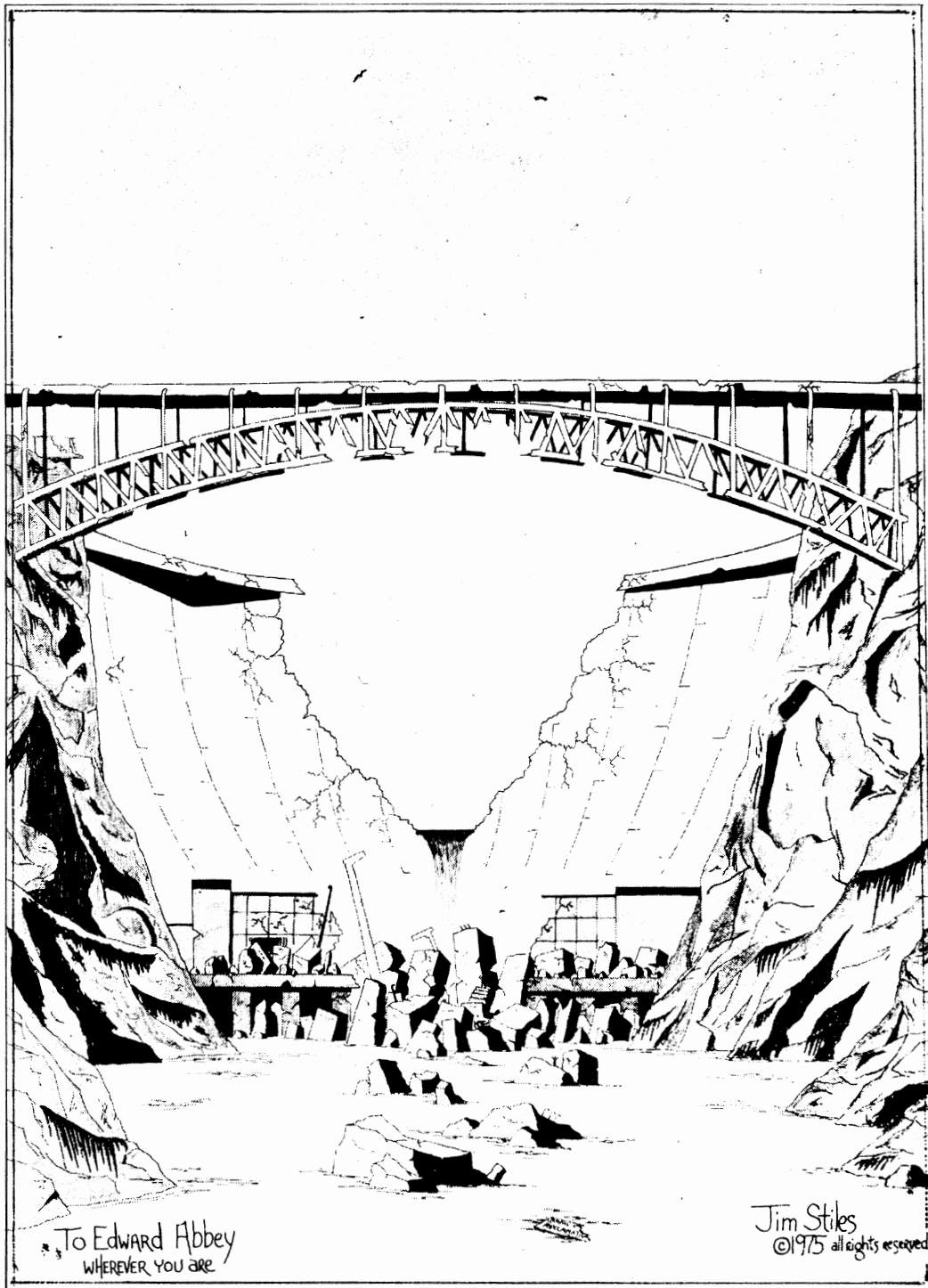


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for all you Edward Abbey fans.
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relay incoming messages to the proper Director. The Petersons do not hold any
office, or attend Board meetings, or are they informed by the Board of official ac-
tions. If a trip leader cannot be contacted or is not specified, call the Director of
that department for information. The Board strongly desires to hear comments,
suggestions, inquiries, and criticisms concerning the operation of your Club.
Please feel free to phone any Director or write to the President. Names will be
withheld upon request, but anonymous letters will be disregarded.

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 ab-
sence, some business is held for action until the next meeting.

Club Activities for March '76

AVALANCHE INFORMATION is available from the Wasatch National Forest winter sports information recording, 486-6333. The information is more complete and up-to-date than in the past, so their recommendations can be relied upon. If you have any further questions on avalanche conditions, call Andy Schoenberg, 466-6531. Avalanche probes, cords and shovels are required on advanced tours at the discretion of the leader. Probes are available for rent through the Ski Touring Director. Electronic transmitter-receivers are now available through Timberline Sports and are recommended for advanced tourers.

