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(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

The purpose shall be to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities; to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers and lovers of the mountains, deserts and rivers of Utah; to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; to foster awareness of scenic beauties; and to encourage preservation of our natural areas including their plant, animal and bird life.

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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB BOARD REPORT

Feb 1

Contrary to what was reported last month, the club has NOT purchased a set of probe poles.

The board agreed to help sponsor Keith Johnson's proposed weekly radio show with a conservation theme - the "Mother Earth's Medicine Show." The club will act as a trustee for grants that Keith is hoping to obtain from foundations, and will supply Keith with a monthly allowance for the first six months of operation.

The board is concerned about low voter participation in club elections and would welcome ideas from club members.

Next meeting: March 1

WELCOME

The Rambler and W.M.C. want to welcome the following new club members:

Laura Arnold
Alain Bergeron
Paul Dryden
Dean Griswold
Ruby Marshall

Harriet Mazer
John Mueller
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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

(See the Chronological Listing for Details)

March

3 Fossil Mt Car Camp

17 Dark Canyon

March

11 St. Patrick's Day Parade

March

March

4 Brighton to Midway

4 Dog Lake

4 Maybird

5 Leader's Choice

5 Daniels Pass

5 Box Elder Peak

11 Little Mountain

11 Alta to Cardiff Fork

11 Alta to Silver Fork

12 Mt Wolverine

12 Reynold's Peak

12 Leader's Choice

March

4 Bench Creek

12 Desolation Lake

March

5 Ski Tour & Hot Tub

BACKPACKING

17 Southern Utah

24 Fish & Owl Creek

BICYCLING

BOATING

SKI TOURS

18 Gobblers Knob

18 Mill D to Mill Creek

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19 Willow Peak

25 Murdock Peak

25 Desolation Lake

25 Catherines Pass

26 Leader's Choice

26 Upper Greens Basin

SNOWSHOE TOURS

19 Leader's Choice

26 Leader's Choice

SOCIALS

19 Sunday Social & Travelogue

VOLLEYBALL

April

7 Southern Utah

21 Southern Utah

April

1 South Valley

April

6 Planning Meeting

22 Work Party & River Rats Party

April

1 Scotts Pass

1 Alpine Loop

2 Porter Fork

8 Deseret Peak

15 King's Peak

16 Gourmet

April

April

(Monday Evenings, 6:30 at the Highland High School Gym, except March 20)

A WORD TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Prospective members are welcome on ALL club activities, with the following exceptions:

- 1) Thursday Evening Hikes are for members only. However, prospective members may attend if the hike is their second qualifying activity for membership and they submit their dues check and application form to the leader before the hike.
- 2) Boating trips are for members. However, prospective members may attend a weekend trip if they use the trip as their qualifying activity (each day counts as one activity.)
- 3) A trip leader may choose to limit a trip to members, especially if there is limited space.

A WORD ABOUT WMC SKI TOURS

NTD (Not too difficult): Terrain is mostly gentle. Participants should be able to do a kick turn, snowplow, and descend a slope by traversing. Usually no avalanche danger.

MOD (Moderately difficult): Proficiency climbing and descending intermediate slopes is required. Pieps and shovels may sometimes be suggested or required. If a Pieps is carried, this implies knowledge of how to search for a buried companion.

MSD (Most difficult): Strenuous. Usually involve long ascents, steep or narrow descents. Pieps and shovel always required.

ALL SKI TOURS MEET AT THE GEOLOGY SIGN AT THE EAST END OF THE PARKING LOT AT THE MOUTH OF BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

A WORD ABOUT WMC BICYCLE RIDES

Rides are rated Not Too Difficult (NTD), Moderate (MOD), or Most Difficult (MSD). These ratings are a subjective evaluation taking into consideration mileage and difficulty (hills). NTD rides will generally be less than 30 miles. MOD rides will be 30 to 50 hilly or up to 60 flat miles. MSD rides will be over 50 hilly or 60 flat miles. On all but newcomer rides, it is required that riders be equipped to be self-sufficient, i.e., bring water, food, tire repair tools, extra tubes, repair knowledge, and money. Inexperienced riders or riders unsure of their ability on a bicycle should consider protective gear. Sunscreen is also suggested. Helmets may be required on certain rides.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC Director can be listed in the Club Activities section of the *Rambler*. Send your proposed activity, for approval, to the hiking, rafting, skiing, etc. director for inclusion in their activity schedule. Those activities sent directly to the *Rambler*, without approval, will not be published.

March 3-5
Fri.-Sun.

FOSSIL MOUNTAIN CAR CAMP with Chris Biltoft and Mary Fleming. This trip is to locations in the King Top and Wah Wah Wilderness Study Areas. You will visit Silurian fossil beds and go to Crystal Mountain - such wonderful names! Leaves Friday the 3rd with car camp on the way, spending Saturday at Fossil Mtn and the next day at Crystal Mountain. Call to register with Chris and Mary, 359-5645.

Sat. March 4

BRIGHTON TO MIDWAY SKI TOUR (MOD+). Ken Kelley (942-7730) and Mike Budig (328-4512) will lead this classic tour depending on the snow conditions. Call to register and discuss transportation details. Bring money for the hot tub and a delicious meal at the Homestead.

DOG LAKE SKI TOUR (NTD). Meet Herb Hayashi (328-3992) at 9:00 AM at the geology sign.

MAYBIRD SKI TOUR (MSD). Meet John Kennington (942-0693) at 9:00 AM at the geology sign. Pieps & shovels are required.

BENCH CREEK (WOODLAND) SNOWSHOE TOUR (NTD). A repeat of last year's tour to a beautiful and relatively flat area in the Uintas. Joanne Miller (1-649-1790) will meet snowshoers at 9:30 AM at the Kimball Junction McDonalds. Carpools from Salt Lake can meet at the Parley's Way Regency Theater at 9AM.

