

# The Rambler

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# Wasatch Mountain Club

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# CLUB ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 1983

## SKI TOURING COMMENTS

Early snow can be thin, watch for hazards (knee pads can save a lot of wear and tear on the body).

Early season tours can run into somewhat less than ideal conditions. Beware of rocks, trees, and branches. Please have someone bring along a first aid kit, if you need one, give a ring and you can use one of mine. The probe poles and rescue sled are at my house. The best time to get in touch with me is in the morning 8-9 AM or 2-3 PM, and weekends. My number is 484-9022. If you get asked to help lead a trip, please do! The Avalanche number is 364-1581. Please make use of it. Any other questions, give me a call.

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| Sat. Dec 3        | FULL MOON NIGHT WITH STEVE SUMMERS. Meet at geology sign at 8:00 PM.   |
| Sat. Dec 3        | Ntd. Join Norm Fish on a Silver Fork Tour, 9 AM at the Big Cottonwood sign.  |
| Sun. Dec 4        | SCOTTS PASS TOUR. Leaders: Ilka Allers-Olsen and Allen Olsen. Meet at the Big Cottonwood sign at a late 10:00 AM.  |
| Tues. Dec 6       | VOLLEYBALL. 7-9 PM in the womens gym at South High (1700 South State). \$1.00 to cover costs. For more information, call Tom Silberstorf, 467-5734.  |
| Sat. Dec 10       | Mod. Location depends on snow conditions. This one needs a leader. Call Steve for more information or to lead. His number is 484-9022.   |
| Sat. Dec 10       | Ntd. Hank Winaur will put on this leaders choice. Meet him at the Big Cottonwood geology sign at 9 AM.   |
| Sun. Dec 11       | Ntd. Ken Kelley will head up to Snake Creek Pass at 9 AM. Meet him at the Big Cottonwood geology sign.   |
| Tues. Dec 13      | VOLLEYBALL. See December 6 for details. (This is the last game of the year!)   |
| Fri-Sat Dec 16-17 | The Lodge will be open for members this weekend. Come on up and join the host, Terry Rollins for the weekend. The Club is looking for hosts for future weekends. Please call Sherrie Pater if you are interested in hosting the Lodge. |

- Sat. Dec 17 Ntd up to DOG LAKE AND LAKE MARY, then to the Lodge for the Christmas Party. This one needs a leader. Call Steve at 484-9022. Meet at the Big Cottonwood sign at noon! Please note the later start.
- Sat. Dec 17 Mod. Peter Hansen will be going to Wolverine via Twinn Lakes Pass at 9 AM. Meet at the geology sign.
- Sat. Dec 17 HO-HO! HO! Tis the season for the Wasatch Mountain Club's annual CHRISTMAS PARTY. Potluck dinner begins at 7 PM and dancing starts around 9 PM. Remember dinner is only as good as we make it and eat'n is part of the holidays. Come gather around the yule log in the lodge fireplace or dance after dinner. Merry Christmas!
- Sun. Dec 18 SCOTTS PASS VIA MILL F. Ntd with some Mod for the climbers among you. Kip Greene, 266-3083 will be the leader. Meet at 9 AM at the geology sign.
- Sat. Dec 24 Steve Summers will lead a pre-holiday Mod tour. Please meet him at the geology sign at 9 AM. Location will depend on the snow, but Lake Blanche or Red Pine are the first choices.
- Fri-Tues  
Dec 22-Jan 1 MEXICAN VOLCANOS. It looks like we have a good group for our planned climbs of Popocatepetl, Iztaccihutl, and Orizaba. Any late additions to the trip roster will have to take their chances on plane reservations. Those on the trip list should have received an information mailing by the time the Rambler comes out. For questions, call Ferdinand de Sousa, 582-6260.
- Sun. Dec 31 A KIDS WELCOME NTD TOUR will be hosted by Michelle Perkins, 295-6475. Meet at the geology sign at 10 AM.
- Tues. Jan 3 VOLLEYBALL. For information, call Tom Silberstorf, 467-5734.
- Fri-Sat Jan 6-7 The Lodge will be open for members this weekend. Come on up and join the host, Mike Budig for the weekend.
- Sat. Jan 7 AVALANCHE CLASS. See other article in this months Rambler.
- Early January (Date to be announced next month.) ICE CLIMBING SEMINAR. We will again have our annual ice climbing seminar in early January for all those who want to learn the fascinations of climbing frozen waterfalls and those who want a refresher. A midweek indoor session will discuss clothing and equipment followed by an all day on the ice session on Saturday. Volunteers are needed to help with the instruction. For information call John Veranth, 278-5826.



