

## THE PURPOSES of this Club are:

To explore, enjoy, and protect the natural resources of our land, including wildlife, forests and plants, water and scenic values;

To support and promote educational programs on these and related subjects;

At all times to protect and, as far as we are able, improve the environment in which we live; and

To strengthen a sense of community among our Members and Associate Members.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The California Alpine Club (CAC) is an outdoor and social organization with special interests in outdoor education and environmental protection. The CAC offers an interesting variety of travel outings along with events and activities centered in its two Lodges. Both Lodges have kitchens, private bedrooms, and dormitory facilities that are available for the use of Members and Associate Members at CAC events. The CAC activities are listed in our newsletter, *TRAILS*, which is published ten times each year. The Lodges are available (as scheduling permits) for private rentals, weddings, business meetings, and family reunions. The CAC is also active in conservation work and contributes regularly to the support of numerous environment organizations. Total membership currently stands at over 900. Family membership is encouraged.

## CAC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

DAY AND WEEKEND HIKES • BACKPACK TRIPS

CROSS COUNTRY AND DOWNHILL SKIING

CAR CAMPING • WILDERNESS TRIPS

DINNERS • PARTIES AT ALPINE LODGE

BASE CAMPS • CANOE TRIPS • SNOWSHOEING

PICNICS • BARBECUES

FOLK DANCING • HEALTH SPA

CONSERVATION BENEFIT PROGRAM

YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS

**ALPINE LODGE** is located on the south slope of Mt. Tamalpais, at 730 Panoramic Highway, Mill Valley, California 94941 (one block from the Mountain Home bus stop). For rental information and reservations call **415-381-4975**. To contact someone at the Lodge call **415-388-9940**. The Lodge is open to Members every Sunday offering scheduled hikes, hospitality, and refreshments. Revenue from lodging and CAC events provides funds for maintenance and improvements.

**ECHO SUMMIT LODGE** is located at the summit of Old Meyers Grade above Lake Tahoe, one mile from U.S. 50 on Johnson Pass Road. The phone number is **530-659-7274**. It is a large, comfortable, year-round mountain Lodge in the Sierra Nevada at an elevation of 7,365 feet. The Lodge commands a superb view of Lake Tahoe Basin and surrounding mountains. Forty thousand acres of rugged granite peaks and the alpine lakes of Desolation Valley Wilderness area are within easy walking distance for hikers, mountaineers, and fishermen. Echo Lake, a mile from our Lodge, is a delightful place in the summer for swimming, fishing, and boating. In winter, the area excels for ski touring and snowshoeing. Nearby well-known downhill ski areas include Heavenly Valley, Sierra at Tahoe, and Kirkwood.

## LODGE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Insofar as possible, Members, on a volunteer basis, perform the maintenance and operation of both Lodges.

## MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

To maintain and operate our Lodges, Members are expected to contribute time and energy regularly. Alpine Lodge has mid-week and Sunday work parties. Echo Lodge has periodic multi-day work parties. Coordinating a major event, cooking a large dinner, editing *TRAILS*, accepting a leadership position, participating in special projects, etc., satisfies your work obligation.

# CALIFORNIA ALPINE CLUB



ALPINE LODGE



ECHO LODGE

*Founded in 1913  
Incorporated in 1936*

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GENERAL INFORMATION  
AND  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

Before applying for membership in the California Alpine Club (CAC) prospective Members are required to:

1. Subscribe to the CAC Purposes as stated on the front page of this form.
2. Attend two CAC events, one of which must be a work activity approved by the CAC leadership.
3. Complete the application form in full.

**Members are expected to perform, on an annual basis, some type of work activity approved by the CAC leadership.**

Former Members may be reinstated without an entry fee within five years of the date their membership lapsed. Reinstated Members are exempt from the requirement made of new Members to attend two CAC events. However, Members are expected to perform, on a regular basis, some type of work activity approved by the CAC leadership.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SPONSORS

1. To inform the applicant(s) of the Purposes of the CAC, how the Club operates, and how the Lodges are maintained and financed.
2. To encourage the applicant(s) to become the active Member(s) that the CAC needs for continued success.
3. To explain the work activity requirement/commitment, and to help arrange the work party or activity for the applicant(s).
4. To bring and introduce new Members at one of the New Member Dinner events.

**Send application and check (made payable to California Alpine Club) to Laureen Novak, Membership Chair, 70 Greenwood Way, Mill Valley, CA 94941-1122**

### Membership Application Questions:

Contact Laureen Novak at [lareenie@yahoo.com](mailto:lareenie@yahoo.com) or 415-383-1507

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:** *The application must be completely filled out by the applicant(s) and signed by two sponsors. A student or junior applicant needs a separate application form.*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

I (we) hereby apply for membership in the California Alpine Club (CAC). I (we) have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of Membership, and I (we) acknowledge that membership in the CAC is subject to the Terms and Conditions of Membership and requires acceptance by the CAC Board of Directors. I (we) further agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the CAC as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. (A copy of the By-Laws is available upon request.)

Membership Options		Check category of membership:	
Type of Membership	Dues	Type of Membership	Dues
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member	\$75 annually	<input type="checkbox"/> Life Member	\$1035 (one-time payment)
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Members	\$130 annually	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Life Members	\$1725 (one-time payment)
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (under 23)	\$20 annually	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Member (under 18)	\$10 annually

**\*\*\*PLEASE READ\*\*\*** If the application is tendered between July 1 and December 31, **include half dues**. All other times pay full dues. (If application is tendered between January 1 and March 31, dues are prepaid for the following year.) Annual dues are payable by **April 1st** of each year.

**Entry fees** are \$20 for Regular applicants and \$30 for Joint applicants. Please contact Membership Chairperson with questions about enrolling children. No entry fee is required of Student or Junior Members. Life Memberships are a one-time payment but may be paid in three annual installments.

I enclose \$\_\_\_\_\_ for **dues** and \$\_\_\_\_\_ for **entry fee**, with the understanding that if the application is not approved, the money will be refunded.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:** *Please complete the following information for **each** person applying for membership. Personal information is confidential and only for valid CAC use.*

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Joint Member First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode (9 digits, if available) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Skills \_\_\_\_\_

(e.g.; cooking, electrical, carpentry, plumbing, painting, trail clearing, sewing, cleaning, computer, publishing, finance, legal, planning events, etc.)

List two CAC events attended – one must have been a work activity:

1) Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Joint Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSOR VERIFICATION:** *We, the undersigned Members of the California Alpine Club, state that we personally know the above named applicant(s), believe him/her to be of good character and interested in supporting the Purposes of the CAC, and therefore, sponsor the above applicant(s) for membership in the CAC.*

Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

(Note to Sponsors: Husband and wife are considered as one sponsor.)