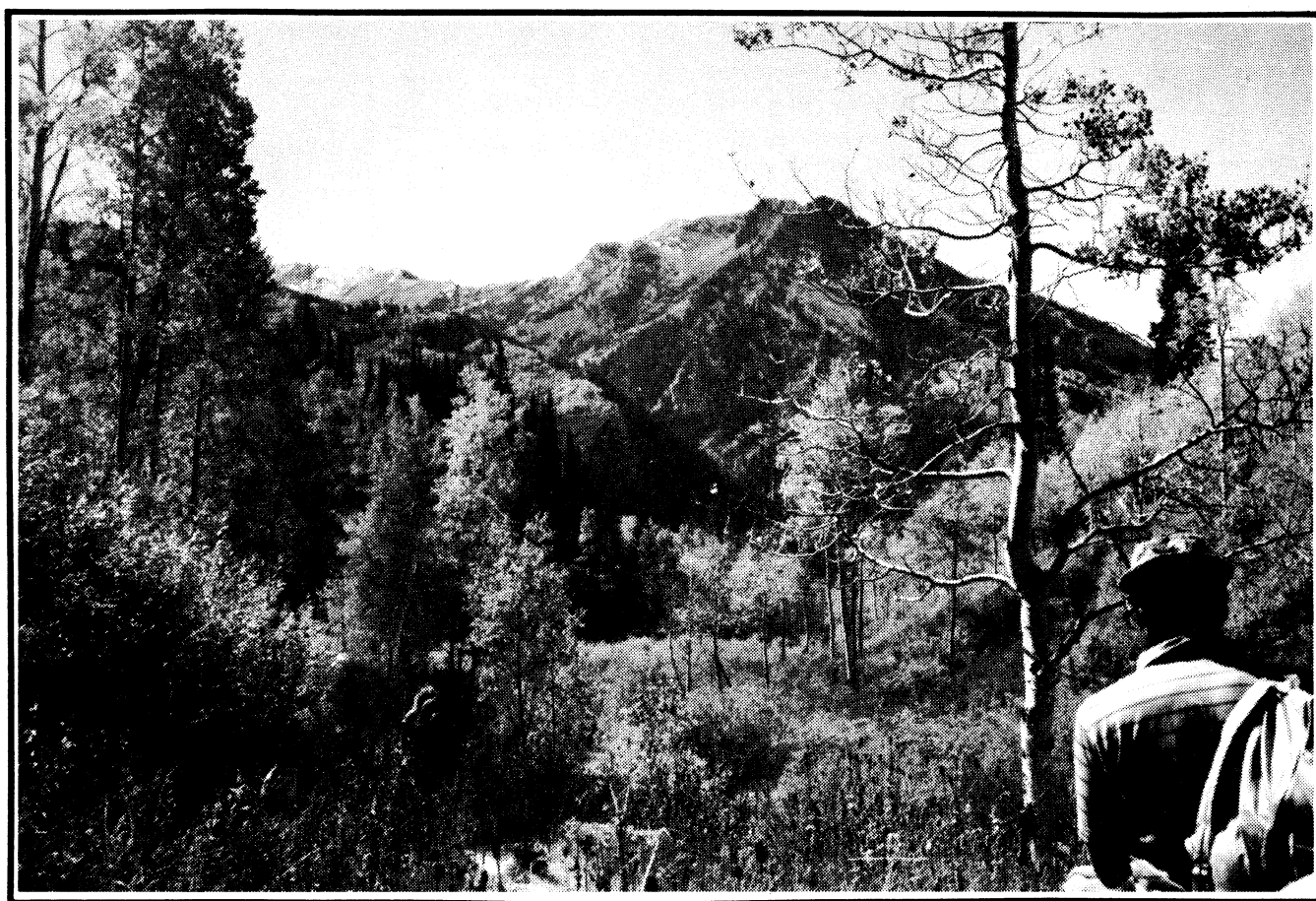


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(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

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

April 5

The board passed this resolution: "To not support the Olympics because there is no assurance that tax dollars will not be used and there are no assurances that Big & Little Cottonwood will not be venues for the Olympics.

Rudy Lukez of the Utah Wilderness Coalition asked the WMC to help fund production of a book about the areas included in Wayne Owens' BLM Wilderness Bill. The book will include an introduction by Wallace Stegner, maps & descriptions of all the proposed wilderness areas, and many photos. The book will be a comprehensive reference work for people interested in this issue. It will go on sale in early July and cost about \$15. Similar books produced in Arizona & New Mexico were very helpful for wilderness advocates. The board approved spending up to \$3000 from the Wasatch Trails account, subject to further discussion and approval of the Trustees.

Next meeting: May 3

WELCOME

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

Bruce Beck
Chet Borsch
Sharon Borsch
Hong Duong
Don Higgins
Bill Hull
Julie Hull

Steve Krueger
Virginia Lattin
Frank Luddington
Joyce Luddington
Jerry Mitchell
Chuck Todd

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- May
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 12 Maze District
May
 6 Wallsburg
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May
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 6 Gray Canyon
 9 Gray Canyon Wk Pty
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 12 Arches
May
 4 Foothills
 6 Slickrock Country
 6 Salt Lake Overlk
 6 Stansbury Island
 6 Grandeur Peak
 7 City Creek Twins
 7 Perkins Peak
 7 Mt Olympus
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 11 Foothills
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 13 Burch Hollow
 13 Reynolds Peak
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 4 Storm Mt.
 5 Mt. St. Helens
May
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 20 Mt Aire
 20 Lewis Peak
 21 Lambs Canyon
 21 Reynolds Peak
 21 Jacob City

- 14 Seminar
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BACKPACKING

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BICYCLING

- June
 9 Escalante Mts.

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- 18 Desolation Wk Pty
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 29 Greens Basin
 29 Mineral Fork
 29 Grandeur Peak
 29 Mt Raymond

- June
 17 Alpine

- June
 9 Escalante Mts.

- June
 1 Mill Creek
 3 Mule Hollow
 3 Butterfield Pks
 3 Kessler Peak
 3 The Beatout
 4 Willow Lake
 4 Thayne's Peak
 4 White Pine Lake
 4 Pfeifferhorn
 4 Flower Hike
 4 Seely Mountain
 8 Big Cottonwood
 10 Circle All Peak
 10 Lake Desolation
 10 Twin Peaks
 11 Dog Lake
 11 South Willow Lake
 11 Red Pine Lake
 11 Box Elder Peak
 11 Newcomers Hike
 17 Wildcat Ridge

MOUNTAINEERING June

SOCIALS

June

VOLLEYBALL

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

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.

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE INFORMATION

These hikes are for members only except prospective members may use them as the second and final qualifying activity for membership provided their dues check and application are submitted to the leader prior to the hike. Meet at 6:30 pm: all participants must sign the liability release form. Hikes are never cancelled for any reason including bad weather, so wear appropriate clothing. Boots will be required if the trail is in mud or snow. No dogs. Hikes in Mill Creek Canyon meet in Olympus Hills parking lot at 3900 Wasatch Blvd. just south of the defunct Bagel Nosh. Hikes in Big Cottonwood meet at the "Storm Mountain Quartzites" geology sign, 2.9 miles up the canyon (r.h. side) from the stop light. Hike leader: Dale Green.

