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THANKS....to Lois Shipway, Dale Green, and Alexis Kelner.

# Club Activities—May 1980

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## Ski Touring, General Comments

- Call 942-4059 for avalanche information.
  - Club equipment--probes, may be borrowed from John Riley, 3639 Palisades Dr., 485-2567. Also, a portable toboggan is available.
  - Tour leaders may request you bring shovels, avalanche chords, and pieps as they deem necessary.
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## Hiking, General Comments

Spring hikes are generally easy with pace and length adjusted to the party. Since the ground can be wet or snow-covered, wear medium weight, water-resistant boots to avoid cold wet feet. Carry an extra jacket for protection against cold upper elevation winds. Hikes are rated on the basis of length, elevation gain, and difficulty of terrain - 0 to 3.0 is easy, 3.0 to 7.0 would be moderate to energetic, over 7.0 difficult and registration generally will be required. Contact the leader Monday to Thursday on week of hike for information and registration if required.

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| May 1<br>Thursday    | EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MTN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.  |
| May 2-4<br>Fri.-Sun. | BUCK MOUNTAIN-TETON SKI MOUNTAINEERING. A technical climb of the east ridge from Moose. Leave Friday at 5:00 p.m. Call John Rehmer at 467-0184 for details. |
| May 2<br>Friday      | KAYAK POOL PRACTICE. See April 11 Rambler for details.  |
| May 3-4<br>Sat.-Sun. | ANTELOPE SPRINGS ROCKHOUND TRIP. Trilobites and more. Call leader Elmer Boyd, 969-7814, for details and car pooling by Wednesday, April 30.                 |
| May 3<br>Saturday    | GRANDEUR PEAK WEST RIDGE. Rating 5.5. Meet at Olympus Hills parking lot near Bagel Nosh at 8:30 a.m. Leader Wick Miller, 583-5160.                          |
| May 4<br>Sunday      | DRY CANYON SPRING HIKE. Meet at the north end of University Hospital parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Leader Doug Stark, 277-2298.                                  |

COVER: Club members cycling up Parleys Canyon on the way to Rockport.  
See article on page 14 for information on cycling with the club.

- May 8  
Thursday THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Red Butte via Georges Hollow. Meet at 7:00 p.m. in the parking lot north of Fort Douglas Cemetery. Go east from Foothill Blvd. on Wakara Way (600 South) to the end of the road at 391 Chipeta Way. Leader Dale Green, 277-6417.
- May 8  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- May 9  
Friday KAYAK POOL PRACTICE. See April 11 Rambler for details.
- May 10  
Saturday NORTH FACE OF MT. OLYMPUS EXPERIENCE CLIMB. We are once again fortunate to have obtained the famous WillBech Guide Service to lead a club experience climb. The west slab route will offer climbing school students and other club climbers a chance to hone their technique in three of the climbing disciplines: snow, rock and bushwhacking. To register, call Jim Williams at 942-4659, or Bob Becherer at 942-3441.
- May 10  
Saturday LITTLE BLACK MOUNTAIN. Rating 6.5. The leader offers an informative nature lesson to accompany this hike to the peak to the south of City Creek Canyon. Meet at Shriner's Hospital parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Leader Carl Bauer, 355-6036.
- May 11  
Sunday GRANDEUR PEAK. Rating 6.5. A repeat of the west ridge or via Church Fork if snow conditions permit. Meet at the northwest corner of the Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Leader Mike Hendrickson, 942-1476.
- May 11  
Sunday MULE HOLLOW WALL EXPERIENCE CLIMB. This 500-foot wall involves F4 to F6 climbing on several parallel routes. It is recommended that climbing course graduates participate to gain climbing experience. To register call Bob McCaig, 487-6868.
- May 15  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- May 15  
Thursday THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Mt. Olympus Trail to the Creek. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the wide parking area on Wasatch Blvd. at approximately 5600 South. This is about 1/3 mile north of the white wall. Leader Dale Green, 277-6417.
- May 16-18  
Fri.-Sun. DOLORES RIVER KAYAK ADVANCED TOUR. May be delayed to May 23-24, depending on water level. Upper Canyon Cahone to Slickrock. Trip leader Randy Frank, 466-6277.
- May 16  
Friday LAST KAYAK POOL PRACTICE. See April 11 Rambler for details.
- May 17-18  
Sat.-Sun. GRAYS CANYON KAYAK TRIP. Beginner to intermediate. An entirely road-accessible stretch of the river north of Green River. Trip leader Bob Meyer, Salt Lake 322-5513 (Thiokol) or Ogden 1/782-5708.