Ho-Ho-Ho W.M.C'ERS  
THERE'S A CHRISTMAS  
PARTY



Dancing  
to a live  
BAND

9:00-1:00

POT  
LUCK  
7:00 to 9:00

THE WHOLE NIGHT  
IS A HAPPY HOUR

SAT. 17<sup>TH</sup>



## A MESSAGE FROM THE RAFTING DIRECTOR

### Dear River Rats:

Since many of you were unable to attend the permit meeting November 8, I am taking this opportunity to brief you on what took place. The following list details the river permits we are applying for, where to write for permit applications, and preferred put-in dates to request.

I hope all of you will submit applications for all the rivers listed. Except for the Middle Fork Salmon, you do not have to lead the trip if you receive a permit. As you will find when you receive your application restrictions, the rules for applying are getting tougher, and the number of applicants each season is escalating exponentially. So if you don't pitch in and help, next season could be an awfully dry one. Get on it!!

CATARACT CANYON  
Superintendent  
Canyonlands National Park  
446 South Main  
Moab, Utah 84532  
(801) 259-7167  
after Dec. 15 app. accepted  
July 28, July 27, and May 18

DESOLATION CANYON  
River Ranger  
BLM  
P.O. Drawer AB  
Price, Utah 84501  
(801) 637-4584  
applications mailed out after Dec. 15  
app. accepted Jan. 1 - Feb. 28  
Lottery March 1  
after Mar. 1 FCFS  
May 26, May 25, June 2

LODORE CANYON AND YAMPA RIVER  
River Ranger  
Dinosaur National Monument  
Dinosaur, Colorado 81610  
(303) 374-2216  
lottery Jan. 15, app. received after  
Jan. 15 are placed on waiting list  
Lodore: August 18, August 17, August 10  
Yampa: June 29, June 30, July 1

WESTWATER  
River Ranger  
BLM  
P.O. Box M  
Moab, Utah 84532  
(801) 259-6111, ext. 211  
lottery held 2 months in advance; may call  
for available permits after deadline  
No dates discussed yet

MAIN SALMON  
District Ranger  
North Fork Ranger District  
P.O. Box 780  
North Fork, Idaho 83466  
(208) 865-2383  
lottery during first week in February no  
waiting list but may call in April for  
available permits  
July 13, July 12, July 19

SALMON-MIDDLE FORK  
District Ranger  
Middle Fork Ranger District  
P.O. Box 337  
Challis, Idaho 83226  
(208) 879-4321  
app. accepted Dec. 1 - Jan. 31  
lottery in early February  
July 8, July 7, July 14

SAN JUAN  
BLM  
P.O. Box 7  
Monticello, Utah 84535  
(801) 587-2201  
app. accepted anytime  
permits assigned on FCFS  
May 18, June 1



Teenagers and their member parents are invited to become participants in planning for trips in the coming season. Organization of teenage river trips is limited by availability of permits on those rivers which require them. We need as many permit applications as possible with mutually compatible launch dates, submitted by pre-determined deadlines. Trips presently planned are:

	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Application Due Date</u>
Lodore or Yampa	July 1-4	January 10
Main Salmon	July 27-Aug 1	January 15

Those who are interested (or have teens who are), contact Bob Meyer: 782-5708 (home) or 322-5513, ext. 2564 (work).



