

# CMC EAGLES SKI TEAM 2021-2022 SEASON REPORT





## CMC Eagles Alpine Ski Team Soared to New Heights in the 2021-2022 Season

Team camaraderie and hard work proved to be the keys to the Eagles' success on the hill and in the classroom. Five returning seasoned upperclassmen welcomed five talented freshmen to CMC in Steamboat Springs for the 2021-2022 season. The team bonded as a unit soon after arriving on campus, first in the gym and soon afterward on the hill.

The cohesive culture among the athletes, fostered by head coach Scott Tanner, produced a winning work ethic in training that translated into success on the race hill.

The team took advantage of pre-season training at the U.S. Ski Team's Alpine Technical Center at Copper Mountain, where they trained alongside the best alpine athletes in the world. Following a promising showing there, articles in the Aspen Times, Vail Daily and Steamboat Pilot called out the Eagles as a team to watch.

### CMC ALPINE SKI TEAM RAMPS UP FOR THE 2021-22 SEASON – Vail Daily – November 23, 2021

“The word’s getting out’ about Colorado Mountain College’s 10 student-athletes.”

“Initially, it wasn’t easy to attract the caliber of racers we have, but it’s a different story now,” Coach Tanner said. “I have friends who coach at the U.S. ski team, and they’re telling me, ‘Whoa, what’s going on over there?’ The word’s getting out.”

Once the season got underway, the Eagles rocked the college ski racing world with a number of impressive results. As the quintessential underdogs in the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Ski Association (RMISA), the Eagles charged up the rankings defeating many of the top conference’s powerhouse teams. Our athletes achieved a team record nine individual top-ten finishes, as well as the team’s first-ever RMISA victory, and the collegiate ski world is taking notice.

Ainsley Proffit made CMC history by winning the giant slalom event at the RMISA Qualifier race at Copper Mountain in February. This followed a second place GS finish in the Denver Invitational. Fueled by the momentum, the team brought their game to the late season, turning in three top-ten finishes, by Proffit, Nick Unkovskoy and Matt Macaluso, at the RMISA Championships.



## **PROFFIT WINS GS QUALIFIER AT COPPER MOUNTAIN – RMISAskiing.com – February 17, 2022**

### **Proffit Wins GS Qualifier at Copper Mountain**

COPPER MOUNTAIN, Colo.—Colorado Mountain College's Ainsley Proffit made history, winning the first race at the RMISA level for the school in history, picking up the win in the women's GS RMISA qualifier race here Thursday.

Proffit won the race by just one-hundredth of a second, the closest race of the season in any of the four disciplines skied by the RMISA. She was joined on the podium by Westminster's Julia Toiviainen and Utah's Kaja Norbye.

In total, the team brought home nine individual top-ten finishes over the College season. Each of our ten athletes achieved their personal best results racing this year, all while enjoying CMC life in Steamboat.

**Ainsley Proffit, 2 podiums, 4 top 10, 4 top 20**  
**Sergi Piguillem, 2 top 10, 2 top 20, 2 top 30**  
**Matthew Macaluso, 1 top 10, 4 top 20, 3 top 30**  
**Nick Unkovskoy, 1 top 10, 4 top 30**  
**Jack Reich, 1 top 20, 5 top 30**

**Henry Hakoshima, 3 top 30**  
**Cheyenne Brown, 2 top 30**  
**Mary Kate Hackworthy, 1 top 30**  
**Gunnar Barnwell, 1 top 30**  
**William Cashmore, 1 top 30**

## **Academic Performance**

The Eagles Ski Team also reached new heights in the classroom. Nine of our athletes were named as Academic All Americans, and the team achieved a combined GPA of 3.81. "I hadn't been to school in over 5 years, but the small classes and teaching staff provided the support and guidance I needed to be successful in the classroom again," said Ainsley Proffit of her academic success last season.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT FROM NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ALL-ACADEMIC SKI TEAM:**

#### **A Total Of 361 Athletes Named To All-Academic Ski Team**

This is the second straight season that more than 300 were named to the team nationally, which comprises all NCAA and associate members of the three ski regions, the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Ski Association in the west region, the Central Collegiate Ski Association in the central region and Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association in the eastern region.

To make the All-Academic team, skiers must have a 3.5 cumulative grade point average, matching the highest GPA requirement of any coaches association academic team nationally, and skiers must participate at one of the three regional championships.

This year's recipients from Colorado Mountain College were Cheyenne Brown, William Cashmore, Mary Kate Hackworthy, Henry Hakoshima, Matthew Macaluso, Sergi Piguillem, Ainsley Proffit, Jack Reich and Nicholas Unkovskoy.



# The Skigles Experience

Skiing at CMC is about development – athletically, academically, and personally. The success of this season has enabled several of our athletes to transfer to other, larger Division 1 NCAA teams. Says coach Scott Tanner, “Our number one goal at CMC, is to prepare our athletes for the future. Although athlete retention contributes greatly to team success, we also must respect the personal growth of each individual athlete. The opportunity for student transfer to a bigger NCAA team is not only a goal, but is also a true reflection of the success of the CMC Eagles Team.