A WORD ABOUT WMC HIKES

The hike rating indicates the difficulty of the hike. Hikes rated under 5 are easy, 5-8 are intermediate, above 8 are difficult. A hike may be more difficult than the rating would suggest. Watch for the terms "exposure", "rock scrambling", "bush whacking", and "steep". These terms, and the rating system, are described in the April 1986 Rambler. If you have any questions about a particular hike, feel free to call the leader ahead of time. Please come to the hike with proper equipment: adequate clothing, footwear, food, water, and any special equipment required for that hike. You must sign the liability release form to participate in any hike, and you are expected to stay with the group during the hike.

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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.

Mon. May 1

GRAY CANYON COORDINATION MEETING FOR MAY 6 TRIP. The Gray Canyon participants need to meet and coordinate meals & transportation. For the new boaters, we'll go over the itinerary, clothing, and gear. Participants **MUST** attend this meeting or notify trip leader beforehand.

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

Thu. May 4

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Foothills hike. Meet at the north end of the far east parking lot of University Hospital. For more particulars, see "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4.

STORM MT. PICNIC AREA CLIMBING. It's that time again to get the climbing gear together and come join us for burgers & whatever. Call Deb 583-2606 after 8:30 P.M. for details.

May 5-7
Fri.-Sun.

MT. ST. HELENS MOUNTAINEERING TRIP. A new member to the mountaineering group has room for 1 or 2 more people. Call Jim Highsmith 582-0902 for details.

May 6-7
Sat.-Sun.

GRAY CANYON BEGINNERS BOATING TRIP (Class III-). This is it, the season opener! Sunshine, scenery, and water fights are on my itinerary for this weekend. This trip will also teach new river runners boating basics such as clothing & gear, rigging & knots, and basic river safety. Call Jeff Barrell at 943-2836 to reserve your space.

May 6-7
Sat.-Sun.

SLICKROCK COUNTRY DAY HIKES. See some beautiful country and several remote arches in Hunter and Pritchett Canyons. Enjoy a moderately long day hike on Saturday and a shorter jaunt on Sunday. We'll spend Fri. & Sat. nights at Jean McDowell's nature preserve just a little south of Moab. Camping available inside or outside. Bring a flask to loosen that witty tongue and we'll let you provide the evening entertainment. Call for directions and to reserve a spot. Sandy & Geoff Freethey. 485-5989.

May 6-7
Sat.-Sun.

HACKBERRY CANYON BACKPACK. Explore this splendid canyon located northeast of Kanab and south of Kodachrome Basin. Help Phil Giles plan the trip - call him at 466-5220. Phone early, there is a limit of 12.

Sat. May 6

SALT LAKE OVERLOOK HIKE. Via Lake Desolation Trail. Help fight the scourge of skateboarders on urban sidewalks. Provide a good example by using your muscle powered earth pads to hike this fine route. Lynn Nall will lead off at 9:00 am from the Olympus Hills Shopping Center parking lot. Phone 467-4043. Rating 3.5.

Sat. May 6

STANSBURY ISLAND PEAK HIKE. Rating is 5.6. There is no trail on this 6645' peak, so Jim Frese's guide service will be useful. Bugs may be pesky so bring a repellent, just in case. Assemble at the Union 76 truck stop, Exit 99, off I-80 (Tooele exit) at 9:00 am. Phone 882-5222 for details.

GRANDEUR PEAK VIA CHURCH FORK HIKE. Rated 5.7. Donn Seely (583-3143) advises bringing extra clothes in case of wind or cold. This is a good hike for beginners looking for a little more challenge than the easy hikes. Meet at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9 am.

WALLSBURG BIKE RIDE. This 33 mile ride meanders thru beautiful Heber Valley and then around Deer Creek Reservoir into Round Valley. Two short hills, otherwise, the terrain is easy. Lunch at the general store in Wallsburg. Meet Elliott (967-2908), in the K-Mart/Regency parking lot at 9:30 A.M, or at the Homestead in Midway, at 10:30.

Sun. May 7

CITY CREEK TWIN PEAKS HIKE. Due to scarce parking, plan to meet at the K-Mart/Regency Theatre parking lot and car pool from there. Meet at 9:30 am. Cherry Wong, the leader, can be reached at 583-0368 for information. Rating is an estimated 3.0.

PERKINS PEAK HIKE. This hike is rated 5.2 but is alleged to be harder than its number indicates. Join Monty Young at 9:00 am at the Regency Theatre and K-Mart parking lot for this stimulating hike. Phone Monty at 255-8392 for details.

MT OLYMPUS TO THE SADDLE HIKE. If snow and scrambling conditions permit, the summit might be attempted. Last year at about this time the saddle had 20" of snow, which made further hiking impossible. Ellie Ienatsch will meet interested hikers at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:00 am. Rating to the saddle is an estimated 7.5, to the summit is 8.3. Phone 272-2426 for information.

Mon. May 8

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

Tue. May 9

GREY CANYON BOATING WORK PARTY. Participants on the May 13 Grey Canyon boating trip must attend this work party. Call Carl Cook at 485-4586 for details.

BICYCLE ORGANIZATION MEETING. Bring your ideas for improvement, ride suggestions, and any other input to Guy Benson's basement bicycle depository. As both Bicycling Coordinators are retiring, a new volunteer(s) is needed. If you have a little time and enthusiasm, here's your chance to make a contribution to the club! The address is 867 South 900 East, north side basement apartment; meeting time is 7:30 P.M.

Wed. May 10

WEDNESDAY EVENING HIKE. Short easy hike in the foothills. Meet at 6:30 P.M. in the parking lot north of the Fort Douglas Cemetery (drive east on Wakara Way (600 South) from Foothill Boulevard to 391 Chipeta Way.

Thu. May 11

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Foothills hike. Meet at the Mt Olympus trailhead about 1/4 mile north of Tolcat Canyon at 5600 Wasatch Blvd. Please

be careful parking as the road is very heavily traveled. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4 for more particulars.

May 12-14
Fri.-Sun.

ARCHES CAR CAMP. This is our annual Mother's Day Car Camp and General Spring Celebration. We have the large group campground reserved for Friday and Saturday nights. Bring your kids! Call Noel de Nevers 581-6024 (W) or 328-9376 (H) for information and reservations. We are limited to 10 cars; don't come without a reservation!

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 13-14
Sat.-Sun.

GRAY CANYON BEGINNERS BOATING TRIP (Class III-). Those who couldn't make last weekend's trip get a second chance at sunshine, scenery, and water fights. This trip will also teach new river runners boating basics such as clothing & gear, rigging & knots, and basic river safety. Call Carl Cook at 485-4586 to reserve your space.

May 13-14
Sat.-Sun.

WESTWATER BOATING TRIP (Class IV). We have Saturday & Sunday permits for this weekend, but no trip leader. The river should be cranking, so get in and hold on. Call Randy & Kathy Klein at 272-8059 to volunteer as leader or sign up for the trip (remember, no trip leader, no trip). Send \$25 deposit by April 14 to Randy & Kathy Klein at 1435 E. 4200 S. SLC UT 84124 because we have to pay the launch fee in advance.

Sat. May 13

ELBOW FORK TO THE TERRACES HIKE. One of the easiest hikes (rated 1.9) is also one of the prettiest. Kristie Green wants to meet near the Bagel Nosh in Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:00 am. Ph: 942-2291.

Sat. May 13

BURCH HOLLOW TO MT AIRE HIKE. WMC rating is about 6.0. Janet Friend will lead this hike. She advises that there may be snow and wet feet. Meet at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:30 am. Phone for details at 268-4102.

