

The Rambler



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THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

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TRIP SCHEDULE

August 1964

Register for all trips at Club Headquarters EM 3-7150

- August 1-2 Lodge Open after 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. (It is rented
Sat. - Sun. until 4:00 p.m.) Hostess will be Ann McDonald who
 invites you to join her for part or all of the weekend
 at our cool, comfortable lodge. Just 50¢ for overnight.
- August 1 Mt. Millicent Hike. Hikers will leave the lodge at
Saturday 9:00 a.m. Those who reach the top will return via
 Catherine Pass. Rating is 4.5. Register by Friday,
 July 31, at 6:00 p.m. Leader will be lodge hostess
 Ann McDonald.
- August 2 Sailing and water skiing on Pineview Reservoir. Bring
Sunday your lunch, bathing suit, and water skis if you have
 any. Meet at Club Headquarters (425 South 8th West)
 for departure at 9:00 a.m. Register by Saturday at
 6:00 p.m. Leader: Bob Wright.
- August 5 Board Meeting. Any members are welcome. Check with
Wednesday secretary Clare Davis for details.
- August 6 Rock Climbing at Storm Mountain. A good time can be
Thursday had by both earnest climbers and the socializers. Come
 up and join the fellowship. Food will be available for
 a small fee at dusk.
- August 8-9 Children's Weekend at Lodge. The lodge is rented until
Sat. - Sun. 4:00 p.m., so please plan to arrive after this time.
 This is an ideal opportunity for the youngsters to enjoy
 an outing that includes hiking or exploring outdoors,
 casual lodge meals, and night out. Each family should
 plan its own activities and meals. Host: Ray Ploch.
- August 8-9 Backpack to Granddaddy Lake. Departure will be at
Sat. - Sun. 6:30 p.m. from "The Place" since the drive is about
 three hours. We will go via the Wolf Creek Road to the
 F.S. Camping sites along the Duchesne River. The next
 morning we will pack into the lake by way of Hades Canyon.
 This is a short hike (two hours) with only 600 feet change
 in elevation. Bring insect repellent, rain gear, fishing
 gear (and license) and spend a leisurely weekend recovering
 from your vacation. Register by 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August
 6. Leader: Ernie Katten.

- August 9
Sunday Mt. Raymond Hike. This is rapidly becoming one of our annual hikes. Elevation, 10,241, Rating 8.5. Bring your lunch, insect repellent, and suntan lotion. We will descend via Porter Fork and Helen Battison's cabin. Helen will have cold drinks awaiting thirsty hikers. Be sure to register by 6 p.m. Saturday so that return transportation can be arranged. Meet at the entrance of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 7:30 a.m. Leader Judy Allen.
- August 13
Thursday Multipitch Climbing. Come and practice climbing or just come and watch, it's fun. Climbing will be held on the south side of the road at Storm Mountain. Arrive early to join a rope. Food and cool drinks are available at a nominal fee at dusk.
- August 14
Friday Observatory Visit. This original trip in June had to be cancelled because of overcast skies. Interest was so high, however, we are rescheduling it for this date. This will be the best time in August to see the sky at its most interesting time. Meet at 8:30 p.m. at the observatory which is located northeast of Kingsbury Hall. If in doubt about the weather, call Club Headquarters or Jack Keuffel (CR 7-5733). Jack is leader.
- August 15-16
Sat. - Sun. Lodge Open. Where else could you find all the fine lodge facilities and pleasures for only 50 cents for overnight? Temperatures should be ideal for sleeping and there'll be a friendly fire in the fireplace. If you can make it for a whole weekend, drop in for just a few hours. Host: Gerry Powelson.
- August 15-16 Climbing in the Tetons. Leave Club Headquarters at 6:00 p.m. Friday, August 14. We will climb Teeweenot or the Middle Teton and return late Sunday. Register by 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 13. Leader: to be announced.
- August 16
Sunday Mt. Baldy from Albion Basin. Don't let the elevation 11,068 scare you. This is only a two and a half hour hike with a 3.5 rating. It allows you one of the best views in the Wasatch. Meet at the entrance to Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Betty Bottcher.
- August 19
Wednesday Board Meeting.

