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Next General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 8

Time: 7:30 PM

Program: Mt. Kailas, Tibet's Sacred Mountain

In September 2000 Linda Smith traveled to remote Western Tibet to join Buddhist and Hindu pilgrims for the Kora, a 35 mile walk around the unclimbed peak, over the 18,770 ft. Drolma La pass.

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 5/27/2001 Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Scenario Play Day

Event: Wilderness First Aid Practice
Date: Saturday, May 12
Time: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
Location: Mount Sutro, San Francisco - map and details will be provided upon registration.
Contact: Bobbie, 415-476-0417, Debbie Benham, deborah4@pacbell.net, or bfoster@casmil.ucsf.edu

On May 12, Outdoors Unlimited will host "Scenario Play Day, a day of wilderness first aid scenarios. If you have had at least an 8 hour wilderness first aid class in the last 5 years and spend time in the outdoors away from quick access to professional care, this day is for you. Practice your bandaging and splinting, wound care, spinal clearing and leadership skills. And of course you will get plenty of practice and feedback on the key to good patient care: the patient assessment. Figure out what's wrong and where to go from there.

Cost: \$10 for OU volunteers and volunteer, \$13 for UCSF staff, \$15 for General Public.

Sign-up: call either 415-476-5244 or 415-476-0417 for a registration form to be mailed or faxed to you. Please sign-up soon so we can plan for the appropriate number of participants. You can also download the registration form off our website: www.outdoors.ucsf.edu/ou

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

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.

Bottled at the Source

Peak: Olancho Peak (12,123'), class 2
Dates: May 5th-6th Sat-Sun
Map: Olancho 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/olancho.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 with 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 3; Smith Mt (9,533), class 2; Jackass Peak (9287), class 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 their 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 your 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.

Peaks Near the Dome Lands

Peaks: Taylor (8,802'), Sirretta (9,977'), and Rockhouse (8,360+)
Maps: Cannell Pk, Sirretta Pk, Rockhouse Basin
Dates: June 9-10
Contact: Bob Suzuki 408-259-0772(H), suzukir@sd-star.com, bobszk@bigfoot.com

Start the peak climbing season with this car camp and 3 day hikes in Sequoia NF. We'll climb Taylor and Sirretta on Saturday. Rockhouse on Sunday will be 15 miles RT. Class 2-3

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'
Leader: Ron Karpel ronny@karpel.org

From the summit, the views are of 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.

Olancha Peak Beginners' Trip

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

Olancha 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 Olancha 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.

Pioneer Basin Peaks

Peak(s): Pioneer Basin Peaks, (12,405-12,851), Class 2-3
Dates: July 21-22
Leader: Cecil Anison, cecilann@earthlink.net
Co-Leader: Kai Wiedman(650)347-5234

The Pioneer Basin is a must-see. Surrounded by peaks and renowned for its alpine beauty, this lake basin will serve as our base camp for the weekend. Possible climbs are Mt. Huntington, Mt. Stanford, and Mt.Crocker. We'll climb at least one peak on Saturday and Sunday.

Trip Reports

Jakes Peak, (9187')

March 31, 2001

The trip to the summit of Jake's Peak is probably the shortest distance I've ever gone into the backcountry. Starting from DL Bliss Park Headquarters, we had only one and a quarter miles to get to the summit. What it lacks in distance though it makes up for in steepness gaining 2400' in just over a mile. In other words, the perfect peak for roadside snowboarding.

Starting from the parking lot we crossed 89 and headed up a short access road past a couple of buildings. At the end of the road we started up a forested slope. Surprisingly the snow seemed pretty firm, so we opted to leave the snowshoes on our packs. 3 or 4 steps later we were postholing, so the snowshoes went on. The steepness of the slope and the fact that the snow was fairly wet and slushy made snowshoeing difficult, and all of a sudden it seemed easier to clamber over boulders and logs and wade through waist high devil bushes, so the snowshoes went back on the pack. These short sections of dry land were interspersed with short sections of snow, however, and trying to get up a 35 degree slope postholing to your thigh in heavy snow just isn't that much fun. So out came the snowshoes, unless of course, lacking dignity and self respect you opted to crawl through these sections. It all proved too much for the tele skier in our group trying to skin up and he bailed at about 7490'.

Conditions improved greatly at 7500' and we continued on with a diminished force of two boarders and a skier on A/T gear. At about 7800' we passed to the north of a rocky outcrop and got our first view of the summit. We had a brief break from the climbing as we traversed across the south side of a drainage to the bottom of the next forested slope. Here we picked up a snowshoe track which made the going a bit easier and we continued onward and upward to the summit elevation of 9187'.

The snow was pretty firm on the final stretch below the summit so we opted to lay around and wait for it to soften up for the descent.