Sun. March 5

LEADER'S CHOICE SKI TOUR WITH EMPHASIS ON AVALANCHE EVALUATION (MOD). Call Ellie Ienatsch (272-2426) by Friday evening, March 3, to register for this one. The group will take a moderate tour, discuss route finding, dig snow pits, and practice with beacons. You must have an avalanche beacon and shovel to participate. If you participated in the avalanche class held by the Alaska Avalanche Safety Center, and would like to help Ellie with this tour, please call her.

DANIEL'S PASS SKI TOUR (NTD). Two miles of excellent beginner terrain leading to an easy intermediate hill for practicing turns. Meet John Veranth (278-5826) at K-Mart on Parley's Way at 8:30 AM.

BOX ELDER PEAK SKI TOUR (MSD). This tour will approach from Alpine or Tibble Fork depending on conditions. Call Rolf Doebling (467-6636) to register and discuss transportation details. Pieps & shovels are absolutely required.

SKI TOUR & SOCIAL. Ski Tour & Hot Tub after ski party at Bob & Denna Wright's house in Park City. Come to either or both. The ski tour will be an easy couple of hours in the hills around Park City. Meet for the tour at 2:00

pm at the Wright's house, 3886 Holiday Curve, Park West Village. Take the first left turn (east) just past the road to the Park West ski resort. Go east 1/2 block, turn right once and left twice and look for the house with the solar panels on the roof. If you want to come for phase 2 only, any time after 5:00. Call 649-1228 for further information.

Mon. March 6

VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.

Sat. March 11

LITTLE MOUNTAIN TO KILLYON CANYON SKI TOUR (NTD+). Meet Leslie & Cal Giddings (583-4271) at the Hogle Zoo parking lot at 9:30 AM. Ski-skis would be helpful, but not required. Although this tour is rated NTD, it is not for rank beginners. You should know how to snowplow and do a kick-turn.

ALTA TO CARDIFF FORK SKI TOUR (MSD). Meet Dan Grice (521-8011) at the geology sign at 8:15 AM. Bring \$1.00 for the bus to Alta. Pieps & shovels are required. Call Dan if you can help spot a car.

SILVER FORK FROM ALTA SKI TOUR (MOD). Another tour from Alta to the other side. Call Karin Seeburg (486-5011) to register and discuss transportation details.

ST. PATRICK'S PARADE BIKE RIDE. We'll ride downtown to view the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Afterwards, we'll cycle to a cafe for lunch. The course is less than 20 miles, but includes a couple of mild climbs thru the Avenues. Bike locks recommended. Meet Elliott (967-2908), at the 15th East entrance to Sugarhouse Park (2100 South), at 9:00 am.

Sun. March 12

MT. WOLVERINE SKI TOUR (MOD+). Meet Jeff Barrell at the geology sign at 9:00 AM. Pieps & shovels recommended.

REYNOLD'S PEAK SKI TOUR (MOD). Meet Clark DeNevers (583-5114) at the geology sign at 9:00. Clark firmly believes that all participants should be prepared with pieps and shovels.

LEADER'S CHOICE SKI TOUR (NTD). Meet Garry & Pat Burg (485-4911) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM to go to the place with the best snow.

BELL'S CANYON SKI TOUR (MSD+). George Westbrook (942-6071) will lead this tour that starts at White Pine, then climbs up Thunder Mountain and goes down Bell's Canyon. He is planning an early start. Call to register.

DESOLATION LAKE SNOWSHOE TOUR (MOD). Join Norm Pobanz (266-3703) for this annual tour up Mill D in Big Cottonwood. This is a long tour (8 miles round trip), but the terrain is not difficult. Meet at 9:30 AM at the geology sign.

Mon. March 13

VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.

March 17-19
Fri.-Sun.

DARK CANYON BACKPACK with Chris Bilotft and Mary Fleming. Leaving Thursday to permit a full 3 days, the entrance will be via Sundance

Trail (nearest highway point is Hite) with numerous hiking possibilities in this beautiful Wilderness Study Area. Register with Chris and Mary, 359-5645.

March 17-26
Fri.-Sun.

SPRING BREAK SOUTHERN UTAH BACKPACK. A few days or the whole period depending on what the participants desire. Destination: sunshine, slickrock and enjoyment. Call Chuck Ranney at 583-1092 to register.

Sat. March 18

GOBBLERS KNOB/MOUNT RAYMOND SKI TOUR (MSD). Call to register with Dennis & Karin Caldwell (942-6065).

MILL D TO MILLCREEK SKI TOUR (MOD). Meet Tom Silberstorf (467-5734) at the defunct Bagel Nosh, Olympus Hills Mall at 9:00 AM. Skiers wanting an easier tour, are invited to join the group and stop at Dog Lake.

Sun. March 19

LEADER'S CHOICE SKI TOUR (NTD). Tom and Maurita Stephens (272-8532) will decide the best place to ski. The group will be limited to 10 people. Call and register with them by Sat. evening, March 18.

WILLOW PEAK SKI TOUR (MOD). Join Theresa Overfield and Dave Morris for this tour up the south face and down the north slope through the trees. Pieps (or avalanche cord) and shovels required. Meet the leaders(359-6274) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM.

LEADERS CHOICE SNOWSHOE TOUR. Join leader Lyn Nall (467-4043) for a snowshoe tour somewhere in Millcreek Canyon. Meet at 9:30 AM at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center (northwest corner near the defunct Bagel Nosh)

SUNDAY SOCIAL - TRAVELOGUE. River Expeditions in Nepal - the Mountain Kingdom. Donna Kramer floated some 400 miles of rivers in Nepal. One river had only been run once before. Nepali wildlife & culture are highlights of this visual journey to a country which is truly an island in time. Potluck at 6:00 (please bring asian dishes in keeping with the theme) Slide show at 7:30. Waterbury Clubhouse, 5600 S. 1400 E. (SW side of Van Winkle at 5600 S).

