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Great things are done when men and mountains meet.
This is not done by jostling in the street.
~ William Blake

Snider Peak
POM - McHugh Peak

Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, February 16 at 6:30 PM
Program: Skiing Alaska's Volcanoes by Chris Flowers.

The Mountaineering Club of Alaska

www.mtnclubak.org

"To maintain, promote and perpetuate the association of persons who are interested in promoting, sponsoring, improving, stimulating and contributing to the exercise of skill and safety in the Art and Science of Mountaineering"

Join us for our club meetings the third Wednesday of the month at the BP Energy Center, 900 East Benson Boulevard, Anchorage, Alaska
www.akpeac.org/conference/BPEC_map_06-04-03.pdf

Cover Photo: John Giraldo on Snider Peak with the Copper Valley in the Background. Photo by Mark Henspeter.

Article Submission:

Text and photography submissions for the Scree can be sent as attachments to mcascree@gmail.com. Do not submit material in the body of the email. We prefer articles that are under 1,000 words. If you have a blog, website, video or photo links, send us the link. Cover photo selections are based on portraits of human endeavor in the outdoors.

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February 19 - 28 Resurrection Trail

Seward to Hope ski tour. (Cabin rental fees apply and must be paid when signing on to the trip, non-refundable.) The Seward to Cooper Landing portion is February 19 to 22 (This portion of the trip is a challenging section of the Resurrection Trail and NOT for novices). On February 22 I plan on a resupply at the Cooper Landing Trailhead, pick up anyone who wants to meet us on this day (about noon), and then continue northbound toward Hope. February 22 to 27 or 28 is Cooper Landing to Hope. (Cabin rental fees apply and must be paid when signing up for the trip, non-refundable.) Contact Greg Bragiel.

February 26 Indian to Arctic/Arctic to Indian Ski Traverse
Depending on the snow conditions, we will do this ski traverse with one group starting at each end and a key swap in the middle. Technical, Class 4. Avalanche gear required. Contact Stu Grenier at oinkmenow@hotmail.com for details. Weather permitting.

March 19 - 27 Scandinavian Peaks Trip

Fly into Scandinavian Peaks Hut (fees apply). Ski and climb as conditions dictate. Contact Stan Olsen, (stan1olsen@yahoo.com) for details.

April 19 - 26 Harding Icefield Ski/Climb

Dates Approximate. Fly into the Tustumena Glacier and traverse over to the Exit Glacier. About 30 miles +/- . Probably try to ski up or climb up something, conditions permitting. Will try to be out Friday or Saturday. before Easter. Requirements: good glacier travel

experience, winter camping, ability to appreciate tent days, and a strong snow shoveler. Contact Stan Olsen stan1olsen@yahoo.com

June 24 - 26 Kenai Peninsula - peaks less traveled
SAVE THE DATE - exact details to be decided later. This will be the traditional solstice weekend trip to the Kenai Peninsula. Destination undecided, but we usually hike in two hours Friday to a basecamp. Climbing Saturday and Sunday on less-traveled walk-up peaks. Option to do one-night or even day trips with the group. Exact valley will depend on depth of snowpack, and determined about May meeting time. Leader: Tom Choate, mtngoatc@gmail.com

July 09 Mystery Mountain
Tom Choate will resurrect his 1990s tradition of 'Mystery Mountain.' He will lead a trip to a peak within 75 miles of town that no one can tell him about (no name?). Details to come! Tom Choate, mtngoatc@gmail.com

Late July or early August. Two week backpacking trip in Gates of the Arctic National Park. Class B/C trip, \$200 air charter deposit per person due by May 1st. Party is limited to five or six. Drop off and pick up at Chimney Lake and return to Bettles. The plan is to backpack from Chimney Lake, cross the Clear River, go through Holmes Pass, and possibly hike up Boreal Mountain. Backpack down to the North Fork of the Koyukuk River. Visit the Gates of the Arctic (peak formation) along the Koyukuk. Pick up food cache at Bombardment Creek airstrip along the North Fork of the Koyukuk River (USGS maps Wiseman D-2 , D-1). Backpack loop back to the Clear River and Chimney Lake. Information on specific dates and costs will follow.

