

## CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR JULY 1968

### Register for all trips at Club Headquarters, 363-7150

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AMERICAN FORK TWINS VIA ALBION
BASIN -- Rating, 7.5; elev., 11,489. The trip starts in
Albion Basin, past Secret Lake, then along the ridge between
American Fork Canyon and Little Cottonwood Canyon. The panorama continually changes as the route progresses along the
ridge, and the view is well worth the effort. Meet at the
mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Register by
noon Wednesday, July 3. Leader: Elmer Boyd (298-5537).

July 4 Thurs EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN An evening of climbing for those who hate preplanned fireworks. After climbing, drinks will be served (no food - this is a holiday).

July 4 - 7 Thurs - Sun. TETON TRIP -- A long weekend culminating in a climb of the Grand. Contact Harold Goodro (277-1247) or Gary Larsen (278-2956) for details.

July 4 - 7 Thurs - Sun. WHEELER PEAK TRIP -- This trip is scheduled with a leisurely start. Meet at Lehman Caves parking area at 3:00 p.m. A hike to the top of Wheeler Peak is planned for one day and a separate hike to the cirque the following day. If time permits, some side trips may be made. Anticipate hiking on snowfields and cold nights; come properly equipped to enjoy the trip rather than just endure it. For further information, contact the trip leader, Pat King (486-9705).

July 6 Sat. LAKE DESOLATION FROM BRIGHTON -- Rating, 5.0. For those who haven't been on this hike, the name of the lake is misleading since it is in a sparkling setting. Bring a lunch and water and enjoy a leisurely hike. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 a.m. Register by 5:00 p.m. Friday, July 5. Leader: Earl Hansen (484-3174).

July 7 Sun. MT. NEBO-SOUTH PEAK-Elev., 11,900 (approx) The route to the north peak from the road has a 9.0 rating, so you can approximate the rating for the south peak. In any event, the route in the early morning light is very pleasant. Last year, drinking water was available in the higher elevations only, so bring water and a lunch. The horizon can be seen for almost 360 degrees, except for the north peak, and it's quite a view. Meet at the NW corner of State and 33rd South (in the Prudential bldg parking lot) at 5:00 a.m. Register by 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 6. Leader: Bruce Christenson (278-9308).

June Viavant took the cover shot of Escalante Canyon.

July 10 Wed FAMILY PICNIC -- This is planned primarily for families, but everyone is welcome. Bring friends and prospective members. It will be at a picnic area in one of the canyons - call the hostess for the location - from 5:30 p.m. until dark. Bring your own hamburgers. Dessert: homemade ice cream: - and drinks will be provided: 25¢ for children, 50¢ for adults. Register with the host and hostess, Dean and Carol Withrow (364-6868).

July 11 Thurs EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MNT. -- This session will also include a contingent at Gate Rocks for an advanced seminar practice. Beat the heat at Storm Mnt while getting in some good practice, whether it be hiking, climbing, or socializing. Dale Green will lead a short hike out at 7:00 to explore the charms of the area. Food and drinks will be served at dusk.

July 13, 14 Sat., Sun. LODGE WORK PARTY -- Beer, pop, and potato chips will be furnished along with Saturday night's lodging (for the workers). Sunday morning breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. for \$1.00 per person if enough people are interested (minimum of 12 for this service). Register for the breakfast by 5:30 p.m. Friday before the work party.

Group I: Painting and pounding in nails on the roof; chinking and pine-oiling logs

Group II: Remodeling the dormitories

Group III: Cleaning and modernizing the kitchen (women)

Group IV: Cleaning out old tool room and providing shelves for tools in the basement

NEEDED: 50 WARM BODIES

July 13 Sat. EXPERIENCE CLIMB ON THE SUNDIAL -- This is a relatively advanced climb for those who are willing to struggle a bit to enjoy an alpine summit. For more information, contact Dave Allen (270-0230). Bring complete rock-climbing gear and meet at the Lake Blanche parking lot at 7:00 a.m.

July 13 Sat.

GRANITE FLAT TO WHITE PINE - Rating, above 7.5. It is a long hike with some easy rock scrambling. Since cars will have to be shuttled and there is a long southern exposure on the alpine side of the hike, we will make an early start. The route winds up the head of Dry Creek Canyon, across the ridge east of Pfeifferhorn, and down the red Pine - White trail. Bring food and water and enjoy the early morning light. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 5:00 a.m. register by 5:00 p.m. Friday, July 12. Leader: Dick Bell (254-4555).

July 13, 14 Sat., Sun. HENRY MOUNTAINS -- Leave Salt Lake Friday night in private cars. Camp will be at the BLM Lonesome Beaver campground, about five miles west of Utah Highway 95 and 30 miles south of Hanksville. Saturday we can climb Mt. Ellen (11,506). Options for Sunday include a climb of Mt. Hillers (10,783) or drive to Notom via the waterpocket fold. It will be a family trip for camping, but climbs will be restricted to teenagers and adults. This should be an enjoyable exploratory trip for all,

July 18 Thurs EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MNT. -- Also includes socializing and practice at Gate Rocks for those interested in learning more about advanced rock climbing. We shall all gather back at Storm Mnt at dusk for refreshments.

including the leaders, Pat and Clarice Caywood. Register with them (364-1717) so that transportation can be arranged.

July 20 Sat. LAKE SOLITUDE -- An easy beginner's hike, which starts at Silver Lake then goes up to Twin Lakes and over the pass, then down to Lake Solitude and north, around the ridge back to Silver Lake. The distance is approximately 3 miles with less than 1000 feet vertical change. Bring food and water. Meet at the Brighton store at 9:00 a.m. Register by 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 19. Leader: Mel Davis (278-3174).