- May 17-18  
Sat.-Sun. DOLORES RIVER RAFT TRIP. Beginner-intermediate. The Dolores will soon be dammed, so this could be our last run. The last several years this has been one of our most popular trips with balmy air and beautiful scenery. The trip is limited to 35 people and the number of beginners we can take may be restricted to get enough experienced paddlers on each boat. Send your \$20 deposit to Chuck Ranney, 665 Fifth Avenue, #12, Salt Lake City, UT 84103, 363-7285. Trip leader needed, so please volunteer. Work party will be Tuesday, May 13, 5:45 p.m. prompt at 4317 South 300 West, Unit 214. --Trip filled.--
- May 17-18  
Sat.-Sun. SHEEPS GULCH-CAPITOL REEF BACKPACK. Approximately five miles each way up a narrow high-walled canyon. Leader Earl Cook, 531-6339.
- May 17  
Saturday PENCIL POINT AND BEYOND. It should be possible to go quite far along the ridge at this time of year. Meet at the Regency Theatre at 9:00 a.m. Leader Martin Knaphus, 485-0958.
- May 17  
Saturday TANNERS GULCH AND TRIPLE TRAVERSE EXPERIENCE CLIMB. A high-angle ascent followed by a traverse of Dromedary, Sunrise and Twin Peaks. Call Lew Hitchner at 583-2439 or Bob McCaig at 487-6868.
- May 18  
Sunday MT. TIMPANOGOS. Rating 11.0 under summer conditions. At this time of year it's a challenging winter mountaineering trip. Ice axe, climbing skins, pieps, and shovels required. Alpine skis may be needed. Call Neff Walker, 262-9022.
- May 18  
Sunday MT. OLYMPUS. Rating 8.0. Season opener on this always popular hike. Meet at Pete's Rock at 8:30 a.m. Leader Walter Haas, 532-1262 (call before 9:30 p.m.).
- May 18  
Sunday SHEEP TRAIL. Rating 4.0. A pleasant nature hike along a stream. Meet at the Regency Theatre at 9:00 a.m. Leader John Walton, 581-9330.
- May 19  
Monday MONDAY NIGHT BIKE RIDE - City Creek Canyon. Round trip 16 miles. Meet at Liberty Bell in Memory Grove at 6:45 p.m. Leader Ilka Allers, 355-2057.
- May 19  
Monday TRIP LIST FOR LODORE. Kayak Tour List needs to be submitted. If interested, contact Bill Sill at 278-1193.
- May 22  
Thursday THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Church Fork Trail. Church Fork is 3.1 miles up Millcreek Canyon (3800 South) from Wasatch Blvd. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the entrance to the picnic area. Leader Dale Green, 277-6417.
- May 22  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- May 24-26  
Sat.-Mon. CITY OF ROCKS CAR CAMP. Spend Memorial Day weekend climbing the granite formations of City of Rocks. To register, call Dave Smith at 277-4154.