- August 20
Thursday Miltipitch Climbing. Meet at the "S" turn in the Big Cottonwood Canyon. You'll want to arrive early to join a rope. Watchers are welcome. At dusk there will be hot sandwiches and cool drinks at a nominal cost.
- August 22-23
Sat. - Sun. The lodge advantages we WMC members have available make that membership fee seem terribly small. Why not bring your husband, wife or date and come up for Saturday night dinner or all weekend. Saturday evening there will be a hot charcoal fire and some of us enjoying steaks, burgers or hotdogs, according to personal choice. 50¢ for members overnight. Host and Hostess: Joe and Connee Gates.
- August 22-23
Sat. - Sun. Kings Peak. A trip we have been talking about for a long time! Leave Friday night at 6:30 p.m. from "The Place." Saturday, we'll backpack into the head of Henry Fork. Sunday, it's climb Kings Peak and pack out. Then the trip back to SLC. Register by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 20. Rating: too long for one day, but just right for two. Leader: to be announced.
- August 21-24
Fri. - Mon. Wind River Mountains. Depart from Salt Lake City on Thursday night, August 20, and start the 14 mile hike into the mountains via Horse Ridge the following morning. On the 22nd and 23rd, two climbs of major peaks in the Dinwoody Glacier Cirque will be attempted. (Grade 3-4) For those who wish to hike, there are several scenic passes and easy peaks. We will hike out and return to SLC on the 24th. Experienced hikers only, please. Register by 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 18. Leader: Dennis Caldwell.
- August 22
Saturday Climbing on Sundial at Lake Blanche. We plan to hike up Friday evening, so that an early start can be made that morning. (Did you know this is the same peak that appears on the WMC patch?) Leader: Tom Stevenson. Register by 6:00 p.m. Thursday, August 20.
- August 23
Sunday Devil's Castle Hike. Here is a popular hike with a little exposure and climbing if you wish to reach the very top. Anyone can tackle it under the able direction of Scotty Imber. Meet at the entrance of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Register by 6:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- August 27
Thursday Climbing at Storm Mountain. Park in the reservoir area and come to practice or just watch. As is our custom,

food will be available at dusk. Note: this will be the last Storm Mountain session this year.

August 29-30 Lodge Open. Once again you have an opportunity to enjoy
Sat.-Sun. our lodge facilities. Plan your own commissary or organize a group and come up. Paul Schettler, a new board member this year, will be the host.

August 29 Whoopie! Western Party! It's time again to revive
Saturday the Wild West at the lodge. Come in western attire (this means casual mountain club attire, unless you have the real thing.) Cost -- \$1.50 per person in HARD CASH. -- Will admit members, spouses, and dates. \$2.00 for guests. This should give you enough WMC currency for gambling and purchasing refreshments. If you happen to be a big loser, you can buy extra WMC currency. The buffet dinner will be prepared by Celia Rockholt. Mix can be purchased for 50 cents a set-up (this will include your choice of sirts which were donated by a generous member). No one under 21 years of age will be admitted. The party starts at 8:00 p.m. Be sure to come...there'll be a rip-roaring good time. Park in the Mt. Majestic Motel parking lot. Register by 6:00 p.m. Friday, August 28. DOUBLE FEE FOR NON-REGISTRANTS.

August 29-30 You will note no hikes have been scheduled for this
Sat. - Sun. weekend. We felt that if you hiked on Saturday you would be too tired to enjoy the party and you would be too tired to hike on Sunday anyway.

August 29-30 Climbing Trip in the Tetons. Leave Salt Lake on Friday
night, August 28, for serious climbing in the Tetons. Those interested in Class 5 climbing or harder, contact Tom Stevenson (EM 4-5268) by Wednesday, August 26.