We would like to congratulate the following athletes for their achievements at CMC and wish them continued success with their new teams. There is no doubt these athletes will be channeling their inner Eagle next season!



## WILL ATTACKS THE GS COURSE

CMC was such a fantastic pathway, improving my skiing, my engineering, and strength. Yet it was the 'Skigles experience' that was worth so much more. Being amongst a collaborative culture of likeminded people, always striving to improve, challenge and celebrate each other was extremely rewarding!

– Will Cashmore

## JACK'S FOCUS AND DRIVE

CMC provided me the opportunity to continue to pursue my athletic goals while not sacrificing my educational goals. Without CMC I would not have been able to achieve what I knew I could achieve. In addition, the small community and team helped foster friendships and connections that I will value and learn from for the rest of my career and life.”

– Jack Reich



## AINSLEY SKIS INTO CMC HISTORY

“CMC has a great network of people that helped me achieve everything I hoped for and more. Between my coaches, teachers, and teammates I experienced my most memorable and prosperous ski season of my career and I am forever grateful for my time on the team.”

– Ainsley Proffit



## 2021-2022 Athlete Statistics

- ▶ 5 juniors
- ▶ 5 freshman
- ▶ 3 women
- ▶ 7 men
- ▶ 60% lived off campus
- ▶ 10% on campus
- ▶ 30% lived with family
- ▶ 20% in district tuition
- ▶ 20% in state tuition
- ▶ 60% out of state tuition

# 2021-2022 Eagles Ski Team Roster

Name	Home Town	CMC Major	Transferred to
Gunnar Barnwell - Freshman	Zephyr Cove, NV	Ski & Snowboard Business	Returning to CMC for Sophomore year
Cheyenne Brown - Junior	Donner Summit, CA	Ski and Snowboard Business, Leadership and Management	Returning to CMC for Senior year
William Cashmore - Junior	Auckland, NZ	Mechanical Engineering	University of Alaska Anchorage
Mary Kate Hackworthy - Junior	Steamboat Springs, CO	Associate of Arts, Communication	Returning to CMC for Senior Year
Henry Hakoshima - Freshman	Jackson, WY	Environmental Science	Returning to CMC for Sophomore year
Matthew Macaluso - Freshman	Vail, CO	Undeclared	Returning to CMC for Sophomore year
Sergi Piguillem - Junior	Barcelona, Spain	Engineering	University of Nevada
Ainsley Proffit - Freshman	St. Louis, MO	Business	University of Alaska - Anchorage
Jack Reich - Freshman	Denver CO	Business	University of Colorado - Boulder
Nicolas Unkovskoy - Freshman	Durango, CO	Business	

## Coaching Staff



**Scott Tanner**



**Brian Gudolawicz**



**Bryce Bonne**

**Scott Tanner, Head Coach** – Coach Tanner joined the Colorado Mountain College ski team as head coach in 2018. A New Hampshire native, Tanner has coached ski racers in Colorado for the past 25 years, initially for Team Breckenridge in Summit County and then for the Steamboat Spring Winter Sports Club. While working as head FIS coach at both of these programs, he coached many future college racers and NCAA All-Americans. More recently, he coached for the U.S. Ski Team’s National University Team, which was composed of the top collegiate racers in the country. Tanner is focused on CMC’s current ski racers as well as actively recruiting the next generation of college racers for CMC. “I’m looking for athletes who want to continue ski racing at a high level, while earning a college degree,” he said.

**Brian Gudolawicz, Assistant Coach** – It’s not only the athletes who achieved excellence this year. Coach Gudolawicz was named CMC – Steamboat Springs Staff Member of the Year. This honor, bestowed by fellow Steamboat staff members, went to Brian for his outstanding support of his students, both on and off the race hill.

**Bryce Bonner, Student Assistant Coach** – Bryce began his connection with the Eagles Team as its number one Super Fan in his Freshman year at CMC. As his passion for the sport and the team grew, so did his level of support. Bryce is instrumental in the daily operation of the team and his hard work at training sessions allows the entire team to concentrate on their individual goals.

# Sponsorship and Community Support



As the home team in Steamboat Springs, the Eagles are gaining support from local businesses as well as from corporate sponsorships. Support from sponsors, as well as individual donors is critical to our success.

**CMC AND THE EAGLES SKI TEAM APPRECIATES THE SUPPORT THESE SPONSORS. THANK YOU!**



## HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOUR SUPPORT CAN DO FOR THE TEAM:

- ▶ \$500 – enables purchase of training supplies/gear
- ▶ \$1,000 – can provide team transportation and race fees for one additional FIS or Nor-Am race
- ▶ \$5,000 – enables purchase of new team uniform and/or outerwear
- ▶ \$10,000 – can support additional off-season training camps for CMC athletes

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