July 21 Sun. MT. TIMPANOGOS VIA TIMPOONEKE TRAIL
Rating, 12.0; elev., 11.750 feet. This is a long hike, involving a 5000-foot rise in elevation, and is among the most scenic hikes in the Wasatch. Because of the distance and change in elevation, this should be considered an advanced hike. This appears to be a heavy snow year to add interest to the hike along with the mountain flowers. Meet at 6:00 a.m. at the Pioneer Monument, Point of the Mountain. Carry lunches and water. Register by 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 19. Leader: Fred Bruenger (485-2639).

July 24 Wed M.T. SUPERIOR FROM ALTA -- Rating, 5.0; elev., 11,132 feet. Drinking water is scarce on this hike so carry an ample amount along with a lunch. Although this is not a difficult hike, there is some ridge running that might prove discouraging to more conservative hikers. The view from the peak is compensation for the hikers' efforts. Meet outside Snow Pine Lodge, Alta, at 8:30 a.m. Register by 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 23. Leader: Dick Stenerson (359-5019).

July 24 - 28 Wed - Sun.

GANNETT PEAK AREA - WIND RIVERS -- Jack McLellan (277-7214) will lead a group in on Wednesday, and Pete Hovingh (322-1505 \$345, days only) will lead a group in on Friday. Since transportation will have to be arranged, contact the leaders of this trip! The Wind River country is fantastic: granite, glaciers, pines, and lakes. Excellent hiking and climbing country.

July 25 Thurs CLIMBING AT STORM MT. -- Multipitch climbing on sound quartzite; or, short hikes up Mule Hollow, Stairs Gulch,

July 25 - cont. etc., depending on where Dale wants to go (leaves at 7 p.m.).
Or indulge in lazy, relaxed socializing after a busy day. All this at cool Storm Mountain. Refreshments at dusk.

July 27

DESERET PEAK -- Rating, 8.0; elev., 11,031 feet. A long intermediate hike giving an excellent view of the Great Salt Lake to the north and of the desert. Meet at the NE corner of State Street and 33rd South at 6:30 a.m. Bring lunch and water. Register by 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 26. Leader: Jerry Horton (486-0852).

July 27, 28

Sat., Sun.

FAMILY WEEKEND AT THE LODGE -- Bring the children and spend all or part of the weekend at the lodge.

Those without children are welcome too! The lodge will be open at 3:00 p.m. Saturday. No registration is necessary. Bring your own food and sleeping bags. A short hike will be planned for Sunday morning. Hosts will be Doug and El Bean (466-8014).

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TETON BACKPACKING - PAINTBRUSH

CANYON TO CASCADE CANYON -- A strenuous uphill hike to a camp at beautiful Holly Lake and then upward to Paintbrush Divide for a splendid view of the northern side of the Tetons, with a downhill return to the boat at Jenny Lake. Register by 5:00 p.m. Monday, July 22. Meet at the Jenny Lake boatdock at 8:00 a.m. Saturday. Leader: Mike King (486-9705).

July 28

BRIGHTON RIDGE RUN -- On this hike we'll follow the ridge behind the Majestic lift over two unnamed peaks (10,315 and 10,321), cross Pioneer and Sunset peaks, then go over Catherine Pass (where those short on time or stamina can leave the group and follow the trail back to the lodge), and then trek over Mt. Tuscarora, Mt. Wolverine, and Mt. Millicent and then return to the lodge. Meet at the lodge at 8:30 a.m. Register by 6:00 p.m. Saturday, July 27. Leader: June Viavant (364-9684).

August 1

CLIMBING AT STORM MT. -- Including advanced practice at Gate Rocks. Refreshments at dusk at Storm Mt.

August 3

M. T. B. E. N. L. O. M. O. N. D. -- From information we have at this writing (June 3), this is not a difficult hike. The mountain has intrigued your leader and others who travel up toward Ogden. Here is an opportunity to become more intimate with Mt. Ben Lomond and see the Salt Lake valley from a different vantage point. Take food and water since our knowledge of concessionaires on the mountain is nil. Meet at 7:00 a.m. at Club Headquarters (425 South 8th West). Register by 5:30 p.m. Friday, August 2. Leader: Art Whitehead (484-7460).

August 3, 4

A M E T H Y S T L A K E - H I G H U I N T A ' S T R I P -
This is one of the many beautiful lakes nestled in the folds of

Aug 3, 4 - cont.	the high Uinta's. By this time the misery of the high mosquito population should have diminished. However, do include some bug repellent in your gear. Fishing can be worthwhile for the intrepid angler. Some may wish to backpack into the lake. For those who wish, camping will be at the vehicles, and a sufficiently early start will be attempted Saturday to allow hiking into the lake and back to camp the same day. Round trip hike is about 14 miles. Meet at the school grounds of Eastwood School at Wasatch Blvd and 33rd South at 6:30 a.m. Register by 5:30 p.m. Friday, August 2. Leader: Carl Bauer (355-6036).
August 4 Sun.	RED PINE LAKE TRAIL CLEANUP See the writeup under the "Ramblings" column. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the fork of Little Cottonwood Canyon. Register, if possible, by 5:00 p.m. Saturday. Leaders: Ray Lindquist of the Forest Service and Dale Green.
August 10 Sat.	EXPERIENCE CLIMB North ridge of Pfeifferhorn.
August 10, 11 Sat., Sun.	LODGE WORK AND KEG PARTY Details in next Rambler.
August 17, 18 Sat., Sun.	FAMILY WEEKEND AT THE LODGE Hosts will be Jim and Carol Dagleish (295-7788).
August 17, 18 Sat., Sun.	GREEN RIVER FAMILY TRIP Flaming Gorge to the Gates of Lodore. Beginner's trip.
August 24 Sat.	KEG PARTY AT LODGE
August 31 - Sept 2 Sat Mon	SNAKE RIVER Jackson Lake to Alpine, beginner's trip.
August 31 - Sept 2 Sat Mon	CIRQUE OF THE TOWERS, WIND RIVER RANGE
Sept	SILVERTON-1
Sept 12 - 15 Thurs - Sun.	CATARACT CANYON Moab to Lake Powell; advanced trip.
Sept 14 - 22 Sat Sun.	CLIMBING AND HIKING TRIP TO THE NORTH CASCADES