Leader, Don Hansen (907) 243-7184, e-mail donjoehansen@msn.com or donjoehansen@gci.net .

Nuggets in the Scree

At the April 2010 MCA meeting Alex Christie announced that he had recently climbed Mount Billy Mitchell (7217) to its summit. He reportedly started at 2 a.m. and finished at 9 p.m. Mount Billy Mitchell is in the Chugach Mountains east of the Richardson Highway and west of the Copper River. (We look forward to a written trip report.)

Geographic Names Committee Action

The Geographic Names Committee provided comments to the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology regarding a proposal to rename Negrohead Mountain (2809) in the Kevinjik Creek and Rat Creek drainages of the Porcupine Plateau to Tl'oo Khanishyah Mountain.

On the Web

The American Alpine Club reported that in April 2010 Joey McBrayer and Christopher Wright climbed a peak in the Yentna Glacier and Swift Fork of the Kuskokwim River drainages of the Mantoks region of the Alaska Range and named it Mantok II. There have been no other recorded ascents of this 9650-foot peak.

<http://aaj.americanalpineclub.org/climbs-and-expeditions/north-america/alaska/coast-mountains/2010-mantok-ii-peak-10020-by-c-wright/>



Snider Peak

by Mark Henspeter and John Giraldo

Our goal was Snider Peak. Located within Wrangell-Saint Elias National Park and Preserve near Glennallen, Alaska, this jagged pyramid of rock is strung between the 12,010-foot Mt. Drum, and the 14,163-foot Mount Wrangell. Standing at a mere 8,250 feet, Snider isn't the tallest summit, but it has massive personality. The nearly vertical 3,000-foot northwest face, dominated by serrated spires on all corners, gives this small peak an aggressive stance. Due to this daunting demeanor, nobody climbs it, despite being hardly a 15-minute flight from the Gulkana Airport.

After a shelved attempt in 2009, we returned to Snider in May 2010, prepared with the right tools for the job. Having scoped out the mountain on the ground and from the air, we had our plan of attack. We dubbed the route "Dicktation."



John Giraldo on the Approach



That first night it snowed, and a small squall kept temperatures warm enough to prevent the snow from hardening. The next day we kept low and rested, knowing our summit push would start early the next morning. At 1 a.m. we rolled out of the tent, donning gear and downing as many calories as possible. We scuttled up the flanks of the mountain as fast as we dared, treating the still-loaded snow slopes with caution. Sunrise met us on the high west ridge of Snider, where we inched our way toward the direct couloir leading to the summit. The first section was a gentle traverse, leading to a snow climb up a bowl on the northwest section of Snider. These slopes posed some of the most serious avalanche

Mark with the Camera, John with the Glasses, and Mount Drum in the Background

risks of the entire climb. The most efficient route was to gain the top of the bowl at the lowest point, clearing the western ridge of Snider. Past the ridge we dropped onto a large generally flat basin quickly leading us toward the base of the summit.

Once at the base of the summit pyramid, the first real climbing began. At approximately 6,500 feet, there were two couloirs on the southwest face that led up from the massive western basin toward the peak. The southwest couloir was the most direct route to a high

saddle at 8,000 feet on the north face, with access to the summit. The southeast couloir dead-ended roughly 400 feet below the summit. The first 400 to 500 feet were reasonably open and exposed, and due to shallow snow conditions, we climbed it unroped. Earlier in the year it would have been easy to use a running belay with snow pickets. After about 500 feet, the couloir narrowed, and began to concentrate into a gun barrel for the next 800 feet. There was some ice present throughout this section; however, during our ascent it was patchy at best. The last 200 feet of the couloir was primarily a snow climb to the north saddle. We took great care in the saddle, as the north side was a massive cornice, overhanging the 3,000-foot northwest face.

Mark Henspeter pauses in the couloir.



