

Nepal, Mt. Everest Base Camp and Beyond

AMC-NH Chapter Programs Committee is pleased to announce our guest speaker for our 2017 Annual Meeting-Jake St. Pierre.

Jake St. Pierre is a mountaineer and climber who currently works as safety guide and location scout for the hit NBC show Running Wild with Bear Grylls. Responsibilities includes rigging rope systems for show stunts, acquiring props such as animals and for different shows, short roping crew on dangerous terrain, researching and writing the Emergency and Evacuation Procedures for each show, and being responsible for the overall safety of the cast and crew throughout filming.

On top of working for NBC, Jake is a lead survival instructor for the Bear Grylls Survival Academy in the Catskill mountains of upstate New York. Jake takes groups in to the mountains and teaches them how to survive in the wild with minimal supplies. He also leads annual expeditions to Nepal and to Mt Everest base camp through his own company Juggernaut Adventures. He recently got back from a successful climb of Mt Rainier where all his clients reached the summit.

Jake has climbed on Mt. Everest and in the Himalaya numerous times. He is a certified Wilderness First Responder, former police officer, and a certified personal trainer who still trains private clients. Jake is a family man with a lovely wife, a six-year-old daughter and is expecting another daughter in December.

In 2014 Jake was recruited by the American Climber Science Program to join their team to study climate change at the top of the world. Their goal was to collect snow and ice samples from Mt Everest and her sister peak Lhotse (the 4th highest mountain in the world) and test for the effects of black carbon blowing in from India, China, and surrounding countries. Jake was one of the climbing leaders who would assist the scientists in climbing to where they needed to go to best collect their data. The trip was cut short by the tragic avalanche on Everest, which killed 16 Sherpa's, including a member of Jakes's team. At our annual meeting on **October 28th**, Jake will share his story and photos of this fateful trip. Jake will also share info about his current interests in survival training and recent trips.

AMC-NH's Annual Dinner will be held Saturday, October 28th at the Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Avenue, Concord, NH.

The social hour begins at 5:30p.m. (appetizers and cash bar), dinner at 6:30 p.m. The menu will include a buffet dinner; soup of the day, salad, beef and chicken entrees, roasted potatoes, vegetable and chef's dessert display, rolls, coffee and assorted herbal teas. A brief business meeting and the featured speaker will follow dinner.

Register at www.amc-nh.org or, see mail-in registration form listed below. For more information, contact Debbie Marcus after 7:00 pm at 978-578-4198 or send an email to programsnh@amc-nh.org.

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