Mon. March 20

No volleyball tonight.

March 24-27
Fri.-Sun.

WILDERNESS HIKE AND BACKPACK. To Fish And Owl Creek (in the Fish Canyon Wilderness Study Area) between Blanding & Natural Bridges Natl. Monument. These deep and rugged canyons with Anasazi Cliff Dwellings are characterized by outstanding scenic beauty. Patty Giffen will lead this Easter Weekend trip. To allow enough time to do it right the trip might be lengthened one day, returning on Monday, if the participants agree. Phone Patty at 277-1168.

Sat. March 25

MURDOCK PEAK SKI TOUR (MSD). Call to register with Lynn Jorde (1-649-1108).

DESOLATION LAKE TO POWDER PARK SKI TOUR (MOD). Meet Ton Netelbeek (582-1381) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM. Pieps and shovels required.

- Sat. March 25** CATHERINE'S PASS FROM BRIGHTON SKI TOUR (NTD+). Meet George Swanson (466-3003) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM.
- Sun. March 26** LEADER'S CHOICE SKI TOUR (NTD). Meet Val Naef (255-7562) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM for something with a bit of a challenge but not too difficult.
- LEADER'S CHOICE SKI TOUR (MSD). Call Marty Barth (532-6423) to register. He will select a tour based on snow conditions.
- UPPER GREEN'S BASIN SKI TOUR (MOD). Meet Ilka and Allen Olsen (272-6305) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM. Ski-skins strongly recommended. Pieps & shovels suggested.
- LEADER'S CHOICE SNOWSHOE TOUR. Join Leah Mancini (487-3561) for the last scheduled snowshoe tour of the season. Meet Leah at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center (northwest corner near the defunct Bagel Nosh at 9:30 AM).
- Mon. March 27** VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.
- Sat. April 1** SCOTT'S PASS SKI TOUR (NTD). Meet Paul Dryden (292-5711) at the geology sign at 9:00 AM. Ski-skins would be helpful for this tour.
- ALPINE LOOP ROAD SKI TOUR (NTD). Nance Randall (485-1483) invites you to join her on a "dogs allowed" trip. Meet Nance and her canine friends at 9:30 AM at the park & ride on 7200 South and I-15 (across from the McDonalds).
- SOUTH VALLEY BIKE RIDE. This 38 mile ride will be a casually paced tour thru Riverton, Draper and Bluffdale, stopping at a restaurant for lunch. Meet Elliott (967-2908) at Salt Lake Community College at 4500 South Redwood Road (1700 West), at 9:00 am.
- Sun. April 2** PORTER FORK SKI TOUR (MOD). Meet Terry Rollins (467-5088) at 9:00 at the defunct Bagel Nosh at Olympus Hills Mall. Pieps & shovels required.
- Mon. April 3** VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.
- Thu. April 6** RIVER TRIP PLANNING MEETING. Permit holders and potential trip leaders can connect at this meeting. The idea is to plan trips around the permits obtained and fill in the rest with non-permit trips. If you want to help out the Club by leading a trip, or by assisting in leading a trip, then don't miss this meeting. The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at Carl Cook's house (2189 Atkin Ave.).
- April 7-9** SOUTHERN UTAH BACKPACK. Leader's choice. Destination and duration to suit participant's desires. Call Chuck Ranney 583-1092 to register.
- Fri.-Sun.**
- Sat. April 8** DESERET PEAK SKI TOUR (MSD). Call Marty Barth (532-6423) to register. Marty plans an early start for this trip.

- Sat. April 15 **KING'S PEAK SKI TOUR** (very long). Steve and Larry Swanson will lead this long, flat ski to King's Peak in the Uintas. There are some great views along the way. Strong intermediate skiers are welcome to come along. We use the same trail out as in, so you can stop and turn around and head back out without doing the peak. Call Larry (278-3269) or Steve (484-5808) to register and for more information.
- Sun. April 16 **GOURMET SKI/SNOWSHOE TOUR**. See the April *Rambler* for details.
- April 21-23
Fri.-Sun. **SOUTHERN UTAH BACKPACK**. Leader' choice. Destination and duration to suit participant's desires. Call Chuck Ranney 583-1092 to register.
- Sat. April 22 **BOATING WORK PARTY**. We need to inspect and repair all equipment for the upcoming season. There is much work to be done, so please plan to attend. We'll start about 9:30 am. Don't forget that we have a new shed at the storage center, 4317 S. 300 W. unit # 8 (next to ZIM's).
- Sat. April 22 **SEASON-OPENER RIVER RATS PARTY**. This is the party where we exaggerate last year's trips, plan this year's trips, and party like we were on the river. It will be at 7:30 pm at Carl Cook's house (2189 Atkin Ave). BYOB.

FUTURE OUT OF TOWN ACTIVITIES

(details in future *Ramblers*)

- March **NORTHERN MEXICO BACKPACK**. Wick Miller will lead a week's backpack into the mountains and canyon country of the sierras of northwest Mexico, with an optional three day trip to Creel to Canyon de Cobre, a.k.a. "The Grand Canyon of Mexico." The trip is full, so the only chance now is if there are cancellations. Call Wick at 1-649-1790 if you wish to get on the waiting list.
- April **MUDDY CREEK WSA BOATING TRIP**. (Class III-) Muddy creek is a tributary of the Dirty Devil river and cuts through the San Rafael Swell in two spectacular canyons. We hope to float the Muddy this year if we can catch runoff (usually in early April). This stream is too small for rafts and may or may not have enough water for canoes. The two canyons are done on separate days, so participants can "bail out" before the narrows. The upper canyon is not difficult, but participants need some experience with currents and maneuvering. The lower canyon is very narrow (15 feet in some places), so more experience is needed. This trip cannot be scheduled so participants need to register and be ready to go on short notice. Call Jeff Barrell at 943-2836 for more info and to register. Shuttle driver needed.
- April & May **WILDERNESS STUDY AREA (WSA) BACKPACKS**. Trips to car camps and backpacks in some of Utah's BLM Wilderness Study Areas are planned this spring and early summer. Look in the listing of Club Activities for trips in March. Additional trips to exciting and unusual areas this April and May:
- * **ESCALANTE RIVER BACKPACK** via Wolverine Canyon and return through Horse Canyon (North Escalante Canyons/The Gulch ISA Complex), located off the Burr Trail.