FOR SALE: Used rope for sale to ascetic mountain climber desiring to reach great heights - slightly frayed from repeatedly passing through the hands of an Indian mystic. Contact Guru Huru.

SILVERTON - NARROW GAGE RAILROAD

Sept

# CLUB NEWS

by Dale Green

Jim Shane has become our 18th Life Member (after paying dues for 25 years).

I forgot to mention last month that Nat Kaufman, Yenta's husband, has been hospitalized.

Carl Schwenk, working in upper Wisconsin, had an appendicitis attack in early June. He is recuperating in Eau Clare, a swinging resort town.

Jim Lee, our Club's legal advisor, has been elected president of the Salt Lake County Bar Association.

George Lowe has been elected to membership in the American Alpine Club.

Howard and Barbara Ross are the parents of a new baby girl.

Marie Shields and Nick Strickland were married in late May.



# RAMBLINGS

by Dale Green, Pres.

Pete is closing his shop every Wednes-day, starting at 1:00 p.m. from now on. This means that no one will be around then to answer the phone and take registrations, etc.

Ann McDonald and Del Weins have resigned from the Board of Directors. Carol Weins and Jerry Powelson, respectively, are replacing them. Ann's insurance business requires too much of her time and Del is off world traveling to places like Ceylon, Africa, etc.

We are badly in need of more bus drivers. If you are interested please call me or Ed Cook. (Speaking of the bus, the best name I've heard yet is Wasatch Cannonball.)

Our #40 \*\* &!! TRAILS!! How many times have you made nasty comments after bushwacking a few miles up what you thought was a good trail? More than likely your comments were directed toward the Forest Service, which is logical, since they are charged with trail upkeep (with exceptions, of course). Strangely enough, the local Forest Service men have been making the same comments for years. Their problem is that they are given only \$500 a year for trail maintenance. If you are at all familiar with the number of miles of trail in the Salt Lake district, you will immediately realize that \$500 is totally inadequate. We can gripe at length, but the situation is unlikely to change. The local rangers have recognized this and in the past couple of years have been utilizing volunteer labor, such as Boy Scouts, S.L. County Recreation Association, Jeep Patrols, Detention Home boys (volunteers??), etc. In my opinion, they have done more in the past two years than was done in the previous 15 years, the amount of time I have been hiking the local Wasatch. However, the problem is by no means solved. Not only does the interest of these groups rapidly wane but they are unable to do much work if they have to hike two or three miles. With this in mind. the Forest Service has asked us to help fix up the high trails. As a start, I have volunteered us to work on the Red Pine Canyon trail, one which we use several times during the summer. Ray Lindquist of the Forest Service will be there to show us what needs to be done and will provide the equipment. The date is August 4th, a Sunday, and the time is 9:00 a.m. Register if you can, but if you can't or forget, show up anyway. Girls are welcome since there are many jobs they can help with such as throwing cut brush off the trail.

# FROM OUR LODGE IN BRIGHTON by Pete Hovingh

The Wasatch Mountain Club has a lodge in Brighton-a cool, alpinistic lodge in summer and a cozy, cheery lodge in winter. For this lodge the Mountain Club pays approximately \$525 a year in insurance, taxes, and site fee. Utilities provide another \$225 expense items, and for maintenance. \$400. The total expense for having this lodge thus amounts to about \$1200 a year. And the sad part of this story is that in the past few years the Mountain Club members have had no desire to use the lodge, with the exception of the lodge director (part of the job description).

One might ask--just what can one do at the lodge? In the summer there are many hikes from the lodge (Mt. Majestic. Mt. Millicent, Mt. Wolverine, Sunset Peak. Katherine, Mary, and Martha lakes, Devil's Castle, Baldy Peaks, American Fork Twins, Lone Peak, and numerous others)-hikes both long and short. for the weak and strong, all within the alpine atmosphere of pine and fir. lupine, larkspur, paintbrush, and fireweed. In the winter there is excellent snowshoeing and ski-touring, following the same summer trails -- but now under much snow. In short, the lodge is a home in the alpine setting for those who are only an hour distant within the hot. stuffy, polluted valley of greater Salt lake.

The lodge is also a mountain site for numerous social gatherings and parties--visiting with a wide variety of people while warming one's back at the fireplace.

Then for those who enjoy working, here is the greatest opportunity to do things at the lodge. There is always work to be done:

- 1. Mattresses need covering
- Hole between dormitories needs covering

- 3. Lockers need removing
- 4. Coat hangers need to be installed
- 5. Cupboards need cleaning
- 6. Kitchen needs cleaning
- 7. Refrigeration needs repairing
- Old tool room needs cleaning, etc.