The final pitch was where the route got technical ... and the adrenalin began to pump. From there it was a steep mixed-snow-and-rock line up the north face for approximately 200 feet. We encountered primarily sugar snow on a volcanic tuff, a rather featureless

medium that forms without many cracks – making protection sparse. The exposure was compounded by the position of the route over the northwest face. Any error here was a one-way ticket over a half-mile down the icy slope below.

The Final Pitch



After an hour and a half we gained the razor-thin pinnacled ridge at the top of our route. The far end of the ridge to the southeast rose to an abrupt (roughly 20-foot) spire, but due to the exposure and depleted rack, we knew this was the end of our route. The toil of the thousands of feet quickly faded, as the view alone was worth the climb. The gnarly southern face of Mount Drum loomed directly to the north, and jagged ridges leading to Mount Wrangell fell away to the east. To the west, the horizon was filled with nothing but the open valley, dotted with lakes and ponds, leading to the Copper River. The Chugach Mountains in the distance formed a stark boundary between valley floor and sky.

As breathtaking as the view was, we couldn't dawdle on the ridge crest. The blazing May sun was rapidly softening the snow and necessitated a speedy exit. One 60-meter rappel brought us back to the safety of the saddle and two more rappels saw us out of the more dangerous pitches. The rest of our descent was quick and refreshing, and we rolled back into camp at 5 p.m.



Recap:

The total time will vary depending upon snow conditions; however, the total time camp to summit could be less than 10 to 11 hours. The most straightforward route was to wind around the mountain, from the northwest to the southwest face. The mountain may also be climbed directly via the northwest face; however, this route would be extremely exposed, lying beneath hanging glaciers near the summit. We ascended via the northwest-to-southwest route in both 2009 and 2010, and this route provided the most stable snow, and was more protected. To our knowledge as of 2010, no other climbers have completed this route.

Peak of the Month: McHugh Peak

By Steve Gruhn

Mountain Range: Western Chugach Mountains; Front Range

Borough: Municipality of Anchorage

Drainages: Little Rabbit Creek and McHugh Creek

Latitude/Longitude: 61° 2' 29" North, 149° 39' 58" West

Elevation: 4311 feet

Prominence: 1161 feet from North Suicide Peak (5065)

Adjacent Peak: North Suicide Peak

Distinctness: 1161 feet from North Suicide Peak

USGS Map: Anchorage (A-8) SE

First Recorded Ascent: 1963 by John Duey Unger

Access Point: Upper Canyon Road

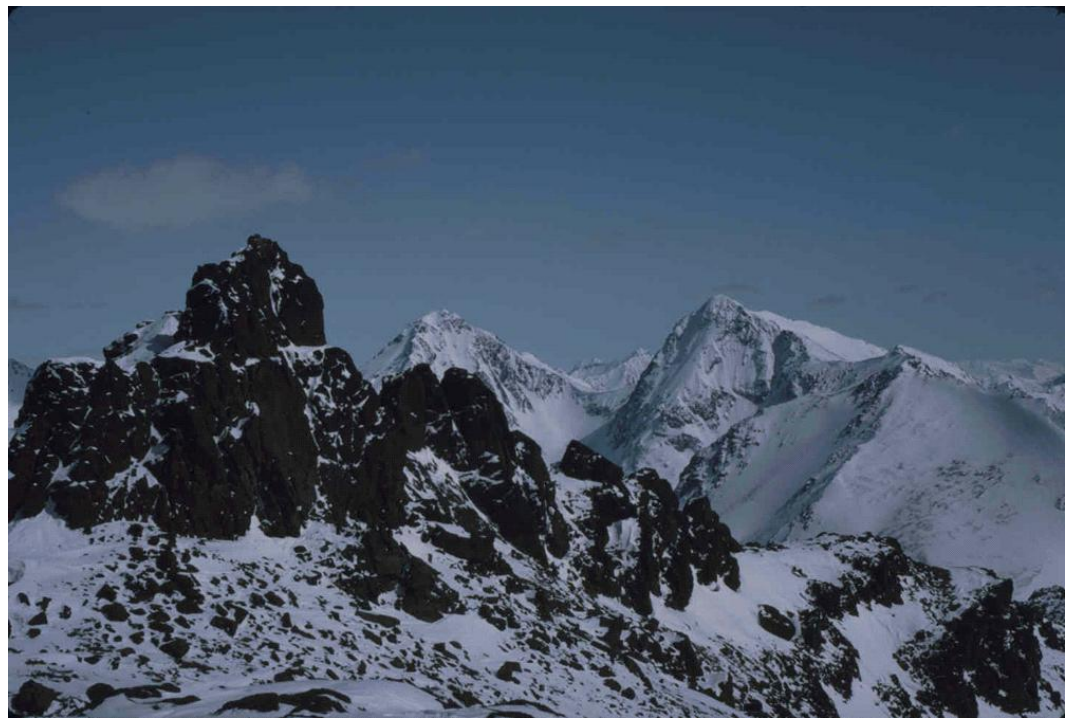
McHugh Peak is the fourth-most prominent peak in the Front Range of the Western Chugach Mountains and is visible on the southeastern skyline from most places in the Anchorage bowl. As such, McHugh Peak provides commanding views from its summit.