- May 24-26  
Sat.-Mon. HORSESHOE CANYON BACKPACK. A popular trip with a short hike into the canyon, plenty of water, and opportunities for day hikes of any length. Leader needed! Call John Riley, 485-2567, for information or to volunteer.
- May 24-26  
Sat.-Mon. ESCALANTE RIVER TO DEATH HOLLOW BACKPACK. This will total 17 miles plus a side trip into Death Hollow. Leader Russel Patterson, 973-6420.
- May 24  
Saturday STORM MOUNTAIN VIA FERGUSON CANYON. Rating 9.0. A beautiful, seldom visited canyon. Call John Riley, 485-2567, for information or to volunteer to lead.
- May 26  
Monday MONDAY NIGHT BIKE RIDE - Emigration Canyon. Round trip 16 miles. Meet at the east end of Hogle Zoo at 6:45 p.m. Leader Steve Vick, 968-7813.
- May 29-June 1  
Thurs.-Sun. DESOLATION/GRAY CANYON RAFT TRIP. Intermediate. We couldn't get our usual Memorial Day weekend permit this year, but the only difference is the extra day of vacation time required. This four-day trip starts out placid and gets progressively more exciting. The scenery is excellent and the weather usually matches it. Send your \$20 deposit to Bill Yates, 625 West 600 South, Brigham City, Utah 84302, 1/723-3853.
- May 29-June 1  
Thurs.-Sun. DESOLATION KAYAK/RAFT COMBINATION TOUR. Intermediate/Advanced. Singles only, gourmet, wine tasting tour. Trip leader Ralph Nauman, 1/257-3427 (home), or 1/863-3150 (work).
- May 29  
Thursday THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Mule Hollow Trail. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the "Storm Mountain Quartzite" geology sign 2.9 miles up Big Cottonwood Canyon from Wasatch Blvd. Park in the main picnic area or near the sign. Leader Dale Green, 277-6417.
- May 29  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- May 31  
Saturday GRANDEUR VIA CHURCH FORK. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at northwest corner of Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Leader Margaret Strickland, 484-0595.
- May 31  
Saturday MT. OLYMPUS. Rating 8.0. Leader plans an enjoyable pace and it should not be too hot at this time of year. Leader Rip Johnson, 262-3183.
- June 1  
Sunday LONE PEAK. Rating 11. This season opener is for strong hikers who are prepared for varied snow conditions in the cirque. Easier paced trips will be scheduled later in the year. Leader John Walton, 581-9330.
- June 1  
Sunday MT. AIRE. Rating 3.0. Hike up a forested trail to the peak overlooking Millcreek and Parley's Canyons. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at northwest corner of Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Leader Larry Hoskins, 272-1754.

- June 1  
Sunday EAST CANYON RESERVOIR - MORGAN - HENEFER LOOP BIKE RIDE. Distance 57 kilometers. Bring lunch for picnic after ride. Car pool from Hogle Zoo at 8:30 a.m. Leader Bruce Schatmeier, 521-8032.
- June 2  
Monday MONDAY NIGHT BIKE RIDE - Parley's Canyon (Part Way). Round trip 16 miles. Meet at Bagle Nosh/Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 6:45 p.m. Leaders Kermit and Marilyn Earle, 268-2199.
- June 5-8  
Thurs.-Sun. DESOLATION CANYON KAYAK TOUR for Intermediate/Advanced kayakers. Leader John Schell, 268-2489.
- June 5-8  
Thurs.-Sun. SAN JUAN RAFT TRIP. Beginner. Traditional club trip, Mexican Hat to Clay Hill with layover day at Slickhorn "Paradise" Canyon. Depart SLC at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 4. Work Party will be at 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 2 at the boat house. Trip leader Bill Viavant, 218 Iowa Street, SLC, UT 84102, 532-4289 or 581-8335.
- June 5  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- June 5  
Thursday THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Mill B North Fork Trail to Overlook. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the same place as for the May 29 evening hike. Leader Dale Green, 277-6417.
- June 7  
Saturday GEURTS RIDGE EXPERIENCE CLIMB. This approach to Mt. Olympus involves up to 15 pitches of F5 climbing. Call Joe Hall, 561-4029.
- June 7  
Saturday LAKE BLANCHE & SUNDIAL. A moderate hike to a beautiful basin. Go as far as you like or snow conditions permit. Leader Bob Woody, 466-5039.
- June 8  
Sunday RED PINE/PHEIFFERHORN. Rating 10.0. Conditions should be great for a snow climb to the peak. Ice axe will be useful. Those interested in an easier hike may stop at the lake. Leader John Veranth, 278-5826.
- June 8  
Sunday HOYT PEAK - UINTAS. Rating easy. Meet at the Park City golf course clubhouse at 9:00 a.m. Leader Lyman Lewis, 1/649-9632.
- June 9  
Monday MONDAY NIGHT BIKE RIDE - City Creek Canyon. See May 19 for details.
- June 10-15  
Thurs.-Sun. MIDDLE FORK KAYAK TOUR. Advanced. Leader Dan Thomas, 561-5667.
- June 10  
Tuesday ZEN & THE ART OF BICYCLE MAINTENANCE. Bring bicycle and your problems (bike-related only!) to the WMC Clinic. Emphasis will be on making your 10-speed the trouble-free joy that it can be and on technique to make riding it as painless and joyful as it should be. Place: Zion Lutheran Church (basement), 1070 Foothill Dr. Time: 7:30 p.m. Mentor: Bruce Schatmeier, 521-8032.

