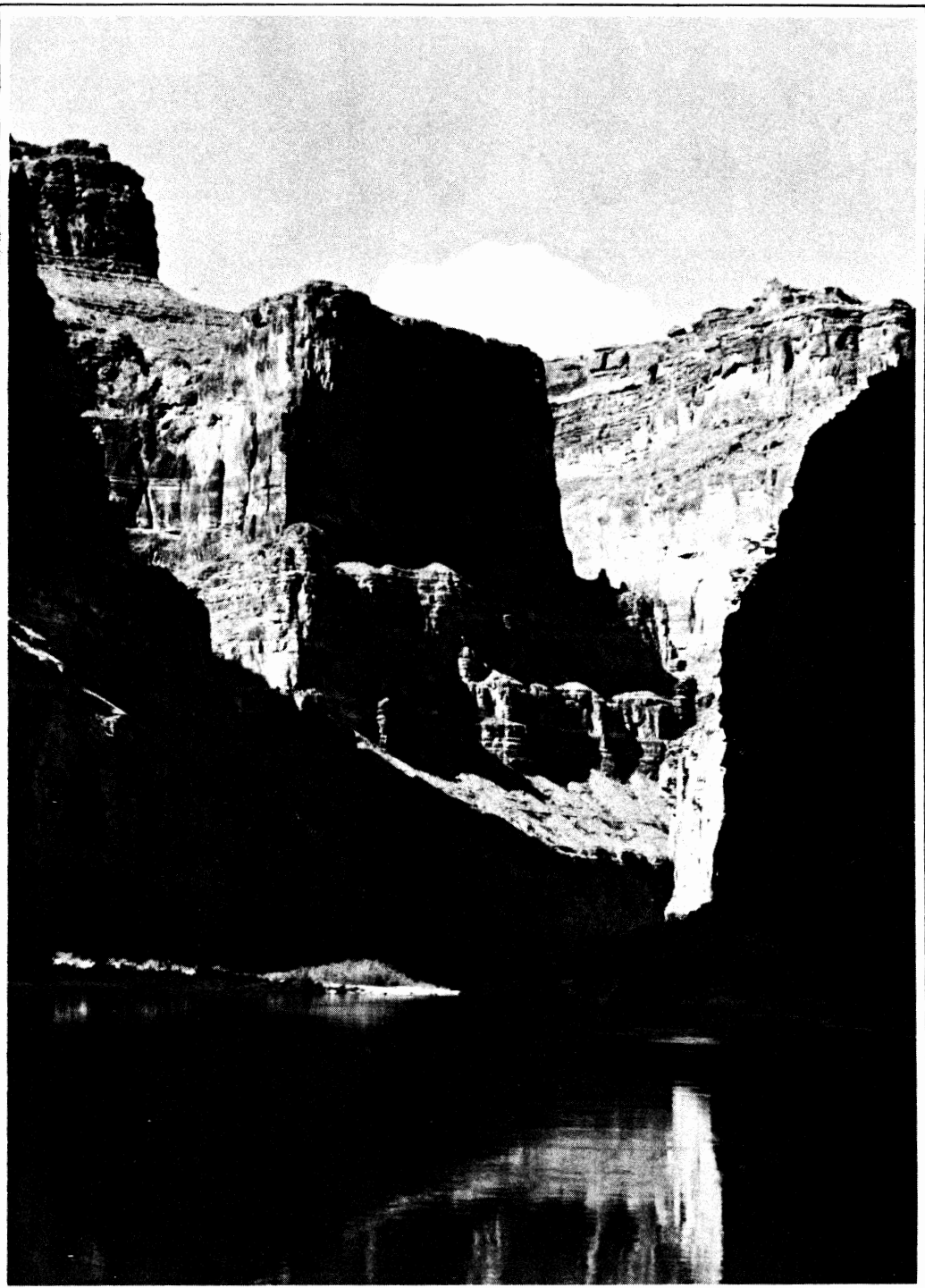


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Mountain Club business is conducted only on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. At that time, and only at that time, is the mail opened, new membership applications voted on, dues payments recorded, address changes made, and all other business requiring board action conducted. All board members cannot attend all board meetings and although an effort is made to fill in during a member's absence, some business is held for action until the next meeting.