**MOUNTAINEERING RAMBLINGS**  
By John Veranth, Mountaineering Director

**Winter Climbs.** Winter in the Wasatch provides the opportunity for challenging climbs in an alpine setting. If anyone would like to lead a winter or early spring club climb, give the mountaineering director a call to volunteer.

**Missing Equipment.** During the summer one of the club owned Coleman lanterns (clearly marked with a yellow WMC) disappeared. Also, a slightly damaged Coleman cooler was not brought back after one of the Thursday nights. If anyone knows the whereabouts of this equipment, please give me a call.

**End of Season Reunion.** We had a good end of season reunion at the club lodge. Thanks to those who helped with the refreshments.

## WMC AVALANCHE COURSE

The annual WMC avalanche course will be held on January 7, 1984 at the Zions Lutheran Church at 1070 Foothill Drive at 8:00 AM. We will spend the afternoon in the field learning some fundamentals, bring a lunch and the proper clothing. Ski gear will not be needed. The cost is \$3 for non-members and \$1 for WMC members. Circle the date and add to your knowledge on how to stay alive in the back country.



### FROM THE PRESIDENT BY PETER HOVINGH

Anarchists have a difficult time in running organizations. At the beginning of the 20th Century, a group of anarchists settled some agricultural lands in Mexico near Mexicali. These were the best of the anarchist - American born and with high ideals. Unfortunately, they got into trouble with the local authorities. Again, unfortunately, being true anarchists, they could not co-operate among themselves to achieve their goals. Thus another dream ended.

The Wasatch Mountain Club is a very active organization. It needs efforts by many to keep the activities going. It needs the efforts of fewer to be responsible for the finances, for the purchasing of equipment, for the paying of taxes on the Lodge, for the involvement with environmental issues, and to resolve problems which may arise. These are some of the functions of the Board of Directors. The Board of Trustees supervises the Board of Directors to make sure past mistakes are not repeated and to approve extraordinary expenses.

Thus, it comes time for the preparation of the next slate of candidates for the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees. The basic duty is to come to the Board of Directors meetings so that a quorum is present. Only in this way can the bills get paid and expenditures and new members be approved.

#### IF YOU WANT TO RUN CONTACT:

Dennis Caldwell	942-6065
Milt Hollander	277-1416
Lorraine Webb	566-0868

If they do not answer the phone, call your current president (359-4791).

Do not let the Wasatch Mountain Club disappear from Utah because of lack of interest in leadership. Sometimes I think the Wasatch Mountain Club is just organized one notch above the Mexicali anarchist!



# TRIP Talk talk talk



## **NOTCH PEAK**

**By Howard Wilkerson**

Six AM on October 22 found the large crowd of four WMC hikers set to go to Notch Peak, in the House Range, west of Delta. Since I was the only one of the group to have been there before, and repeated efforts to reach Carl Bauer failed, I became the defacto leader. In addition to being free of hunters, Notch Peak, being a typical Basin and Range mountain was a particularly appropriate destination to follow Bob Waite's slide presentation at the WMC membership meeting on the proposed national park in the Snake Creek Range.

We parked at Sawtooth Canyon and followed the southeast ridge to the peak. The charm of this hike lies in the surprise at the top — after hiking for three hours up the ridge, one arrives at an innocuous looking saddle, and suddenly is overlooking the spectacular west wall, which is 1700 feet high and quite vertical. Virtually the west half of the peak is missing.

The summit view is of course outstanding, with most of eastern Nevada's and western Utah's peaks, from the Tushars to the Deep Creeks easily visible. I will wonder aloud at this point what effects the 1500 megawatt IPP power plant, under construction near Delta, with its estimated 30,000 tons per year of nitrogen oxide emissions, will have on some of this visibility.