* SIDS MOUNTAIN CAR CAMP with day hikes in washes and viewing rock art sites. Sids Mountain WSA is located in the San Rafael Swell area south of Price.

* CANAAN MOUNTAIN BACKPACK with hikes up Short Creek and Squirrel Canyon or Water Canyon (Canaan Mountain WSA). Located south of Zions National Park.

* DEEP CREEK MOUNTAINS featuring hiking up Granite Creek to view pictographs or Trout Creek to look for Bighorn Sheep. The Deep Creek WSA is in the West Desert on the Utah-Nevada border.

* BOOK CLIFFS with hiking in Rattlesnake Canyon. (Desolation Canyon WSA) located north of I-70 and east of Green River.

* MT PENNELL BACKPACK to assess rock climbing on The Horn or ascend to the Mr Pennell summit via one of its scenic canyons. Mt Pennell is in the Henry Mountains south of Hanksville.

* The first 3 trips are for April, the last three will be in May.

LEADERS ARE NEEDED FOR THESE TRIPS. Being familiar with the area is not a prerequisite. Club members willing to organize a trip to a WSA can expect help from knowledgeable Club members or the Utah Wilderness Association. Call Tom Walsh (969-5842) to volunteer.

May 12-14

ARCHES CAR CAMP. Details next month.

May 12-17
Fri.-Wed.

MAZE DISTRICT BACKPACK. We need high clearance 4-wheel drive vehicles for this classic. Call Chuck Ranney 583-1092 to register.

May 19-21
Fri.-Sun.

ARCHES CAR CAMP. Overflow from previous weekend. Details next month.



Drawing by Kate Juenger



CONSERVATION NOTES

by Chris Biltoft and Mary Fleming

Brighton Draft Plan Unveiled

A preliminary draft for the Brighton ski Area Lift and Base Area Renovation (read Expansion) Plan has emerged. Produced by Bio/West Inc. of Logan, UT and paid for by the owners of the Brighton Ski area, the draft is the basis for a Forest Service (FS) Environmental Assessment (EA) that will be used to evaluate Brighton's "Renovation" proposal.

The Plan's purpose is to provide a "better, safer skiing experience within the framework of the existing (Brighton) Master Plan, which includes re-orienting and extending Mary Lift to the ridge east of Dog Lake and installing a new lift in an expanded beginner area southeast of the Alpine Rose Lodge. Included in the plan are proposals to remove 23 (or 28?) acres of trees, and to cut & fill 9 acres near the lodges.

EA scoping document responses, listed in the issues section of the draft plan, were otherwise largely ignored. Mindful of where the paycheck comes from, Bio/West produced a document that tells the developer what he wants to hear. No WMC or Save Our Canyons representatives were contacted during plan preparation. Consequently, many problems were not addressed.

The Bio/West plan cites a FS "standard" which "permits no other developments or activities which conflict with ski area development and use within the permit area." The implications of this statement are not entirely clear, but it is apparent that the resort has entered the EA process taking a "big dog" stance towards other permittees and users. Salient concerns involve the massive scalping of forested areas, including a patch just below the WMC Lodge, and loss of backcountry access routes. Erosion and water quality become major concerns with new trails

and lift lines placed over or near streams, and the massive deforestation and cut&fill operations. Also, the Brighton Lakes hiking trail, probably the most popular trail in the Wasatch, is summarily moved out of the developer's way.

The FS has planned an open house at the Salt Lake District Office (6944 S, 3000 E) to discuss the Brighton plan on March 7, 7-10 pm. Please call the FS (524-5042) to confirm, and be there to express your concerns. A hearing before County Planning & Zoning has apparently been scheduled for 14 March. Unless the FS, in gross violation of the law, rubber stamps the Bio/West plan, this date is premature. The FS can look forward to many EA changes or face extended challenges to their EA before Brighton is ready for P&Z.

DWR and the Sandhill Crane Case

The UT Div. of Wildlife Resources (DWR) has developed an "education program" designed to justify a sandhill crane hunt next year. The presentation will be on 21 March at 7:30 pm in the Unitarian Church, 569 S., 1300 E. The cranes have reached flyway capacity (18-20,000 birds) and a legitimate concern exists that disease will decimate birds in crowded New Mexico wintering areas. DWR's lame excuse for shooting "depredating" cranes is that they flock in farmers fields, grubbing for insects. What is the hunt for? DWR fears that Utah will lose its crane quota unless they shoot first. A rational decision is unlikely, but DWR may respond to public pressure. Please be there.

Uintas Open House

The FS plans an open house in their Federal Bldg. (125 S. State) offices, 13-14 March 8 am-6pm on oil&gas drilling in the Stillwater drainages. Only dry holes have been found so far, but the pressure is on to expand into the remaining roadless areas. The FS would like to explain this environmentally destructive activity to us.

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Živio is supported by the Salt Lake City Arts Council, the Utah Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, Washington D.C. and the International Folkdance Club.



