanche research and education\)](#) 2023 sessions are offered through the Denver Group, registration is open to any member statewide. If non-members are interested in enrollment the individual must first join CMC. CMC Leaders and Instructors will be required to meet these requirements by September of 2023.

Trip Leader Training: We are seeking new trip leaders! The free training consists of self paced online modules and one training hike plus Wilderness First Aid. This is also available to current leaders as a refresher. If you are interested, please contact WSGofCMC@gmail.com or check the new website.

Seeking Monthly Newsletter Content

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. Here are our [past newsletters](#).

Western Slope Group Council (through November 8)

Chair: Brenda Leach (Ridgway)

Vice Chair & Outings Chair: Anne Keil (Montrose)

Treasurer: John Broadbooks (Montrose)

Secretary: Karen Mann (Montrose)

Conservation Chair: Open

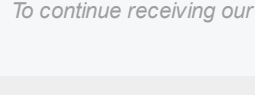
We're on the CMC website at [Western Slope Group, CMC Groups - Colorado Mountain Club](#).

With some exceptions, council meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of odd-numbered months, 5:30 - 7pm. The last meeting in 2022 is on November 8. Zoom availability and location will be determined closer to the meeting date. 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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