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Next General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, April 10

Time: 7:30 PM

Program: Climborama 2000 (or storm-orama 2000) A slide show by Joe Budman

The weather gods were not smiling during this year's PCS climborama to the Kings-Kern divide. However, interesting weather made for great photography opportunities, and our group still managed to climb some great remote peaks. Come and see how to climb peaks in between lightning storms and how the scenery takes on a completely different kind of beauty when the weather turns nasty.

Location Peninsula Conservation Center
3921 East Bayshore Rd, Palo Alto

Directions: From 101: Exit at San Antonio Road, Go East to the first traffic light, Turn left and follow Bayshore Rd to the PCC on the corner of Corporation Way. A sign marking the PCC is out front. Park behind.

Deadline for submissions to the next Scree is Sunday 4/22/2001 Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Fixed Anchors in Wilderness

The US Forest Service says it wants to complete its rulemaking on climbing and fixed anchor use in designated wilderness areas, but it will have to wait to do so. The Forest Service has developed a draft rule but did not release the rule for public review and comment prior to January 20, 2001, when the Bush administration took office. President Bush quickly placed a 60-day moratorium on all new federal government rulemaking...

<http://www.accessfund.org/ActionAlerts.html>

Membership Roster Update

The PCS membership roster is available online:

<http://www.sierraclub.org/chapters/lomaprieta/pcs/Binder/PCSMember.asp>

Please take a moment to review your information and send any corrections to: pcs-treasurer@climber.org

At some point in the future the roster will be published in the Scree.

If you would rather that your name be omitted from the published roster then please indicate that fact otherwise I will assume that wish to be included.

This is also a good time to mention that if you do not subscribe to the hardcopy Scree you need to send a request to the treasurer yearly to stay on the membership roster. Eventually I will be removing inactive members from the roster if we do not have up to date contact information for them.

Thanks!

• *Scott Kreider*

Wilderness First Aid

To help trip leaders and would-be leaders get the required First Aid certificate, the Chapter sponsors an 8hr First Aid class each quarter, based on a nationally recognized first aid text, but with added material and emphasis on wilderness situations with no phone to dial 911. The next First Aid classes will be Saturday, May 12 and Sunday, May 13 at the Peninsula Conservation Center in Palo Alto (from Bayshore/Hwy. 101 at San Antonio, turn toward the Bay; turn left at 1st stoplight, then right at Corporation Way to park behind PCC). Class is 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (1 hour for your bag lunch) and is limited to 12 people. To sign up, send choice of day, and a check for \$40 with a stamped, self-addressed business-sized envelope to: Health Education Services, 200 Waverly, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Cancellations get partial refund if a substitute attends (you get to keep the Wilderness First Aid book). For more information, call 650-321-6500.

• *Marg Ottenberg*

Gear Tip: Stubai Bent Locking Carabiner

There you are at your favorite crag putting a top rope to work out your latest problem. The top anchor is set, the slings are dropped onto the problem, the rope is thrown over the edge of the crag. You start from the bottom and Voila!, this time you make it! You tell the belayer to lower you and....nothing happens. The slings holding the carabiners on the rope have flipped around and now the rope is pinned between the rock and the heavily loaded carabiners. The drill is now this: belayer moves around, the slings are bounced on, attempts to climb up and flip the rope ensue, curse, yell, fume. Repeat until you are on the ground.

There is a better way. Stubai makes a bent locking carabiner. No, that's not a bent gate carabiner, the whole carabiner is bent so that it won't lie flat and it provides a notch in which the rope can slide through. Use a pair of these on your top rope set up and the pinned rope phenomena is reduced significantly. Even if the rope gets pinned it can slide into an area where the pressure is reduced considerably.

Where do you get them? Well, mine were a gift from Dee for my birthday but they can be obtained from Karstsports in West Virginia. Call (304)592-2600 or go to www.karstsports.com and look or ask for the Stubai 3-D HMS Carabiner. About \$18 each.

• *Rick Booth*

Min Vody Terrorism

Sunday, March 26 in the paper is an article about the car bomb explosion set off at the entrance to the farmers market in Min Vody. 19 dead occurred. The blast is attributed to Chechen rebel terrorists.

Min Vody is where we fly to for our climbs in the Caucasus mountains and Elbrus. The alternative would be to fly to the country of Georgia which has been avoided due to violence there.

Maybe someone from that region can give alternate destinations to fly to in order to climb in this region.