SEA TO SHINING SEA BIKE TRIP STAGE 2

We will do Stage 2 of our Coast to Coast bicycle trip starting on Friday August 11, and returning on Sunday, August 27th. The trip starts where we left off last year at St. Mary, on the south end of Glacier Park. The route goes through Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada, through Cardston, and Cutbank, and then heads east across Montana and into North Dakota. Our goal this year is to get across these two giant states which will be 900 plus miles. As those of you know who did stage 1 from Bellingham Washington to Glacier National Park last year, this will be all flat country and generally downhill with the prevailing wind in back of us.

The plan will be similar to last year, with a motor home for a sag wagon, generally staying in campgrounds where they are available, or bed and breakfast places.

It is not necessary to have done Stage 1 in order to do succeeding stages. Last year's trip was a huge success, and we plan to make this year even better.

We will have an organization meeting in April, so watch the next *Rambler* for time and place. Call Bob Wright, 1-649-4194 if you have any questions or wish to sign up early.

RAGBRAI XVII BICYCLE PLANNING MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 7:30 PM

"RAGBRAI" stands for Register's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Iowa. This is a 7 day ride of about 450 miles across Iowa from July 23 to July 29 which involves about 8000 riders. This ride can be compared to a rolling Scout Camp/Mardi Gras/sauna bath. If you are interested or want more information, be at the home of John Peterson, 5632 South Park Place East at 7:30 PM for the meeting and sign-up. Phone 277-8817 (H) or 328-7878 (W).

FROM THE KAYAKING COORDINATOR

by Mike Dege

Kayaking this year seems to be getting off to a slow but steady start. I have been trying to get my boat defrosted from this recent cold spell. The problem is that the beer I have been pouring on it to melt the foot pegs keeps freezing solid. I guess I'll have to switch to something stronger.

Most of you are probably wondering about open pool sessions. Traditionally, they have been starting around February but since the ownership of South High School has been changed, a renegotiation of pool policies is currently taking place. As of publishing time, the folks at Wasatch Touring plan on running Tuesday and Thursday open pool sessions as soon as possible. Your best bet is to call them to find out what has been finalized.

For those who have never been to an open pool session, they are run to brush up on rolling skills before the season begins. You bring your own rented or borrowed boat to the pool, wash it there before putting it in the pool and for a reasonable fee of a few dollars, you can spend a couple hours practicing in the pool.

For those who would like to learn, both Wasatch Touring and the University of Utah have classes scheduled to begin soon. These classes are the best way to get a head start so you won't be sitting on shore while others are enjoying the spring runoff.

REI Co-op is sponsoring a whitewater film festival on April 5. They would like to get some amateur participation and are offering some discount incentives to participants who would like to show movies, slides or videos. Call REI for details.

There will be some early runoff trips being run to Muddy Creek and possibly the Virgin River. Since the water in these rivers is unpredictable, trips will be finalized at the last minute. Check the *Rambler* for trips or call me to find out about last minute trips.

See you on the river . . . Mike Dege

TRIP · TALK

YES! YOU CAN DO AN EGGBEATER ON SHOWSHOES!

Broads Fork
January 29, 1989
by Janet Friend

This group of 8 hearty hikers decided January is the best time to go up Broad's Fork trail. It was a beautiful sunny day and up in the basin the fluffy crystals of snow we sloshed through were like Ivory Flakes. The snow shoes sank in 5 inches and we just plowed our way up and down the ridges and valleys. Lunch was to be at the "Hard Rock Cafe". We didn't all get there at the same time due to "elevation gain burn-out", but we did finally all sit with our backs leaning on the sun side of the warm rock. A beautiful, close view of Twin Peaks and Dromedary. Norm Pobanz had led us to a splendid spot in the sun.

The hike back down was like running on clouds in slow motion--each step gave you a 6-foot slide through powder. A few steep places were deceiving and Gail did a perfect Eggbeater Tumble, better than a downhill skier! We dug her out and brushed her off! Trudy Healy had her skis along also, and did some beautiful turns through the powder. When we crossed the creek and got back into the woods, we realized how well-used Broad's Fork trail was, with ski tracks all over the place. We met several skiers coming up, but I was glad to be on Snow Shoes going down that steep trail. A fun trip.

The hikers were Norm Pobanz (leader), Trudy Healey, Gayle Stockslager, Tom Walsh, Doug Stark, Bob Weirick, Lyn Nall (photo taker) and Janet Friend.

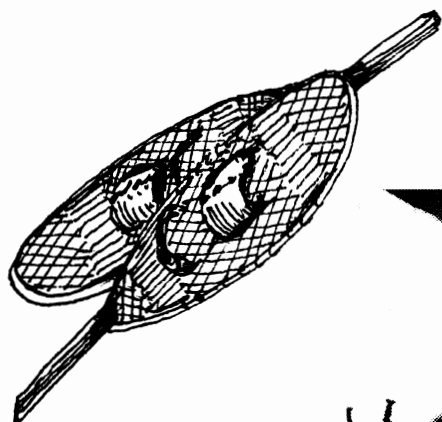


Photo by Lyn Nall
Drawings by Kate Juenger





X-C SKI BEGINNER'S CLINIC AND TOLL CANYON TOUR

January 8, 1989
by Audrey Kelley

And what is so rare as a day in January, blustery at first but mellowing out as our neophytes took to the gentle downhill of the neighbor's pasture? Or the not-so-rare sound of knees knocking ("How can I go downhill when my knees are knocking?") and the Whumph! of sitzmarks sown along a beleaguered path. "Now we'll teach double-poling and then the herringbone on the way back up," the word spread among the instructors. Somehow the kamikaze group and the huffing herringboners avoided each other. And so it went, with delighted participants remarking that there was an instructor at their each and own elbow at all times. An equally delighted Audrey wants to thank these devoted ones who gave up a good day of x-c-ing to teach our newest arrivals. They are: Trudy Healy, Pat Beard, Milt Hollander, Dave Minix, Vince Desimone, Ronda Brooks and Norm Fish.