- June 12  
Thursday EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. See Mountaineering Ramblings for details.
- June 14  
Saturday THUNDERBOLT RIDGE. See June Rambler for details.
- June 15  
Sunday BREAKFAST RIDE. Bring your empty stomach and rubber legs out to Sugarhouse Park at 9:00 a.m. An easy, rambling route will lead to Ruth's Restaurant in the jaw of Emigration Canyon for brunch. Leader Steve Carr, 486-7774 (work) and Bruce Schatmeier, 521-8032.
- June 16  
Monday MONDAY NIGHT BIKE RIDE - Emigration Canyon. See May 26 for details.
- June 21-22  
Sat.-Sun. ALPINE CANYON RAFT/KAYAK TRIP. Intermediate to Advanced. Rafters and kayakers interested in this trip get your \$20 deposit to trip leader Wayne Slagle, 2500 Cinnabar Lane, Salt Lake City, UT 84121, 943-1695. Water should be very high at this time.
- July 2-5  
Wed.-Sat. YAMPA RAFTING TRIP. Intermediate. Those interested in this favorite get your \$20 deposit to trip leader Bob Frohboese, 2543 Blaine Avenue, Salt Lake City, UT 84108, 583-5039. Passenger list must be turned in one month before launch, so make your reservation early.

# Revised Rafting Schedule

By Chuck Ranney and Wayne Slagle

The following is a revised, tentative schedule of the currently planned rafting trips. Those interested may sign up for the trip only when the announcement appears in the monthly scheduled of activities. Where noted, trip leaders are needed before the trip can go. We would like volunteers for other trips as well.

Also, those interested in participating on a rafting committee that will plan and implement the rafting activities, please contact Wayne or Chuck. All levels of experience are needed.

- May 3-4 Dewey Bridge to Moab, Beginner.
- May 17-18 Dolores River, Beginner/Intermediate.
- May 29-June 1 Desolation/Grays Canyon of the Green, Intermediate.
- June 5-8 San Juan, Beginner.
- June 21-22 Alpine Canyon, Intermediate, maybe Advanced - Kayakers invited.
- July 2-5 Yampa, Intermediate.
- August 7-9 Lodore, Advanced - Need leader.
- August 17-23 Main Salmon, Advanced - Kayakers invited.

# Hike-A-Nation

By Mel Davis

A transcontinental hike starting in San Francisco this spring will end up at the Washington Monument 13 months later. The American Hiking Society and Backpacker Magazine, along with several other groups, are sponsoring this hike across America to gather information on the number of trails available for foot travel and dramatize the amount of highway and road hiking necessary to walk from one shore of our nation to the other. A number of people plan to hike the entire distance, but most hikers will join Hike-A-Nation along the route for a day or two or more.