• *Paul Wilson*

Gear: Glacier Glasses

Editor's Note: The following are responses from various PCS members to a question by Steve Rodriguis about where to purchase prescription sunglasses with 5-10% transmittal.

• *Bob Bynum, Scree Editor*

I found one place in the bay area that can do them right! Call Tony over at Parkside Optical in San Mateo (Hwy 92 / 101) 650-571-6622.

Mention my name so he knows what kind of glass you're after. (No, I don't get a kickback, I just spent a couple of years finding the right materials and being told that there is only one kind of glass called "photo brown extra" - it ain't so.)

I wear mine day and night when climbing. They lighten well except they are slow to lighten when it's very cold. I use them as my only sunglasses to about 15k on snow. For really high elevations, I cut a pair of polaroid clip-ons to fit INSIDE the photosensitive lenses. (The glass lenses darken from UV, so clipping a pair of extra sunglasses on the outside is self-defeating.)

For frames, I just buy the \$16 nylon ones at REI - ask the guy at the counter for the ones WITHOUT lenses, or if you just have to have expensive ones you can buy any style and knock out the

standard lenses. Tony will put lenses into whatever frames you bring or mail in.

• *Steve Eckert*

I got mine from Opticus <http://www.opticus.com/> and they work very well. I check the framed at a local store and got my optometrist to take all the measurements needed and sent them the prescription.

• *Ron Karpel*

I got mine from Black Diamond years ago. Still going strong. Had to change the frames a couple of times and presently held together with epoxy and duct tape. But the lenses still fine.

• *Dan Richter*

I went through this same sort of search almost two years ago to find prescription sunglasses for high altitude climbing (around 14,000 feet anyway for Colorado!). My primary requirements were high filtering lenses for on-snow conditions and minimal fogging, which has been a major hassle for me and glasses. Posts on this gear list then primarily recommended Opticus and Black Diamond. After checking out the traditional alpine style glasses with side shields at Opticus in Boulder, CO and BD's offerings (which all seem to fog badly), I stumbled across prescription Oakley sunglasses. Several of their frames are available with Rx lenses.

<http://www.oakley.com/cda/3.0/1,1676,49-PI1-1-17-2733,00.html>

Their website gives some description of their Plutonite proprietary curved lens and coatings. (Click on the Frogskins Rx frame and then Frogskins on the next screen just above center of the website to see a display of the lens colors that are available.)

Oakley developed a process to grind a single prescription (no bifocals) into their radically curved lens. Their Gold Iridium Plutonite lens treatment provided about 95% filtering of all damaging wavelengths. (We ran a test in Europtics' lab to verify their claims on filtering.) Europtics here in Denver took my prescription and had Oakley fit lens into their Frogskins frame, which fit my face the best. It was about \$200 total cost. It took a little getting used to the wide curved, wraparound style Oakley lens, but the peripheral vision difference compared to normal "flat" lens glasses is amazing. The frame fits my face well enough that I have nearly no light leakage around the temples, so they actually provide more coverage and eye protection than my old glacier glasses with the leather side shields. The big surprise was something about their Gold Iridium coating (I think it's maybe the texture of the coating?) is highly resistant to fogging. When the lens do fog up, just pulling them slightly away from your face lets enough air circulate that the fog almost always dissipates quickly. Another benefit is under cloudy conditions, the lens coating seems to brighten the view and you don't get the usual dark tunnel vision effect that's common with regular really dark sunglasses.

Oakley also provided a bomber hard shell carrying case. I haven't tested their warranty, but apparently they will repair or replace almost anything that goes wrong with their products.

Just another option to consider. Glacier glasses that perform well are not only a necessity but a welcome luxury!

• *Doug Cook*

PCS Trips

PCS trips must be submitted through the Scheduler (see back cover for details). Trips not received from the Scheduler will be listed as PRIVATE, without recourse.