Those hopefully enjoying the school of kick-turns, etc. in the morning; lunch and lecture at noon; and sidestepping up that long hill in order to somehow get down it in the afternoon, were: Maggie Beckstead, Joyce Epperson, Brian Sullivan, Barbara Johnson, George Healy, Gary Smith, Karen McCoy, Marye Wanlass, Janice Gill, Jim Janney, A.M. Rhoads, Larry Peterson, Kathleen Romanofsla, Stu Turkanis, Arvelle Heislip, Donna Parkinson, Janet Friend, Margaret Robertson, Chuck Reichmuth, Val Peterson, Federica Gallegos, Chris Venizelos, Shanna Bridges, Denise Doebbeling, Deon Corkins, Janet Simpson, Ruth Zupko, Julie Berve, Jason Killinen, Dianna Kirzerian, Torrie Taylor, Roger Taylor, Lyn Nall, Floyd Miadt and Tom Walsh.



Photos by Audrey Kelley

The Toll Canyon tour followed on the heels of this clinic, ostensibly to give beginners a practice tour. In fact, the merry crew following an errant ski trail got to the ridge line using the shortest vertical distance between two points, evoking some brave struggles along the way. (Next year, she mumbled, I'll flag the route.) The graduates of this day are certified to dive right into a More Difficult tour. The snow, however, was perfect and many telemarks were done by Knowing Persons who had infiltrated the beginner ranks. Murdock Peak beckoned across the ridge, the day was crystalline, and for those who missed it, oh please join us next year. And if you're not up for the tour, come to the gathering afterwards anyway at our Timberline home.

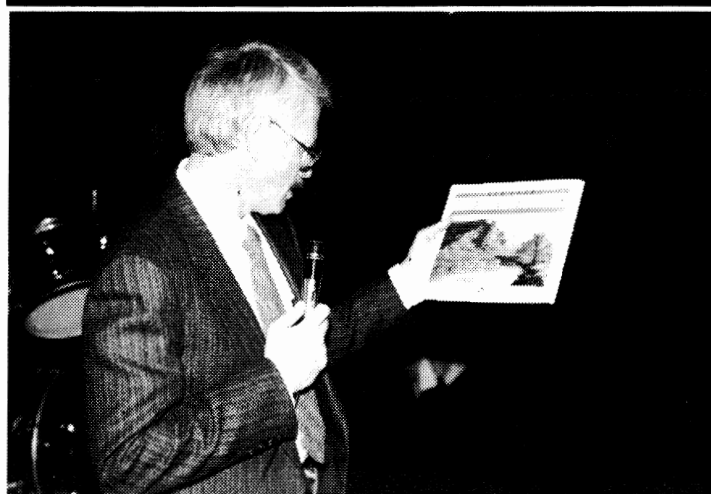
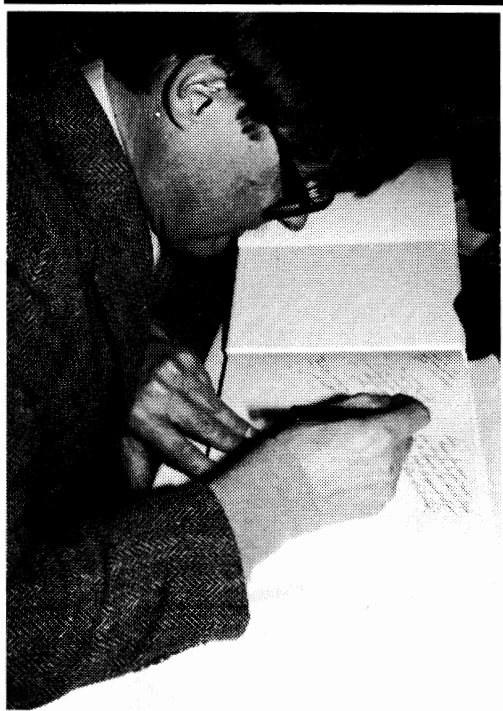
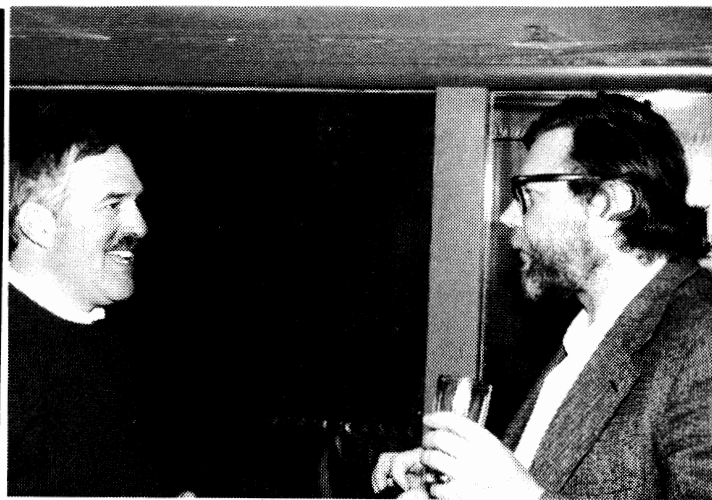
Those fortunate Toll Canyon adventurers: Kermit and Pam Earle, Linda (Wilcox) and Vince Desimone, Earl Cook, Joanne Miller, Dale Thompson, John Mueller, Charlie Hendrickson, Sue Dickey, Christel Sysak, Jan Larsen, Jim Janney, Cherry Wong, Tom Silberstorf, John Riley, John and Martha Veranth, Bob and Denna Wright, Trudy Healy, Ross McIntyre, Kathy Mulhausen, Ilka (Allers) Olsen, and Oscar and Phyllis Robison.