Utah coordinator Jerry Evans, a Salt Lake attorney, came to the WMC board meeting March 26 to give information about the hike and request assistance in getting leaders for segments of the Utah portion. The route will run across southern Utah through the northern part of Zion National Park, across to Bryce, north of Escalante and Boulder, cross Capitol Reef at Elk Creek, then continue easterly to Dove Creek in Colorado. Dates of the Utah portion will be from June 6 to August 4. Hikers who know this section of Utah are needed to lead the group for a few days or a week or more. They should call Jerry Evans at 943-0965 for information.

At two Salt Lake meetings for this hike, representatives from the Forest Service and BLM have offered their assistance in planning and leading the hike through their areas. The Park Service has been contacted and will assist with leaders and information programs in their National Parks. National Coordinator Monty Montgomery will follow the hikers in his Airstream trailer along adjacent roads to supply them with mail, food, and connecting transportation.

A hotline has been set up to give information about where the hikers are, or for the next point on the route where you can join them. This number, 305/251-0484, is available 24 hours a day and is updated daily.

There is concern for the ecology of the area where quite a number of people will be hiking together. Such notables as Collin Fletcher (a hiker-writer) and Bill Kemsley, Jr. (editor of Backpacker Magazine) will help in the planning so there will be a minimum of impact on the trails.

This is an opportunity for WMC members to rub shoulders with national hikers and provide a service to the trail system of Utah by helping provide information to national news media of the need for more and better trails across the nation.

## HIKING/TRAVELLING COMPANIONS WANTED

I am looking for travelling companions interested in camping, hiking, and sightseeing in the western part of the US any time in July or August. Please call Blanka at 583-0032.

# Mountaineering Ramblings

By Bob McCaig

Despite the prolonged winter the club summer climbing events will begin in earnest this month. Our Thursday night activities will move up to the Storm Mountain picnic ground on May 1. The picnic ground is located 3 miles up Big Cottonwood Canyon. The usual participants show up around 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. if they are planning to do any climbing. A number of enjoyable two-pitch climbs start in the picnic grounds, and there is plenty of bouldering around. About 7:00 one fortunate individual will begin to cook hamburgers for anyone able to cough up 50 cents. Potable refreshments will also be available.

When the food is gone, hero stories, bad jokes and general B.S. flow in abundance well into the evening. The Thursday night climbs are the best way for new climbers to become familiar with other club climbers. Feel free to ask other climbers to do a route, as the hamburgers and refreshments are often more enticing to an uninspired climber.

May will offer several experience climbs which are designed to expand the abilities of the club climbing school students. All members are welcomed to participate and relearn old climbing skills.

Planning for the John Gottman Memorial Fund has been temporarily set back due to a lack of a program. We had hoped to show "Free Climb," but PBS showed it twice on television. Our next alternative was a climbing film on El Capitan, but we discovered it was scheduled to be shown in the area already. It does appear possible to coordinate with the Forest Service and use the fund's money to assist in the establishment of a Mt. Olympus trailhead.

Anyone interested in scheduling club trips to a specific area please feel free to contact me - particularly if you want to lead the trip. Also feel free to volunteer to cook hamburgers or bring liquid refreshments.

## Superbash

By Mel Davis

First prize winner of the North Face tent at the WMC Superbash, March 30, was member Gary Lindstrom. About 125 people attended the Ski Social Superbash where nearly \$1,000 worth of prizes were drawn for 30 winners.

Over \$3,000 was raised at this event which was very well supported by the membership as they donated money for tickets to show their support for the lodge renovation.