RATINGS OF SKI TOURS (X, Y) describe the difficulty of the climb (X) and the skiing proficiency required to get down (Y). Both are rated from 1 to 6, in order of increasing difficulty. A detailed description of some popular tours is in the November 1975 issue of The Rambler. Contact the leader if you are in doubt about your ability to do the tour.

REGISTRATION WITH TRIP LEADERS is important for ski tours, since weather and snow conditions can cause cancellations or change in destination. It also aids in organizing car shuttles early enough to avoid delays. Register with the leader by some reasonable hour on the day before the tour.

FREE SKI TOURING CLINICS - these clinics all offer beginner instruction and in some cases will go beyond the beginner stage and have more advanced tours. Some also offer evening discussions, as Timberline does. However, in all instances I feel it is important to call the respective shops and find out the details. All the clinics are on Saturdays.

They are located at: Timberline Sports, 3155 Highland Drive, 466-2101
Wasatch Mtn. Touring Co., 779 East 300 South, 359-9361
Village Sports Den, 1384 Foothill Drive, 582-5611
The Mountaineer, 1035 East 200 South, 582-2338

These ski touring clinics are a very good way to get into the sport, and could be enough instruction for a beginner to then participate in a club beginner's tour.

-Andy Schoenberg, Ski Touring Director

MARCH 6
Saturday

CITIZEN RACE AT PARK CITY (Nordic). Call Joe Buys at Wolfe's for details, 521-0550.

MARCH 6
Saturday
ADVANCED ALPINE TOUR, DESERET PEAK. An excellent high tour to the Stansbury Mountains west of Salt Lake. Meet at O'Dell's Shoe Shop at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Larry Swanson, 278-3269.

MARCH 6
Saturday
BEGINNER NORDIC-SNOWSHOE TOUR - DOG LAKE (2,2) B. An easy trip up Mill D, north fork. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Danny Horton, 328-9486.

MARCH 7
Sunday
ADVANCED ALPINE TOUR - LAKE BLANCHE. This classic tour will be attempted again. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 7:30 a.m. You must register with the leader, Alexis Kelner, 359-5387.

MARCH 7
Sunday
BEGINNER-INTERMEDIATE SNOWSHOE & NORDIC TOUR - ? Elmer Boyd knows of an area south of Park City away from the snowmobiles with beautiful views of the Heber Valley. Meet at the east side of the K-Mart parking lot (Parleys Way) at 8:30 a.m. Leader: Elmer Boyd, 583-2292.

MARCH 7
Sunday
WINTER SOCIAL, hosted by Alexis and Karla Kelner at their home, 1201 First Avenue, phone 359-5387. Fun and games will last from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

MARCH 13-14
Sat.-Sun.
LODGE OPEN. Rollin and Betty Hurlbut and their teenage son will host. Everyone welcome. For information call 943-5090.

MARCH 13
Saturday
MT. OLYMPUS NORTH FACE, EAST SECTION CLIMB. We will again attempt to do the north summit in the vicinity of the chimney. An early start, snowshoes, crampons, pitons and hammers, ice axes, helmets, headlamps or flashlights, and very good conditioning are required on this serious event! Meet at 7:30 a.m. at The Movie. Register with leader Larry Swanson at 278-3269. The climb will be followed by a late participant-financed dinner and social gathering at the leader's home.

MARCH 13
Saturday
INTERMEDIATE NORDIC-SNOWSHOE TOUR, WHITE PINE CANYON NEAR PARK CITY. This is a nice wooded canyon in the Park City West area. Meet at the east side of the K-Mart parking lot (Parleys Way) at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Wick Miller, 582-6051.

MARCH 13
Saturday
MOONLIGHT TOUR - SNAKE CREEK PASS. Rolle Pearson is going to lead a group above the Lodge in the afternoon to see the sunset, and then ski down to a dinner at the Lodge. Rolle promised a great meal, but would like those interested to call him so he can plan it. There will be a small fee to cover expenses. Meet at the Lodge at 3:30 p.m. Leader: Rolle Pearson, 277-8546.

MARCH 14
Sunday
ADVANCED NORDIC TRIP - DEADMAN MTN. This will be our first tour of the season into the Uintas. It will go up above the east fork of the Bear River. Register with the leader by Wednesday night. Leader: Dave George, 359-8177.

MARCH 14
Sunday
WINTER SOCIAL, hosted by Mike Treshow at his home, 1798 Millbrook Road. Time, 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. He promises that his pool will be covered. Mike's phone is 467-1022.