Maat Mons

Peak: Maat Mons, Planat Venus
Date: April 1, 2001
Leaders: Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin

With new data from the Magellan spacecraft, we now have maps showing unprecedented details of Venus's plains, and volcanoes which enables us to take part in this unusual event. This is an advanced strenuous event and not for beginners. We will depart from NASA's Ames Research Center in a chartered flight to Vandenberg Air Force Base. Here we will board the space shuttle Atlantis for the sixteen -month voyage to Venus. We will land on the top of the volcano, Saps Mons from which we will hike to the base of and climb the five mile high volcano Maat Mons where the shuttle will be waiting to take us home. An asbestos space suit is mandatory since the temperature on the surface of Venus is well above 500 F and the atmosphere consists of heavy clouds of sulfuric acid. Bring a 3-year supply of food and liquid. For more information on Venus refer to National Geographic, February 1993 Pg. 36. Directions: Exit 101 at Moffitt Blvd and follow signs to "Sierra Space Excursions"

Rock Climbing Practice

Dates: April 25th (evening session),
April 28th (practice)
Leaders: Rick Booth, Ron Karpel, Charles Schafer, Bob Suzuki, Scott Kreider, Dave Ress
Contact: Rick Booth email: rwbooth@home.com, Ron Karpel email: ronny@karpel.org

Our training will emphasize safe rock climbing using rock climbing gear.

The goal is to cover the kind of rock climbing one might encounter during mountaineering and rock climbing in the Sierra Nevada. We will practice climbing rock routes of class-4 and class-5 (up to about 5.9) levels.

The class will be divided into two sections, 10 individuals rated as intermediate (restricted to less than 5.4 level) and 5 advanced individuals With previous climbing experience (limited to 5.9 level). Intermediate participants will train in general use of ropes, tying knots, harnesses, using protection devices, setting anchors, using slings and carabiners, providing belay to leaders, top rope belay to followers, tying in to a belay station, using belay devices, and rappelling. Advanced climbers will train in following (top rope) routes up to 5.9 level. We do not intend to train in leading rock climbing.

The theory session will take place at the Peninsula Conservation Center at 7:00 PM April 25. The practice itself will take place in the Pinnacles National Park on April 28 (Saturday). Saturday time will be arranged at the April 25 meeting. Participants will need a helmet, climbing harness, and belay/rappel device.

To participate, you must be a Sierra Club member, and you will need to sign the standard Sierra Club waiver and sign-up sheet. Include your Sierra Club member number with your application request. Applications without a SC number will not be accepted.

Bottled at the Source

Peak: Olancha Peak (12,123'), class 2
Dates: May 5th-6th Sat-Sun
Map: Olancha Peak 15 min
Leaders: Ron Karpel ronny@karpel.org;
Nancy Fitzsimmons Pkclimber@aol.com

Have you ever wondered where Crystal Geyser gets their water? Try <http://www.crystalgeyserasw.com/olancha.html> Anyway, Saturday, we'll haul up 7 miles from parched Sage Flat trailhead (5800') to our creekside camp by the Pacific Crest trail (9600'). Sunday, we'll hike 4 miles to the summit (12100') and return home.

Participants need to have prior experience or suitable training in the safe use of ice axe and crampons, which may be needed due to the early season.

This is a restricted Sierra Club trip. You must send your SC member number with your request to sign up for this trip.

Crag Peak, Smith Mountain, Jackass Peak

Peak: Crag Peak (9,455), Class 2-3; Smith Mountain (9,533), class 2; Jackass Peak (9287), class 2-3
Dates: May 12-13 Sat-Sun
Map: Crag Peak and Monache Mountain 7.5 min.
Leaders: Aaron Schuman aaron@climber.org and Dee Booth, rdbooth@worldnet.att.net

Join us for some spring climbing in the Southern Sierra wilderness. We will climb Crag Peak on Saturday, and Smith and Jackass on Sunday. Each peak offers an interesting summit climb and wide panoramic views of the Kern Plateau. With spring climbing comes changeable weather so be prepared for cold and/or rain. We will car camp Saturday night.

Thunderbolt Peak

Peak: Thunderbolt Peak 14,000 ft. (class 5)
Dates: June 2nd-3rd and maybe 4th, 2001
Leaders: Ron Karpel ronny@karpel.org Rick Booth rwbooth@home.com

14,000 ft or is it 14,003 ft? Bring your altimeter or GPS and we will find out, maybe. For those of us who are less concerned about finding the exact altitude and more concerned about climbing, Thunderbolt makes a fine Sierra Nevada destination. This is the hardest and the last to be climbed of the 14'ners, and it took the legendary team of Robert Underhill, Norman Clyde, Bestor Robinson, Francis Farquhar, Glen Dawson, Lewis Clark, and Jules Eichorn to get it. We will try to repeat thier conquest, but without having to stand on each other's shoulders!