Local merchants gave generously to provide most of the prizes. Those donating where Timberline Sports, Holubar Mountaineering, Frostline, Mountaineer Sports, Kirkham's Outdoor Products, Tupperware, Peregrine Smith, and Wasatch Publishers. Larry Swanson donated an aerial flight over the Wasatch Mountains which was won by Sheila Wolf. A beautiful hanging plant was given by Milt and Louise Hollander. Ben Stolp gave two professional black and white, 8 x 10" photographs. As most of the merchandise donated were clearance items, winners are requested not to try to

exchange the prizes at the stores where they came from. The mountain club appreciates the cooperation of the stores, and members shopping at these places might wish to express our thanks to them.

The following lodge committee members under the direction of Ann McDonald assisted in the project: Dennis Caldwell, Alexis Kelner, Larry Hoskins, Mel Davis, Mike Hendrickson, and Bob Myers. The ski social was hosted by Ruth Rogers in the Hidden Lake Clubhouse. Assisting her were Phyllis Haas and Ruth Holland, WMC entertainment directors. The drawing was conducted by Bill Viavant assisted by Catherine Cheves.

Second prize winner of a pair of waxless touring skis from Timberline Sports was Mr. R. Klatt. Other winners were Lucille Christensen, Jim Byrne, Dan Lovejoy, Marlene Austin, J. Andrews, Allene Remington, Betty Bottcher, Randy Taylor, E. Goldstein, Shiela Wolf, Mary Aa, Earl Hansen, Leah Mancini, Bud Krider, Leo Mancini, Steve Swanson, Mike Basquez, Bob Reid, C.E. Olson, Gary Palmer, Stu Ogden, Winkel, S. Laveson, R. Johnson, Tim Viavant, and H.L. Andrews.

## From the Treasurer

By Dick Honn

Sorry to take so long in publishing the year-end 1979 account balances, but following in Stu Ogden's footsteps is a real challenge. Account balances of the Wasatch Mountain Club as of December 31, 1979 are:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General Fund	\$8,180.48
Lodge	1,076.66
Boating	1,638.67
Mountaineering	698.32
Socials	155.92
Conservation	1,291.70
Ski Touring	396.23
Hiking	57.19
Kayaking	58.59
Miscellaneous Funds	1,711.38
Wasatch Trails	10,469.41
TOTAL	\$25,734.55

### HELP WANTED

To better manage your money I am in the process of organizing a finance committee. The purpose of this committee will be to evaluate our accounting methods, reporting requirements and most of all the investment of club funds. Inflation, changing Internal Revenue Service requirements and 15-18% interest rates dictate that we carefully evaluate our financial decisions.

If one of you out there has experience as an accountant, CPA, financial advisor, or any other appropriately titled financial expertise and would be willing to serve on this committee, please contact me at 278-9397 (home) or 531-1100 (work).

# TRIP Talk talk talk talk ta

## Deseret Peak

By Mark Hessing

On March 23, 1980, we gathered at O'Dell's Shoe Repair in anticipation of a sunny trip up Deseret Peak. All the adventurers were there at 8 sharp - except the leader. Larry sent his brother Steve to lead us, with the excuse that he was working (on what was never specified).

We were able to drive right to the ranger station but later paid for this extravagance with the finicky waxing condition. It was either stick or slip, but no grip. Bob Myers and his climbing skins saved the day by breaking trail pretty much the entire way to the summit. Following Bob's tracks to the summit were Steve Swanson, our leader, Jim Dockery, Andy White, John Walton, and Mark Hessing. The rest of the group, anxious to get back to Steve's beer cache by the cars, descended after getting up or close to the saddle. This group included Bonnie Baty, girl scientist, Joan Digiorio, Paul Jewell, John Mason, Walter Haas, John Veranth (our lone snowshoer), Roy Johnson, Dave Nelson, and George Westbrook.

On the way up, large billowing clouds periodically engulfed us, whitening-out the landscape, chilling our toes and creating a mysterious ethereal mood. Then, within minutes, the mist would lift and leave us staring at the Deep Creek Mountains, Telescope Peak, and an occasional glimpse of the Golden Gate Bridge.