Club Activities:

June

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Registration is generally not required for members participating in easy or intermediate hiking (rating below 7.0). Unless specifically stated, advanced hikes (rating above 7.0) require registration with the leader. Adequate equipment is an absolute must. You cannot participate in these events if you have not shown your ability on other hiking activities and if you do not have adequate

and well broken in boots with good Vibram type soles and suitable protective clothing. Special equipment like an ice axe etc. may also be specified and you are required to be able to handle such equipment. Remember that these restrictions are set for your own safety and that of your fellow members. For rules regarding participation of children, consult the May Rambler 1974.

JUNE 5
Thursday

HIKING CLASS. Storm Mountain Amphitheater at 7:30 pm. Dale Green will lecture on equipment, clothing and techniques. Park in the Storm Mountain Reservoir Parking Lot. Drive 3.0 miles up Big Cottonwood Canyon from Wasatch Blvd. through the narrow rock gap and across the bridge. Turn left and follow the dirt road to the parking lot.

JUNE 5
Thursday

EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN.

JUNE 6-9
Fri - Mon

YAMPA - GREEN. (Intermediate). The Yampa is one of our favorite trips so get your reservation in early. There are a number of fun rapids plus one "raft eater". Register by sending \$10. to Bob Weatherbee, 1490 Sandpiper Way, No. 55, 84117. Phone, 272-5510.

JUNE 7
Saturday

HAYSTACK PEAK. El. 12,201. Rating 10.0. This high desert peak is in the Deep Creek Range south of Wendover, so we will leave Friday evening for the long drive. Meet at 7 pm Friday at the southwest corner of 13th East and Simpson Ave. You must register with the leader, Dale Green, 277-6417.

JUNE 7
Saturday

TWIN PEAKS. El. 11,330. Rating 10.5. The snowfields should be in good shape by now, so bring your sunglasses and ice axes. There is some interesting scrambling near the summit. Register with the leader for the time and place. Leader, Caine Alder, 487-3097.

JUNE 8
Sunday

MT. OLYMPUS. El. 9026. Rating 8.0. Once again, the Club will do battle with blister hill, so be prepared with your moleskin. Meet at Pete's Rock at 9 am. Leader, Dick Conn, 621-8292.

- JUNE 8
Sunday LAKE MARY. El. 9560. Rating 1.5. This hike is into the beautiful country of upper Big Cottonwood Canyon. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9 am. Leader, Keith Biesinger, 467-0086.
- JUNE 8
Sunday LOWER PROVO DAY KAYAK. 11 am at Rotary Park.
- JUNE 12
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN.
- JUNE 12
Thursday "KNOW THE WASATCH TRAILS" Thursday evening hike. Mill B North Fork. Meet at 7 pm at the Storm Mountain Reservoir parking lot. (See June 5 for directions.) Leader, Dale Green, 277-6417.
- JUNE 13-16
Fri - Mon YAMPA KAYAK TOUR. Advanced high water tour, non-supported. Leave SLC Friday evening, shuttle and put on river Saturday. Camp at Harding Hole and Rainbow Park. Return Monday. Mike Omana, 561-4537.
- JUNE 14-15
Sat - Sun DEWEY BRIDGE TO MOAB TEENAGE TRIP. We hope to revive this once popular trip. As usual, parents are strictly forbidden. Register by sending a \$10 deposit to Ken McCarty, 1136 E 27th S, #142, SLC, Utah 84106. Phone, 466-3297, evenings.
- JUNE 14
Saturday WILDCAT RIDGE BACKWARDS. El. 10,242. Rating 18. This year, we'll do this very difficult hike backwards. You must have strength, stamina, speed, and the skill to handle alot of exposed scrambling. You must be in excellent condition to try this hike. Meet at the Tolcat Canyon trailhead at 7 am. Register with the leader, Larry Swanson, 278-3269.
- JUNE 14
Saturday MT. RAYMOND. El. 10,242. Rating 7.0. This is a nice intermediate hike to go on while the supermen are killing themselves on Wildcat Ridge. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9 am. Leader, Yukio Kachi, 466-8418.
- JUNE 15
Sunday LONE PEAK. El. 11,252, Rating 11.0 This is another hike calling for strength and endurance, but the cirque and view from the summit are worth the effort. Meet at the Draper Crossroads at 7:30 am. Leader, Paul Horton, 328-9486.
- JUNE 15
Sunday MILLICENT. El. 10,425. Rating 3.0. This easy hike is a great way to escape the city and find some beautiful scenery without much work. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9 am. Leader, Oscar Robison, 278-5009.
- JUNE 21-22
Sat - Sun SNAKE RIVER - ALPINE CANYON (Beginner-Intermediate). This early in the year the water should be high on the Snake. Combined with the spectacular scenery in this area the high water should make an interesting trip. Register by sending \$10. to Karen Weatherbee, 1167 Ramona, No. 4, SLC, 84105. Phone 467-9715.

