Bobcats Newsletter

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Bobcats Section Chair Musings

A new year is always a good moment to pause, reflect, and look ahead—and by every measure, 2025 was an outstanding year for the Bobcats. We offered more trips, had more trip leaders stepping up, and welcomed more participants than ever before. Simply put: the Bobcats community was active, engaged, and thriving.

Thank you to our Bobcats trip leaders for your time, energy, and dedication. Your willingness to lead made these adventures possible. And thank you to everyone who joined a Bobcats trip in 2025—you're what makes this section such a fun, supportive, and rewarding community. Here's hoping 2026 brings even more trips, shared challenges, laughter on the trail, and memorable days in Colorado's backcountry.

Trip data and participant feedback from 2025 have been compiled into our Bobcats 2025 Year in Review, which provides a great snapshot of just how strong the program has become. You can view the full report here: **HERE**

In 2025, the Bobcats led 124 trips—a 38% increase over 2024—guided by 26 volunteer trip leaders and joined by nearly 900 participants. Participant feedback was overwhelmingly positive, highlighting exceptional leadership, strong camaraderie, thoughtful decision-making, and consistently memorable mountain experiences.

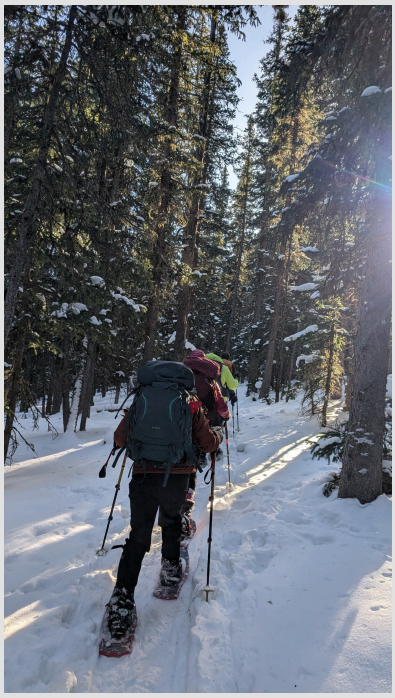
The Bobcats Board will be reviewing this information at our next meeting. As always, if you have questions, ideas, or feedback about the Bobcats program, please feel free to reach out to any Board member.

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Happy Trails,
Jim Guerra
Bobcats Section Chair

Upcoming Bobcat Trips- Sign up for the waitlist if full

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Hike



Scramble



Snowshoe



Peru Creek Ski led and pic by Ed Cotgageorge



RestHouse Trail led by Rachel Dobrotin pic by Deb English



Rusty Buckle Tr at Staunton led and pic by Michael Rees



Leland, Fool, and King Crk Experimental Forest led and pic by Wayne Howell



Leland W Loop Experimental Forest pic by Deb English



Leland W Loop Experimental Forest off trail and pic by Wayne Howell



Mitchell Lk led and pic by Wayne Howell



Mitchell Lk pic by Jeff Hogan



Thunder Butte and Sheep Nose pic by Jim Guerra



Jones Pass pic by Jan Brady



Thunder Butte and Sheep Nose pic by Jim Guerra



Thunder Butte and Sheep Nose led by Erika May pic by Jim Guerra



Twin Cones led and pic by Jim Guerra



Mt Morrison led by Michael Rees pic by Suzy McClain



Jones Pass led and pic by Wayne Howell



Crater Lk led by Wayne Howell pic by Jan Brady



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CMC Winter Course Link

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Who are the Bobcats?
The Bobcats' mission is to ensure a variety of adventurous CMC trips, mostly on weekdays, all year long. Our trips tend to be faster-paced, on more challenging routes, and with fewer stops. We foster a strong community of hikers seeking challenge, discovery and camaraderie.

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