

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 outdoors-oriented social club 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 the newsletter, TRAILS, which is published 10 times each year and on our web page, <http://calalpineclub.org>. The Lodges are available (as scheduling permits) for private accommodations, weddings, business meetings, and family reunions. CAC is also active in local conservation works and the CAC Foundation makes grants regularly to support numerous environmental causes. Total membership is under 1000. Family membership is encouraged.

CAC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

DAY AND WEEKEND HIKES • BACKPACK TRIPS

CROSS COUNTRY AND DOWNHILL SKIING

CAR CAMPING • WILDERNESS TRIPS • BASE CAMPS

DINNERS • PARTIES AT ALPINE LODGE

KAYAK AND 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 (about one quarter mile from the Mountain Home bus stop). For accommodation 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 at 9010 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

Members, on a volunteer basis, perform the management, maintenance and operation of both Lodges.

MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Members are expected to contribute time and energy at least once a year to maintain and operate our Lodges. 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., also satisfies this 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.
4. **READ:** Dues and entry fee information carefully! Please send the correct amount.

All Members are expected to perform some type of work activity at least once a year.

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 prior, however, all Members are expected to perform at least one work activity as 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 Marliss Riddle, Membership Chair, 101 Pepper Ave., Larkspur, CA 94939

Membership Application Questions:

Contact Marliss Riddle at marlissriddle@comcast.net or 415-927-1234

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: *The application must be completely filled out by the applicant(s) and signed by two sponsors. Each 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 as a California Non-Profit 501(c)7 and the club's By-Laws. (Please request a copy of the CAC By-Laws document.)

| Type of Membership | Membership Options | Check category of membership: | Type of Membership | Dues |
|--|--------------------|---|--------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member | \$90 annually | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Members | | \$155 annually |
| <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. No entry fee is required of Student or Junior Members. Please contact our Membership Chairperson with questions about enrolling children.

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 for Sponsors: A husband and wife couple are considered as one Sponsor.)