MARCH 19-20
Fri.-Sat. NAOMI PEAK - CACHE MOUNTAINS. This is a long nordic or alpine tour, so the group will be going up Friday evening and camping at the trailhead. You must be in good shape to do this tour due to its length. Please register with the leader, Yukio Kachi, 466-8418.

MARCH 20
Saturday BEGINNER NORDIC-SNOWSHOE TOUR, DESOLATION LAKE (2,2) B This is a very popular nordic tour in Big Cottonwood. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Bob Weatherbee, 272-5510.

MARCH 21
Sunday ADVANCED NORDIC-ALPINE TOUR, MT. RAYMOND (4,4) A. This is a nice high alpine tour in Big Cottonwood. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 7:00 a.m. Leader: Rolfe Doebling, 467-6636.

MARCH 21
Sunday BEGINNER NORDIC-SNOWSHOE TOUR, SCOTTS PASS (B). Ann Dick will lead this nice trip to Scotts Pass and possibly down to Shadow Lake. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Ann Dick, 359-5764.

MARCH 22
Monday KAYAK POOL PRACTICE. Can Spring be far away? Cottonwood High School, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. Work on your eskimo roll in a heated pool while it snows outside. \$1.00 per person enriches the kayak safety fund. Questions? Call Dan Thomas, 561-8606.

MARCH 24
Wednesday WHITEWATER SAFETY PROGRAM. We will have a film on the eskimo roll and a discussion by Dr. Charles Hall on dislocated shoulders, hypothermia, and preparing a river first aid kit. 7:30 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 Foothill Drive, rear.

MARCH 27-28
Sat.-Sun. LODGE OPEN. Call Randy Taylor for details, 272-4624.

MARCH 27-28
Sat.-Sun. ADVANCED NORDIC-ALPINE TOUR, WHEELER PEAK. This will be a great opportunity to try some touring in the high mountains of the west desert. This is a weekend trip so call the leader to make arrangements. Leader: Pete Hovingh, 359-4791.

MARCH 27-28
Sat.-Sun. CAPITOL REEF CAR CAMP. With the hope of good weather, we'll spend the weekend exploring various areas of the Park. Call the leader for registration and details. Leader: Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640.

MARCH 27
Saturday INTERMEDIATE NORDIC TOUR, PARK CITY TO MIDWAY. Once again we will get to do this nice tour with a possible swim and dinner, group willing, at The Homestead as a finale. Meet at the Park City Golf Course "Two Seasons Restaurant" parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Lyman Lewis, 1-649-9632.

MARCH 28
Sunday ADVANCED TOUR - RED PINE TO BELLS CANYON. This is another Kelner tour that can't help but be great. It could possibly go into the Thunder Mountain bowl. Register with the leader, Alexis Kelner, 359-5387.

MARCH 28
Sunday
FAMILY SNOWSHOE TOUR - MILLCREEK. This trip follows a nice contour trail from Elbow Fork and is in the sun. The leader will be backpacking a child, so he would like some slow company. Leader: Chuck Mays, 582-3818.

MARCH 29
Monday
KAYAK POOL PRACTICE, Cottonwood High School, 8:00 p.m.

APRIL 1
Thursday
All Fools' Day, which brings out the first EVENING CLIMBING SESSION AT PETE'S ROCK. This is located at approximately 5500 S. Wasatch Blvd. Great sunsets and, hopefully, dry rock!

APRIL 3
Saturday
INTERMEDIATE ALPINE-NORDIC TOUR, UPPER ALBION BASIN, PT. SUPREME. The leader promises some good downhill skiing in this high bowl -- a good time to practice those telemark turns. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 9:30 a.m. Leader: Charlie Keller, 467-3960.

APRIL 3
Saturday
FOOTHILL I. This will be a warmup hike to stretch the muscles and to start conditioning. This hike will be in the City Creek Canyon area. For details call Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640.

APRIL 4
Sunday
ADVANCED NORDIC TOUR - KINGS PEAK. We will attempt to highest peak in Utah (13,528 ft.) on a one day tour, so you must be prepared for a 16 to 20 hour trip. Register with the leader, Dwight Nicholson, 359-6178.

APRIL 4
Sunday..
BIG BEACON. El. 7143 Rating 3.0 This is an excellent Spring hike up to the peak north of the This Is The Place Monument. Meet at the northeast corner of the Hogle Zoo parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Call Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640, for details.

APRIL 5
Monday
KAYAK POOL PRACTICE, Cottonwood High School, 8:00 p.m.

APRIL 8
Thursday
EVENING CLIMBING AT PETE'S ROCK. See April 1 for directions.