- JUNE 19
Thursday "KNOW THE WASATCH TRAILS" Thursday evening hike. Desolation Trail to the Salt Lake Overlook. Meet at 7 pm at the Box Elder picnic area. Drive 3.3 miles up Millcreek Cyn. (3800 So.) from Wasatch Blvd. Park just beyond the Millcreek Inn on the right side but not in the Inn's parking lot. Leader, Dale Green, 277-6417.
- JUNE 19
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING at Storm Mountain plus rappel practice for all interested persons. Phone John Gottman for details. 328-8066
- JUNE 20
Friday MT. MAJESTIC MOONLIGHT AND OVERNITER - Elev. 10,720. Rating 4.5. This is the first overniter of the season and should prove to be an interesting trip. For those who do not wish to camp out, you can either stay at the lodge or return to the city. Meet at the Lodge at 7:30 pm. Leader: Don Colman. 486-7796
- JUNE 21-22
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- JUNE 21
Saturday LODGE WORK PARTY. Start at 9 am. A good turn-out is essential to the successful operation of the lodge, and besides it's more fun in big bunches. We plan to paint part of the exterior plus the usual spring cleanup. Bring a spare hammer, saw, paint brush or what-have-you if you have it. FREE lunch and beverage provided. Also we plan a part potluck supper - bring a salad or dessert or side dish for your group times four; the main dish will be provided for 50¢. The clean lodge will be open for overnight. Call Phil Nelson, 581-9205 for further information.
- JUNE 22
Sunday WEBER RIVER KAYAK. John Herbert, 1-393-7737.
- JUNE 22
Sunday BEATOUT HIKE - Rating 17.0. This excellent hike will go up Red Pine and return via Bell's Canyon. This hike is for strong endurance hikers. Call the leader for registration and details. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 6:00 am. Leader, Harold Goodro 277-1247.
- JUNE 22
Sunday THAYNE PEAK - Rating 5.0. A fun intermediate hike in the Millcreek Area. Meet at the East side of The Movie Theater (3900 S. and Wasatch Blvd.) at 9:00 a.m.
- JUNE 22
Sunday THUNDERBOLT RIDGE Experience Climb. This is our annual trek into the Upper Hogum Cirque where we will do a fairly lengthy roped climb. We hope to descend Hogum

but the normal Bells Canyon route may be done. Most of the hiking will be on snow. This will be a 12 - 14 hour day if we keep moving, so good conditioning is essential. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood at 6:00 a.m. Registration is required. Leader - Larry Perkins, 532-4424 (home); 486-7407 (work).

JUNE 22
Sunday

WEBER RIVER KAYAK - John Herbert 1-393-7737

JUNE 26
Thursday

"KNOW THE WASATCH TRAILS" Thursday evening hike. Alexander Basin. Meet at 7 pm at Elbow Fork. Drive 6.3 miles up Millcreek Canyon (3800 So.) from Wasatch Blvd. to a sharp right turn by a small dam. Leader, Dale Green, 277-6417.

JUNE 27 -
JULY 1
Fri - Tues

MIDDLE FORK OF THE SALMON RIVER (Advanced). If the water level is not too high for safety, we will run a two-segment Salmon River trip this year. At this time of the year, the water level should be high. Experienced river-runners only. Register with a \$10 deposit per segment to Bob Everson, 2613 Imperial St., SLC 84109. Phone 487-0029. It is possible that this trip might not go because of high water but get your reservations in just in case.

JUNE 28-29
Sat. - Sun.

NORTHSIDE CANAL KAYAK TRIP

JUNE 28
Saturday

TIMPANOGOS. Elev. 11,700. Rating 11.0. This year we'll try the Timpaneke Trail. Because of the late spring snow will be encountered and an ice axe will be required. Meet at the Alpine Exit of I-15 at 7:00 am. Leader, Frank West, 1-225-5999.