**Vicky Lytle on the East Ridge,
November 2010**



The name McHugh Peak was first reported in 1942 by the Army Map Service. The name undoubtedly was derived from the nearby McHugh Creek, the name of which was first reported in 1912 by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Vin Hoeman recorded that John Unger climbed McHugh Peak in 1963, but did not report which of the several possible routes he took. Hoeman's records are housed with the Archives and Special Collections at the UAA Consortium Library.



**McHugh Peak, North and South Suicide Peaks, Spring 1992
Wayne Todd photo**

I first climbed McHugh Peak in the mid-1980s with Doug Hamilton from Canyon Road via Rabbit Lake and the east ridge. At the time, it was possible to drive a two-wheel drive vehicle to a point southwest of Ptarmigan Pass at an elevation of nearly 2,900 feet. That access has since been blocked to motorized vehicles at a point 2-1/2 miles to the northwest and 1,000 feet lower. However, the trail to Rabbit Lake remains accessible and the route is still commonly traveled. The route from Rabbit Lake up the 3-mile-long east ridge is straightforward. Scrambling is only necessary for the last 20 feet of the summit block.

On September 16, 2000, Doug and I returned to climb McHugh Peak from a trailhead off Honey Bear Lane in Bear Valley. Our route took us up the straightforward north ridge.

