



Chicago Mountaineering Club

General Meeting

The next CMC General Meeting will be Monday, December 11th, at 8:00 PM at the Goose Island Brewery, 1800 N Clybourn Ave., Chicago IL (312) 915-0071.

Presentation will be "Climbing in the Swiss Alps" by Cary Adams.

(Cary is in Hawaii now, so we couldn't get any additional information prior to the newsletter going to print, but this is sure to be an interesting presentation so come on out. How can you beat a presentation on the Alps in the middle of another Midwestern winter.)

General Meetings are open to the public and held on the second Monday of each month, September through May. Everyone is welcome. The CMC Board meets before the General Meeting from 6:30 to 8:00pm. The Board meeting is open to CMC members.

New Members

We've had a number of new additions to the club announced in the last couple of general meetings. These membership applications have had first and second readings and have been approved by the Board. Welcome new members!

Todd Cornilsen
Kelli Harsch
Aaron Smith
Karen Gisburne
Jamie Primer
Keith Bielat

(Also, a reading was done for Devin Strickland at the November meeting.)

New members are encouraged to introduce themselves to the Club via a note in the newsletter. You can email notes to me (Rob, newsletter editor.) Photos, anecdotes, stories, (anything basically) are welcome. We hope to have a few of these intros in upcoming bulletins . . . after some arm twisting.

Black Diamond Speed Buckle Harness Recalled

Name of Product: Speed Buckle Harnesses
Units: About 18,000
Distributor: Black Diamond Equipment Ltd.
Salt Lake City, Utah
Manufactured In: Philippines

Hazard: The harness could be threaded incorrectly. If threaded incorrectly, the webbing will easily slip when loaded. Incorrectly threaded buckles can loosen, which could cause climbers to slip out of the harness and fall.
Description and Models: These Speed Buckle Harnesses were sold under the following model names: Gym Speed, Focus Speed, Momentum Speed, Vario Speed and Wiz Kid. The names can be found on a tag sewn inside the waist belt of the harnesses. The harnesses are various colors and were sold individually. Only Black Diamond Equipment Speed Buckle Harnesses with incorrectly threaded buckles are included in this recall.

Sold: Generally from December 2005 through July 2006 for between \$40 and \$75.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using recalled harnesses and contact the firm for a free replacement harness.

Consumer Contact: For more information, call Black Diamond Equipment collect at (801) 278-5533 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. MT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at :
www.blackdiamondequipment.com/

Notices

Membership Renewal: Once again it is renewal time. Your membership renewal should be included with this newsletter. If you receive your newsletter electronically, you will receive a membership renewal via US Mail. If you do not receive a renewal, please contact the Membership Chairman @ cmvicepres@cmcwebsite.org. Please return your renewals by January 31, 2007 so the Club can publish the Yearbook early in the year.

Winter Outings: Full Schedule to come next month, but there will be outings at Vertical Endeavors in Warrenville on December 10th and 31st. Be there. \$10 for CMC members. No set time but generally there are people around by 10 or 10:30am.

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

NEWSLETTER: Please submit your comments, announcements, outings or personal climbing reports, items of interest, ephemera, or questions to the Editor: Robert White at 1845 N. Orleans Street, Apt. 2R, Chicago, IL 60614 or e-mail: cmcsecretary@cmcwebsite.org. Also, please contact me if your newsletter was damaged in the mail and you would like a fresh copy sent.

Proposed 2007 CMC Board of Directors

CMC Nominating Committee

(...with apologies for the delay in making this list public to club members. If there are any potential issues or questions, or if there are other members interested in these positions, please come to the December meeting and/or talk with current President Matt Mead, Vice President Mike Burian, or members of the Nomination Committee.)

Many thanks to the Nominating Committee for developing the 2007 slate of candidates. Pieter Fockens, Ron Rolnicki and Dave Kenealy worked tirelessly through storms at high elevations for four straight weeks to develop the slate. The position of Vice President has no current nominee, although Ron has graciously volunteered to handle those duties on an informal basis.

PROPOSED SLATE:

President	Mike Burian
Vice President	Ron Rolnicki (will assume duties, not title)
Secretary	Rob White
Treasurer	Steve Broadie
Sgt At Arms	Jim Considine
Outings	Jamie Norris
Programs	Neil Horn
Publications	George Naxera

Director (2009)	Matt Mead
RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS:	
Grounds	Bill Dietrich
Safety	Jack Fletcher
Conservation	Chris Young
Librarian	Pieter Fockens

ALSO:

Technology	Matt Mead
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CONTINUING TERMS:

Director (2007)	Ron Rolnicki
Director (2008)	Pieter Fockens
Expedition Chair	Dave Kenealy

New Edition of the Devil's Lake Guidebook

Olle and Sue Swartling would like to know of any additions or corrections to the Devil's Lake guidebook as soon as possible. The University of Wisconsin Press is looking to release a new edition soon.

You can contact them via phone or mail (their number and address can be found in the CMC Yearbook or on the member's section of the website.) You can also contact them via email at swartling@tds.net

[p.s. saying a Devil's Lake 5.8 is really a 5.9 or 5.10, or at least a 5.8d, is NOT a valid correction.]