APRIL 9
Friday
ANNUAL RIVER RATS' PARTY. This boating bash will put in at 7:30 p.m. at the Lodge. Chips and dips will be provided, beer and wine will be available for a nominal fee. Bring slides, movies, snapshots, etc. of past trips in order the share them with past, present and future River Rats. Information on the river running program generally and the schedule for the coming season in particular will be provided for new and prospective river runners.

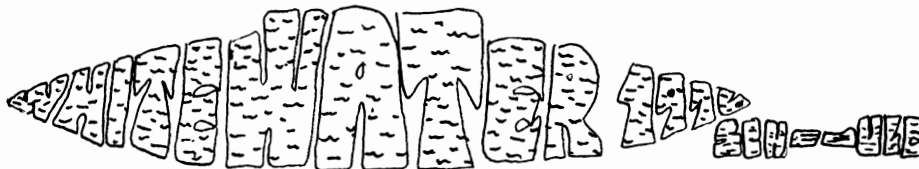
APRIL 10-11
Sat.-Sun.
LODGE OPEN. Call Randy Taylor for details, 272-4624.

APRIL 10
Saturday
INTERMEDIATE NORDIC TOUR - WILLOW CREEK TO DESOLATION LAKE. This is a fairly long tour but should be fine for intermediate nordic skiers. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 9:30 a.m. Leader: John Gottman, 359-4693.

- APRIL 10
Saturday
- FOOTHILL II. This conditioning hike will be harder and more strenuous. The route will go up the mountain just north of Parleys Canyon to Pencil Point and beyond. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot by the Regency Theatre at 9:00 a.m. Call Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640, for details.
- APRIL 11
Sunday
- SOUTH RIDGE OF SUPERIOR CLIMB. This will involve an early start, substantial exposed scrambling, some roped pitches, and probably a late slog out. The number of climbers will have to be limited. Ice axes, very good conditioning, and excellent conditions will be required. Call the Mountaineering Director for information and registration.
- APRIL 11
Sunday
- INTERMEDIATE-ADVANCED ALPINE TOUR, DAYS FORK. This is a very nice route that is seldom done because the mouth is hidden somewhat. Come out and decide for yourself whether this side canyon should stay hidden. Please register with the leader, Charles Lesley, 484-0270.
- APRIL 11
Sunday
- ADVANCED ALPINE-NORDIC TOUR. This will go wherever the spring snow looks best. Please register with the leader, Phil Ryan, 355-1591.
- APRIL 11
Sunday
- LITTLE BLACK MOUNTAIN. El. 8062 Rating 6.5 An excellent spring hike to this peak which lies on the south side of City Creek Canyon. This tour generally involves a lot of snow, so come prepared. Meet at the parking lot at the west end of the Shriners Hospital at 8:30 a.m. Leader: Mike Hendrickson, 484-2640.
- APRIL 11
Sunday
- BOATING WORK PARTY. The Club's annual preseason work party will commence at 10:00 a.m. at the boat storage garage, 154 S. 7th East. We're starting early so that all the equipment may be moved to a new storage site. Libations of various kinds will be provided. If you are interested in running rivers with the Club this season, the work party is a must activity. To facilitate moving, a couple of pickup trucks or vans would be appreciated. Anyone having same please call Bob Weatherbee at his office, 363-1454 or home, 272-5510.
- APRIL 12
Monday
- KAYAK POOL PRACTICE, Cottonwood High School, 8:00 p.m.
- APRIL 15
Thursday
- EVENING CLIMBING AT PETE'S ROCK. See April 1 for directions.
- APRIL 17
Saturday
- THE FAMOUS ANNUAL GOURMET TOUR! This is the only way to end the touring season. The food has been getting better and more exotic every year. Just bring some of your best gourmet fare and Gale and Ann Dick will once again lead us off in the sun to share good food and drink with friends. Skiers and snowshoers welcomed. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood at 10:00 a.m. Leaders: Gale and Ann Dick, 359-5764.

APRIL 17
Saturday

WEBER RIVER ICEBREAKER KAYAK TRIP. Meet at the second Henefer exit
at 12:00 noon. Leader: Bill Sill, 278-1193.



MARCH 22, 29; APRIL 5, 12, 19, 26; MAY 3. POOL PRACTICE.