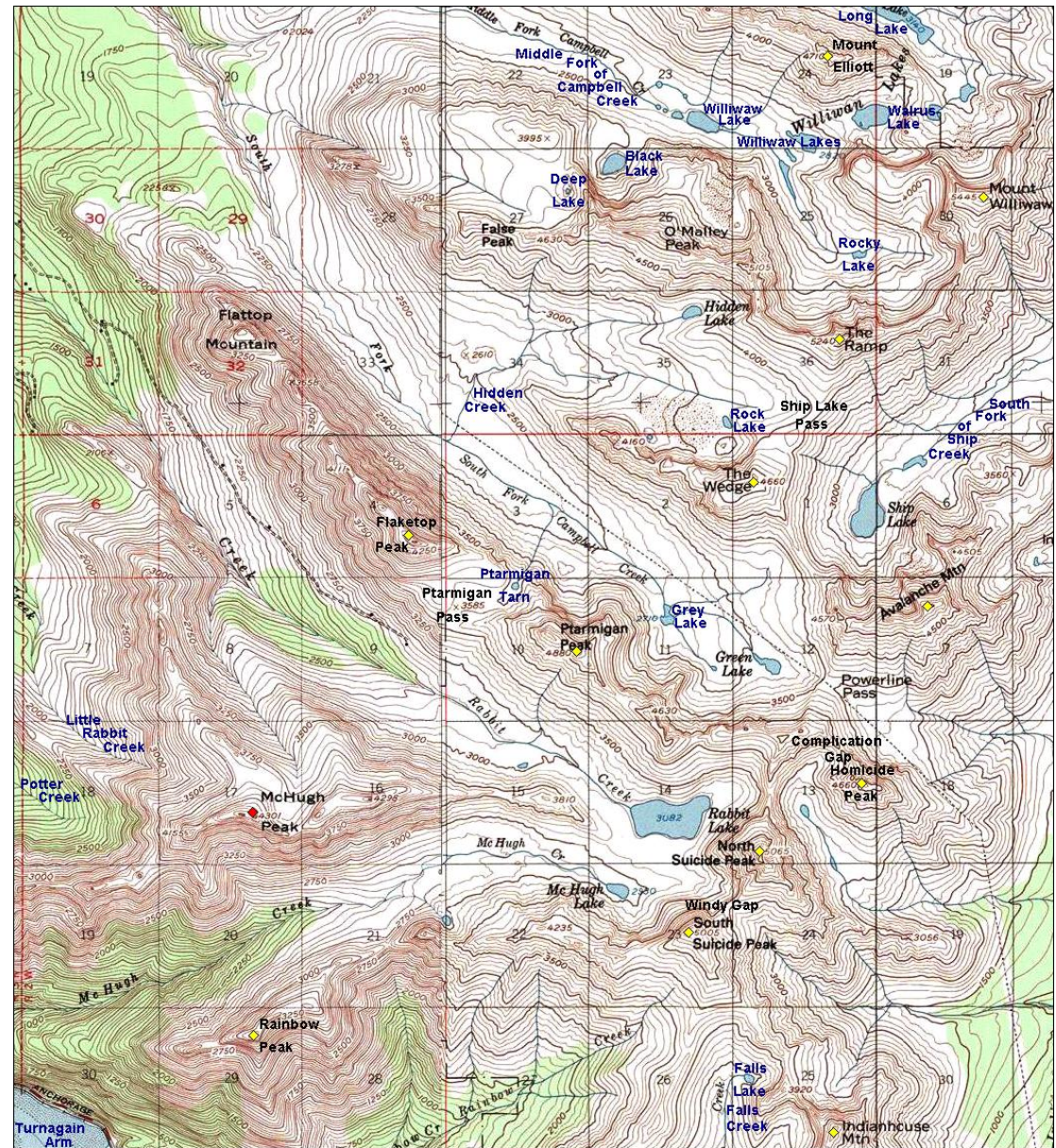
On April 26, 2003, Annette Iverson and I climbed McHugh Peak from the McHugh Creek Trailhead off the Seward Highway. Our route took us first northwest on the Turnagain Arm Trail and then up the McHugh Lake Trail to a brush-free route to the southwest ridge of McHugh Peak. The route involved over 4,200 feet of elevation gain, but was not technical.

On August 16, 2008, while participating in an orienteering race, I returned to the summit of McHugh Peak once again. My route started from a trailhead off Mountainside Village Drive above Potter Creek and attained the north ridge.

Carrie Wang, January 2005
Wayne Todd photo



Because of its easy access, climbs of McHugh Peak have been documented frequently in past *Scree*s. Sally Hague reported on an August 1, 1965, trip up the northwest ridge in the September 1965 *Scree*. Lotte Kramer reported on a July 28, 1968, traverse of McHugh Peak from the north ridge to the east ridge in the August 1968 *Scree*. Larry Swanson reported on a June 22, 1969, trip up the southwest ridge in the July 1969 *Scree*. Tim Neale reported on a January 3, 1981, winter ascent in the January 1981 *Scree*. Neil O'Donnell reported on a January 21, 1990, trip up the northeast gully in the February 1990 *Scree*. The May 1970, January 1981,



Map created with TOPO!® ©2003 National Geographic (www.nationalgeographic.com/topo)

June 1985, May 1983, February 1999, June 2002, and June 2005 *Scree*s also have reports of ascents of McHugh Peak.