While admiring the killer views of the Lake, Emerald Bay, Tallac, and the peaks from Carson Pass and the Desolation Wilderness, Dave found a full can of Red Bull sitting on a boulder.

Mark: "Red Bull gives you wings."

Dave: "Too bad we didn't find it at the bottom."

Shortly after noon, Mark got first tracks on an opening pitch of about 40 degrees. The grade soon eases a bit as the trees start to close in and we continued to rip turns through perfect corn to about 8000'.

Finished with corn, we moved on to mashed potatoes. When the potatoes ran out, a silent competition to see who could get the closest to the car with out taking off the boards started. Dave quickly proved he had what it took to win when he rode up on a log and leapt whole heartedly onto a four foot tall manzanita bush, somehow coming out the other side intact and eventually making it to within 50 feet of the road. Mark and I held our heads in shame as we had to twice unclick and walk 10 feet or so around logs and boulders.

We all agreed the descent was well worth it, and that Jake's is probably history until next year.

• *Slide*

Spanish Needle

March 31, 2001

My cousin and I climbed Spanish Needle in the far south Sierras on Saturday. On the way there I got to see the northern lights while driving through Bakersfield headed for Highway 178. I have never seen the northern lights before and Bakersfield was not where I had hoped to see them. In addition to a general redness in the northern sky after sundown, there were two vertical shafts of light that hung around for an hour or so, courtesy of the recent notable solar flare.

A few notes about past trip descriptions. Believe it or not, there are two stores in Onyx named Onyx Store. The driving instructions are from the old, original store which, at least at this time of year, is not open until noon. The other Onyx store is about a half mile further up the road, has a gas station, and I was able to get hot coffee there at 7:00 AM.

The turnoff onto Canebreak Road is marked "Chimney Creek" in big letters, and "recreation area" in small letters.

The dirt road up to Lamont Meadow was quite good, washboard in places but no potholes, and easily driven with a Toyota Corolla.

We hiked up the four wheel drive road across Lamont Meadow. My cousin had a four wheel drive vehicle but didn't like the look of the mud in the creek bottom so we elected to hike in from the road. We didn't see another person or vehicle in the area while we were there and it would have been unfortunate to get stuck.

There are two barbed wire gates at the beginning of the four wheel drive road and they each have two large no trespassing signs which look new and have not been reported in prior trips reports. We felt comfortable hiking past these signs but the road does run through private property in the middle of Forest Service land and I would be uncomfortable driving a vehicle past those signs. More to the point, the gates were chained shut with a padlock. I estimate the distance up to the wilderness boundary to be a good two miles on the four wheel drive road so there would be a significant round trip savings by driving in.

We followed the route description up the four wheel drive road to the end as given by Jenkins in Exploring the Southern Sierra: East Side. Where the old four wheel drive road ends, you are supposed to take the south fork of the drainage up to the Pacific Crest Trail. We just stayed in the more obvious main gully bottom and took

the fork that heads south-east. It was an easy hike and dumps you out on the PCT almost exactly opposite the saddle at the north-east end of Spanish Needle where you need to drop off the trail to traverse. I did not see an obvious place to turn south in the gully as recommended by Jenkins and his recommended route would actually be longer.

As promised by other trip reports, the scramble across the gullies on the east side of the mountain, the climb up the gullies to the ridge, and the scramble along the ridge to the peak itself were all difficult and tiresome. I think the assumption I made is that the climb is not that hard if the best line is followed. I'm not sure there is a best line and it was a workout any way you do it. I found the brush to be thick and nasty stuff off the west side of the ridge. The best line on the ridge alternated between traversing around the pinnacles on their east side or climbing right over the top.

There were snow patches here and there but, unfortunately, one of them was sitting on top of the Class 3 downsloping ledge at the summit block. I did not like the look of that ledge at all, but the mushy snow drift covering it eliminated it as a source of access to the summit. We went up the Class 4 gully just to the right of the keyhole.

The register demonstrates that only the determined get to the top of this mountain. The last couple of years had only about six groups sign in a year and there were recent years with two groups. The register goes back to 1970. That is the Sierra Club register in the nice ammo box, the Forest Service register in the plastic tube was moot in that we could not unscrew the ends. We were the second climbers of the year. Some guy soloed the mountain in January, bemoaning the lack of snow in the high country.

I was not comfortable down climbing the Class 4 gully so we made our way over to the Class 3 ledge and belayed ourselves down. I had brought 80 feet of seven millimeter backup rope and it turned out to be just the thing to get off the summit block.

We had started late and the sun went down just as we made our way back across the gully traverse and onto the PCT. We had flashlights but did not need them as there was a half moon directly overhead. We dropped off the trail again and hiked in the dark down the hill and through the gully to the start of the old four wheel drive road. It was easy enough to do by moonlight. The weather was warm, the sky was clear, and it was a pleasant night hike out to the cars.