September 2 Board Meeting
Wednesday

September 3 Climbing at Pete's Rock (5400 South on Wasatch Blvd.)
Thursday Come out and enjoy an evening of refreshing activity on the rock. The summertime picnics are over for this year. NO food will be available at Storm Mt.

September 5-7 Teton Trip. This is another of our annual trips.
Labor day Avoid the lethal Labor Day traffic and leave the driving
Weekend

to us. Two days of river running on the Snake River are planned. Saturday night in Jackson is always a ball. The hiking and climbing schedule is still open for suggestions. Cost is \$8.00 for bus transportation and \$4.00 extra if you use the boats. The bus will leave at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4 from Ann McDonald's (5344 Cottonwood Lane). More details in the September Rambler.

Mt. Aire - May 10
by Peter Hovingh

This week, while many club members fled the snows of Salt Lake for Grand Canyon, a smaller number met at "The Place" for the scheduled Mt. Aire hike. Under the gifted leadership of Dale Green, who was more interested in finding orthoclase feldspar crystals than in stomping through the snow crystals of Mt. Aire, we headed to the mouth of the Big Cottonwood Canyon and took a short pleasant walk up Ferguson Canyon, a canyon with a rivulet, cascades, flowers, and budding trees, all enclosed within vertical granite walls. Occasional patches of snow were crossed and finally the canyonlet broadened into a valley covered with scrub oak. Some of us had lunch while over-looking the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon and The Salt Lake Valley. After returning down the Ferguson Canyon we met at the residence of our leader for beer on the lawn and the retelling of some of Howard Segals imaginative stories.

Those attending:

Don Bernhardt
Marrian Ohr
Barbara Owen
Dale Green

Lucy Bernhardt
Ann Ruhmann
Peter Hovingh

DESERET PEAK - June 6
by Joe Gates

Every trip to Deseret Peak in the last two years has been plagued by rain, snow, fog, or cold and this year was no exception. We met at Pete's at 7:30 and headed 40 miles west to the Stansbury Mountains. The hike started about 9:00 from South Willow Canyon after a short coffee stop in Grantsville. The trail was fairly clear for about a third of the way, then it disappeared under the snow. The group then split into

several small groups, each of which was convinced it knew the quickest route for the last push to the summit. The leader went up on the trail (or in the vicinity of it) but he didn't make the top first, so maybe it should be rerouted. In some places just below the summit, the snow was waist-deep, which was quite exhilarating for Bill Viavant, in his shorts. The summit, which was fairly clear of snow, was first conquered by Scotty and Ray. Those who made the top enjoyed the view with their lunches, although visibility was a little restricted by clouds. The descent was quite rapid, totaling 1-2 hours (in comparison to the 5-hour ascent), probably because we slid down on snowbanks most of the way. After regrouping at the road and pouring water out of our boots, we headed back to Salt Lake and dry clothes. Hikers:

Ray Ploch	Sarah Weller
Scotty Imber	Larna Mecham
Art Whitehead	Boone Newson and son
Joe Gates	Betty Boettcher
Maury Whittaker	Chris Wylie (guest)
Bill Viavant (guest)	

GRANDEUR PEAK - June 19

by Wolf Snyder

It was not easy to supply a dry and clear moonlight night during this unusual rainy season. Therefore, the rumor was a surprise that one board member scared several hikers away from this delightful evening walk as "too wet".

Nine, only, assembled at six p.m. at "The Place": Eileen Kueffner with guest Judy Eggertsen, Dale Green, Elmer W. Boyd with son and daughter, David and Diane, Mimi Stevenson, Sarah Weller and Wolf Snyder.

The climb started at 6:30 p.m. The trail is easy to follow, but heavily overgrown in places, where we appreciated the fact that foliage had had time to dry after the rain. The moisture on the ground made the footing more secure.

All reached at least the ridge, if not the top of the mountain, in time to enjoy the sun setting beyond the Great Salt Lake and distant mountains, beauty that can only be lived and not described.