Chris Kennedy has more photos and information here:
<http://www.summitpost.org/mchugh-peak/668907>

MCA Board Meeting Minutes November 16, 2010

Board Members Present: Tim Silvers, Randy Plant, Wayne Todd, John Recktenwald, Vicky Lytle, Jim Sellers, Mark Smith. Committee members Present: Carlene VanTol

- 1) Motion - Approve 10/27/10 board meeting minutes - passed unanimously.
- 2) **Volunteers needed for Peak Registers chair, Awards Committee, typing hut logs and typing/storing peak registers.**
- 3) Motion - Allow the MCA Listserv moderator to approve listserv requests before new members entered in database - passed unanimously.
- 4) Hiking & Climbing Committee: 4 new leaders went through leader orientation last week. Another orientation will be held 11/18. **Discussed importance of reviewing the trip leader qualifications and Training to Trips program with new and existing trip leaders.**
- 5) Motion - Approve proposed 2011 budget with several adjustments to income and expense items – passed unanimously. **Randy Plant will submit budget to be published in Dec and Jan Scree for general membership vote on January 19, 2011.**

6) Cost of printing and mailing the Scree is \$20 to 25 per year per subscription. Motion - Increase the fee to receive a mailed paper Scree from \$10 to \$15 starting with membership applications on January 1, 2011 - passed unanimously.

7) Discussed that we need to quantify what the potential liabilities are for the club and for directors and officers. Then we will decide if insurance and/or reincorporation is the proper course of action. **Jim Sellers will continue to investigate and report back to the board.**

8) Motion – **John Reckentwald will setup a beta meetup group page “Alaska Mountaineers”** intended to facilitate the ‘association of persons who are interested in mountaineering and related activities’ [note: This is a paraphrase from the club mission statement]. MCA will reimburse John the \$12 monthly charge for this service. – passed with one dissenting vote.

9) Current Policies: **Secretary (Brian Aho) and President (Tim Silvers) will work on update.**

Next board meetings:
Wednesday, January 5 (location TBA)

Tim Silvers, MCA President

MCA Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2011

Board Members Present: Tim Silvers, Randy

Plant, Wayne Todd, John Recktenwald, Jim Sellers, Mark Smith.

1. Motion passed to launch new club website under a new domain name www.mtnclubak.org. The mcak.org domain has issues with blacklisting causing some members not to receive their Scree notifications.
2. Good discussion about potential liabilities for the club and for directors and officers. **Jim Sellers will continue to investigate and report back to the board.**
3. Volunteer shirts should be ready before the January meeting. **Wayne.**
4. Motion passed to eliminate the paper version of the Directors and Officers Handbook. **Secretary will update the documents electronically and archive older copies.**
5. Motion passed to change the club's mailing address to a PO Box in Midtown. The Downtown PO has inconvenient hours and it is not centrally located. **Randy will be responsible for opening a new PO BOX, closing and forwarding the old box, and updating relevant parties with the club's new address.**
6. Bock's Den - once the area re-vegetates, club will probably want to terminate the lease.

Next board meeting: Wednesday, February 2 (location TBA)
Tim Silvers, MCA President

January 19, 2011 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Note: Tasks to be completed in ***bold italics***.

1. Treasurer's Report: New club address (Box 243561, Anchorage, AK 99524-3561), 2011 budget vote: one opposition, majority of membership voted in favor of the proposed budget with the following amendments

(i) Increase Library budget to \$600

(ii) Decrease Awards budget to \$600

(iii) Increase Equipment budget to \$1000

2. Huts (Greg Bragiel): Possibly need fly-in maintenance mission this year.
3. Peak Registers: ***Need new committee chair***
4. Awards: ***Need another committee volunteer***
5. Website (Tim Silvers): New website is online (www.mcak.org now redirects to mtclubak.org).
6. Training: Basic Mountaineering School is in process.
7. Volunteer Recognition (Wayne Todd): T-shirts distributed to dedicated volunteers.