REYNOLDS PEAK HIKE. Via Mill D North Fork. This hike offers an easy peak to ascend with a comfortable rating of 5.2. Ken Kelly will meet interested Club members at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 am. (phone 942-7730).

NORTH THUNDER PEAK VIA SAM THOMAS GULCH HIKE. This is a revival of an old classic. Sam Thomas Gulch bypasses part of the treacherous Coalpits Gulch (sort of). This will be a challenging, arduous, all day snow climb. Ice axes and knowledge of how to use them are mandatory. Rating is an estimated 12 plus. Register with John Mason for details and the starting time. Phone 581-1926.

WANSHIP TO HENEFER BIKE RIDE. This casually paced 43 mile ride is over mostly rural back roads and along old highways. The terrain is rolling to flat. Bring a picnic lunch, or rely upon the convenience store in Henefer. Meet Elliott (967-2908), in the K-Mart/Regency parking lot at 9:30 A.M., or at Wanship Dam, at 10:30.

Sun. May 14

NEWCOMERS HIKE. Marv Goldstein will lead a comfortable outing that will be suitable for those desirous of a "low impact" effort. Since it is Mothers Day, bring her along! Meet at the geology sign at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 am. Phone Marv at 277-4054.

CHURCH FORK PEAK HIKE. Elevation 8306. Rating 5.6. If Mom would like a more vigorous hike than the Newcomers (above), take her to this peak. Jerry Hatch will assemble the group near the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:00 am. Phone 467-7186.

MILL B NORTH FORK TO THE RIDGE HIKE. Joseph Gates will lead this Club favorite which is rated 4.5. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 am. Phone 943-0957.

STORM MOUNTAIN VIA FERGUSON CANYON HIKE. Rating is 9.6. The trail clearing projects of the last two years have transformed this bushwhacking nightmare at the upper end into a pleasant trail hike. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Call Norm Pobanz at 266-3703 for details.

BEGINNING SNOW CLIMBING SEMINAR. Come brush up on your self-arrest techniques. Call Deb for details at 583-2606 after 8:30 P.M. or drop a note at 668 University St.

Mon. May 15

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

Mon. May 15

DOLORES BOATING COORDINATION MEETING. Meet at the storage shed to coordinate the upcoming river trip at 6:30. Meet at the WMC Storage Center at 5:30 pm at 300 West, 4317 South, North of ZIM's.

Thu. May 18

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Mill Creek Canyon. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4.

DESOLATION CANYON BOATING WORK PARTY. Meet at the WMC Storage Center at 5:30 pm at 300 West, 4317 South, North of ZIM's.

Fri. May 19

MOONLIGHT HIKE TO GRANDEUR PEAK. Join Gene Wooldridge for this 5.7 rated hike. Gene would like participants to bring gourmet munchies that he would enjoy. Also bring additional warm clothes for the night chill. Camera buffs can get outstanding night and time exposure shots from the summit. Meet at the old Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 7:30 P.M. Call Gene at 973-8073 for additional info.

May 19-21
Fri.-Sun.

ARCHES CAR CAMP. Overflow from previous weekend. Because demand exceeds supply, we have reserved the campground for two consecutive weekends. Call Noel de Nevers 581-6024 (W) or 328-9376 (H) for information and reservations. We are limited to 10 cars; don't come without a reservation!

May 19-21
Fri.-Sun.

DOLORES INTERMEDIATE BOATING TRIP (Class III). The Dolores River in southwest Colorado has a nice snowpack this year. This trip will run the upper section which has intermediate rapids and the infamous Snaggletooth

rapid. Sign up for this full moon trip by sending \$25 to Jeff Barrell at 5429 Woodcrest Dr, SLC, UT 84117 or call 278-3510 for details. Note the coordination meeting on May 15 at 6:30.

Sat. May 20

WHITE FIR PASS HIKE. Richard Zeamer assures the scribe that this hike is not a "fir piece to go." The rating of 3.1 confirms that opinion. Meet at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center Bagel Nosh parking lot at 9:00 A.M., at least. The hike goes at 9 sharp. Phone 355-3751.

LOOKOUT PEAK VIA KILLYON CANYON HIKE. Art Griffin will lead a hike to this 9952' mountain between Killyon and City Creek Canyon. Rating is 7.5. Meet in the parking lot of the Regency Theatre at 9:00 A.M. 363-1996 is the number for information.

MT AIRE VIA ELBOW FORK HIKE. For late sleepers Cindy Cromer has arranged a departure at 10:00 A.M. Meet at the defunct Bagel Nosh parking lot. For details phone Cindy at 355-4115. Rating is an easy going 3.8.

LEWIS PEAK NEAR MT OGDEN HIKE. Looking for something different? Try this 8000' peak with about a 3500' elevation gain. On the way up, Fred Duvall plans to stop for about an hour in Garners Cave. Be sure to bring a headlamp and also an alternate source of light. The plan is to descend via a different route, but end at the starting point for a circle hike. Estimated rating is 8 plus or minus. Fred's got a winner here. Meet at 8:30 A.M. at the parking lot of Fred Meyers on 12th Street in Ogden. (Get off I-15 at the 12th street exit and go east about 2 miles to Freddy's.) Phone F. Duvall at 782-5565 at home or 863-3182 at work.

Sun. May 21

LAMBS CANYON VIA ELBOW FORK HIKE. For a leisurely hike on easy terrain try this one. Join Margo Markowski at 9:00 A.M. near Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Rating is 3.4. Phone: 363-1996.

REYNOLDS PEAK HIKE. The exact route is uncertain at this time but it would be rated between 4.4 and 5.2. Mike Hendrickson will lead this trip from the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canon at 8:30 A.M. Phone 942-1476 for details.

JACOB CITY GHOST TOWN HIKE. On the west side of the Oquirrh Mountains is the ghost town of Jacob City. The trip last year was quite popular and well attended. (It must have been a good one.) This trip may go beyond the town itself to numerous mines and structures including the leaning hotel itself. Meet at the Union 76 Truck Stop on the I-80 exit at Tooele at 9:00 A.M. Call leader Martin Gregory at 582-2403 for details.

Sun. May 21

SUNDAY SOCIAL. Slides of Ireland will be shown definitely by Kristie Green, probably by Steve Swan, and possibly by you, if you have some! (Call Kristie at 942-2291 to work out details. Also, please call if you have tapes or records of Irish music.) Potluck at 6:00, Irish motif can be stretched to include any food, as long as you wear green, envision castles in the mist, and dance a little jig while you prepare it. Slides around 7:30. Waterbury Clubhouse, 5600 S. 1400 E. (SW side of Van Winkle at 5600 S.) \$2.00 will cover costs; coffee provided; soft drinks available (\$0.50).