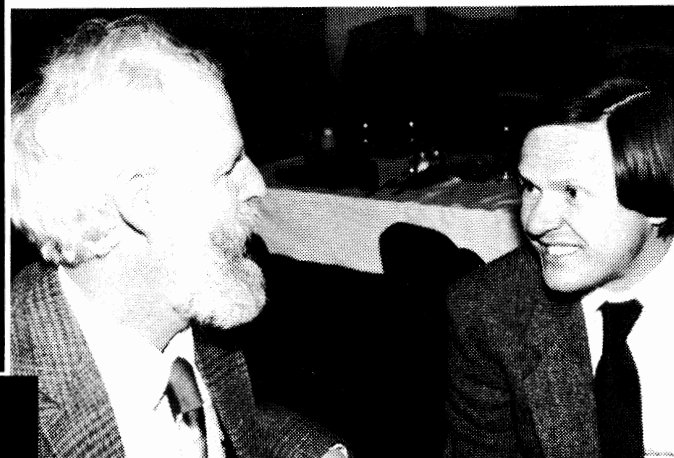
Special Note - Earl Cook not only gave newcomers a warm welcome, extra Ramblers and leaflets, he also took a video camera onto the hill. Norm Fish did the same, and all were treated to unholy sights of themselves and great laughter as the day drew to a close around the fireplace. Same time next year? Absolutely!



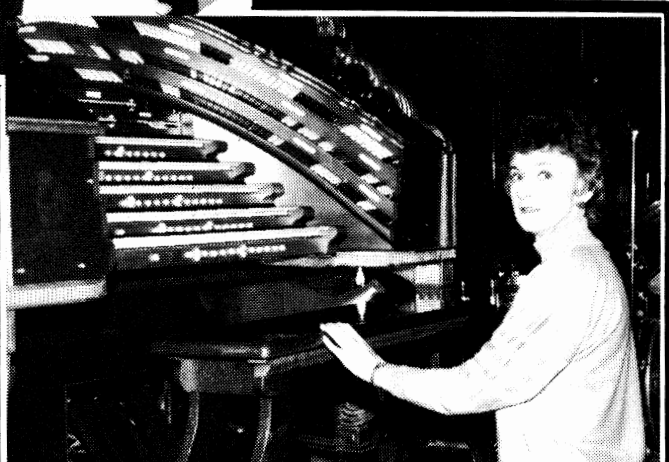
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NOMINATIONS BANQUET





Photos by Allen Eickemeyer



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SKI AREA EXPANSION

Who Profits?

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Debating:

Bob Bailey, President, Utah Ski Association

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Audience questions welcomed

**7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 9
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Admission Free, Refreshments provided

MARCH SKY CALENDAR

by Ben Everitt

MOON

New Moon	* Mar 7	Apr 5
First Quarter	Mar 14	Apr 12
Full Moon	Mar 22	Apr 20
Last Quarter	Mar 30	Apr 28

* indicates eclipse

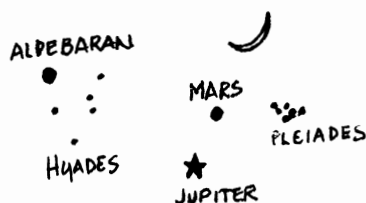
MOONRISE

(times for 40 N, 112 W)

Saturday	Local Time
Mar 4	5:00 AM
Mar 11	8:30 AM
Mar 18	3:00 PM
Mar 25	10:00 PM

Source: Astronomical Almanac for 1989

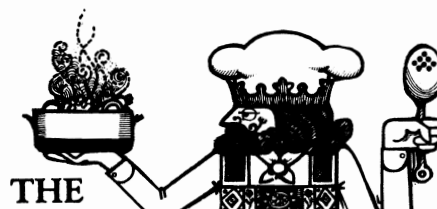
EASTER The March full moon occurs only 2 days after the spring equinox, which falls on March 20 this year. Thus Easter, whose date is computed as the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox, is about as early this year as it ever occurs. Maybe it will be too cold for the kiddie-cars down in the Swell and we can have the place to ourselves.



MARCH 12
EVENING TWILIGHT

PLANETS: If you have noticed JUPITER, the bright white planet, high in the evening sky, near the Pleiades, you probably have also noticed reddish MARS just to the west. Mars has been closing slowly on Jupiter all winter, and will catch up on March 12, passing 2 degrees to the north. It then continues eastward, and will pass north of the star Aldebaran (the red eye of the bull) on March 28.

SATURN should be shining faintly in the east before sunrise, in the constellation Sagittarius, but I haven't seen it yet.



GRUBBY GOURMET

by Roseann Woodward

CHICKEN LUAU

It's Prince Kuhio's birthday and on your break for sunshine in Hawaii at the end of the month, tell festival attenders that you make the best Chicken Luau ever. It'll give you an "in" with the locals and don't forget to mention Grubby's name.

- 3 1/2 lbs chicken, cut into pieces
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- pepper to taste
- 3/4 cup water
- 1 cup unsweetened, flaked coconut
- 1 1/2 cups hot water
- 1 1/2 pounds spinach

Brown chicken in butter and oil. Add salt, pepper, and water and cook over low heat until tender. Place coconut and hot water in a bowl and let stand 30 minutes or longer. Squeeze coconut to remove as much liquid as possible. Reserve the liquid and discard the leaves. Drain well. Put back in pan and add 1 cup of coconut milk. Simmer 2 minutes. Arrange chicken on serving platter and arrange spinach around it. Heat remaining coconut milk with the broth remaining in pan in which chicken was cooked. Pour over chicken and spinach.

CLASSIFIED ADS

AD POLICY

Members may place classified ads for used sports equipment free of charge. Other classified ads require a \$5.00 donation to the WMC for up to 20 words with \$.20 per word over 20. Words of 2 letters or less will not count as a word.

Send your ad (with a check enclosed if it is not a used sports equipment ad) before the 13th of the month to Sue DeVall, 11730 South 700 West, Sandy UT 84070 or call Sue at 572-3294 for information.

