

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. CAC is active in local conservation works and the **CAC Foundation** makes annual grants to support numerous environmental causes. CAC offers an interesting variety of travel outings along with events and activities centered at its two historic Lodges. Both Lodges have kitchens, private bedrooms, and dormitory facilities that are available for the use of Members and Associate Members. Club activities are listed in our newsletter, *Trails*, which is published 10 times each year. *Trails* is also posted on our website www.calalpineclub.org and delivered to Members as a pdf. The Lodges are available to Members for private accommodations, weddings, business meetings, and family reunions. 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 a quarter mile from the Mountain Home bus stop) **415-388-9940**. The Lodge is available for the use and enjoyment of our Members. It is not available for public rentals. 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, on the south rim of Lake Tahoe Basin, one mile from U.S. Hwy 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, elevation 7,365 feet. The Lodge has a commanding view of Lake Tahoe and surrounding mountains. Forty thousand acres of rugged granite peaks and the alpine lakes of Desolation Wilderness Area are within easy walking distance, and 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, Sierra at Tahoe, and Kirkwood.

MAINTENANCE & OPERATION

Members are expected to perform the management, maintenance and operation of both Lodges, insofar as possible.

MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

In order to maintain our cooperative's low prices, members are expected to contribute to Club operations, in some way, at least once a year. 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 our *Trails* newsletter, fulfilling a leadership position, participating in special projects, etc., also satisfies this annual work obligation.

CALIFORNIA ALPINE CLUB



ALPINE LODGE



ECHO LODGE

Founded in 1913 • Incorporated in 1936
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GENERAL INFORMATION
AND
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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 prior to membership, one of which must be a work activity approved by the CAC leadership.
3. Complete the application form in full.
4. **READ** the Dues and Entry Fee information carefully! Please send the correct amount.

Members are expected to perform at least one work activity per year to help the Club maintain its low, co-op pricing.

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.

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 Sarah Dove, Membership Chair, 3857 Holland Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6214

Membership Application Questions: Please contact Sarah Dove, doves@sonoma.edu or 707-528-7289.

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The Echo Summit Lodge is an equal opportunity service provider and permittee of the United States Forest Service, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: *The application must be completely filled out by the applicant(s) and signed by two sponsors. Please also submit a separate application form for each **student or family child applicant**.*

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. These documents are on the CAC website: calalpineclub.org.

Membership Options			<i>Check category of membership:</i>		
Type of Membership	Entry Fee	Annual Dues	Total	Type of Membership	Annual Dues
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member	\$20	\$100	\$120	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Children (age 1-18)	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Members	\$30	\$170	\$200	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (under 23)	\$20
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Members (1 adult)	\$20	\$100	\$120		
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Member (2 adults)	\$30	\$170	\$200		

PAYMENT INFORMATION: **If your application is tendered between July 1 to December 31, pay half the Annual Dues amount;** at all other times please 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 per adult and \$30 for Joint applicants at all times. There is no entry fee for Family Children or Student Members, only annual membership fees apply. Please contact the Membership Chairperson if you have questions about membership enrollment.

"I have enclosed \$ _____ for **Entry fees**, and \$ _____ for **Annual Dues**, FOR A TOTAL OF \$ _____, 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 *****PLEASE PRINT***** confidential and only for valid CAC use.*

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Joint Member First Name _____ Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code (9 digits, if available) _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

Volunteer Skills _____

(e.g.: cooking, electrical, carpentry, plumbing, painting, trail clearing, sewing, cleaning, computer, publishing, editing, bookkeeping, finance, legal, event planning, etc.)

I would like to "save a tree" and receive Trails newsletter in PDF format via email, and/or as a download from the CAC website.

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.*

Sponsor _____ Date _____
Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Sponsor _____ Date _____
Printed Name _____ Signature _____

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