The original 1963 register is still present, and the number of entries since 1978 probably equals the number since 1963. One October, 1976 "entry" is an alleged four day first ascent by Royal Robbins, Yvonne Chouinard, and Tom Stephens of the west face. Several years ago, suspicions aroused, some phone calls were

made and letters written with the result that the "climb" was indeed a hoax perpetrated by some anonymous soul not connected with Royal Robbins, et. al. So to the best of this hiker's knowledge, the west wall of Notch Peak is the highest unclimbed wall in the 48 contiguous states. Any information to the contrary would be appreciated.

Despite the growing number of hikers, this part of the House Range remains one of the least traveled wild areas where one can soak in thousands of square miles of scenery, contemplate 500 million year old limestone, and watch a crow harass a lone hawk over the desert sky.

**Participants:** Howard Wilkerson, Laurie Jess, Jan Ellen Kaderabek, Jerry Hatch.

## **Grand Canyon, North Rim (October 21-25) by Russell Patterson**

Because of our heavy packs it was hard to keep our balance on the steep trail and our group of six was reduced to five after Randy injured his knee and had to return to the rim. The remainder of the group continued on and camped on Surprise Valley.

On the second day of our trip we reached Deer Creek and hiked along a narrow ledge above the creek. The canyon we were in was so narrow that one could have jumped across to the ledge on the opposite wall of the canyon but if you missed your step you would fall a hundred feet into the creek below. Just before the creek reaches the Colorado River it plunges down a 120 foot fall. Below this fall there is a deep pool which we cooled off in by going for a swim.

After seeing Deer Creek we hiked to an immense roaring spring gushing from the

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side of a cliff. The spring is the source of Thunder River which turns the desert into an oasis as it descends 1600 feet in a series of falls and cascades.

Don and Chuck returned to the rim while Russell, Dave and Ken continued to Tapeats Creek and dined on the trout caught by Ken.

On the third day we hiked along and sometimes thru the swift flowing and almost waist deep creek until we reached Tapeats Cave which is the creek's source. In the cave we used inflatable rafts to cross a series of lakes. The cave is over a mile long with 100 foot wide by 100 foot high passageway but we turned back before getting into the big part of the cave because of fear that our rafts might not hold up any longer. We then spent two days hiking back to the rim.

Participants: Dave Adams, Ken Workman, Chuck Ranney, Don Ashton, Randy Gardner, and Russell Patterson.



### FOR SALE

Ladies moulton eskimo parka, brown. Perfect style-shape. Hood fur is lynx. Size 18-20.

Ladies ice skates. Shoe size +9 (room for warm footwear).

Call Aerie at 467-4342

### Chewy GORP Bars

Cream 1 cup margarine, 3/4 cup granulated sugar, and 3/4 cup light brown sugar together; Add two eggs and 1 tsp vanilla and blend in. Mix together 2 cups flour, 3/4 cup uncooked Quaker Oats, 1 tsp baking soda, and 1/2 tsp baking powder, and add to first mixture, blending well. Stir in 1 cup 40% Bran Flakes, 3/4 cup M&Ms, 1/2 cup raisins and 1 to 1-1/2 cups chopped nuts (pecans are my favorite). The result is a very stiff batter -- beware of tennis elbow!

Spread batter into a greased 9 x 13 inch baking pan. Bake for about 35 minutes at 350 degrees, or until golden brown. Let cool, then cut into bars. Store in closed container to retain the chewy consistency, if by chance they last past the first outing.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

Very soon we will be putting on the boards and making our ways through the wide and drifting white stuff. After a hard day of play (or watching sports on TV) it's fun to gather at other club members' homes for the Winter Sunday Schools. If this grand tradition is to continue, club members are needed to volunteer to put themselves through the joys that can come from hard work, frustration and spilt food. If you are willing to host a winter social please call either Keith at 467-9054 or Richard at 355-1952 and volunteer.