- Mon. May 22 VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.
- Wed. May 24 WEDNESDAY EVENING HIKE. Short, easy hike in Mill Creek Canyon. Meet at the Old Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 6:30 P.M.
- Thu. May 25 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Big Cottonwood Canyon. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4.
- May 25-29
Thu.-Mon. DESOLATION BEGINNING BOATING TRIP (Class III-). The Green River through Desolation Canyon offers great scenery, campsites, and progressive rapids. This is a multi-day trip, so participants need to have some prior experience (Gray Canyon or a previous Club trip). Reserve your place by sending \$25 to Ken Lovisa at 1782 Yuma, SLC, UT, 84108 or call Ken at 485-0182 for details.
- May 26-29
Fri.-Mon. CRIPPLE CLIMBERS CAR CAMP. Thanks to Chris Abbot we now have a mascot for this year's climb! Southern Utah Indian Creek. Come climb, bike and play in the sun. Call Mike O'Donnell 363-5106 or Deb 583-2606.
- May 27-29
Sat.-Mon. YELLOWSTONE BACKPACK. On the Memorial Day weekend. Call Angela or Gary Harding for info at 582-2322.
- May 27-29
Sat.-Mon. ESCALANTE CAR CAMP. There will be many opportunities for day hikes in this Southern Utah area. Limit will be 12. Call Mike Budig before May 23 to register. 328-4512.
- May 27-29
Sat.-Mon. LARRY CANYON BACKPACK (EXPLORATORY) Larry Canyon is a tributary of the Dirty Devil River, in the Robbers Roost area. Saturday we will hike via old roads and stock trails (approx. 10 miles) to a base camp in lower Larry Canyon. Sunday will be for exploring up and down the narrows (approx. 4 miles each way.) Monday we will hike out the same way we came in (approx 1200 feet elevation gain.) Limit of 10 people. Call Gord Swenson at 521-8026 (H) or 363-9345 (W). This is a joint trip with the Sierra Club.
- May 27-29
Sat.-Mon. TROUT CREEK IN THE DEEP CREEK MOUNTAINS CAR CAMP. (EXPLORATORY) Donn Seely leads this trip into the West Desert. Donn doesn't lead them unless they are good trips. Call 581-5658 to register in advance.
- Sat. May 27 SALT LAKE OVERLOOK HIKE. The easy hike for this weekend is rated 3.5. Join Joanne Miller for this favorite. Meet in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center by the Bagel Nosh at 9:00 A.M. For info phone 1-649-1790 (Park City) for information.
- LAKE BLANCHE HIKE. Meet Pat Beard at 9:00 A.M. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. For once the leader would like a cohesive group, moderate pace, and a leisurely lunch. Phone 596-8099 for information. P.S. the rating is 5.7 on the WMC scale.
- CHURCH FORK PEAK HIKE. An intermediate hike rated 5.6 to a middle size peak of 8306'. The leader John Riley will be peeved if anyone zooms

ahead of him. He wants to lead a steady but not strenuous pace. Assemble at the west side of the defunct Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 8:30 A.M. Phone 485-2567.

Sat. May 27

PURPLE TURTLE LOOP BIKE RIDE. This is a 50 mile loop over quiet back roads to the Purple Turtle Drive-In in Pleasant Grove for lunch. There are a couple medium hills to climb. Meet at Draper Park at 12400 South 1300 East at 9:00 A.M. Ride leader: John Peterson, 277-8817.

Sun. May 28

DOG LOVERS HIKE UP BOWMAN FORK. Fifi, Spot, Bowser, Fido and Sue deVall have been warming up all spring for this one. The rating will be easy. The route will have sufficient number of trees for the convenience of the dogs, plus it will have plenty of new smells to smell. Don't even *think* about bringing a cat. Meet at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:30 A.M. Call Sue deVall about dog handling questions and tips. (572-3294).

BEARTRAP FORK AND DESOLATION LAKE HIKE. Rating is a moderate 3.5. Rob Rogalski has a special place reserved for lunch, which he guarantees is the best in the Wasatch. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone: 942-8142.

DESERET PEAK HIKE (TURTLE VERSION) This is an opportunity for those who would like to try for a big one, but don't like the usual fast pace. Charles Lesley will lead a slow version of Deseret Peak at a pace which will allow everyone to make the summit. Plan for great glissading. Meet at the Bonneville Raceway on 2100 South and way out west, at 8:00 A.M. Phone 364-2486 for details.

Mon. May 29

LEADERS CHOICE HIKE. Milt Hollander will choose a hike rated MSD (Milt has apparently not made the transition into the hiking season yet.) The rating will be 8 plus. Register no later than Sunday evening at 8:00 P.M. on the 28th of May. Phone: 277-1416.

GREENS BASIN HIKE. Meet Leah Mancini at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon for a comfortable holiday hike on a shady quiet trail. Rating is 2.5. Meet at 10:00 A.M. Phone Leah at 487-3561 for details.

MINERAL FORK HIKE. Depending on the snow conditions and the spirit of the group, this hike might be rated a 5 to a 7 on the WMC scale. Join Gene Wooldridge at 9:00 A.M. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Phone 973-8073 for details.

GRANDEUR PEAK HIKE. Rating is 5.7. This may be the last chance to do this early season regular before the heat of the summer makes it a drudge. Meet Jim Smith at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:00 A.M. Phone 943-6004.

MT RAYMOND HIKE. Robert Weatherbee will lead this hike to one of the more popular summits in the Wasatch. With an elevation of 10,241, it gets a rating of 9.0. There is a bit of scrambling near the summit, but it should pose no problem for a competent hiker. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 A.M. (278-8838 for info)

- Mon. May 29 VOLLEYBALL. 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2166 South 1700 East). \$1.00. Call Jim for information at 943-3321.
- Thu. June 1 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Mill Creek Canyon. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4.
- Sat. June 3 MULE HOLLOW HIKE. One of the more interesting easy hikes (rated 2.2) which goes up a side canyon of Big Cottonwood to an abandoned mine with tailings, old equipment, and lots of interesting terrain to explore at the head of the canyon. Meet Joan Thalmann at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone 968-6302 for details.
- BUTTERFIELD PEAKS AND BEYOND HIKE. This peak has a great scam: it is located for a perfect view of every Wasatch peak from Nebo to north of Ogden. Gene Wooldridge leads. Meet at the Bonneville Raceway on 2100 South at 8:30 A.M. The rating is about 2.0 to the Butterfield Peaks and up to 6.0 if the hike continues to an (apparently) unnamed peak beyond. Phone 973-8073.
- KESSLER PEAK HIKE. This hike led by Clint Lewis will go at an easy but steady pace up the road to Cardiff Basin then turn north following the ridge to the peak. WMC rating is 7.4. Prepare for outstanding views. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone: 295-8645.
- THE BEATOUT HIKE! (Red Pine Canyon to Pfeifferhorn to Bells Canyon) This hike has been described as "the annual exercise in masochism." Instead think of it as a long and strenuous hike that has everything - snow fields, alpine lakes, several peaks, a ridge run, scrambling, glissading, and the ruggedly beautiful Bells Canyon. Rating is 14.0. You must bring an ice ax and have the experience to use it. Also bring wet weather clothes. Call Mark Swanson at 487-0917 to register in advance.
- Sun. June 4 WILLOW LAKE HIKE. One of the easiest outings on the books, this is rated a 1.5. Rose Novak will meet interested strollers at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. For info call her at 487-6034.
- THAYNES PEAK VIA MILL CREEK HIKE. Be prepared to get wet feet. Otherwise you will probably enjoy this intermediate rated peak of 7.1 of the WMC scale. Steve Carr will meet enthusiasts at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 8:30 A.M. Phone 261-5787 or 486-7774 to get further information.
- WHITE PINE LAKE HIKE. George Swanson says "Don't forget to bring a plastic bag" for outstanding glissading. Alternatively you could bring some Pam to spray on your tush. Assemble at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone 466-3003. Rating 6.3.
- PFEIFFERHORN HIKE. One of the best of the big ones. This 11,326' peak rated 9.9 has some scrambling and exposure on a narrow ridge. Snow conditions require an ice ax and the skill to use it. If any Beatout hikers are done by the starting time of 8:00 A.M., they are welcome to join in and strut their stuff. Bring wet weather gear. Meet at the Storm Mountain Geology sign within Big Cottonwood Canyon. Call leader Jim Sewell at 268-3975.