This is a restricted Sierra Club trip. You have to be a SC member and you have to send in you SC number to be included. Also, please include a climbing resume. This is a class 4 to class 5 technical trip which requires substantial previous experience.

Alta Peak, Beginners and Kids Trip

Peak: Alta Peak (11,204) class-1
Dates: June 16-17 Sat-Sun
Maps: Triple Divide Peak, Elevation gain/loss: 3,900 ft
Leader: Ron Karpel ronny@karpel.org

From the summit, the views are from Mt. Goddard region to the North, and Mineral King to the South, including Mount Whitney and the Great Western Divide.

Saturday, we will hike from Wolverton and set camp at Mehrten Meadow, 4 mile and 2000 ft. Sunday we'll bag the summit and return to the trailhead. This hike is suitable for beginners with backpacking experience and for children.

Goat Mountain

Peak: Goat Mtn (12,207, class 2-3)
Date: Saturday - Sunday, June 16 - 17, 2001
Leaders: Charles Schafer, charles@paraform.com
Bob Evans, robtwevans@email.msn.com ,
wkdays 408 998 2857

Sat: From Road's End (about 5,000) in Kings Canyon up the Granite Pass trail. We may go as far as Grouse Lake (10 miles and 5,400 gain), or stop at Upper Tent Meadows. Sun: south ridge to summit and out. The trail has good views of the Sphinx Crest, and the summit offers one of the best panoramic views of the High Sierra.

Olanca Peak Beginners' Trip

Peak: Olanca Peak (12,123')
Dates: Friday, June 22 - Sunday, June 24, 2001
Leader: John Wilkinson (408) 947-0858
jwilkinsonca@earthlink.net

Olanca Peak is the southernmost major peak in the Sierra, a bit over 12,000 feet high. We'll make a leisurely three-day trip, backpacking in over

Olanca Pass on Friday afternoon, dayhiking the peak on Saturday, and hiking out on Sunday. For those of you who are interested in lists, this is an SPS Emblem peak.

Limited to 10 people. Please let John know if you'd like to participate.

Trip Reports Round Top

Elevation 10381 ft

Sunday March 18, 2001

For my first visit to Round Top, the weather gods smiled and it was a beautiful sunny day, with no hint of the predicted cloud cover. Everyone (Arun Mahajan [trip leader], Steve Eckert, Dee Booth, Maxym Runov, Maxym Ribalov, Noriko Sekikawa, Fi Verplanke, Paul Acklin, Ted Raczek, Tom Driscoll, Steve Landes, Tom Curl, and me [Karen Christie]) assembled at Carson Pass. In the absence of the original trip co-leader, Ted and Dee agreed to share the duty. After a bit of putting layers on and then taking them back off to be replaced by sunscreen, since it was remarkably warm and sunny, everyone was booted up and ready to go.

Eleven snowshoers and two skiers (myself on very wide telemark skis and Steve Landes on very skinny track skis) departed the car park at 8:30 am with a speedy Ted Raczek in the lead. The trail meandered through the forest before reaching an opening with a brief view of Round Top framed by trees. At this point, Arun and Steve Eckert suggested a minor adjustment in our course, as our direction through the trees had left us a bit to the left of the southerly bearing we needed to be on, headed towards Elephant's Back instead of Round Top.

Continuing on, we left the forest and Round Top came fully into view, a beautiful peak with a rocky arete descending from the left shoulder, a smooth snow slope descending to a col on the right, and a steep snow slope in front of us ascending to a couple steep gully lines leading nearly to the rocky summit. We crossed an open area in front of the peak to reach the snow slope on the right, heading for the obvious path where others before had made a gentle rising traverse to reach the easier slopes on the right and the nice flat spot that Arun had designated as the spot to regroup and exchange large footwear and poles for spiky footwear and ice axes. Personally, I was quite pleased that I could get my normal crampons on my large plastic telemark boots, and hadn't had to carry a second pair of boots with me.

The final push to the summit was a steep snow slope and I could feel my breathing get more rapid with the exertion. The very last slope up to the rocky tops steepened even more so Maxym Ribalov, without crampons or ice axe, waited here. The rest of us continued upwards and assembled on the false summit from 11:10am to 11:20am. Some of us (Arun, Dee, Steve Eckert, Steve Landes, Ted, Noriko, Maxym Runov, and myself) made it to the second and true summit in ten more minutes, with repeat summiters saying it was the easiest conditions for the true summit they've ever seen. Everyone sat on summits and enjoyed the glorious panorama of the snow covered Sierras; photos were taken and it was time to go down. With a loaned ice axe, Maxym Ribalov made a quick ascent to the false summit

as well. At this point, we met up with Joan Marshall and Nancy Fitzsimmons, who had hiked in by themselves and met with the group at the final saddle before the summit.

