

# **California Alpine Club**

## **Membership Application**

730 Panoramic Highway, Mill Valley CA 94941

<https://www.californiaalpineclub.org>



Founded 1913; Incorporated 1936

**Purposes of the California Alpine Club** are:

- *To explore, protect, and enjoy the natural resources and unique ecosystems of our land. To respect and protect avian and wildlife, forests and plants, water, and scenic values;*
- *To support and promote educational programs on these and related subjects;*
- *At all times to preserve, protect, and help restore, as far as we are able, the environment in which we live;*
- *To strengthen a sense of community among our Members and Associate members.*

### **Terms and Conditions of Membership**

To become eligible for membership in the California Alpine Club, each prospective member is required to:

1. Subscribe to the purposes of the CAC.
2. Participate in at least two Club Events within the 12-month period immediately preceding submission of the membership application. At least one of the Club Events must be participation in a scheduled work event at Alpine Lodge or alternate work project that will qualify for membership as arranged by Membership Chair or designee.
3. Complete and submit a CAC membership application which documents their participation in two (2) Club Events and includes the signatures of two (2) member sponsors.
4. Former members may be reinstated without an entry fee within five years of the date of membership lapse. Reinstated members do not need to attend two Club Events, but still must have two current sponsors.

**Membership Expectations.** In order to keep our low, co-op prices, members are expected to volunteer to help with Club operations or Club Events at least once a year. Lodge trustees organize member work parties to maintain the lodges and properties. Alpine Lodge holds monthly work parties. Club members and guests practice the principles of Leave No Trace on all hikes, outings and at both CAC lodges.

### **Prospective Members shall:**

1. Be welcomed and introduced to other club members during Club Event(s).
2. Encouraged to become active club members by volunteering to help with Club Events and projects, participating in lodge work parties, becoming a hike leader and/or assuming leadership roles.
3. Be given a copy of TRAILS newsletter including contact information for Club leadership. Any questions answered.

**General Information:** Founded in 1913, the California Alpine Club (CAC) is a 501(c)(7) non-profit, outdoor-oriented, hiking and social club with special interests in conservation, recreation, and hospitality. Established in 2004, the California Alpine Club Foundation (CACF), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational and charitable organization that issues financial grants to support conservation and environmental education endeavors in the San Francisco Bay area and Lake Tahoe regions.

For more than 100 years, the members of the California Alpine Club have carried on a rich tradition of hospitality and volunteerism. There is no paid staff. Club member volunteers organize social, holiday and work events; hikes; and multi-day outings throughout the year. The historic lodges are maintained and operated by club member volunteers; boast professional kitchens, semi-private and dormitory facilities, and spectacular locations.

The Club also has a history of exploration and adventure. Year-round domestic and international CAC outings are planned, organized and run by experienced Club member volunteers to be affordable, safe, and accommodating. Volunteer hike leaders lead guided hikes on Mt. Tamalpais and/or in the surrounding areas, weather and safety permitting.

**Alpine Lodge** is located on the south slope of Mt. Tamalpais at 730 Panoramic Highway, Mill Valley, CA (about 1 quarter mile from the Mountain Home bus stop). Alpine Lodge is available for the enjoyment of our members and their guests for day and overnight use. It is not available for rent by the public.

**Echo Summit Lodge** is perched on top of Old Meyers Grade along the south rim of the Lake Tahoe Basin on Johnson Pass Road, off U.S. Hwy 50. This year-round mountain lodge with commanding views of Lake Tahoe and the surrounding Sierra Nevada mountains sits at an elevation of 7,365feet. The Pacific Crest Trail, alpine lakes of Desolation Wilderness and Echo Lake are within easy walking distance from the lodge. In winter, the area excels for ski touring, sledding, snowshoeing.

## California Alpine Club Membership Application

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 these Terms and Conditions 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.

### MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS: Check a category of membership.

Type of Membership	Entry Fee	Annual Dues	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member	\$20	\$150	\$170
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Members	\$30	\$245	\$275 (Each adult member must participate in 2 Club Events)
<input type="checkbox"/> Student (18-26 y.o. on April 1 <sup>st</sup> )		\$20	\$20

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:** January 1 to June 30 – Pay full amount of annual dues plus entry fee.

July 1 to December 31 – Pay one-half of the amount of annual dues plus entry fee.

**"I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Entry fee, and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Annual Dues, FOR A TOTAL OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_, with the understanding that if the application(s) is denied, the total amount shall be refunded.**

The prospective member is responsible for maintaining and submitting with the membership application their Associate Member Fee forms if applicable for credit against their membership entrance fee.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION, Print Legibly. Complete sections below. Information is confidential, for official CAC use.

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

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

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email Joint Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Skills \_\_\_\_\_  
(e.g. chef, carpentry, plumbing, web programming, bookkeeping, legal, party planning, editor, outdoor leadership, culinary skills...)

**CLUB EVENTS.** List two Club Events participated in. At least one event must be a work event. For Joint membership **each** adult must participate in two Club Events. For an overnight stay to qualify as one of the two Club Events, the overnight host should sign the application as the sponsor for that event.

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

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

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

**SPONSOR SIGNATURE** We, the undersigned Members of the California Alpine Club, believe the above-named applicant(s) are interested in supporting the Purposes of the CAC, we therefore sponsor the applicant(s) for CAC membership. **For an overnight stay to qualify as one of the two Club Events, the overnight host should sign as the sponsor for that event.**

Sponsor #1 \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor #2 \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

For **hard-copy membership applications**, send the completed membership application and check for the correct fees payable to the California Alpine Club to the CAC Membership Chair: **Candy Barnhill, CAC Membership Chair, 947 Cypress Point Loop, Ashland, Oregon, 97520.**

For **E-applications**, create only one e-application found under *Join Us* on the CAC website. After completion of pre-membership Club Events, submit your e-application and e-mail a photo of your paper membership application form to the Membership Chair with the following sections completed: name, telephone, work and social events with dates, signature of two sponsors. An e-invoice indicating the amount of fees due will be generated and emailed to you.

Questions? Contact Candy at 319-631-9110 or [membership@californiaalpineclub.org](mailto:membership@californiaalpineclub.org)

A prospective member shall be entitled to the full rights and privileges of membership, except for voting rights and holding office, from the date of the applicant's information being entered in the Membership database.

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