Sun. June 4

FLOWER HIKE. The destination will be the leader's choice, but rest assured that Helene Pihlkar will find an easy rated hike with abundant wildflowers. Bring your field guides and cameras. Assemble at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. For details call Helene at 485-1839.

SEELY MOUNTAIN OUT OF TOWN TRIP. Donn Seely (who else?) proposes to lead a new hike to his namesake peak in Central Utah near Huntington. The area is the greenest in Utah, with interspersed aspen and pine in abundance. Call Donn Seely at 581-5658 to register and get the necessary details like meeting place, time, etc.

Wed. June 7

WEDNESDAY EVENING HIKE. Short and easy hike in Mill Creek Canyon. Meet at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 6:30 P.M.

Thu. June 8

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE. Big Cottonwood Canyon. See "Thursday Evening Hike Information" on page 4.

June 9-11
Fri.-Sun.

EXPLORATORY BIKE/CAR CAMP IN THE ESCALANTE MTS. Explore back roads and trails near Powell Point (Elevation 10,188.) Base camp will be at the Pine Lake Campground in the southern tip of Dixie National Forest, north of Bryce Canyon. Ken Kraus, the leader and chief explorer, regrets having to set a limit of 12. Call Ken at 363-4186 to plan and register.

Sat. June 10

CIRCLE ALL PEAK HIKE. Dave Oliphant leads this easy rated peak of 3.7. Meet at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center at 9:30 A.M. Dave's phone is 581-1075.

LAKE DESOLATION HIKE. Join Marv Goldstein on this hike to this large mountain lake. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone 277-4054. Rating is a moderate 5.4.

SALT LAKE TWIN PEAKS HIKE PLUS THE PEAK-TO-PEAK SPRINT. Tired of getting no respect? Like to be forever enshrined on the honor rolls of the Perpetrators-Of-Macho-Stunts? Bring an ice ax and track shoes to the 11,330 foot summit of the Twins and join Peter Hansen's annual peak-to-peak sprint. Prerequisites are an ability to use an ice ax, leather like lungs, and the capability of enjoying severe respiratory pain. Oxygen bottles are optional. Can anyone beat Hansen's record time of 122 seconds? Meet Peter Hansen at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. (Phone 359-2040) The rating for the mountain is 11.8. The rating for the sprint is "unbelievable."

Sun. June 11

DOG LAKE HIKE. Norm Pobanz will guide interested parties to Dog Lake which is rated a 3.8. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 A.M. Phone 266-3703.

SOUTH WILLOW LAKE IN THE STANSBURYS HIKE. Jay Rentmeister leads this one rated a steady 5.0. Meet at the Bonneville Raceway on 2100 South at the early hour of 7:30 A.M. Phone Jay at 254-3722.

RED PINE LAKES HIKE. A club favorite due to the fantastic scenery at the lake. Don't bother bringing swimming gear however - the lake will probably be snow covered. Meet Barbara Ainslie at 9:00 A.M. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Rating is 5.3. Phone Barbara at 942-4450 for info.

Sun. June 11

BOX ELDER PEAK HIKE. This mountain deserves more attention. It's beautiful, steep and has a great vantage on both Timpanogos and Lone Peaks. Gerry Hatch will lead the trip, and demonstrate glissading techniques on the long narrow cirque on the southwest face. Hikers willing, there might be a side trip down the ridge to the summit erroneously referred to as Peer Pressure Peak. Assemble at the Denny's parking lot on 4500 South and I-15 at 8:00 A.M. Rated 9.6. Phone Gerry at 467-7186 for more information.

NEWCOMERS HIKE - LEADERS CHOICE. For newcomers who are interested in an easy outing to get acquainted with the Wasatch Mountains and outdoor muscle-powered activity. Veterans are welcome also. Kathleen Romanofski will start the hike at 9:00 A.M. from the meeting place at the Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Phone 467-9164.

June 16-18
Fri.-Sun.

SLICKHORN CANYON BACKPACK. Bill Viavant rescheduled this trip to Fathers Day weekend which will still have good weather for the San Juan River area. The first day will be an easy 6 or 7 mile hike into camp. The second day will go without packs, and will go as far as the group wants. Return trip on Father's Day. Desired limit of 12. Call Bill Viavant to register, Phone 1-259-8898 (Castle Valley, near Moab.)

June 17-18
Sat.-Sun.

ALPINE INTERMEDIATE BOATING TRIP (Class III). There is no leader for a June Alpine. This is a popular trip with easy logistics, so please call Jeff at 278-3510 and volunteer.

Sat. June 17

WILDCAT RIDGE HIKE. The date is firm, but we have no leader yet. Call Tom Walsh at 969-5842 to volunteer to lead this epic trek. Act quickly to be sure you will not be beat out of this opportunity!

June 24-25

SUMMER SOLSTICE PARTY. WARNING! This is not an official WMC sanctioned event (although past participants report a good time was had by all.) Short day hikes are available in the nearby canyons. Call in early if you are interested. Bill Viavant, 1-259-8898 (Castle Valley near Moab.)

FUTURE OUT OF TOWN ACTIVITIES

July 1-4
Sat.-Tue.

SWIM/HIKE the BLACK HOLE OF WHITE CANYON. (Between Lake Powell & Bridges Nat. Monument) We need adventurous folks that are willing to rock scramble, swim in cold, narrow canyons, use ropes and be part of fun group effort day hikes into White Canyon and its tributaries. Yes, it will be hot in the desert! But we'll be swimming in cold water. Bring the watermelon, fried chicken, & flags for waving for luxurious car camping between strenuous hikes. Call to sign up or if you need more information. Sandy & Geoff Freethey. 485-5989.

July 15-Aug 5

PACIFIC NORTHWEST EXTRAVAGANZA. Join Kira Kilmer for any part or all of this exploratory trip. One week will be backpacking in the Olympics. Another week will be backpacking in the Cascades. In between will be an optional week of mountain biking in the San Juans. Call the studio at 596-1836 days or leave message at 364-5044 in the evenings.



FROM THE

PRESIDENT

John Verant

One of the major issues that will face the club and all other outdoor and conservation organizations during the coming years is the management of BLM lands and especially the extent of Wilderness designation. This will be a controversial issue with loggers, miners, cattlemen, ORV riders, hunters, birdwatchers, hikers, and environmental advocacy groups all staking out positions and lobbying with intense passion.

I believe the club can and should take an active part in the effort to obtain wilderness designation for critical and important desert areas. The club has a broad membership base and is well respected. This creates an opportunity to play a constructive role in facilitating communication between various groups.

I personally plan to become very active in the BLM Wilderness issue and will be writing more about this in coming months. Anyone with a love for the wild desert is welcome and needed in this effort. If interested in getting involved, give the conservation co-directors or myself a call.

Also, the club has now reached the break-even point on the book *Hiking the Wasatch* which was published last May. The governing board has voted to divide future profits between conservation efforts (BLM Wilderness, trail access, etc.) and capital improvements to the lodge (sewer tie-in, insulation, proper water system.) The book promises to be a good investment and should be a steady source of funding for these important programs.

LEADERS PARTY

The traditional "Hike Leaders Party" has been expanded to an "All Leaders Party" held twice a year. The party is organized by the club officers and is paid for with member funds and is intended to thank the trip leaders who served the club during the previous six months. The outings are the central purpose of the club and the volunteer leaders are the ones who make the programs go.