Actually, the more one visits the lodge, the more one can see many tasks that need completion, providing one takes the time to remove the sunglasses.

This summer there will be four work parties (both Saturday and Sunday):

13-14 July

10-11 August

7-8 September

5-6 October

There are three big jobs that must be taken to task. The first consists of remodeling the dormitories by replacing the present panels with more durable paneling and paint. The second job consists of bracing the ceiling in the hallway leading to the basement. The third job will consist of painting the roof and the outside wood, and chinking and pine-oiling the logs. With some assistance from climbers, hikers, river rats, and just plain nondescriptive bums, this work can be finished in an enjoyable manner. Beer, pop, potato chips, and Saturday night's lodging will be furnished for the workers. If enough people are interested, Sunday morning breakfast will be served at \$1.00 per person. Registration for the breakfast by 5:30 pm the Friday before will be essential.

A question has been raised recently concerning the purpose of the dormitories. Some will say that they provide an easy route of entrance in the winter and summer when they have no key.

Others will say that they are for sleeping. There is an old rule that people who sleep at the lodge MUST sleep in the dormitory or outside, and

not by the fire place. It is a good rule because in the past it has been broken by only good members. The purpose behind this rule is that with the coming of dawn also comes the conflict of those who partied late with those who get up early. Those who partied late generally do not enjoy being disturbed by those who feel as the happy bird trying to prepare breakfast. The lodge is for all and the downstairs portion should be for those who are awake. The main floor is not a dormi-This summer we hope to make the dormitories more conducive for sleeping. If we cannot satisfy you, there is the great out-of-the-doors. under the stars. Naturally, it is here where the lodge director sleeps, while directing the lodge. So remember -- no sleeping by the fireplace. Use the dormitories.

There is no flowing water in the lodge in winter except that which comes through the roof. The city turns off

FERGUSON'S GULCH HIKE - May 30 by Harold Goodro

Having assumed leadership of this hike through the volunteer process. after former leader Boone Newson couldn't make it, I awaited the appearance of the mob in the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Newcomer Shelly Hyde had arrived ahead of me, and as the two of us discussed the forthcoming hike, not 200 feet away a real live fox sauntered across the road, then a few minutes later he returned to once again cross the road slowly and deliberately. What a wonderful thing to see one of nature's really wild creatures so close to civilization! Soon we were joined by Dale Green, Barbara Brown. Max Townsend, and John Podlesny. Our small but enthusiastic group of six started out under cloudy, threatening skies to attack this steep. wild, trail in places only, canyon. The only persons who go into this canyon, apparently, are groups of scouts who camp near the entrance. There is

our water in the fall. However, the snow provides a good source and it is better to obtain the snow water in winter while it is fresh than to wait until summer before drinking the stale water from the mountain streams. Another note—The county does not collect garbage at the lodge as it once did. Consequently, all garbage must be brought down to the Brighton circle.

So come to the lodge: summer, winter, fall, or spring. Call Club head-quarters to obtain the schedule or the lodge director (if you are able). There is always work and certainly there is always enjoyment in the alpine setting. The rates are \$0.50 per person for day use (if one uses the utilities) or \$0.75 per person for 24-hour use. Both fees can be eliminated if some maintenance or repair work is done. (Cleaning up one's own mess is expected at these present bargain rates).

not much garbage or cans, but every tree within reach of the trail has been slashed many times by knives or axes. in the hands of overly enthusiastic boys. Part way up the canyon, the leader was able to lose the poorly defined trail and get the group hung up on a cliff. A bushwacking descent back to the stream was necessary. causing some acid-tinged comments. Reliable trail-finder Dale came to the rescue, and we were soon back on a well-defined path which led into the upper basin. Crossing the upper saddle, we hit snow banks in the aspen grove: we then scrambled up a rocky couloir to come out on the summit. with a tremendous view in all directions. We had climbed over 5000 feet in four hours through rough terrain and felt rather smug about it. After a rather hurried lunch speeded up by a few rain drops of warning, we ambled on back down the canyon to our cars and adjourned to the nearest refreshment place. A really pleasant hike with a really pleasant group.

# COYOTE WASH - ESCALANTE RIVER

by Marie Strickland

Twelve people who had arrived in three vehicles camped Friday night (Sat. morning?) near Willow Tank. As we ate breakfast the next morning, we talked to the cowboys who were rounding up cattle nearby. One of them told us about the Kaiparowits Plateau, which could be seen to the west. It sounded so interesting that we decided to make it the site of a future club trip.

About 8:00 a.m. we adjusted our packs and started down Hurricane Wash. Nick, Roy, Peter, John and Bryan took off at a rapid pace. I kept up for a while but was soon left in their dustand hiking alone. The others who followed explored an interesting 'water pocket' side canyon.

After about two miles, the canyon began to deepen and soon the sand was damp. Springs became more numerous, and a small stream formed. Tadpoles and small fish darted about the pools. Hiking alone payed off when I saw two deer drinking in a small clearing.

Hurricane Wash joined larger Coyote Wash about four miles from the starting point. The stream bed was sandy and many of us splashed along with bare feet. The sandstone walls were now high and covered in some places with dark streaks of desert varnish. Many seeps or springs were present which were demarcated by ferns, columbine, and monkey flowers.