### LOST

Casserole lid. Fits round 1-1/2 quart casserole. It was mistakenly taken from a kitchen cabinet shelf during the Halloween party at the Club's Lodge. I have a lid belonging to someone else's casserole, but it doesn't fit mine. Would that person please call Karen at 467-9054 so we can arrange a trade. Thanks.

# Wasatch Mountain Club

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/REINSTATEMENT and RAMBLER SUBSCRIPTION QUALIFICATION FORM

1  
PLEASE  
PRINT  
PLAINLY

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PARTNER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Only if he/she desires membership)  
STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ APT.#: \_\_\_\_\_ TEL: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
(No ZIP, No Rambler)  
OCCUPATION: (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

The Wasatch Mountain Club's membership year is March 1 to February 28. Those joining in January and February are granted a leeway to join for the next membership year beginning in March. Those joining from Sept. to Dec., join for 1/2 year. REINSTATEMENTS (for former members): Unless all back dues are paid, a \$5.00 reinstatement fee must be paid instead of the entrance fee. The dues listed below apply.

2  
CHECK ONE ☐ I hereby apply for ☐ NEW MEMBERSHIP ☐ REINSTATEMENT in the Wasatch Mountain Club.

3  
INSERT YEAR ☐ For the membership year \_\_\_\_\_, enclosed are my dues as follows:  
(Checks ONLY: cash NOT accepted. Your cancelled check is your receipt.)

If joining from January to August, inclusive (full year's dues):

☐ Single Membership: \$15.00, of which \$8.00 is for a year's subscription to the Rambler and \$5.00 is the entrance/reinstatement fee.  
☐ Couple Membership: \$20.00, of which \$6.00 is for a year's subscription to the Rambler, \$5.00 is partner dues (non-subscribing), and \$5.00 is the entrance/reinstatement fee.

If joining from September to December, inclusive (half year's dues):

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☐ Couple Membership: \$12.50, of which \$3.00 is for a half-year subscription to the Rambler, \$2.50 is partner dues (non-subscribing), and \$5.00 is the entrance/reinstatement fee.

4  
CHECK ONE ☐ I ☐ DO ☐ DO NOT wish to receive the Rambler. Subscriptions are not deductible from the dues. I am 18 years of age or older.

5  
CHECK ONE ☐ NEW MEMBERS: ☐ QUALIFYING ACTIVITIES: (Valid for 1 year) Signature of  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ LEADER: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to abide by the Wasatch Mountain Club rules and regulations as specified in the Constitution and Bylaws and as determined by the Governing Board.

6  
NOT VALID UNLESS SIGNED

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Return Form WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB and Dues 3155 Highland Drive Check to: Salt Lake City, UT 84106

I am willing to serve the Wasatch Mountain Club in the following areas:

Conservation; Writing/editing; Photography; Lodge Work;  
Organizing social activities; Typing; Producing the Rambler;  
Trail clearing; Other \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RECHECK THAT STEPS 1 THRU 6 ABOVE ARE COMPLETE

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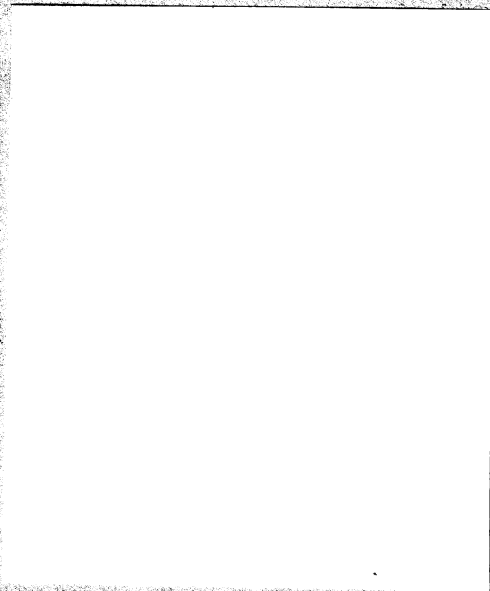
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