This party is by invitation only using lists submitted by the activity directors.

Unfortunately, someone occasionally gets omitted in error. People who substituted for a scheduled leader, or someone who ran an out-of-season trip that the director overlooked were typical problems in the past.

If you have led a trip since last fall and have not received an invitation to the Leaders Party by the third week in May, PLEASE give the president a call so an invitation can be sent!

FROM THE

BOATING DIRECTOR

by Jeff Barrell

Let the season begin! The Club planning meeting was very well attended and 16 trips were planned for this season. The trips, dates, and leaders are shown below. Cut it out and save it for reference throughout the season. Thanks to the 14 trip leaders who volunteered to lead this year. For your information, a coordinator or myself will be assigned to your trip to help you with logistics, people, and equipment questions or problems you might encounter. We want to help your trip run as smoothly as possible. To help recognize and thank the trip leaders, I am planning the Sept. 30 Westwater trip as a LEADERS ONLY trip.

Unfortunately, Muddy Creek did not run this year as hoped. The stream peaked at about 25 CFS, which was about 15% of the 10-year average. There was a lot of interest in this scenic stream, and it's too bad the conditions were not right.

I want to remind everybody that the Club rents rafts to Club members for private trips. The rates are \$30 per river day for paddle boats and \$45 for the oar rig. These prices include lifejackets and all equipment needed, and you will find these rates are very competitive around town. Also, renting from the Club will help our cash flow for new equipment, so contact me to reserve a raft.

For those people who have not been on a boating trip, here are some pointers to get you started:

The Gray Canyon trips on May 6 & 12 are great starters. Gray Canyon is an easy class III section of the Green River and we will provide some basic instruction on clothing and river safety. It also shows you how the Club operates a trip and what is expected of you as a participant. You must go on this trip if you intend on going on any more difficult or multi-day river trips.

To sign-up for a trip, wait until the trip is listed in the activities section. You will need to send a deposit to the leader to secure your place. Your deposit is forfeited if you cancel unless you or the trip leader find a replacement. Call the leader if you have specific questions concerning the difficulty of the river or other important questions, but please don't call him/her for routine questions that can be asked at the coordination meeting. Costs for a river trip are about \$25 per day and all costs are shared between participants. River difficulty is rated from I to VI. It represents the difficulty of the river and the experience required by its participants. Class II is slow moving current good for first time kayakers and canoeists. Class III has waves and some hydraulics good for beginning to intermediate rafters, kayakers, and canoeists. Class IV has large hydraulics and waves and require maneuvering through rapids. These rapids are for advanced boaters. Class V rapids have very large hazards that must be avoided. These rapids are for experts only and carry great risks if error occurs. We'll see you downstream.

FROM THE CANOEING COORDINATORS

by Randy and Kathy Klein

Spring is here and there are many questions to be answered for newcomers to water sports. Some of the most important ones are about how to stay safe and warm, because these can be the deciding issues in the enjoyment of a trip.

Your life jacket (Personal Flotation Device = PFD) is your best friend, so buy a good one! PFDs are classified into Types I through V by the Coast Guard. The appropriate types for moving water are types I and III. We caution canoeists and kayakers to try rolling with a type I (or high float type III) before you purchase one. Because of their extra buoyancy, it makes it more difficult to roll your craft. Whether you choose a type I or III it should be comfortable, afford you the ease of movement that your sport demands and it should fit snugly. If a PFD is too loose it can slip over your head and you will be left with none, or it will ride up on your body and

decrease your floating level so that your nose is under water! A correct fit is especially important on children. A whistle can easily be attached to your PFD.

Clothing articles can be made of many materials. You want to choose a fabric that will either keep you dry, or warm when wet. Good examples of this are neoprene, polypropylene (capilene), pile, or coated nylon. The worst choice is cotton, because it holds water and makes you cold. Therefore don't choose tube socks, blue jeans, or a cotton shirt. Multiple layers of synthetic clothing and a small waterproof river bag (that is accessible all day for unworn items) are recommended.

Neoprene booties are one of the first items that we would advise a newcomer to purchase. Choose a pair with a sole that will protect your feet when walking over sharp rocks. These should fit snugly also. The second item to get is a waterproof paddling jacket. These usually have neoprene cuffs and neck to help keep the water out. A good quality helmet is a good idea for any whitewater paddler, including rafters. A steel box to the head in a raft flip can ruin your whole week. Some folks like neoprene gloves for spring paddling.

A Farmer John style wetsuit (looks like ski bibs in neoprene) is one of the best garments for warmth. They are required by trip leaders on some cold-water Club trips. They are not cheap, but can be rented. You probably don't want a Farmer John made for windsurfing unless that is your only watersport. They don't seem to be as fully cut around the armpit, and may therefore cause chafing. A polypropylene shirt to wear (along with your paddling jacket) and a pile sweater in your day bag should be enough to complete the wardrobe for most trips. Drysuits are very expensive, and if you're a beginner, you don't belong in the kind of cold weather and water that require their use anyway.

Pile and polypropylene shirts are great all year round for any outdoor activity, so their purchase shouldn't be too hard to justify. Also, off-brands of these items are achieving good quality. For someone who doesn't need the degree of protection afforded by a Farmer

John, you can use heavy polypropylene long John bottoms and rainpants for your lower body. Ponchos are definitely not proper garments to wear on the river.

In advance, discuss the type of gear that is appropriate for your trip with the leader. If he tells you to bring the above gear, do it. The weather may be nice and you may not fall into the river. But Western rivers run cold through much of the summer, and our trips into Wyoming can always experience 50 degree, rainy weather. Cold, or worse, hypothermic paddlers are no fun for anyone, especially yourself.

FROM THE KAYAKING COORDINATOR

by Marlene Egger

Kayaking is well underway, with many of us already having been out on the river, including an Eel trip and several early season Westwater trips. There has been a lot of talk about intermediate/advanced trips in May to the Payette, the Bruneau/Jarbridge, and to the Arkansas later. Many trips are put together on too short notice for the *Rambler*, so check in with Jeff, Randy, Kathy, Carl or me if you are looking for a trip or looking for more people to go.

Pool practices may continue in May if there is enough interest: check with Janice Huber, Mike Dege, or Charlie Butler (at Wasatch Touring.) Make the scene at the two Gray Canyon Beginner trips the first two weeks of May! And are there some experienced kayakers who want to expand their talents to rowing?

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB 1989 BOATING SCHEDULE

DATE	TRIP	CLASS	LEADER	PHONE
May 6-7	Gray Canyon	III-	Jeff Barrell	278-3510
May 13-14	Gray Canyon	III-	Carl Cook	485-4586
May 13-14	Westwater	IV	Randy Klein	272-8059
May 20-22	Dolores	III	Jeff Barrell	278-3510
May 25-29	Desolation	III-	Ken Lovisa	485-0182
June 17-18	Alpine	III	LEADER NEEDED	
July 1-4	Payette	III-IV	Marlene Egger	277-2894
July 8-9	Westwater	IV-	Ed Christy	968-9665
July 15-16	Alpine	III-	Peter Pecora	486-5718
July 22-23	Alpine Family	III-	Jim Brown	359-0754
Aug 13	Westwater	IV-	Patty Giffin	277-1168
Aug 18-21	Labyrinth	II	Clara Elwell	272-5715
Sept 1-3	Lodore	III-	Chuck Todd	?
Sept 3-4	Westwater	IV-	Mark McKenzie	486-4986
Sept 16-17	Westwater	IV-	Craig Homer	968-1195
Sept 23-24	Westwater	IV-	Larry Stewart	485-7818
Sept 30-Oct 1	Westwater	IV-	Jeff Barrell	278-3510



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CONSERVATION NOTES

by Janet Friend

THE UTAH WILDERNESS COALITION

The group of "outdoor organizations" forming this coalition (WMC is one of them) has called for 5.1 million acres of BLM land as proposed wilderness. This includes Canyonlands as well as desert areas. Find some of these fun areas and go visit them this spring. A good start would be to take a day trip by driving past Grantsville to the Cedar Mountains. There you can watch the big wild horses in large herds covering the hillsides, then gliding up the slopes, pausing like statues to observe foothikers daring to trespass on their turf! Beautiful free spirited animals whether in flight or standing still! Enjoy!