JUNE 28
Saturday

LAKE SOLITUDE. Elev. 9070, rating 1.0. This is a very enjoyable trip and planned especially for children. The trail is easy and scenic. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 10:00 am. Leader, Sam Allan, 561-1136.

JUNE 29
Sunday

BROADS FORK. Elev. 9600. Rating 5.0. Broad's Fork is one of the most beautiful areas in the Wasatch Range and is also a very enjoyable hike. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 am. Leader, Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640.

JUNE 29
Sunday

MT. SUPERIOR. Elev. 11,200. Rating 7.0. This hike will start at Alta, follow the trail to Cardiff Pass, then along the exposed ridge to the summit. Return will be by Mill B and Lake Blanche. Meet at the Mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader, LeRoy Kuehl, 582-6890.

- JULY 2 - 8
Wed - Tues
MAIN SALMON - CORN CREEK TO RIGGINS (Advanced). The Main Salmon trip will begin where the Middle Fork ends. Register with a \$10 deposit to Bob Everson. See above for address and phone number.
- JULY 3
Thursday
"KNOW THE WASATCH TRAILS" Thursday evening hike. Lake Blanche Trail. Meet at 7 pm in the Storm Mountain Reservoir Parking Lot. See June 5 for directions. Leader, Dale Green, 277-6417.
- JULY 3
Thursday
EVENING CLIMBING at Storm mountain Take your chances on beer being available.
- JULY 4 - 6
Fri - Sun
MOUNTAINEERING HIGH CAMP-Hanging Canyon in the Tetons. This will be our first trip to this beautiful canyon northwest of Jenny Lake. The approach is short and numerous climbs are available including moderate Cube Point and Advanced Symmetry Spire. Hikers are welcome with Mt. St. John and The Jaw as interesting possibilities. Ice axes are required. Leader, John Gottman, 328-8066 X359 W, 359-4693 H.
- JULY 4
Friday
4TH OF JULY FAMILY POTLUCK. Bring the kids to the lodge for the annual flag-raising pandemoniacal potluck. Hike for the older kids at 9:30 a.m. Moppets' parade after the noon repast. Bring enough for yourselves times three, plus plates, utensils, beverage, and balloons. Hosts are Erik and Alex Nelson (age 4 and 5). Phil and Sally are older; phone 581-9205.
- JULY 5
Saturday
LAKE CATHERINE FROM THE LODGE. Elev. 9600. Rating 2.5. This is an enjoyable hike suited for families. The trail is easy and scenic. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 a.m. Leader, Elmer Boyd, 583-2292.
- JULY 5
Saturday
ALEXANDER BASIN TO BOWMAN-FORK. Elev. 10,000. Rating 7.0. A very enjoyable intermediate hike up Alexander Basin around the flank of Gobblers Knob and then down Bowman Fork. Meet at The Movie at 8:00 a.m. Leader, Bob Weatherbee, 272-5510.
- JULY 6
Sunday
AMERICAN FORK TWINS. Elev. 11,489. Rating 7.5. The route will follow up Albion Basin to Mt. Baldy, then to Totally Hidden Peak and finally along the ridge to the Twins. The final ridge is exposed, so be prepared! Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 a.m. Leader, Oscar Robison, 278-5009.
- JULY 9
Wednesday
LOWER SALMON KAYAK. Contact Mike Gallagher, 1310 Grape St., Denver, Colo. 1-303-333-8085.
- JULY 9
EVENING CLIMBING at Storm Mountain