MARCH 24	KAYAK SAFETY PROGRAM
APRIL 17	WEBER RIVER ICEBREAKER TRIP
APRIL 24-25	DEWEY BRIDGE BEGINNER COLORADO RIVER TRIP
MAY 1-2	J'S SOUTHERN UTAH WEEKEND TRIP
MAY 10-14	ONE WEEK ON THE DOLORES TOUR, RICO-DEWEY BRIDGE
MAY 15-16	GREYS CANYON OF THE GREEN RIVER TRIP
MAY 17-21	ONE WEEK ON THE OWYHEE TOUR, THREE FORKS TO ROME TO HOLE-IN-THE-GROUND, OREGON
MAY 29-31	SAN JUAN TOUR
JUNE 11-14	FOUR DAY YAMPA RIVER TOUR
JUNE 18-21	DESOLATION RIVER TOUR
JUNE 26-27	NORTHSIDE CANAL PRACTICE SESSION
JULY 3-5	GREYS AND HOBACK RIVERS TRIP, WYOMING
JULY 17-18	NORTHSIDE CANAL PRACTICE SESSION
JULY 24-25	WESTWATER CANYON OF THE COLORADO TRIP
JULY 25-31	MIDDLE FORK OF THE SALMON TOUR
AUGUST 6-8	GATES OF LODORE TOUR
AUGUST 21-22	ALPINE CANYON OF THE SNAKE TRIP
AUGUST 28-29	ALPINE CANYON, WYOMING
SEPTEMBER 1	RIVER PLANNING PARTY
SEPTEMBER 11-12	WESTWATER OF THE COLORADO TRIP
SEPTEMBER 25-26	WESTWATER
OCTOBER 9-10	WESTWATER

Note: May activities subject to water level rescheduling. Contact leader for exact dates.



This month's RAMBLER lists the full schedule for Wasatch Mountain Club kayaking, with more than 50 river days planned. Our schedule is divided among trips and tours. The word TRIP means a one-day run and a return to your car. They often include car camping along the river bank, and are best for beginners. To go on some of our more demanding activities, it is necessary to boat with us on easier stretches. This is the only way we can assess your ability to handle a river.

Our TOURS are often down wilderness rivers for three or more days' duration. We tour self-contained, without raft support, and this requires a certain amount of confidence in your whitewater abilities. All trips and tours are FREE, and members lead these voluntarily and without any form of payment. All members own their own boats and equipment, and any incidental costs are shared equally.

Monday night pool sessions offer the opportunity for building kayak skills. They are supervised by an unpaid volunteer and will include "English gate" practice. If you have further questions on how to get into whitewater kayaking, contact your director: Daniel Thomas, 561-8606.

wmc treasurer's report

Feb. 18, 1976 (Transactions Through Feb. 4, 1976)

Summary	Balance Dec. 3	Revenue	Disburse- ments	Balance Feb. 4
General Fund	2874.14	171.91	657.85	2388.20
Lodge	1841.55	691.00	55.84	2476.71
Boating	2005.92	12.50	1537.13	2271.29
Mountaineering	426.94	--	--	426.94
Socials	175.63	424.00	448.00	175.63
Conservation	301.95	22.00	--	338.95
Sam Thomas Trail Fund	120.95	--	--	120.95
Sam Thomas Special Fund	1040.43	--	--	1040.43
Ski Touring	319.70	11.70	--	434.20
Wasatch Trails	2324.88	--	19.24	2305.64
Hiking	38.19	--	--	38.19
Kayaking	137.00	--	19.70	124.30
Gordon Hughes Fund	55.00	--	--	55.00
Totals	13,476.48	1430.71	760.75	14,146.44
Savings Accounts	11,000.00	--	--	11,000.00
Checking Account	2,476.48	--	--	2,476.48

From the President:

Parting Shots

The Bylaws describing the Directors' responsibilities are being rewritten to bring them up to date. I recommend two additional changes:

1. Eliminate the requirement to hold Board Meetings twice a month. Meet once a month on the Wednesday nearest the Rambler's deadline and make other arrangements for business that may occur between meetings.
2. Eliminate the Nomination Banquet. It no longer serves its purpose. After the nomination committee has found at least one qualified person for each position and published their list, open the nominations to the membership by phone and/or letter. Also, at this point, anyone who meets Bylaw requirements should be able to volunteer to run for the Board without the present artifice of finding a friend to nominate them.

If enough members want an expensive dress-up, dinner-dance then fine, schedule one -- but divorce it completely from the nomination process. Comments from the membership are invited.

Sixan Song

This marks the end of my eighth year as President of the WMC and nearly as many years serving in other positions. I decline to run for a Board position again. Thanks to everyone who has assisted and supported me and tolerated my idiosyncrasies.

HELP PREVENT Lodge Burnout

The new Lodge director has a very big job - scheduling rentals, handling finances, supervising inspections, maintenance, dispensing and collecting keys, stocking garbage bags, T.P., first aid, light bulbs, and all supplies. The person who helped last year's director schedule hosts on WMC weekends has quit. We need someone to take the file of experienced and potential hosts and continue to put host information into The Rambler. If you are interested in helping extinguish this problem, call Randy Taylor at 272-4624.

DO YOUR DUES - DUES ARE DUE!



Mt. St. John, el. 11,430 ft., Jackson Lake in the background.
July 4th Mountaineering High Camp. From a slide by Lew Hitchner.