BRIGHTON - "MY HOME"

Our concerns over the Brighton Ski Area expansion still are growing. There seem to be some destructive changes in the plans that could and should be modified. The Country Planning Commissioner's Meeting of April 11 heard the Forest Service decision. The Forest Service final document was not ready, so in 2 weeks they will meet with them again. Remaining as top issues are the water quality for Salt Lake City, soil erosion issues, and the large numbers of acres of trees the resort builders plan to cut.

The present plan on the new extended Mary Lift calls for two ski runs, one flowing off on each side of the lift exit. This requires a wide swath of trees to be cut. If the exit was only made for the east side, only half the number of acreage would need to be cleared, thus saving a little more of the valued back country near Dog Lake from such close encounters. This also would reduce the chance of so much soil erosion on the steep slope. Soil erosion on 23 acres of fresh cut cannot be avoided. They plan reforestation, but the soil quality there and the short growing season makes one

uneasy. Planting seeds probably won't be enough. We would hope for more than that.

A real loss will be the old Lake Mary Trail. Probably one could say that 80% of Salt Lake natives have hiked that Lake Mary Trail or at least part of it - some time during their life. That trail is a shrine! It's been here over 60 years.

The Wasatch Canyon Master Plan has not been approved yet. Could the County Commissioners hold off a final decision on this ski area until this Canyon Master Plan has been approved? - Pen and paper anybody?!

EDITOR'S NOTE: Club member Ann Wechsler also attended this planning commission meeting. Ann served on the Citizens Advisory Committee to the Salt Lake County Wasatch Canyons Master Plan. She provides this additional perspective on the Forest Service's decision notice.

BRIGHTON UPDATE

by Ann Wechsler

The decision notice retreats from the infamous Environmental Report issued by BioWest of Logan in several respects. Of particular interest to conservationists is recognition by the FS that wide cuts for alpine skiers should be minimized and the natural appearance of the terrain should be retained. Do not be deceived by these seductive assurances, however. The conflict with backcountry skiers in the Dog Lake area will be adjudicated by a narrow buffer of trees and a man-made boundary such as ropes or a gate, the effectiveness of which will be monitored by the FS. What if it proves ineffective? What then?

There are other notable modifications of the ER which perhaps come at the instigation of environmentalists who are impatient with a long history of promises but no action. The Forest Service has been attempting to establish a management plan for revegetation that will be implemented at ALL the ski resorts, and Brighton certainly appears to be good place to start. The extensive grading and contouring associated with the Mighty Mite Lift (that was proposed by BioWest) has been reduced to mere leveling with snow after removal of vegetation.

Some questions still remain unanswered and a 45 day window (from April 11th) remains to appeal this decision if they remain unanswered. What continues to bother me about this and other development proposals in the canyons is that they are routinely presented prematurely - before the public has had a chance to digest the final draft of the Canyon Master Plan. This confuses and aggravates the public and does not contribute either to a climate of trust or to sound policy.

You may obtain a copy of the revised ER and the decision notice from the Wasatch-Cache National Forest, 8230 Federal Bldg, 125 South State. Make your own assessment and convey your opinion to the County Planning Commission, 2001 South State, Rm. 3700. Your contribution, especially if you have new material, is heard and appreciated by planners.

THE RETURN OF THE OTTER

by Cindy Cromer

If you're tired of all the bad news on environmental issues, the State's Division of Wildlife Resources has a project for you. The Nongame Section of DWR has plans to reintroduce the otter in Utah.

Although conservation co-director Keith Johnson observed an otter near Dewey Bridge on the Colorado a number of years ago, sightings of otters in Utah have been extremely rare. Biologists observed two otters last year on the Colorado River. The sightings last year were encouraging and DWR now has permission to obtain 15 otters a year from Nevada.

For those of you who are exhausted from other environmental battles, the good news follows: NO ONE OPPOSES DWR'S PLANS! In fact, the Utah Trappers Association has donated \$600 to the project as a demonstration of its concern for the otters' conservation. The Utah Chapter of Audubon has contributed \$300. Other chapters of Audubon and our WMC are currently considering contributions.

Although DWR has the funds to begin the project this year, it needs additional funds to study the otter's adaptation to Utah rivers. You can help in two ways: 1) If you see an otter in Utah, call Bill Bates at DWR (530-1296) and 2) Send contributions to DWR c/o Bill. Your gift is tax deductible. Call Cindy Cromer (355-4115) or Bill if you'd like more information. We could observe otters on Club trips on the Green River late this summer!

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WORDS FROM THE SELDOM SEEN MOUNTAINEERING DIRECTOR

by Deborah Read

Comment: If you want to reach me, call after 8:30 P.M. or drop a note at 668 University Street.

We had a great turnout for the pre-season planning meeting for the mountaineering section of the WMC. We had many a great suggestion - Indian Creek, Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier, Wind Rivers, Tetons, Cascades - just to name a few.

A special thanks goes to Mike O'Donnell, Herbie, John Veranth, June, Chris, John Kennington, Jim Highsmith, and Martha for your support and input.

FROM THE

LODGE DIRECTOR

by Kathy Klein

Taking over as Lodge co-director along with Vince Desimone has been fun but very time consuming. Vince continues to be responsible for lodge improvements, directing and coordinating lodge work parties, and many other duties. I have taken over scheduling and reservations for Club functions and other rentals. If you would like to reserve time at the lodge, contact me at home at 272-8059. I've been averaging two to three calls per day concerning lodge rentals, with many requests for reservations in June, July and August. If you are interested in summer rentals, call me as soon as possible.

We have changed the lock on the front door to the lodge. We had a shortage of keys, and it seemed like some keys were unaccounted for. If anyone has keys to the old lock, please send them to me at 1435 E 4200 S, SLC, 84124 so that the Club may use the lock at a later time.

Vince is anticipating holding lodge work parties for several Saturdays during the Summer months. Many projects and routine maintenance tasks were completed on the lodge last summer. Our thanks to Vince Desimone, Alexis Kelner and all of those people who helped with the work. Let's continue this trend and plan to volunteer time to the lodge work parties.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Alexis for making the "changing of the directorship" as smooth as possible. I would also like to thank Vince for his support during the change over.