But imagine the entire valley bathed in the colored rays of the dying sun, with light reflected from large areas of water, probably as far away as the Bear River bird refuge.

Then the moon took over with its softer glow, the lights in the streets and houses of the valley had been turned on. You stand on top of the mountain in silence and look into an ebony bowl full of sparkling jewels, grand to behold. "Verweile doch, du bist so schön!" the words from Faust were in the minds of all of us.

No flashlights were used on the way back, the moon was bright enough. Yet, who talked against flashlights? In the tripleaders opinion any longer night hike without one is against common sense and as such, against the practice of the WMC.

As our club president lead the way most aptly with the young folks, the trip leader, with difficulty to keep pace, had certainly no problem with stragglers. All were back at the Place by 11 p.m., after an enjoyable hike.

LAKE DESOLATION - June 28

by John R. Harnish

In spite of an overcast sky and gloomy weather forecasts, a party led by Bob Demint left the Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge for Guardsman's Pass where the ten (10) mile hike commenced. The group proceeded in a leisurely manner following ridges and pausing frequently to enjoy a spectacular panorama. We stopped briefly near Scottish Chief Mine to look for mineral specimens in scattered piles of waste rock. As we gained altitude, it was interesting to observe its effect on vegetation. Foliage became less abundant and aspen leaves were progressively fewer, smaller, and lighter in color.

The temperature continued to be cool, the sky overcast, and occasionally the silence was broken by rumbles of distant thunder. Shortly before reaching Lake Desolation, we encountered a mountain shower but soon found shelter under some fir trees.

As we descended a steep incline to Lake Desolation with our leader far ahead, the sun came out and continued to shine during the remainder of the outing. A comfortable log on the east shore was selected as a place to sojourn for lunch, conversation, and the admiration of ambient scenery. At first we had the lake all to ourselves but were soon sharing it with another group of hikers and three horsemen.

After lunch we followed the North Fork of Mill D to the highway enjoying increasingly luxuriant vegetation, warm sunshine, and a gentle downward slope. The leader deserves a vote of thanks for keeping the party together throughout the outing.

People who participated were:

Bob Demint, Leader

Don Zimbeck

Janet Yergenson

Delbert Yergenson

Robert Maurer

John R. Harnish

EIGHTH ASCENT OF WAR BONNET - July 3-5

by Forrest Hatch

Participants - Climbers: Ron Perla, Forest Hatch, Dennis Caldwell, Bill Conrod, - Hikers: Patty Parmalee, Ken Jessen, Ross Pierson, Rolf Doebebling.

On Friday, July 3, after breakfast at the lodge and everyone rounded up, we hired two boats at \$5.00 per boat one way and traveled to the boat dock at the far end of the lake. Pack on our backs, we hiked six miles to Alpine Lake (Sawtooth National Forest). From the lake we headed up North and West thru a pass with many dead trees. At the pass we turned southward across a snow field staying high and coming onto a second pass on the far edge of the snow field. Below was a large snow bowl and a couple small lakes. After down climbing a small coloir we stayed high and traversed across the snow and tallus until finally reaching two snall lakes (after passing about three small lakes) we camped at the most westerly lake. By looking North and West the War Bonnet Summit could now be seen. It looks something like an ancient Greek war helmet.

Following supper and the evening camp fire we retired; only to arise at 5:30 a.m. and start the scramble up the slopes to the East side of the rock and a small pass. From this vantage point the scenery of the snow fields and jogged peaks mingled together caused Ron to comment, "this makes a man believe in God". We split into two ropes here, Ron leading with Dennis and Forrest leading with Bill. Patty and Rolf stopped here to do some hiking and rock scrambling up the surrounding slopes.