- JULY 10
Thursday "KNOW THE WASATCH TRAILS", a digression from hiking for a nature walk. Prof. Mike Treshow, Botany Dept., U of U, will describe the common plants and flowers in Butler Fork. Meet at 7 pm in the Storm Mountain Reservoir Parking Lot. See June 5 for directions.
- JULY 12
Saturday SUNSET PEAK. Elev. 10,200. Rating 3.5. We'll go up the Brighton Lakes Trail past Lakes Mary, Martha and Catherine to Catherine Pass and then up the ridge to the peak. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 am. Leader Clint Lewis, 295-8645.
- JULY 13
Sunday HONEYCOMB CLIFFS. Elev. 10,000. Rating 3.0. The route will follow the Twin Lakes Trail and return either by Honeycomb Fork or Silver Fork. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 a.m. Leader, Clint Lewis, 295-8645.
- JULY 13
Sunday PFEIFFERHORN. Elev. 11,326. Rating 10.0. The route this year will head up Red Pine and return via Hogum. The number of people will be limited. Call the leader for registration and details. Leader, Milt Hollander, 277-1416.
- JULY 17
Thursday EVENING CLIMB at Storm Mountain
- JULY 24-27
Thur. - Sun. MOUNTAINEERING HIGH CAMP. Temple area of the Wind River Range.
- JULY 26 - 27
Sat. - Sun. WESTWATER (Advanced).
- JULY 26 - 27
ALPINE CANYON OF THE SNAKE - Kayak trip.
- AUG. 2 - 4
Sat. - Sun. LODORE CANYON, GREEN RIVER. Intermediate. Leaders, Craig Marken and Marlene Austin. Register by mailing a \$10 deposit to Marlene at 620 5th Ave., Apt. #1, SLC 84103. Phone 355-4726 (home) or 581-6080 (work). In Ogden area, phone Craig at 399-9714.
- AUG. 2-4
GATES OF LODORE KAYAK TRIP. Leader, Marty McKnight.
- AUG. 10 - 19
MIDDLE FORK KAYAK TOUR. Leader, Jim Byrne.
- AUG. 16-17
FAMILY RIVER TRIP. We'll go somewhere, possibly the Snake. More details in future RAMBLERS. Leaders: Rick and Susie Williams. 1/649-9063
- AUG. 30 - SEP. 2
Sat - Tues HELLS CANYON, SNAKE RIVER (Advanced).
- OCT. 11 - 12
Sat. - Sun. WESTWATER (Advanced).

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Mountaineering Ramblings

by John Gottman

The late and heavy snow cover has hampered the start of our season causing cancellations, postponements, and adverse conditions. Danger of killer, heavy-snow avalanches, as well as afternoon garbage, may be with us through June. Early starts reduce the risk and the soft snow slogging. Keeping warm and dry is important, especially when the sun goes down. Wool socks retain most of their insulating value when wet, and long gaiters prevent soaked pants.

We have a large, enthusiastic, and persevering climbing class, and we welcome its members on our events. I want to remind them and everyone else that most of what we do on high camps involves hiking, and that good conditioning contributes greatly to the enjoyment and accomplishment of the trips.

I plan to have several unscheduled, technical climbing days in the local area. Anyone interested in these, or in organizing weekend events, should come out on Thursday nights or call me (359-4693).

NORTH FACE MT OLYMPUS

March 8

by Richard Wagner

The March Rambler hadn't arrived yet, so most of us on this trip heard about it by word of mouth. After the usual delays, and some unusual ones, we drove to the mouth of Neffs Canyon and started walking. Since it was still winter, we wondered where all the snow was, but we soon found it, and continued on our snowshoes. They made travel possible, but not enjoyable on the steep, crusty snow, and were a definite nuisance for bushwacking and rock scrambling. Finally, on avalanche debris high on the north face of Olympus, we took off our snowshoes to proceed on foot; when the snow became too steep for ski poles, we strapped the snowshoes and poles to our packs, and proceeded with ice axes.

A short rock step slowed us when the first climbers up knocked loose snow onto the rock and polished it to ice. The only way the last people could get up was with help from a lowered rope. Finally, we came to the end of the snow, and gathered on a small shelf while Larry vanished around a corner to start the first pitch. Soon we heard pitons being driven, and chipping sounds followed by cascades of ice and snow. More than an hour passed before he reached the first belay spot.

At this point, we began to consider the time (3 pm), the size of the group (8), and the technical climbing ahead (at least three pitches). We concluded that the top couldn't be reached before dark. Three of us decided to head down, and after trying to talk the others into joining us, we carefully roped down the upper snow patch, and crossed the rock step. During a brief stop for a much delayed lunch (dinner?) we heard someone exercising his vocabulary as he struggled up the rock. It sounded like he was having problems, and we were glad we had left.

Later, at the base of the mountain, we looked back and saw the top of Olympus lost in storm clouds, and knew the people we left behind were having an absolutely miserable time. A phone call late that night assured us that they got off the mountain alive, though they didn't reach the top, and a sleet storm added a degree of pain to their descent.

Participants: Larry Swanson, leader; Richard Wagner, Trudy Healy, Ray Daurelle, Audrey Stevens, John Gottman, Gwen Ryan, Jim Key.
P.S. Conflicting reports by some of the masochists who were "lost in the storm clouds" claim an absolutely stimulating time (ed).