After hiking about six miles, we rounded a bend and Jacob Hamblin arch came into view. This gigantic arch must be seen to be appreciated. We camped across the stream from the arch and beneath an overhang which gave back remarkable echoes. Here we left our packs and spent the rest of the day in various ways. Nick and the three boys hiked the 16-mile round trip to

the Escalante River and Stevens Arch (Skyline Arch). Roy and I hiked downstream to a point past Coyote Bridge, a natural bridge through which the stream flows. The only flaw in our hikes were hordes of deer flies, which attacked any bare skin they could find. The three boys cleverly spread mud on their legs and escaped some punctures. June, Jackie, George, and Linda climbed up the wall just below camp. The Indians are supposed to have used this access to the canyon. We collected water at a spring below camp. Some of us even took partial showers.

After a dinner of steak, salad, and garlic bread, we lounged in the sand and enjoyed the calls of mourning doves echoing down the canyon. Soon we dragged our stiff bodies to our sleeping bags. Actually, it was so warm that sleeping bags were unnecessary most of the night.

The next morning we ate a hurried breakfast so we could get back to the cars before the heat of mid-day. George and Linda Rathbun stayed behind to spend another day in the canyon. Hurricane Wash was very hot and sandy, but Roy had hiked ahead and drove back in his air-conditioned Bronco to rescue three of us.

We socialized with the cowboys and Jackie, June, and Bryan enjoyed riding their horses. About 1:00 p.m. we were on our way home.

We used community cooking and this worked very well. Our packs were lighter since only one set of cooking utensils was needed.

Members of the group were deorge and Linda Rathbun, Roy weir, Jackie Thomas, Nick and Marie Strickland, and June Viavant. Guests were Nelson and Henrietta Logan and Peter Viavant and his friends John Le Cavalier and Bryan Fielden.

# DESOLATION CANYON RIVER RUN

by Sally Nelson

Our first stop was at Sugarhouse. The needs of Tortugita were quickly satisfied, however, and after the slow bussing up Parley's Canyon, good progress was made eastward. At Roosevelt we were greeted by some happy Ute Indians who were ringing in the summer with 3.2. "It will be pretty tough," they said, Setting down the Green River in that bus."

So we took their advice and left Tortugita behind--after a dawn friedegg breakfast which followed a generous three hours of sleep at Ouray. Lack of sleep (not shortage of rests) made no difference to us as we wound our way down the muddy Green. Clever Del was not to ask us to break our backs against time and the river the way Desolationers did two years earlier. The six boats were roped together to make two large rafts of three boats. each propelled by 15 horse (motor). By mid-afternoon we passed Nine-Mile Canyon, and further down we camped by lots of driftwood which made a good fire for our steaks and for drying a few sleeping bags which great revelry, not rapids, had dampened.

Friday morning we awoke with considerably more alertness. Fred pointed out that the river measured six feet higher than it had on the previous trip. The motors were stashed away and the rapids provided some real glory rides—especially for Ernie, our kayaker, who got caught in an eddy, tipped upside down, and separated from his kayak. For awhile we thought only his helmet had made it through the incident, but soon the kayak became unwedged from an overhan and floated down intact.

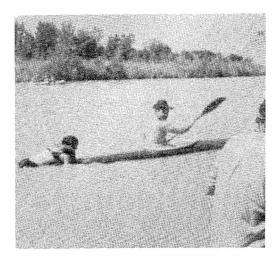


Staging a water fight ... What else?

and so did Ermie - not to be discouraged from challenging other rapids.

Everyone else got wet, not so much by swimming (the water was a bit too cold for everyone but June), as by a few confrontations. Once Bone Crusher was attacked by two other two boats—half the crew boarded them or went for the kayak or got into the water somehow. But a couple of the stalwarts stayed to guard the buckets.

Camp for Friday night was at Rock Creek, and it provided varied entertainment. A very pretty and verdant canyon offered pleasant walks, and a rushing run-off stream afforded great sport for those who thought the grass greener on the other side. Many young and..?. Tarzans proved themselves valiantly. At one time or another ole Phil "gibbon" Nelson and Bill "orangutang" Viavant scaled the heights of a tree to attach a vine-rope to a sturdy limb. George Wiens was the first successful swinger to reach the grass.



June Viavant hitching a ride with Ermie Partridge



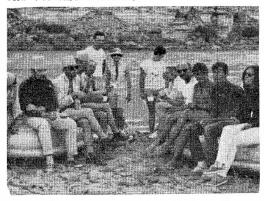
Come and git it!!!

then Del, and then Bob Bucher. But the price for the glory ride was a \$20 hat swallowed by the muddy torrents. (Eric Bern says, I told you so?) We did find time to eat our ham dinner and later fell asleep to the gentle sound of roaring rapids.

Pancakes can be beautiful, and Powelson's were on Saturday morning. They prepared us well for a full day of rapids which included a 6 and an 8. What beautiful rides! Wheee! And we didn't even have time for water fights. The water ran high and fast so we lunched early at MacPherson's ranch, filled up on fresh water there, and investigated the very competent enterprise of a long-exiled rancher. afternoon brought Cold Creek rapid -- a good 8 if hit right. The four boats which did are all set to do The Grand Canvon now! Before the end of the day there was one more thrill ride -- a hole by a rock--which one boat hit beautifully. Then we scurried over to a somewhat rocky camp and curried chicken for supper. Mmmmm good.

Sunday promised only 12 more miles of joy--and the water (when flowing in the river) was easy. A few 2 and 3 rapids kept us mildly alert. And Ann MacDonald's birthday made five boatfulls very alert in the well-wishing melee. A great free-for-all. At the Green River debarkation point we unloaded the boats and then piled back in for a last wave over the dam, then deflated our sturdy c-rafts ashore while a cautious mare looked on.