MOUNTAINEERING

RAMBLINGS

by John Gottman

The January ice climbing class went extremely well. We started with equipment and technique discussions at my house, then reconvened in Little Cottonwood for practice. Everyone did at least one short pitch on the lower part of the waterfall, and all seemed to enjoy the unique sensation of climbing on crampons, ice axes and ice hammers.

Special thanks to Renny Jackson for the excellent ice climbing class teaching job. Class members included Geoff Ballantyne, Bonnie Baty, John Cole, Lorie Cahn, John Gottman, Roger Jackson, John Mason, Bill Shephard, John Sutton, George Westbrook, Bill Yates and Denis Zwang.

Our summer program will begin on April 1st at Pete's Rock and will continue there each Thursday through April. We will meet at the Storm Mountain picnic area each Thursday for the remainder of the summer. "Titanic" Paul Horton has again agreed to run the Beginners' Climbing Class in May. Additional information will be in the April RAMBLER.

DOG LAKE TO REYNOLDS PEAK

January 17

by Alice Dewell

Eighteen people enjoyed beautiful, clear weather for this tour to the top of Reynolds Peak. About three subgroups developed as we set different paces, but all of us finally enjoyed a superb view.

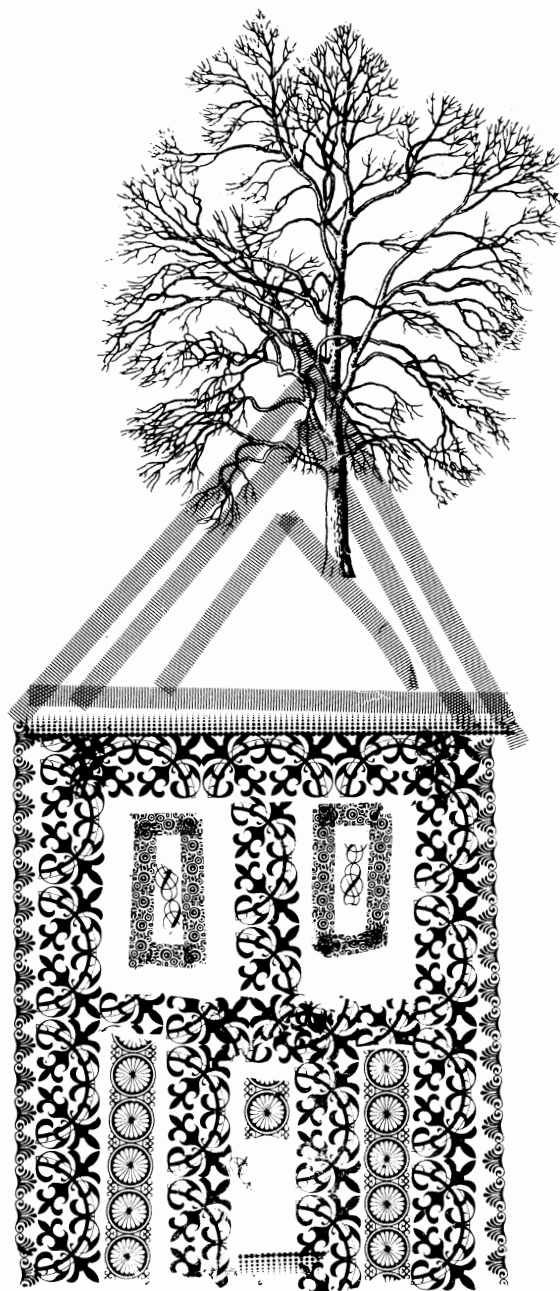
Allen deserves special commendation. He remained at the rear of the group, collecting strays who had taken a wrong turn, and helping with a change of wax when needed. He took time to make sure everyone was grouped into some unit for the trip down and waited at the cars to count all noses. A fine day and a fine trip!

Leader: Allen Taye.

Participants: Richard and Leona Conn, Clint Lewis, John Ackerman, Janeen Hill, Ruth Henson, Alice Dewell, Jerry Horton, Jim Frese, Mike Hendrickson, Karl Augsberg, Denis Zwang, Frank West, John Riley, Bob Lillian, Doug Stark and Phyllis Robison.

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Estelle Davis



Before handing over the keys to Randy Taylor, the new Lodge Director, there are one or two things I would like to say at the end of my "tour of duty." The Lodge was open and used every weekend during the year and often midweek during the summer when members and their families used it as a home while exploring the mountains.