The descent, as usual, was a bit quicker, with Steve Eckert leading the advance party with speedy bum-slide back to our other footwear, where we regrouped again. This same Steve, keen to do more, recruited the Maxym's to join him on a quick detour to bag of Elephant's Back and they set off in the lead. I sped off shortly after, foolishly hoping that the previous days successful telemark practice at Kirkwood would translate to skiing in the back country. It did not, and I careened off into what I'm told was an 'Agony of Defeat' quality face plant and somersault with skis on. With the return of caution, I resorted to the tried and true method of traverse and kick turn to descend the rest of the steeper section, repeatedly criss-crossing the path of the shoe-shoers. Finally, on one last gentle slope before the forest, I managed some controlled, if exaggerated, telemark turns.

Despite much discussion between Arun and Dee on the difficulties of navigating back through the forest, on this trip in beautiful clear weather, it all went smoothly. Dee spotted the blue blaze of the trail marker before we entered the forest and we were back to the car park by 2pm, with the three person Elephant's Back team back only twenty minutes later.

• *Karen Christie*

From a Newsgroup

Q: Does anyone know of an organization that deals with nude hiking/backpacking in the Northeast?

A: Yeah, the NY and NJ State Police.

Private Trips

Private trips may be submitted directly to the Scree Editor, but are not insured, sponsored, or supervised by the Sierra Club. They are listed here because they may be of interest to PCS members.

Nepal

Peak:: Climb Kala Pattar 18,100 ft.
Date: April 10
Contact: Warren Storkman, 650-493-8959,
dstorkman@aol.com

Peaks in Denali National Park

Peaks: Peaks in Denali NP north of the main Alaska Range
Date: April 15-18
Contact: George Van Gorden, 408 779 2320,
gvangord@mhu.k12.ca.us

We will meet in Anchorage on April 15 and head north. We will camp in Denali NP and climb minor peaks during from April 16-18. These peaks are 4000 and 5000 feet, snow of course, and we will probably need crampons. The weather should be good, though snow is possible. If we get sun, the days should get into the thirties or even forties. The park will be very empty and we should get some good views of McKinley. The days are long with light to at least eleven PM.

Mt. Shasta

Peak: Mt. Shasta (14,162)
Date: May 26-28 Memorial Day
Route: Bola Glacier
Contacts: George Van Gorden,
gvangord@mhu.k12.ca.us, 408 779 2320,
Nancy Fitzsimmons, Pkclimber@aol.com

We will be climbing the mountain from the north on a real glacier, and hence we will be roped together. Experience with

ice ax and crampons required, including good self arrest skills. Experience in roped glacier travel and crevasse rescue desirable but not absolutely necessary. For those in need of some training with crevasse rescue, we will meet somewhere in the area for training prior to the trip.

Mt Shasta

Peak: Mt Shasta el. 14,162, Whitney Glacier Route
Dates: May 26-28
Leaders: Kai Wiedman, (650)347-5234; Cecil Anison
cecilann@earthlink.net

A base camp on the lower glacier is an experience for the senses! With the towering flanks of Shastina rising over 4000 feet to the west and the long, broad Whitney-Bolam ridge bordering the cavernous canyon on the East, the tableau looks like either the Alaska Range or the Himalaya. Add to this the constant creaking and grinding of glacial ice, and the cannonades and crescendos of rockfall and breaking seracs - all contributing to a dramatic alpine setting. Ice axe and crampon experience required.

Tibet

Peak:: Mt Kailash and Lhasa
Date: May for 27 days
Contact: Warren Storkman, 650-493-8959,
dstorkman@aol.com

Cascades

Peak: Mts Adams & others
Date: Sat, June 30-31, Class 2 - 3; ice axe and
crampons
Contact: Steve Eckert, mailto:eckert@climber.org
Bob Evans, robtwevans@email.msn.com;
(408) 998-2857

Part of Cascade volcanos tour; participants are welcome to do only this first half, only Mt. Rainier (see accompanying announcement), or both halves. Then the 3 Sisters traverse (all three) and/or St. Helens day hike depending on group interests and speed.