Soon we were aboard Tortugita and bound for home (which we reached by 8:00 p.m.), while Jeannie and Brian Cook returned to Champaign-Urbana on their own four wheels, having been in on a great wild west show--four days and 128 miles worth.



Part of the group having their afternoon tea, no doubt

Our many thanks go to Bud Reid and Dennis Stewart, who drove the truck and bus for us and who shuttled them from Ouray to Green River while we were on the river.

\*\*168 Desolationers were: Fred and Evelyn Bruenger, Bob Bucher, Brian and Jeannie Cook, Johnnie Corbett, Pat Dow, Jeff Ingram, Benita Jackson, Roy Kier, Lois Mansfield, Al Mathews, Ann Mac-Donald, Charlie MacDonald, Lloyd McMahon, Phil and Sally Nelson, Ernie Partridge, Gerry Powelson, Jean and Paul Queneau, Marilyn Reidel, Dick and Phyllis Snyder, Nick and Marie Strickland, Charlie and Tricia Swift, Bill and June Viavant, Del and Carol Wiens, George and Mary Wiens.

Captains: Bob Bucher, Al Mathews, Jerry Powelson, Dick Snyder, Nick Strickland, Bill Viavant.

Boats: Growler, Bone Crusher, S.O.B., Upset, Big Drop, and Skull.



THE MOUNT OLYMPUS HIKE

by Grace Ormsby

A fortunate group of hikers gathered on Sunday, May 5, for the hike up the south trail of Mount Olympus. In spite of dire weather predictions for rain before noon, the weather was mild, if somewhat windy, and the rain didn't materialize until 4 in the afternoon. Clouds were with us most of the day, keeping the hikers cool and comfortable.

This was the first hike of the spring season for most of us, and when we reached Blister Hill, I began to know I wasn't quite prepared for this. But kindly John MacDuff offered assistance with the pack, and the fellows encouraged us onwards and upwards. Just beyond Blister Hill we began to cross

snow, and soon we had a good two feet of snow to break trail through. By then, I could have happily dropped, but John was far ahead with the lunches, and I was hungrier than I was tired. At last we gained the saddle below the peak and found the views were well worth the struggle.

Wet socks and shoes were soon drying near the pine fire the fellows quickly prepared. The leader of our hike, Gerhard Hentschel, was particularly helpful to Patty, who was feeling every one of her nine years by this time. Lunch has never tasted so good. While we finished drying, Gerhard, Margaret, and John proceeded to the top of the mountain to write their names in the log book. They later told Patty they had entered her name, noting that at nine years of age she made it to the saddle, which made her terribly happy. Emory explored the saddle area and then climbed almost to the top but waited for a clearer day to finish the climb when he could get lots of pictures.

We all made pretty good time coming down the mountain, noting the storm clouds that gathered just in time to wet us as we reached the bottom. No one bothered with ponchos, though, and the sun soon came out again to match our glows of satisfaction.

Those present were: Leader Gerhard Hentschel; John MacDuff; Emory Westlake, Margaret Strickland, Grace and Patty Ormsby.



DESERT RATS! WEEKEND by P. J. Kane

Nine cars met May ll for the drive out to the geode beds; Elmer Boyd led the group, consisting of Carl Bauer, Clair Carreher, Stewart Harvey and wife, Wolf Schneider and wife, Mary Miller and child, Pat Kane, Laird Crocker and wife, and Harold Gibbs and wife. The weather was sunny and trip uneventful except for us newcomers, who
had to learn follow-the-leader. But
everyone waited patiently and we finally caught on. We arrived at the geode
bed about noon. Everyone piled out,
shook the dust off, and started prospecting. We rapidly discovered that
hunting for geodes is an awful lot like
work. But Fearless Leader found a big
double to show the rest of us how; then
the fever took hold and everyone burowed and dug and tossed stones and got
DIRTY!

After a maile, the saner individuals headed back for Salt Lake and the eccupants of the remaining five cars decided to drive over to Topaz mountain to camp. We found a nice grassy area and relaxed; later that evening Carl Bauer gave an astronomy lesson.

The next morning we hitched a pickup ride in to the amphitheatre; Elmer showed us about hunting for topaz by cracking a big one out of the rock. We decided that hunting for topaz is much cleaner than digging deodes, unless one prefers the method by which whole mountains are slowly pounded to rubble.

About noon we finished loading up and departed for Salt Lake, leaving Carl Bauer and Clair Carreher to bring up the rear. The trip home was speedy except for a run-in with a passel of hairy motorcyclists at Cherry Creek. They was rounding up critters and twisting the pore things' ears to see how loud they could belier. It was shore a sad sight; we hurried away before they could start twisting our ears.



LONE PEAK HIKE

by Harold Goodro

A small group consisting of John Riley, Sheldon Hyde, Joye and Richard Fast, and myself met at the Draper Crossroads on this dismal, rainthreatening morning. Soon leader Dick Bell showed up, just to make sure no one was foolish enough to try the impossible. In spite of the sight of new snow high on the mountains and a very black sky, we convinced Dick we should give it a try, even if just for the exercise. We piled into his car and were driven around to Alpine, as the Corner Canyon road was too much of a gamble. This scribe made the mistake of bragging about his condition and was given the job of leading the way up the brushy trail, carrying a stick to knock off the excess moisture from the bushes and trees. This might have helped a bit, but we were soon all pretty damp, with trouser legs going swish and boots going slush.