I was frankly surprised that one could find a peak as challenging as Spanish Needle and climb it in March in good weather and without much snow.

That's the Southern Sierras in the winter.

• *Dana Chaney*

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.

Unnamed Peak

Peak: Unnamed
Dates: Friday May 4th - Sunday May 6th.
Contact: Jim Clement, cre8fund@flash.net

There is a unnamed peak (point 12182') right above Rainbow Lakes (southwest side) in Dusy Basin, right before you drop into LeConte Cyn with a sharp rib running up to it. The view from either side of the rib is stunning and at the peak we will view Palisade Basin as well as Dusy Basin, not bad scenery either (N. Palisade etc.!) I have scrambled up to where the rib starts and it appears to be class 2-3 along this rib to the summit block, then a one pitch class 4-5 to the summit with a class 2 walk over to the sister point which is to the west.

Trip limited to 6 and three have committed. Send resume of recent climbs/activity or if known by Steve Eckert and or Steve Powell mention that, and I'll clear your name with them.

If anyone has beta on this peak I would love to hear about it.

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

Goode Clouddripper

Peaks: Mt Goode (13085 Class2), Clouddripper
(13525 Class3)
Date: Sat-Sun, June 16-17
Quads: N.Palisade, Mt Thompson; 7.5'
Contact: Bob Suzuki (bobszk@bigfoot.com)

Co-Contact: Pat Callery (haishan1@yahoo.com)

Sick of hauling that monster pack over the Sierra Crest? Join us for a leisurely 2-day trip in the basin below Bishop Pass. Saturday we will pack in from South Lake and make camp, allowing time for a hike up Mt. Goode's southeast slope. Sunday we will climb Clouddripper's 3rd class west face from Chocolate Lakes and hike out. Any mountain with a name like that has got to be good!

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. Rainer (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.

Arun's Peak Fest

Peaks: Mt Whitney, 14491 ft, class-3, Mt Muir, 14012 ft,
class-3, Mt Carillon, 13517 ft, class-2,
Tunnabora Peak, 13563 ft, Class-2.
Dates: June 30 to July 3 (Sat/Sun/Mon/Tue)
Map: Mt Whitney
Leaders: Arun Mahajan, arun@tollbridgetech.com, 650-
327-8598, home, after 9pm.
Scott Kreider, kreider@pa.dec.com, 650-853-
6560, work.

Join us for a peak fest in one of the most alpine regions of the Sierra. The sunrise on the east face of Whitney from the camp at Iceberg Lakes, is to be seen to be believed.

Muir is well known for it's severely exposed class-3 summit block and from Carillon, one may obtain a great view of the startling east ridge of Mt Russell. We will do Carillon and Tunnabora from our first camp at Upper Boy Scout Lake and then move camp to Iceberg Lake and do Whitney by the Mountaineer's Route from there and from Whitney, hike down the Whitney trail to summit Muir.

Permit for 6. The permit fee is \$15 per person for camping in the Whitney region. We would like you to be a good class-3 climber as Whitney and Muir, by these chosen routes, need you to be at that level. Please call the leaders to sign up.

Mt Brewer

Peaks: Mt Brewer (13570) class-2, N. Guard (13327)
class-3/4
Dates: July 4th-8th
Maps: Mt Whitney (15) Mt Brewer (7.5)
Organizer: Siamak Navid (707) 537-9293 H,
(707) 794-5331 W, sia_navid@agilent.com

The trailhead is Cedar Grove in Kings Canyon. We will take the first two days to get to the uppermost Sphinx Lakes (11000) via Sphinx Creek trail. The two lay over days are for our main peaks. Depending on the conditions we might try other peaks. Brewer is class-2 but N Guard can get tricky and exposed at the top. We will probably take a rope. Ice axes will be required.

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.

Mt Rainier

Peak: Mt. Rainier (14,410), Fuhrer Finger Route
Date: July 7th - 10th
Contact: Maxym Runov, maxym@elegantssoft.com

Glacier travel; 45+ degree snow/ice

This is one of shortest routes to the summit from Paradise Parking lot. High camp will be on Wapovety Clever (west side of the Wilson Glacier) at about 9,400'.

This trip involves both glacier travel and a moderately steep alpine ice climbing. We will travel roped up on the glacier and use pickets and ice screws for belay on the steep ice section.

Participants must be experienced in using ice axe and crampons for snow travel, have previous training in glacier travel and crevasse rescue techniques.

I must know you or you should be recommended by people I know.

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

They had gone to bed and were lying there looking up at the sky. Holmes said, "Watson, look up. What do you see?"

"Well, I see lots of stars."

"And what does that mean to you?"

"Well, I guess it means we will have a nice day tomorrow."

What does it mean to you, Holmes?"

"To me, it means someone has stolen our tent."

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Rock Climbing Classifications

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.

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