The Rambler cannot accept any ad that is inconsistent with the purposes of the WMC, or that offends the sensibilities of club members.

SEWING & REPAIRSS

Sewing Repairs on Outdoor Equipment, Tents, Sleeping Bags, Clothing, Packs. Call Sue at 572-3294 and leave a message.

SINGERS WANTED

The Ad Hoc Singers are auditioning for an Alto, a Tenor and a Bass (no Baritones, please). We rehearse on Sunday nights. Anyone interested should contact Phyllis Robison at 943-8500.

TRAVEL

Explore the world with Shirley Smith. Small Groups, Reasonable Prices.

April 22 - May	9Mt. Bike Peru
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Oct 7 - 30	Everest Region Nepal

For details, call Shirley Smith at 649-7430 (H) or at 534-0460 (W).

TREKKING with Christel Sysak + Wilderness Travel guide to Machu Picchu June 14-26, 1989. Call her at Western Travel at 277-9988 for details.

USED EQUIPMENT

Nalgene Bottles (HDPE) 1 Liter \$1.50, 250 ml Rectangular \$1.00. Call Allan after 5 p.m. at 566-1410.

Asolo snowfield 3 pin boots, size 11 M, good condition, \$50.00. Bike rack, trunk mount type, \$20.00. Call Joan at 943-5230.

For sale: Karku XCD Equipe Telemark Skis, 207 cm. Asolo telemark bindings. Good condition. 377 8813.

One pair X-C skis, 190 cm. 2 mens bikes. Call Linda Leigh with best offer at 262-3063 (H) or at 255-0932 (W).

Sherpa Snowshoes. Used Rentals. Priced at \$99.93 and below. Some are better than others. Ask for Sue at REI at 486-2100 or at 572-3294 (H).

\$40.00 Womens Hiking Boots. Merrill gortex, size 5, like new. Contact Amy at REI or leave a message at 486-2100.

Kayak - Prijon T Slalom includes floatbags and spray skirt. \$365.00. Phone 328-0943.

WANT TO BUY

Wanted: Used Dancer Kayak. Reasonably priced. Please call Phil at 467-7209.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST: Pair of Size 43 Asolo Canyon Rockboots with yellow laces. Lost at Storm Mountain area last summer. Call Fred Nash at 943-6906 or at 530-3148 (days).

EAST AFRICAN SAFARI AND KILIMANJARO CLIMB

Westminster College will be offering its 6th annual East African Safari from June 17 to July 5. The itinerary includes a stop in Zurich, Switzerland, then on to Nairobi, Kenya. The major game parks of Kenya and Tanzania will be visited, including Samburu, Lake Nakuru, one of the greatest bird spectacles in the world, Maasai Mara with its great resident herds of big game, Ngorongoro Crater, the Serengeti Plains with its wildebeest migration, Olduvai Gorge, the site of early man, and Lake Manyara with its tree-climbing lions.

Of possible interest to WMC members is an optional climb of Mt. Kilimanjaro in lieu of the Tanzanian game parks. At 19,340 feet, Kilimanjaro is the highest peak on the African continent. The 5 day non-technical climb was made by 3 WMC members of the 1986 Westminster safari.

The cost of \$3,800 double occupancy includes round trip airfare on United Airlines and SwissAir, first quality hotels, all land transport, entrances to parks, and most meals. College credit can be arranged. For a brochure, call or write Dr. Barry Quinn, 488-4191, or Dr. Robert Warnock, 488-4190, Dept. of Biology, Westminster College, SLC 84105. Since space is limited to 24 people, the trip will be filled on a first come, first served basis. A \$300 deposit reserves a place.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERS/REINSTATEMENT FOR PREVIOUS MEMBERS RAMBLER SUBSCRIPTION QUALIFICATION FORM

DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Please read carefully and fill out completely. Your signature is required.

APPLICANT'S NAMES: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ DAY PHONE _____ BIRTH DATE _____

I hereby apply for ☐ NEW MEMBERSHIP ☐ STUDENT
☐ REINSTATEMENT ☐ SINGLE membership in the WMC
☐ COUPLE

I ☐ DO wish to receive the *Rambler* (the WMC publication). Subscription price
☐ DO NOT is not deductible from the dues.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's (Mar 1 19__ to Feb 28 19__) dues and application fee.
*** Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club (CHECKS ONLY) ***

Remit: \$20.00 for student membership (\$15.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)
\$30.00 for single membership (\$25.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)
\$40.00 for couple membership (\$35.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)
(NOTE: These rates include the \$12.00 for the *Rambler* subscription)

YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION
THE ACTIVITY DATES MUST HAVE BEEN WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THIS APPLICATION
qualifying activity _____ date _____ signature of recommending leader _____

1. _____

2. _____

I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC. I am 18 years of age or older.

I am willing to serve the WMC in the following areas: (please check)

☐ Service Project ☐ Lodge work ☐ Conservation ☐ Rambler ☐ Thurs Night Hikes
☐ Hike Leader ☐ Boat Leader ☐ Ski Leader ☐ Social Assist

I found out about the WMC from _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO: MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB
888 SOUTH 200 EAST, SUITE 111
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, 84111

LEAVE BLANK

Receipt #: _____ Date Received: _____ Amount Recv'd: _____
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PLANNING MEETING & CELEBRATION

March 4, 1989 - 7:30 pm

Join people from all walks of life on March 4 to plan a community gathering on August 12, 1989 to SAY YES TO LIFE! Say YES to your own potential for peace, freedom, joy, health, prosperity, and our connection with all life on beautiful, giving Mother Earth. Bring your ideas, your dancing shoes, and snacks to share. Donations will be accepted to cover costs. For more information phone 484-5558, 975-1903, or 942-2408.

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