8. Proposed Climbing Fee increase: The National Park Service is proposing a fee increase to climb Denali and Mt. Rainier. More information:
<http://www.mtnclubak.org/index.cfm/About-Us/News/46>
9. Slide Show Presentation by Nikki Green: An Intro to Caving and the 2009 J2 Expedition

Next board meetings: Wednesday, February 2nd (6 PM)

Brian Aho, Secretary



SIGN AND INITIAL THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY— READ IT CAREFULLY

I _____ (print name) am aware that mountaineering and wilderness activities (including hiking; backpacking; rock, snow, and ice climbing; mountaineering; skiing; ski mountaineering; rafting and packrafting, kayaking, and use of remote backcountry huts) are hazardous activities. I wish to participate and/or receive instruction in these activities with the Mountaineering Club of Alaska, Inc. (“MCA”). I recognize these activities involve numerous risks, which include, by way of example only, falling while hiking, climbing, skiing or crossing rivers or glaciers; falling into a crevasse or over a cliff; drowning; failure of a belay; being struck by climbing equipment or falling rock, ice or snow; avalanches; lightning; fire; hypothermia; frostbite; defective or malfunctioning equipment; and attack by insects or animals. I further recognize that the remoteness of the activities may preclude prompt medical care or rescue. I also recognize that risk of **injury or death** may be caused or enhanced by **mistakes, negligence or reckless conduct** on the part of either my fellow participants; MCA officers, directors, instructors, or trip leaders; and the State of Alaska and its employees regarding MCA backcountry huts. I nevertheless agree to accept all risks of **injury, death, or property damage** that may occur in connection with any MCA activity, including use of MCA furnished equipment and MCA backcountry huts. (**As used in this agreement, MCA includes its officers, directors, instructors and trip leaders.**)
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

GIVING UP MY LEGAL RIGHTS I agree to give up for myself and for my heirs all legal rights I may have against the MCA; my fellow participants in MCA activities (except to the extent that insurance coverage is provided by automobile insurance policies) and the State of Alaska and its employees regarding MCA backcountry huts. **I give up these legal rights regardless of whether the injury, death, or property damage results from mistakes, negligence or reckless conduct of others.** I understand this agreement shall remain in effect until I provide a signed, dated, written notice of its revocation to the MCA.
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

MY PROMISE NOT TO SUE I will not sue or otherwise make a claim against the MCA; my fellow participants in MCA activities (except as noted above for automobile accidents); and the State of Alaska and its employees regarding use of MCA backcountry huts, for **injury, death, or property damage** which occurs in the course of my participation or instruction in mountaineering and wilderness activities. Any lawsuit relating to MCA activities or this release shall only be filed in Anchorage, Alaska. The provisions of this release are severable and if any part is found unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in effect.
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

MY RELEASE OF LIABILITY I agree to release and discharge the MCA; my fellow participants in MCA activities; and the State of Alaska and its employees regarding use of MCA backcountry huts, from all actions, claims, or demands, both for myself and for my heirs, dependents, and/or personal representative, for **injury, death, or property damage** occurring in the course of my participation or instruction in mountaineering and wilderness activities.
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

MY PROMISE TO INDEMNIFY I will pay all expenses, including attorney fees and court costs, that the MCA; my fellow participants in MCA activities; and the State of Alaska and its employees may incur as a consequence of any legal action arising out of **injury, death, or property damage** suffered by me in connection with any MCA activity or the use of any MCA backcountry hut.
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

MY CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT I consent to any hospital or medical care that may be necessary as a result of my participation in MCA activities. I understand and agree that I am solely responsible for all charges for such medical treatment, including evacuation and/or rescue costs.
_____ (initial that you have read this paragraph)

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENT, AND RECOGNIZE IT IS A BINDING LEGAL AGREEMENT

Dated: _____ Signature: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18): _____

Revised 2/19/09

General Rules for Participation on MCA Sanctioned Trips

1. Participants shall familiarize themselves with the *physical demands*, *anticipated terrain* and *potential hazards* associated with the proposed trip. Examples include, but are not limited to:

Physical Demands: Estimated elevation gain, distance and duration.

Anticipated Terrain: Trail hiking; bushwhacking; off-trail hiking on tundra, snow, ice, scree, talus or boulders; exposed hiking on steep slopes covered with snow, ice, slick vegetation, scree, talus or boulders; scrambling on loose rock; exposed scrambling on loose rock; technical snow, ice, rock and/or mixed climbing; stream crossing; glacier travel on snow, ice and/or scree.