Mt Rainier

Peak: Mt. Rainier (14,410); Kautz Glacier Route
Date: Thru, July 5-Sun, July 8
Contact: Steve Eckert, eckert@climber.org,
Bob Evans robtwevans@email.msn.com; (408)
998-2857

Glacier travel; 50+ degree snow/ice; fixed ropes to be used; participants to be screened for roped glacier exp.

The prized summit of the Washington State highpoint is the goal of this conclusion to a week in the Cascade volcanos. Participants are welcome to do only Rainier or to join in Adams and others (see accompanying announcement). For route information, see the trip report of R. Karpel 7/00. To reserve a park permit with the group, deposit \$35 for the NPS fee with Bob before May 1, 01, or take your chances picking up permit without reservation. Meet at Paradise parking lot on Thursday AM, July 5. Return on Sunday PM, July 8.

Participants will be screened for roped glacier experience - this is NOT the standard route, and some real climbing (plus open crevasses) is certain to happen.

Boundary Peak

Peak: Boundary Peak, Class 2 (13,143') (Nevada state highpoint)

Dates: July 6, 7 (Friday, Saturday)
Leader: Alan Ritter, jar@eng.bausch.com (St. Louis, MO)636 226 3364 (work)

Queen Canyon approach to Boundary Peak. Meet at gravel road 2.5 miles east of the CA/NV border on Route 6, at noon on Friday, July 6. Drive as far as possible up the road and jeep trails to Kennedy Point, hike along the ridge to Trail Canyon Saddle. Camp there (dry camp, carry all needed water!), climb Boundary Peak on Saturday and return to the cars.

An energetic subset of the group may wish to extend the climb to Montgomery, another mile along the ridge on the CA side of the line.

Climb-O-Rama

Dates: Aug 11-19 (Sat-Sun, full week)
Peaks: Climb-O-Rama (see below, many individual options)

Contact: Steve Eckert, eckert@climber.org

This year we'll enter via Bear Creek (near Lake Edison, on the west side) and hang out around the many bear lakes (White, Black, Teddy, etc). From this area you'll have access to (in no particular order) Hooper, Senger, Seven Gables, Gemini, Merriam, Royce, Feather, Julius Caesar, Hilgard, Mist, Recess, Volcanic Knob, Gabb, Bear Creek Spire, Dade, Abbot, Mills.

Bear Creek rivals any stream in the Sierra for waterfalls and pools, and the high tundra between Julius Caesar and Seven Gables is the sort of place where you wander from tarn to tarn thinking each is more beautiful than the last. Peaks in the area range from crud piles to surprisingly nice views, and the campsites are second to none.

We'll try to camp together, as always, and split into groups for the peaks based on what people are interested in and how fast they are. Last year's C-o-R was the only one where we didn't get all of our objectives, due to a freak monsoon, so contact me now and help set the agenda for the main group!

Sierra Emblem Challenge

Peaks: 10 Emblem Peaks in 10 Days
Date: August 2001
Contact: Bob Burd, snwbord@hotmail.com
Steve Keltie, dns306@cs.com

Info: <http://members.nbci.com/snwburd/emblem/>

The Sierra Emblem Challenge is a series of dayhikes to the most impressive peaks in the Sierra Nevada. All of these hikes are very strenuous in both miles logged and vertical feet gained. Ten of 15 Emblem Peaks have been chosen for this 10-day event beginning Aug 4, 2001. The Challenge is open to anyone. This is a Wilderness experience, with serious risks that are each participant's responsibility. No emergency services of any kind is available to those in trouble.

Mt Kilimanjaro

Peak:: Climb Kala Pattar 18,100 ft.
Date: January 2002
Contact: Warren Storkman, 650-493-8959,
dstorkman@aol.com

Six nights on Kilimanjaro - plus four nights at the Marangu Hotel under \$800.00. Safari after trek, optional

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The following trip classifications are to assist you in choosing trips for which you are qualified. No simple rating system can anticipate all possible conditions.

- Class 1: Walking on a trail.
- Class 2: Walking cross-country, using hands for balance.
- Class 3: Requires use of hands for climbing, rope may be used.
- Class 4: Requires rope belays.
- Class 5: Technical rock climbing.

Deadline for submissions to the next Scree is Sunday 4/22/2001. Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month.



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"Vy can't ve chust climb?" - John Salathe

First Class Mail - Dated Material