As a general rule, the Lodge is open to members every second and fourth weekend of each month and over the holidays. On alternate weekends, the Lodge is rented out to different groups, such as, church groups (all denominations), youth groups, mental health groups, handicapped groups, the Rape Crisis Center (for a group encounter?), and for University meetings, weddings, and so on. All groups thoroughly enjoy the facilities that the Lodge offers. Any member can be a host on member weekends. I wish to thank Leona Conn for finding for finding the hosts for this year--and the hosts for taking care of the Lodge and guests.

Maintenance, I must admit, has been a problem. As you may know, there is no caretaker, as such, for the Lodge. Among the many people who "bailed" me out--with advice or physically hard work--I must thank Dale Green, Mel Davis, Phil Nelson, Mary Manley, Randy Taylor and friends, Phil Berger, Grace and John Burton, Jude Whitehead and friends, and all the people who helped at the Spring Cleanup and the Woodcutting Party.

Anyone wishing to rent or use the Lodge should contact the Lodge Director well in advance of the desired date. Our Lodge is unique. It is essential that everyone help maintain it so that in the future all W.M.C. members and groups from all over the valley may continue to enjoy it.

Signing off.....

Diz Mays

Neffs Canyon Tour

February 1

by Janeen Hill

Icy snow was predicted for the ski tour up Neffs Canyon, so only four hearty participants were willing to brave the less-than-optimum conditions. The first mile was ice, but as we ascended the canyon white fluff became more prominent. The snow, the weather, and the scenery were exquisite. We spent the entire day skiing, philosophizing, spotting snowshoe rabbits, and ignoring "the ghost of Lake Bonneville" (coined to describe the smog which obliterated the view of the valley). Despite the numerous pratfalls, head falls and total wipeouts, the return to the cars was uneventful. What a day to be in the Wasatch!

Leader: Alexis Kelner. Small but loyal band: Eric Kelner, Janeen Hill and Allan Taye.

DUES

JIM STILES writes to us from Moab that the cover picture is also on note stationery ('buff') at prices of \$2 for eight, \$10 for fifty and \$35 for 200. He's also selling 24" x 32" prints at \$1.50 each, \$1 each for an order of 50 or more, and 75¢ each for 250 or more. Write to him at Box 221, Moab, Utah 84532.

WE GET LETTERS

Audrey,

From where I'm standing, I can see grey and orange tinted smog nestled between the Book Cliffs and the LaSal Mountains. Pollution, the Park Service says, from the Four Corners and Navajo power plants. Pollution that wasn't there a few years ago. According to the "Clean" Air Act of 1971, the air of non-industrial regions (that is, all of Southern Utah) must be kept as it is: clean. But the EPA doesn't enforce this, saying it "would retard or prevent industrial development" to insist on clean air!

As if the existing pollution isn't enough, Kaiparowits is on the drawing board, ready to spill out its 12.2 tons of particulate, 34.3 tons of sulfur dioxide, and 120 tons of nitrogen oxides each and every day -- and that's with pollution control equipment operating at full efficiency!

Within a 100-mile radius of the proposed Kaiparowits site are five national parks, national monuments and national forests, plus miles and miles of clean air. Must we pollute our last reservoirs of clean air? (Editor's note: they are all downwind of the proposed plant site. And, the plant can't be located in the great state of California, which stands to benefit the most - their clean air standards won't permit it! So Utah is the "stuckee.")

The utilities justify the need for the plants such as Kaiparowits on the basis of anticipated growth as projected by the utility companies. They say the need will double in the next ten years. The Environmental Impact Study says that the use of conservation measures can definitely delay the need for the plant. Just think of the amount of conservation education that could have been done with the \$83,000 (at least) the power companies have already sunk into the program!

In 1973 Secretary of the Interior Morton rejected the application for Kaiparowits because "it would impose severe additional impacts upon this major recreation area." Secretary Thomas Kleepe is going to make a decision on the project at the end of March. You can express your views to him; write to the Hon. Thomas Kleepe, Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240. If you want more information on the proposed project, the summary of the Draft of the Environmental Impact Study is available from the State BLM Office, University Club Building, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111.

Dorothy Holland



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Once again, the Club is sponsoring a trip with Dave McKay and his Colorado River and Trail Expeditions group. The trip will run through the Grand Canyon for 9 days and 8 nights from May 1 to May 9. A maximum of 20 reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Unless 20 people sign up, the tour will be limited to 11 people. The cost excluding transportation will be \$348.40 per person. Transportation costs to and from the Grand Canyon are estimated to run between \$60 and \$90 per person. For further information, please contact either Bob Weatherbee, 5664 South St. Charles Place, Salt Lake City, Utah 84121, phone at work 363-1454 or at home, 272-5510; or Chuck Denton, 2666 North 400 East, North Ogden, Utah 84404, 1-782-5514. Reservations to be effective must be accompanied by a \$75 per person deposit made payable to the Wasatch Mountain Club. Please send all checks to Bob Weatherbee. Final date for acceptance of reservations will be March 15, 1976. Deposits will be non-refundable after March 31.