The first lead led up a combination lay-back jam crack to a landing where a left traverse along a ledge and in behind a great

slab into a chimney ended the second lead. The third lead was up another jam crack and around to a "classic" chimney. The fourth lead up the chimney was a friction back and knees or hands or feet to an overhung choke stone. At this point for future climbers a bolt kit should probably be used. Since we had none, Dennis spanned the chimney with one foot on the choke stone, one foot on one wall and his hands and hard hatted head on the opposite wall. Ron used the foot on the wall as a hold and after some grunting and broken words such as "ok, ready, easy, not on my knee, quick get a good balley" Ron was up to and across an unprotected friction slab and at the next balley. The rest of us came up the rope and scrambled to the next lead. The sixth lead was up a slab chimney which appeared to be quite steep but it had hand holds at most of the right points and from here it was a scramble to the summit knob.

At the summit Ron after doing some checking decided that his foot stand lead was enough unprotected climbing for one day and Forrest went out onto the knob wishing that there were some way to get protection, as it was all high angle friction and nail holds. It took several breathless uncertain minutes and some intricate route finding to find the way to the knife edge ridge and a pre-planted bolt. The bolt was good and so the route on up was continued to the summit. The rest of the party was brought up to complete the eighth ascent and the first since 1962.

Following pictures a traverse to the false summit, and lunch, a rappel was set up with a big angle piton and we headed down shortly after noon. The first rappel was tricky because if you went off the knife edge ridge a long pendulum would be made. Ron went down first and steadied the rope for the rest of the party and we were off the knob. By a balley from Ron we down climbed the sixth lead to the fifth lead which had a preset sling. From here we rappelled down over the fifth, fourth, and third leads. Here the rope became tangled and it was necessary to reascend the jam crack and the chimney. On the decent of the two leads Forrest used a new route which later proved a mistake. A down climb over lead two ended at a sling which had been left and the final rappel ended on the pass.

After a scramble down to camp we found Hector and Ken had caught some fish and so supper included a nice fish fry. A total of nine hours was used to climb the mountain; from seven in the morning leaving camp to four in the afternoon returning to camp.

At 6:00 a.m. everyone was out breaking camp when Ron remembered he had left his hardware at the point where we had made the reascent to

release the caught rope, so he and Bill headed back up. The rest of us packed up and proceeded out. We left about 8:00 a.m. and were back at the lodge after hitch hiking with a fisherman across the lake, by 12 noon. Ron and Bill came across about 1:30 and after a lunch we all headed back.

Writer's observations: Because of no bolts, two unprotected 5.7 leads were made, on future trips two bolts should be taken. The Saw Tooth range is just barely scratched, many peaks are not even named and it is as rugged and as beautiful as the Tetons.

CONSERVATION NOTES

by Paul Schettler

Some months ago Supervisor F.C. Kosial of the Wasatch National Forest, Federal Building, 125 S. State, asked the WMC conservation committee to make recommendations as to which areas in the local Wasatch Mts. should be restricted to exclude trail vehicles. After some discussion we decided that the area in Little Cottonwood Canyon west of White Pine Canyon, the area in Big Cottonwood Canyon west of Mill B South Fork, and the trail to Lake Mary should receive first priority of restriction. In a class of second priority we included Gad Valley, the trail up the west side of Mt. Olympus, Neff's Canyon, and the trail up Elbow Fork in Mill Creek Canyon. We stressed that he would find support in the Wasatch Mt. Club for almost any anti trail vehicle regulation.

We feel that Mr. Kosial asked our opinion to determine what public support he would have in restricting use of trail vehicles on National Forest land. Thus, if you have views about this question, either similar to or diverging from ours, he would be interested in hearing about them.

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DONATION

The Wasatch Mountain Club greatly acknowledges the donation of \$50.00 from "Dr. Sam" Samuel F. Thomas, Middleburg, Va.

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NO MORE BEER

People who use the lodge, please note. We will no longer keep a supply of beer at the lodge. Too many people "confused" the Club beer with theirs resulting in loss of money to the Club. So, if you want beer at the lodge remember to bring it and mark it. It avoids confusion.

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