## War in the Wasatch?

By Trudy Healy

The sound of artillery. Aircraft swooping low. Helicopters? Quickly we dive for shelter under the evergreens. Will they spot us? The noise is deafening. We cower lower. Little men are being dumped on the high ridges. They bear down on us, approaching us rapidly. How can we escape??? Is this Viet Nam??? By Gosh - NO! - we're in the Wasatch! Ski touring to White Pine Lake. Trying to find a peaceful, quiet escape from the city noise. Out of the frying pan into the fire.

There is no need to get excited. It's only the Powder Birds from Snowbird making all this ruckus. They need to protect their moneymaking source, the heli-powder hounds, from avalanches and x-c skiers. That's all. And of course they are succeeding. The avalanches are shot down, and as for the x-c skiers - I don't think that any of us eight WMC tourers want to venture into White Pine again. Not with this war-like horror of sky-rendering, low-flying aircraft.

The sun was splendid, the snow great, at least on the way up. It could have been a wonderful tour, but the noise, the noise...and all the fresh powder cut up.

Participants: John Riley, Bob Myers, Joe Hall, Harold Goeckeritz, Fred Staff, Mike Treshow, Trudy Healy, and Leader Dave Morris.

# Conservation Notes

By Dick Snyder

At the April 10 meeting of the Club Conservation Committee, a solid eight activists met, introduced themselves (including the real Conservation Director) and discussed issues. Another half dozen had expressed interest by phone, with regrets. Judging by that evening's mood, two areas seem likely to receive emphasis in the coming year: local issues, i.e., the Wasatch National Forest Management and energy. This emphatically does not mean we'll ignore other problems, however. We're still interested in suggestions and volunteers. Call Dick Snyder, 262-4444 or Bill Viavant, 532-4289, to make suggestions or volunteer.

A really happy note: Radio Station KRCL, 90.9, has invited us to use a half hour a week or so of their air time for a sort of conservation forum/public education kind of audio experience. As Bill says, most of these issues benefit if all sides get equal publicity, so publicity helps no matter what. What would have happened had more people known Glen Canyon existed in 1960?

## New Kitchen Ranges

By Mel Davis

Two new Whirlpool kitchen ranges have been purchased to join the new cupboards in the lodge kitchen. These stoves are part of the renovation of the lodge where the kitchen has been getting the attention for the past year or so. Plans are to have this area completed this summer. The old wood range will remain, with the new ones being put in to do the bulk of the cooking. The new ranges each have a full-width automatic control oven, and two 8-inch and two 6-inch high-speed cooking elements on top. This should be a great improvement over the old electric stove where six or more people tried to cook on a half-working range.

## The Double Telemark

You've heard of the classic Telemark turn, an early technique for changing direction on skis. Perhaps you've even mastered it. If so, and even if not, you might be interested in the "double Telemark".

Find a gentle slope and point both ski tips down hill. Plant your poles forward for balance as in the single Telemark. Pushing off, press both knees forward and together. Control your speed by pushing heels apart. The turn is executed by exerting forward pressure alternately on each leg, especially the ball of the foot while driving the knee toward the ski tip.

This turn is especially useful when the snow is crusted or hard packed. In alpine circles, it is often referred to as the snow plow turn.

# Notes from the Cycling Contingent

By Ilka Allers

"...Leave your heavy boots at home, here's your chance to pedal your ass around town."

Schatmeier

If you're tired of running, skiing, paddling, or walking, here's your big chance: May 19 begins this year's schedule of the WMC's cycling contingent. Although a relatively new club activity, cycling has been received enthusiastically, benefitting from renewed interest on the part of refugees from the energy crisis who also recognize a good recreational opportunity when they see one.