Potential Hazards: Avalanche; falling while skiing, hiking or climbing; falling into a crevasse; being struck by falling rock, snow or ice; attack by a bear, moose or insects (bees, wasps, mosquitoes, biting flies, etc); lightning; fire; carbon monoxide poisoning; suffocation; frostbite; hypothermia; drowning from falling through snow, crossing a stream, packrafting or kayaking; injury from use/ misuse of equipment. Note that it is impossible to predict all potential hazards that may be encountered while participating on MCA sanctioned trips.

2. Participants may be required to demonstrate the skills and experience necessary to participate on any given trip.

3. Participants shall sign-up on the club sanctioned trip sign-up sheet.

4. Participants shall read, initial and sign the Release of Liability Agreement prior to departing on the trip.

5. The trip leader may refuse participation to any member for any reason. If someone feels that they have been discriminated against or treated unfairly, they may present their case to the Hiking and Climbing Committee and/or the Executive Committee.

6. Proper clothing and equipment is required to participate on club sanctioned trips. The trip leader can require special equipment and refuse participation to any person that is ill-prepared (e.g. inappropriate clothing, footwear or gear). See recommended equipment list at the end of this policy.

7. Participants shall follow the leader's instructions. Participants shall not go off alone, return or rush ahead without permission from the leader. Participants shall not ford a stream before the leader assesses the situation. Remember, this is a club trip and the leader must know where all participants are. Anyone intentionally separating from the group without the leader's

approval shall no longer be considered a participant on the club sanctioned trip.

8. The trip leader has the authority to split the group (fast and slow), dependent upon current conditions and experience level of the participants. The leader must appoint a qualified co-leader to lead the second group using the guidelines specified under Trip Leader Responsibilities.

9. **Glacier Travel:** For trips requiring roped travel over glaciers, knowledge of crevasse rescue, and ice axe and crampon skills are required. A basic understanding of ice and snow anchors is also required.

10. Participants who in the leader's opinion, put themselves or other members of the group in danger, shall be subject to sanction by the club. Sanctions may include, but are not limited to, reprimand at the general meeting, exclusion from future trips, termination of annual membership, or lifetime exclusion from the club. The Executive Committee, and only the Executive Committee, shall have the authority to issue sanctions.

11. Number of people on club trips:

Minimum: For safety reasons, three people minimum. Trips undertaken with fewer than the minimum required participants shall not be considered club sanctioned trips.

Maximum: Registration on any particular trip must be restricted to a safe and manageable number of members. The Leader and/or Hiking and Climbing Committee shall determine the maximum number of participants. In trail-less areas or State and National Parks the maximum number depends upon the trail and campsite conditions, but will generally be limited to 12 people.

12. In general dogs are not allowed. Among the reasons are bear problems. Well behaved, bear savvy dogs may be approved at the discretion of the trip leader and all trip participants. Approval must be unanimous and must occur prior to meeting for the trip.

13. Firearms are not allowed on club sanctioned trips, unless approved by the trip leader and all participants. Approval must be unanimous. Aerosol bear repellent is preferred in lieu of firearms.

14. If you find you cannot participate after signing up on the roster, please let the leader know as soon as possible, for transportation and gear-planning and so someone else can go. If you are the leader, help find a replacement.

Revised 6/18/10

Mountaineering Club of Alaska

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Annual membership dues: Single \$15, Family \$20

Dues can be paid at any meeting or mailed to the Treasurer at the MCA address at right. If you want a membership card, please fill out a club waiver and mail it with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you fail to receive the newsletter or have questions about your membership, contact the Club Membership Committee at membership@mtclubak.org

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Paid ads may be submitted to the attention of the Vice-President at the club address and should be in electronic format and pre-paid.

Missing your MCA membership card? Stop by the monthly meeting to pick one up or send a self-addressed stamped envelope and we'll mail it to you.

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