Contribute to the Canadian Alpine Journal

Content and Submissions

It is expected that the CAJ represent Canadian climbing coast-to-coast, and that the information in the Journal is current and reflective of the broadest standards of style and ranges of difficulty.

The CAJ, and its legacy to the climbing community, could not happen without each year's contributors. Our goal is to create the definitive record of Canadian climbing and to make that resource available for generations to come. We gladly accept articles that have been previously published in other periodicals. The CAJ does not pay for words or images.

Submission Guidelines:

The CAJ is interested in articles and reports (both in English and French language) of significant mountain achievements, both in Canada and by Canadians internationally. The CAJ also accepts mountain culture articles related to science, history, fiction, art, humour and reflection.

Word count can range anywhere between 300 and 2500 words. MS Word documents or RTF format please. Text can be e-mailed to: caj@alpineclubofcanada.ca

The CAJ offers six departments for which your submission may be used.

- •Feature Articles Our most significant contributions (2500-3500 words with good selection of photos).
- •Cultural Ranges Mountain culture articles related to science, history, fiction, art, humour and reflection.
- •Regional Articles Divided into The North, The West Coast, The Interior, The Rockies, The East and Foreign (500-550 with one photo, 900-1000 words with two photos or 2000 with three to four photos).
- •Remembrances Tributes to the passing of friends, heroes and members (1400-1500 words).
- •Reviews Book reviews of titles by Canadian authors or that include Canadian content (1400-1500 words).

The Canadian Alpine Journal reserves the right to edit contributions for size, clarity and accuracy. As much as possible, we will preserve the original tone and style of all submissions. The Alpine Club of Canada reserves the right to publish submitted works in print, on our website, as part of other versions and as compilations, and in promotional material. Writers retain all other rights to their work. By submitting your article and/or photographs, you are agreeing to these copyright terms. The deadline for submissions is February 1 of each year.

Photo Guidelines:

Photos are full colour and range in size from ¼-page up to double page spreads. An honorarium is paid for the front cover photo. Photos can be submitted via email attachment, Dropbox link or WeTransfer. Send high-resolution original camera images. These can be either high-res JPEGs or Raw format. If you feel like you have a large selection of images for consideration then we will accept a file of low-res photos to review, but only if the original high-res versions are available.

All images should be clearly captioned either in the photo name itself or in an accompanying caption sheet with: photographer's first and last name, climber's first and last name, pitch number, pitch grade, route name and mountain name.

New routes need to include a high-res photo of the face with a route line drawn on very thinly in red so we can trace over and cover up with our own CAJ formatted line.

Maps and topos can be sent a PDFs. Original hand-created artwork should be sent as a high-resolution scan.

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