The black sky continued to threaten as we hurried up the mountain. At times we broke into openings where, for seven or eight feet, there was no wet brush to fight. Soon we entered a large open bowl near the upper timberline and the clouds were all around us. After hitting the snowfield and slogging some distance up it, our already wet feet became cold and miserable. We stopped and held a high-level conference and succeeded in getting six different opinions as to why we should try it again, later in the summer. We hurried down to the nearest meadow, had our lunch, and started down the trail. Joye showed us how fast a person can hike downhill. When we were within a half mile of the car. Dick showed us a delightful shortcut that got us lost in heavy, wet brush, mud, and even barbed-wire. He did find the car, however, when we were all convinced we had passed it up, and so redeemed himself. As we started back to Draper in the car, the heavens let loose, and Lone Peak was again storm bound. We had lucked out again!

MOUNT RAYMOND TO MOUNT OLYMPUS, June 2 by Date Green

After admonishing everyone to be on time. I was the only one late because I had forgotten my boots and had to return home after reaching our starting place at Butler Fork, I found I had again forgotten them and had to go back to the cars at Pete's Rock. Making up the lost half nour wasn't too difficult because the rest of the party decided to take a short-cut. Instead of following the trail, which drops about 200 feet into Mili A Basin, they contoured around to save elevation. I managed easily to "head 'em oil at the pass" between Raymond and Goublers Knob. We lunched on top of Raymond along with millions of ladybugs and started for the head of Neff's Canyon at noon. By this time, the snow had already lost its limmness and we were sinking in to our knees. what should have been an easy traverse wasn't. Margaret Strickland's new boots were proving to be inadequate and were slowing her up considerably. The rest of us were soaked from our knees down. At the head of Neil's. I waited for Margaret and Gerhard Hentschel, who was helping ner along. when they arrived a half-hour later, Gerhard said they had decided to go down the Neii's trail rather tuen continue the hike.

Making up another half-hour was fairly easy, as it always is when you are following someone else on snow who is kicking steps. when I caught up. the group was looking over a 100-100t cliff and wondering if they should break out the rope. Luckily we found a way around this. This riage was rougher than I had imagined. Much or the south side was crims and the north side was very steep snow. we finally arrived at the top of Heugh's Canyon and began a traverse requiring much bushwacking. We regained the ridge about three-quarters of a mile east of Olympus. This knife-edged ridge was about four feet wide and had chills on both sides. We probably should have been roped up. At 6:00 p.m., 11-1/2 hours after we started, we came to a place where a decision had to be made because the ridge got a bit rougher. I decided we would skip Olympus this time and traverse around to the trail. No one argued.

Traversing required a lot of rough bushwacking again but it was worth it when we finally reached the trail. We all made the bottom by 9:50, 14 hours after we started. Gerhard and Margaret had taken nearly as long because of extremely high water at the creek crossings.

What I didn't like about the hike:
1. Coming down Blister Hill after a
long hike looking directly into the not
sun.

- 2. The trash on the Olympus trail.
- J. The soit slushy snow.
- 4. The bushwacking.

what I liked about the hike:

- 1. The tremendous view of the Superior-Twin reaks ridge.
- Z. The ancient Limber pines. The trunks on some of these are by far the largest I have ever seen in the wasatch.
- 3. My large can or fruit cocktail mixed with snow.
- 4. The participants' spirit. No matter how hard the going, everyone retained his sense of humor right up to the last.
- 5. Gernard and Margaret, who showed up at the cars with a couple of sixpacks of cold peer.
- 6. The people, who were: Jim Baggett, Dick Bell, Date Green, Gernard Hentschel, Chuck Mays, Craig Olsen, Dave Smith, Jim Smith, Margaret Strickland, and Jackie Thomas.



Kris Snyder deserves the credit for typing the Rambler this month. Thanks, Kris!

# WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB TRAIL GUIDE AND RATING SYSTEM

The following list contains most of the local hikes that we take. Our rating system is designed to give some idea of the effort involved on each hike. The WMC rating system is based on a third of a point for each round trip mile, a point for each thousand feet of elevation change below 10.000 feet. one-and-a-half points above 10.000 feet, plus appropriate factors for specific difficulties for the hike.

The practice of indicating hiking time has been discontinued, since listing the round trip hiking time, not including rest or lunch stops. seemed to badly confuse the beginning hiker. On level ground, the average hiker in good condition can travel 3 to 4 miles per hour, or a mile in 15 to 20 minutes. However, most of our trails are not on level ground. In many places in the Wasatch, trails ascend at the rate of over 1000 feet per mile. The average hiker requires at least an hour to cover one mile of trail with 1000 feet change in elevation. Of course, energetic hikers in prime condition can hike much faster Inexperienced hikers and those not in condition will travel slower.

Once a person has made the easier hikes, up to a rating of about 5.0, he can then decide whether to advance to a more strenuous hike. based on his own experience. Very generally for energetic hikers in good condition, hikes rated less than 5.0 are easy, 5.0 to 8.5 are intermediate in difficulty, 9.0 through 11.5 are long, and anything over 12.0 is quite difficult. Again very generally, since so many factors are involved, inexperienced hikers should allow at least the same number of hours for a round trip as the number of points in the rating for the hike.

Quadrangle references refer to maps available from the U.S. Geological Survey, Federal Building, 125 S. State St., at 30¢ each, Many of the higher peaks have registers on their summits, placed by the Wasatch Mountain Club, Ute Alpine Club, and the Sierra Club. Look for them as you attain the "heights of exhilaration"!