BIG BEACON

April 3

There were big ones and little ones, and middle sized ones. Some made it to the top, some made it half way, and some made it part way. But on this glorious spring day, everyone enjoyed the romp up Big Beacon. It was good to see so many smiling, friendly faces and to share in the joy of knowing that "our season" was finally here. A few of us "show-offs" got in a few extra feet of elevation by climbing the beacon tower.

The mob included: Mary Manley, Don (Ridgebear) Colman, June Zonker, Liz, Pam, and Jennifer Choules, Linda, Mary and Jeræ Steggall, John and Martha Veranth, Ann Wennhold, Hugh Macpherson, James Hinkley, Joyce Palmer, Linda and Marci Ditter, Dorothy Holland, Mark, Rochelle and Sue Anderson, Leona Sabine, Carol and Joy Juelson, Dale Green, Richard Conn, Doug Stark, George and Trudy Healey, Kermit and Marilyn Earle, Charles Keller, John Riley, Paul Horton, Fran Flowers, and two others whose names the typewriter was unable to reproduce. Leaders were: Kermit and Marilyn Earle.

ANNOUNCING

Wind River Trails

By

FINIS MITCHELL

Just published, this new hiking guide covers the wildlife, glaciers, peaks, 4,000 lakes, and 800 miles of streams in Wyoming's fabulous $2\frac{1}{2}$ million acre Wind River Range. It is compiled by Finis Mitchell from his 67 years of mountain life while climbing 198 peaks in this range. It contains 144 pages in pocket size, 30 photos, 12 maps covering the Bridger, Popo Agie and Glacier Wilderness Areas, and the Wind River Indian Reservation.

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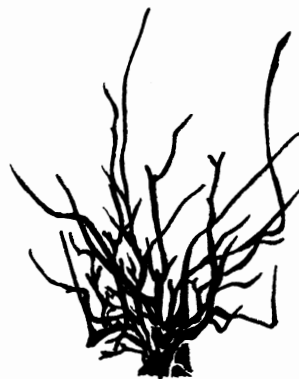
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April 20

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Despite our reluctant spring, choice personnel voted our north ridge jaunt a good one; highlighted by a few flowers, a herd of deer, some mountain bluebirds, and a golden eagle. Gastric serenity was augmented by choice "apricot leather" provided by Chuck Denton.

Participants: Dorothy Holland, Ruth Holland, Mike Hendrickson, Fran Flowers, Trudy Healy, Dave Endicott, Diana Handy, Chuck Mays, Leon Jones, Kathy Black, Christopher Gamble, Chuck Denton, and Carl E. Bauer.

GRAND CANYON

April 11-21 by Audrey Stevens

RIVER TRIP

"I see something down there frothing," Stan said. Reluctantly we took our eyes away from the most magnificent and awe-inspiring scenery on earth, secured cameras, and gripped the ropes that criss-crossed the boat deck. The 20-horse motor pointed us to exactly the right places. Once through the rapid, I heard "Audrey, put in your book" (Grand Canyon River Guide, waterproof edition) "that you are now writing underwater." This scene and variations were repeated so often that we could agree: yes, the Colorado is a busy river, and could very well have cut those unbelievable formations. And yes, it is a bit chilly in April and rapids don't help but waterproof pants, poncho, slicker hat, wool socks, wool sweater and even the copious-bosomed life vests certainly do help. Somehow it seemed warmer if one continued to grip the rope after the rapid was past. If one were sitting near the bow of "Old Spraycutter" with its sharp-nosed pontoons, it seemed not so wet as the comparable position on "Old Bowwash" and its blunt-end shape. As the trip went on, the novices realized why those who had run the Canyon before chose A Certain Position on A Certain Boat (up high, near the stern) and stayed there, muttering over wonderful geologic descriptions out of dry books. Very wet dousings had funny results: Kay wore her poncho outside her life vest, so when she stood up and waved her arms to dry, there was this remarkable resemblance to a pouter pigeon trying to fly. The Reunion produced a slide of Mike T. and Earl, standing with waterproof pants down around their ankles for a better drying job. Nevertheless, only the first two days were somewhat inclement and we stayed fairly warm. Joyce made great sketches of us, and of the scenery at times, using watercolors (naturally). The shark's maw on the cover of the pocketbook "Jaws" hid Sally's face and her own smile was a relief to see. Stu O. issued a good rule for smokers: "Do not clean pipes to windward!" Stew H. whistled and sang to the birds, the burros, the canyon walls, the tamarisks and his own muse. There were surprise goodies every day; even the Frito Fairy came around. Randy deserves the Most Careful Person award for having one can of beer left near Lake Mead. Mike O. as usual got the female vote for Best Legs. And so we rocked along, looking at...