## Philosophy

The objective of the cycling schedule is to provide organized intermediate rides for the serious recreational cyclist. Rides are difficult to classify as either touring or racing, and are probably best described as "canyon cycling," combining some elements of both. The centerpiece of the scheduling is the Monday night ride, patterned after Dale Green's spectacularly successful Thursday evening ride. This year the Monday night ride will alternate between City Creek, Emigration, and Parley's Canyons. An integral part of the activity is rejuvenation of precious bodily fluids at one or more local bars.

Weekend rides scheduled on alternate Sundays provide an opportunity for longer day trips. Trips include the East Canyon-Morgan-Henefer Loop, Parley's to Rockport for sailing, Parley's to Park City for brunch, and the Alpine Loop (for thrills). For those wishing a wider variety, contact the Bonneville Bicycle Touring Club (268-3848.)

## Equipment

All you really need is a basic 10-speed; nothing fancy, however a tune-up by competent bicycle mechanic is recommended. A bicycle in good condition provides assurance on high-speed downhill runs. Toe clips, water bottle, and spare tube are recommended, and a helmet is a good thing to have.

## Nothing

Again, nothing fancy. Long pants (warm-ups will do nicely), hats and gloves are desirable on early rides since wind-chill is significant on downhill runs.

## Other

Each trip will be described in the Rambler with a narrative and the leader's name and number. Experimental rating system is also being devised. If in doubt, ask with the leader. Also, a few Monday night rides will give you a good basis for determining level of difficulty of other trips.

A clinic is being scheduled for those ignorant of things mechanical. Most of us, however, have one or more participants with the ability and tools to do minor roadside repairs.

# Kayaking 1980

By John Schell

The following is a partial list of Kayaking trips planned for this season:

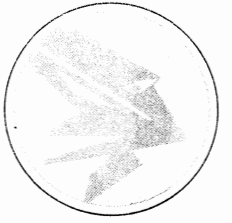
- April 26-27, Dewey Bridge to Moab, Beginner Kayak Trip. Leader Dan Thomas, 561-5667.
- May 16-18 or 23-25, Upper Dolores Advanced Kayak Tour. Leader Randy Frank, 466-6277.
- May 29-June 1, Desolation Intermediate/Advanced combination Raft and Kayak Tour. Leader Ralph Nauman, 1/263-3150. Singles only, gourmet and wine-tasting trip.
- June 5-8, Desolation Intermediate Kayak Tour. Leader John Schell, 268-2489.
- June 10-15, Middle Fork Advanced Kayak Tour. Leader Dan Thomas, 561-5667.
- June 19-23, Yampa Advanced Kayak Tour. Leader Randy Frank, 466-6277.
- June 21-23, Lodore Advanced Kayak Tour. Leader Bill Sill, 278-1193.
- July 4-6, Grays Canyon, Hoback Intermediate Kayak Trip. Leader Dan Thomas, 561-5667.
- July 11, Selway Advanced Kayak Tour. Leader Jim Wheeler, 1/392-9986.
- July 11-14, Main Salmon Advanced Combination Kayak/Raft Tour. Leader needed, call John Herbert, 1/745-3029.
- July 24-28, Hells Canyon Advanced Kayak Tour, possible combination with Raft. Leader Marty Mason, 582-7619.
- August 7, Desolation Advanced Kayak/Raft Combination Tour. Leader Becky Burrage, 467-2207.

With the increasing cost of trip logistics, it is optional with the Kayak Tour Leader whether to require a deposit of \$20 for a trip.

The increasing cost of gasoline will force many Mountain Club members to cut down on travel this summer. To help members travel free to such areas as Sawtooth Wilderness, Idaho, Dinosaur National Park, Flaming Gorge, and other great camping and hiking areas, we are developing a list of members to drive shuttle on river trips. This would allow three or four days of good camping between river put in and take out. Drivers should be dependable, have a valid license and insurance. Some trip leaders may elect to also partially cover the cost of food during the trip. These trips would utilize rented vans, motorhomes, or other club members' vehicles. If interested, please fill out the form below and mail to: John Schell, 211 East 3560 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84115.

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