Rating	Quadrangle*	Hike	Elevation
0.5	E	Donut Falls	7,900
1.0	A	Lake Solitude from Silver Lake	9,070
1.5	A	Lake Mary from Lodge	9,560
2.5	A	Lake Catherine from Lodge	9,920
2.5	С	Silver Lake (Am. Fk. Canyon)	9,000
3.0	_	Bald Mt. (Mirror Lake)	11,497
3.0	$\mathbf{D}_{c}$	Big Beacon	7,143
3.0	A	Catherine Pass from Lodge	10,220
3.0	五	Mt. Aire via Elbow Fork	8,620
3.5	A	_Devil's Castle (exposure)	10,920
3.5	A	Point Supreme from Lodge	10,445
3.5	G, A	Mt. Baldy from Albion Basin	11,068
3.5	A	Sugar Loaf from <u>Alb</u> ion Basin	11,051
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Ratin	g Quadrangle	Hike	Elevation
3.5	A	Mt. Millicent from Lodge	10,452
4.5	G	Grandeur Peak via Church Fork	8,299
4.5	A	Mt. Majestic (Clayton Pk.) from Lodge	10,721
4.5	A	Mt. Wolverine from Lodge	10,795
4.5	E,G	Mule Hollow from Storm Mt. Res.	8,400
4.5	E	Reynolds Pk. via Dog Lake Mill D Nort	
4.5	6 ? E	Kessler Pk. from Mill D South	10,403
5.0	-	Hayden Pk. (Mirror Lake)	12,475
5.0	G	Grandeur Pk. from west side	8,299
5.0	С	Mt. Superior from Alta	11,132
5.0	E,C	Lake Blanche	8,900
5.0	A,F	Lake Desolation from Brighton	9,200
6.0	-	Notch Pk. via Sawtooth Canyon	9,655
6.0	G,E	Neff's Canyon to Thayne Canyon	8,600
6.5	D	Black Mt.	8,062
6.5	E	Mt. Raymond via Butler Fork	10,241
7.0	E	Gobbler's Knob via Butler Fork	10,246
7.5	C	Red Baldy via Silver Lake, Am. Fork	
7.5	Ç	White Baldy via Silver Lake, Am. Fork	
7.5	A,C	Am. Fk. Twin Pk. via Albion Basin	11,483
8.0	G	Mt. Olympus, any route (N. Pk. 8,959)	
8.0	-	Lewiston Pk. Oquirrh Range via Mercur	
8.0	_	Deseret Pk. via South Willow Canyon	
8.5	E	Mt. Raymond via Hidden Falls	10,241
8.5	C,E	Sundial via Lake Blanche	10,120
9.0	H	Box Elder Pk. from east side	11,101
9.0	- D 0	Mt. Nebo North Pk. from road	11,928
9.0	B,C	Storm Mt. via Ferguson Canyon	9,524
9.5	E	Gobbler's Knob via Hidden Falls	10,246
10.0	С	Pfifferhorn via Red Pine Lake	11,326
10.0	π C	Pilot Pk.(Nevada) from west side Twin Pk. via Broad's Fk.	10,704
10.5	E,C	Dromedary Pk. via Lake Blanche	11,330 11,107
10.5	E, C H, I	Mt. Timpanogos via Aspen Grove	11,750
10.5	D	Grandview Pk. via Mueller Park	9,410
11.0	E,C	Mt. Superior via Lake Blanche	11,132
11.5	В	Lone Pk. via Corner Canyon	11,253
12.0	H	Mt. Timpanogos via Timpooneke Trail	11,750
13.5	-	Haystack Pk. via Grant Creek	12,101
15.0	В	Lone Pk. via Bell's Canyon	11,253
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CONSERVATION NOTES
by June Viavant

Nick Strickland and I (members of the WMC Conservation Committee) had an appointment with Henry Helland, State Highway Department Director, on June 26 to discuss the highway proposed across the middle of the Waterpocket Fold and the Escalante River drainage. Those of you who are interested in this area might phone us to find out what we learned. In the meantime, write letters to

R. D. Nielsen, Director Utah State Office Bureau of Land Management P. O. Box 11505 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

stating your desire to have the Escalante area designated a "wild" area.

Governor Rampton has also publicly come out against the proposal for a wilderness area in this location. Phone calls, visits, or letters to him urging that he reconsider his stand and telling him of our feeling that

the Escalante deserves wilderness protection are also urgently needed.

This area was proposed for National Monument status in 1941 ("Proposed Escalante National Monument." Desert Magazine IV (Feb, 1941), 20-22). original proposal included much of the Glen Canyon area that is now lost. For further discussion of the area and the proposed highway, see the June 1967 Rambler, pages 7 - 14. Ex-president Charlie Keller's article starts. "Those club members who know me know that I have a special love for the Escalante River and its canyons. I have spent many days and nights along the Escalante and have a strong suspicion that God moved there after he was chased out of Glen Canvon."

Another conservation issue of prime importance, deserving of your letters, is H. R. 8578, which would give revenue from offshore oil lands to the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Write our senators (Senate Office Bldg, Washington, D. C.), urging them to vote for this bill.

# DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE CATARACT RIVER TRIP?

All of you wishing to go on the Cataract Canyon river trip must meet the following qualifications:

- 1. Must have been on two Club trips; of these,
- 2. One trip must be a whitewater trip

The following trips will satisfy the whitewater qualification:

- 1. Middle or Main forks of the Salmon
- 2. Westwater Canyon
- 3. Canyon of Lodore

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