The amazing, ever unfolding Canyon! Geology is rampant. Marble Canyon, then Granite Canyon. One billion years and all is breathtaking. Reaching Pre-Cambrian surprisingly quickly - at Mile 77, of our 280 miles. Toroweap Formation, gneiss ("Your standard black rock formation") ("That's gneiss"), and ghostly voices from the rocks telling us "Look at me! I am the least metamorphosed..." Vishnu schist, Tapeats unconformity, Brahmin schist, coal deposits (huge), travertine, salt deposits sacred to the Indians. Tennis-shoe piercing lava extrusions...next time I too will carry a "dry" geology book!

There was much to discover on side trips too. I must admit however that

lunch became a very important event. The boat decks turned into tables with legs that screwed on. Toward the end, Bob remarked, "Where are the camera buffs?" as we wolfed down cold cuts, slathered peanut butter onto pickles and fought over the tomatoes. Scenery was forgotten. On Friday there appeared a steaming pot of hot dogs - "The best 3 hot dogs, peanut butter and jelly sandwich and 16 cockles I ever ate," declared one satisfied customer. Maybe that's why Gordy could never quite jump onto the boat; he'd always get hung up in the ropes! However, there were the other memorable side trips: a huge scoop from a vertical face called Red Wall Cavern, where Major Powell said the floor could seat 50,000 people (he must have been thinking of small Indians). A poor hapless nautiloid had been impressed in marble eons ago, and we wondered at it. Wandering into the canyon behind Bert Loper's washed-up boat, we found sun-limned droplets of water cascading through ferns off a high cliff. There was that stumbling, groping investigation of a mining tunnel, and the puzzling patterns of rock foundations at Indian ruins. We stopped to scout the major rapids, and I particularly remember hearing the Odin song wafting up as we watched the first boat approach Hance. Our botanists were eager to identify: "What is that d--- thing I ran into?" "Oh, that's what we botanists know as a stickery bush. Could be the Greater or Lesser Stickery Bush." The cottonwoods turned out their new green leaves for us at Phantom Ranch. We despaired at seeing the places where damsites had been proposed. And the waterfalls! From freshets to torrents, all were beautiful. Betsy was the only one brave enough to climb up the Elves Chasm staircase of slippery moss. We wandered up side canyons with cliffs that seemed to meet in the sky above us. We explored a trail which led us along the top of a thin, narrow gorge and we looked down, for once, to an undulating stream far below. Lava formations cupped the blue-green water of Havasu Creek. Climbers we became, for the best views were just beyond the next rock face. At Separation Canyon, where three of Powell's men left him, our boatload was treated to a touching memorial service featuring Bob (with one arm tied up) reading from the diary and a chorus humming Glory, Glory Hallelujah in the background. Even the usual mosquitos, etc. weren't apparent until the last day or so.

Camping was a very special time, for we felt that we were the first ones down the Canyon this year and the sand had not been ruffled by a human footstep for quite awhile. Some put up tents every night, but the only time we really needed them was during the downpour the first night. After that, the weather could only improve and we appreciated it that much more. The food was super! Those magic dutch ovens held chicken, fish, pork chops, steak, and all the other amenities of gourmet meals. Bill and Mondell were the real magic however, and managed to cook all that (with Bob and Mike O.'s help), as well as putting up with the Mountain Club exuberance. They led us in hikes and climbs that the standard tourist could not do...even after Happy Hour (we climbed back down to camp by aid of flashlights!). Burros brayed us awake one morning. Bob did the same most other mornings "Last call to (breakfast) (porta-potty) (first call) (etc)". Ever brushed your teeth in lemonade? When that's all that's handy, you do it! We left each campsite full of blueberry pancakes and regret.