Is Mike Hendrickson welcoming or regretting the disappearance of the snow as he contemplates yet another year as Hiking Director...?

Photo by Truus Bos

Snake Creek TOUR

January 24

by Paul Horton

Ten of us wandered through the trees of Brighton for a couple of hours, eventually reaching our destination at the pass. After lunch half the group went on to the summit of Clayton Peak, where the sunny views were particularly pleasing after a week's fog in the valley.

Leader: Paul Horton.

Participants: H. R. MacPherson, R. L. Rollins, Phyllis Robison, Jo D Marks, Judy Smith, LeRoy and Barbara Kuehl, Lew and Ken Hitchner.

Lake Solitude

January 31

The group met at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon and carpooled to Brighton. There were six people on snowshoes, and the rest had cross-country skis. The trail was well packed and icy in some places. Several snowshoers found it easier to take them off and walk. The more adventurous skiers took alternate routes, but all managed to get to the lake. We sat on the sunny side of the lake to eat lunch, gleaming with suntan lotion. (sic)

After lunch, a Telemark turning practice session began. Someone from another party explained the basic theory to Paula and Kathy, and they started the rest of us. After about half an hour, we had attained a slight degree of proficiency. The group returned to their cars about 1:30.

Leader: Jim Dalglish. Participants: Art Whitehead and daughter Heidi, Roger Rollins and son Roger, Lionel Frankel and son Mark, Del and Carol Wiens and daughters Wendy and Paula, George Healy, Cathy Marchant, Philip Dickens, Carol Dalglish and daughter Kathy.

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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. (If joining during January thru August, dues are \$6.00 of which \$5.00 are for a Rambler subscription -- Spouse dues (non-subscribing) are \$3.00 additional. If joining during September thru December, dues are \$3.00 of which \$2.50 are for a Rambler subscription -- Spouse dues (non-subscribing) are \$1.50 additional. Add \$4.00 entrance fee to each application, single or couple. Subscriptions are not deductible from dues. 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. Events such as lodge parties, winter socials, lectures, meetings, 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 _____ Cycling _____

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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

Park City West~Millcreek

February 8

by Fran Flowers

Trying to organize the transportation, including a shuttle, for thirty people is probably what Jim will remember most vividly about this trip. That problem aside, the next decision involved a lift at Park West - should we, or shouldn't we? With the "we shoulds" in one group and the "we shouldn'ts" in another, we all started off, giving rise to yet another problem - wax. Purple was good for about fifty yards, then out came red. Red lasted a little longer, then out came frustration.

Finally a weak voice glumly suggested klister. Nobody had brought any klister - well, almost nobody. A tube appeared and brave George began to smear it on his skis. As we watched, it became obvious why no one carries klister. If you have it in your pack, you also have it on everything in your pack. You also have it on your pack, in your hair and under your fingernails. (Toenails anyone?) Jim's alternative proved to be very popular with the majority - we took off the skis and walked.

As we neared the top, it began to snow. After a short lunch stop, we continued on to the top where we met Fred and Eveline who had come up from Mill D and were headed towards Park West. The rest of us continued on down to Millcreek where the snow changed to rain and we found ourselves slogging through a semi-slush. Finally a sodden group reconvened at the cars for the trip home.

Those sharing this wet experience included the leader, Jim Byrne, and Dan Thomas, Fred and Eveline Bruenger, J. Dewell, Judy Davis, Trudy Healy, Lyman Lewis, George Westbrook, Marty McKnight, Dorde Woodruff and daughter Lisa, Audrey Stevens, Wick Miller, Dick and Leona Conn, Chuck Ranney, Hugh MacPherson, Bob Comfort, Jim Mason, Bill Sill, Pat Milligan, Ray Frese, Tony Fallis, Keith Midgley, Robert and Stan Mitchell, Dave Jones, Bill Smith and Fran Flowers.



October 18

Again our enthralling mecca of the House Range asserted priority as a refuge for ardent outdoorsmen having little relish for the hazard of the deer-hunting plague of less sequestered climes.

With less access-road uncertainty than has troubled us in former years, and an avid core of returning devotees, we savored the charm of the sheltered canyon approach with its towering crags and verdure, including Douglas Fir and

Bristlecone Pine, the somber panoramá of receding desert, an increasingly awesome moonscape, and the very brink of the mighty precipice, a libation experienced by every participant.

Devotees all: Betty Hendricks, Charles Keller, Wick Miller, Emily Hall, Randy Taylor, Karl Lagerberg, Helen Carney, Jerry and David Daurelle, Ruth Holland, Elmer Boyd, Rolfe Doebbeling and Carl Bauer (leader).

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