A wading ashore at Pierce Ferry, now in blue lake mead water; a quick spectacular airplane ride to St. George; the bus home; and arrival about 1 AM Monday. Some days later, a friend said "Nine days on the water! I'd be so bored!" C'mon gang, let's tell her what we think of that ignorant remark! The gang being: CCLCRADC RIVER AND TRAIL EXPEDITIONS, Dave McKay, owner. Boatmen: Bill Trevithick, Mondell Hebbert. Swampers: Bob Everson, Mike Omana. Trip Leader: Karen Weatherbee. River Rats: Earl Hyde, Mary Strand, Joyce Sohler, John Cole, Mike Treshow, Audrey Stevens, Stan Davis, Ilene Thompson, Stew and Eunice Harvey, Randy Taylor, Kay Millar, Gordy and Sally Olson, Stu Ogden and Betsy Marr.

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NAME (Print) _____ Telephone _____

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I hereby apply for membership in the Wasatch Mountain Club and enclose \$ _____ as my annual membership dues for the year _____, \$ _____ of which is for a subscription to the Rambler for the year and \$4.00 entrance fee. (From January to August, dues are \$6.00 of which \$5.00 are for a Rambler subscription - Spouse dues (non-subscribing) are \$3.00 - plus \$4.00 entrance fee. From September to December, the dues are \$3.00, of which \$2.50 are for a Rambler subscription -- Spouse dues (non-subscribing) are \$1.50 - plus \$4.00 entrance fee.) I (do) (do not) desire to receive the Rambler.

I have attended two Club activities in the past 12 months as required for membership such as hikes, ski tours, camping trips, rock-hound trips or work parties and have been recommended by two trip leaders who are Club members. Social events such as lodge parties, winter socials, etc. are not activities qualifying for membership. I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Club as specified in the Constitution and Bylaws as determined by the Board of Directors.

I am specifically interested in the items checked below:

Hiking _____ Ski Touring _____ Boating _____ Mountaineering _____ Caving _____
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CLUB ACTIVITIES ATTENDED:

1. _____	Date _____	Signature of recommending Trip Leader _____
2. _____	Date _____	Trip Leader _____

(Note: The signature of a Director may be substituted for one Trip Leader.)

Signature of Applicant



April 19

by Bill Keegan

Sunshine and surprised downhillers greeted what must have been the largest group of X-C'ers and snowshoers ever seen trudging up Alta's slopes. At the top of Albion lift we paused, re-grouped, then turned our hungry selves toward Upper Albion Basin, our ultimate destination for the day. There, the "Devil's Castle Cafe" was opened amid oohs, aahs, and the growls of hungry stomachs as foreign and domestic delights were unpacked and eagerly sampled.

Some felt our leader had sampled too eagerly as cries of "cut him off" punctuated his wrestling match with a sapling in a snowdrift (the sapling won). The array of foods was sufficient to satisfy even the most demanding gourmet, so it was with pleased palates and tickled tummies that we contemplated our return through the slopes covered with virgin slush. Yet, if the skiing was less than excellent, the food and drink more than overcame that deficiency, since many queried why we restrict ourselves to such indulgences only once a year. Some even suggested a weekly gourmet tour.

Gourmet diners included: Gale Dick, leader; Ann Dick, Enid Morrison, George and Lois Lowe, Teddi and Yukio Kachi, Jerry Horton, David Armitage, Truus Bos, Bill Keegan, Marlene Austin, George Westbrook, Craig Marken, Jack (Peanut butter) Comford, Toni Hartman, John Herbert, Jinny Lee Snow, Jo Ann Freed, Sheila Ludlam, Jerry Youngblooooood, Dorothy Holland, June Zongker, Joy Ray, Ann McDonald, Dwight and Joan Nicholson, Doug Stark, Elmer Boyd, Ann Wennhold, Dave Hanscom, Roly Pearson, Charlie Keller, Betty Hendricks, Jim Key, Margot Graham, Bill and Diane Shepard, Steve Dick and Jan Brily.

Eaten was: Pate, Spanish tortilla, Sangria, Artichoke hearts, Artichoke with hollandaise sause, Stuffed grape leaves, String cheese, Grouse, Stuffed mushrooms, Venison salami, Boursin, Quiche, Cheesecakes (8), Moshi Gushi, Guacamole, Bismarks, Roast beef and garbanzos, Fresh pineapple, Elderberry wine, Noviwaki, Homemade French Bread, Homemade wheat and honey bread, Rouladen, Fresh strawberries, Kipper snacks, Turnips, Chocolate mint brandy, Grumbled olives, Homemade cheese, Greek Easter bread, Greek olives, Feta cheese, Turkey sandwich, Roast chicken and, of course, Peanut butter sandwiches.

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