ROMANIAN FOLK DANCE WORKSHOP



TEACHER: SONNI BLOLAND (BERKELEY)

May 19 7:00- 9:30 PM Art Space 325 West Pierpont
May 20 9:30-11:30 AM U of U Union East Ballroom
May 21 2:00- 4:00 PM U of U Union East Ballroom
May 22 7:30- 9:30 PM U of U Union East Ballroom

\$3 per session/\$9 for 4 sessions
Beginning & Intermediate level

CONTACT MARGARET STRICKLAND AT
487-8036 FOR MORE INFORMATION

How to build comfort into backpacking: A primer for the first timer.

by Ken Kraus

This article is written for the beginning backpacker, and is based on about ten years of trial and error in the outback. As the title suggests, it is indeed possible to enjoy on the scenery and comraderie if you take the right steps in the planning stages.

There is no more single important piece of gear than comfortable, supportive boots. Rather than launch into a lengthy discussion of brands, however, let me just tell you what works for me. A medium-weight, over-the-ankle boot with an aggressive tread has been the key to comfort and control. While I prefer the Vasque Skywalker, similar boots will work for you.

Be sure you fit a new boot with the sock combination you'll be wearing on the backpack. Aha, you say, what about socks? I prefer a thin "polypro" sock liner for the first layer, with a medium-thick cotton sock as the second, outer layer. The liner pulls moisture away from the foot, and the outer sock absorbs the moisture and helps cushion the foot. Buy this sock combination, but also try a cotton/wool, all wool, and synthetic sock on a long walk in shoes you already know and love! Then make a decision based not only on what the shoe salesperson tells you, but what your own feet tell you. There's little consensus on socks, so let comfort be your guide.

Now beware the swelling foot. After about two miles on the trail with temperatures in the 80's and 25-45 pounds on our back, your foot will swell. This fact of life will put your sock and boot combination to the test. That's why you should allow for at least a half-size extra when selecting a boot for backpacking, and for warmer temperatures when selecting socks.

As your feet swell, keep in mind that your socks will have less room for their cushion/absorption role, and may become party to blisters. Blisters send out advance notices called "hot spots" and can be thwarted with moleskin or other more labor-intensive treatments like "new skin". But the best treatment lies in advance planning: pick the boot and sock combo that anticipates heat, moisture, swelling and weight...and you will overcome the greatest source of anxiety before your trip begins.

Much of the gear I recommend can be shared with one or more hiking partners in order to (1) lessen your load and (2) lower your cost. I have refined this list countless times (and it's still not perfect). But it works for me, and should be a good starting point for you.

Tent, rainfly and ground cover are essential. Although the initial cost may be high, a small, lightweight backpacking tent will give you many years of faithful service. Never go without a rainfly, and cut a piece of thick plastic or blue tarp to size for your ground cover. Shop the major suppliers and talk to everyone until you feel you have found the right tent and best value.

Sleeping bag, sleeping pad, lightweight pillow (or pillow case you can stuff with a jacket). Plan & buy carefully. Worth a separate article.

Backpack. Finding the right pack is a story in itself. Read, ask, try on...until one feels good. Keep in mind that you will be carrying 25-45 pounds (or more), and the unit must work in concert with your body. If it doesn't, stay home.

Large plastic "yard-size" garbage bag and two wooden or plastic clothes pins, to cover your pack at night and secure the plastic in place.

Enslite or similar soft, spongy square to sit on.
2 large zip-lock bags for garbage.

Stove & fuel. Again, the subject of a separate article.
Matches or lighter, plus watertight container for matches.

Water filter system plus water bag. Option: plastic, folding water "bucket".

Two water bottles, at least 1 quart each. I carry two 1.5 liter bottles.

Cooking & clean-up:

- 1 cooking pot with cover
- 2 Lexan spoons
- 1 insulated cup
- 1 plastic bowl
- 1 dish towel
- 1 small sponge
- 1 small container of "camp soap"

For hiking:

- 1 medium-sized daypack
- compass
- whistle
- sun screen for body & lips
- bug repellent

sunglasses
hat
comb or brush
knife
tissues
flashlight
lightweight raingear

At camp:

25-foot lightweight rope or nylon cord
plastic clothespins
2 medium-length bungee cords or
several sets of nylon straps for
affixing sleeping bag/pad, etc. to pack
Area topographical maps (generally carried by trip leader)

Personal:

Toothbrush & paste
Dental floss
washcloth
liquid soap, shampoo*
*always transfer just enough for
the length of your trip to small,
secure plastic bottles.
mirror (optional)
moleskin, bandaids
disinfectant
aspirin
any other medication or personal
items you need.

Clothes:

This is one area where you can get into trouble if you don't plan carefully, because of pack space limitations and fickle climatic conditions.

Hiking boots & socks.
Second pair of soft shoes: your old
favorites to change into, plus...
clean socks
bandana
underwear
t-shirts
hiking or running shorts (take a mini fanny pack if
shorts lack pockets)
flannel or other heavy shirt
light jacket (medium-weight if cool temperatures are
expected...synthetic & water resistant are better
than cotton)
rain gear (a good poncho is essential; go for high-tech,
lightweight gear if you can afford it)
heavy socks for camp & sleeping
warm hat & gloves (polypro is fine, fleece is better)

A note on weight, warmth and sweat: one of the best items to come down the trail in years is Patagonia Capilene. Lighter & softer than polypropylene, it provides amazing warmth for its light weight. I find a set of tops & bottoms (in the lightest of three weights) absolutely essential for extra warmth both on the trail and in the sleeping bag. Although somewhat expensive, it is truly a wonder material. It washes easily, does not retain body aroma like standard-issue polypro, and holds up under hard use. It can be compressed to small volume, and really works to wick moisture off your skin. It dries fast, and replaces larger, bulkier items like wool sweaters and cotton/poly sweats which become liabilities in terms of weight, space and function on backpacking trips. Layered Capilene--lightweight & expedition weight, for example--can provide a virtual guarantee for warmth.

One of my more recent "discoveries" is in the how-to-pack department. Once you've collected all this **stuff**, where do you put it? Since I am somewhat meticulous in packing, I keep similar items in separate lightweight mesh stuffsacks with cordlocks. Kirkhams will make these to order for you. Four to six of these sacks, about 10-inches square, will do wonders for your organizational skills.

Food:

Truly a matter of personal taste. I base these recommendations on years of trial and error. I pack for every single meal and snack, no more and no less. I want my food compartment to be virtually empty on the hike out (yes, leave something for an emergency).

For a treat (depending on your ambition and weight limitations), I like to cook and freeze a dinner prior to the trip and pack it in. Wrapped and frozen in a zip-lock bag, it's thawed and ready to heat for that first backcountry dinner.

I've given up on freeze-dried food. It's expensive, doesn't taste like real food, and the packets take up a lot of space. Try it for yourself. My recommendation for dinner is the just-add-water instant chicken & rice dinner that Lipton makes. Add another small can of chicken, and you can feed 2-3 buddies from the same pot.

For lunch, I have also given up on salami and cheese. I take a packet of those lightweight rice crackers, fill a tube with peanut butter & jelly (before I go on the trip!) and squirt away. Supplement that with an orange. If your hiking appetite is larger, take more. Beware the weight.

For breakfast, instant oatmeal is fine. If you know you'll be out for, say, three breakfasts, pour enough into a zip-lock bag for three breakfasts. I prefer the unflavored kind and doctor it up with granola and brown sugar. Don't forget your hot chocolate and/or coffee...in pre-measured amounts in secure plastic bottles. Otherwise you'll overflow in garbage halfway through the trip.

For Happy Hour, take along some shareables: a bag of chips and a secure container of your favorite hi-octane liquid. Call for details. I no longer carry those little tins of sea creatures drowning in cottonseed oil. If ya gotta eat oysters, it's up to you. I break with tradition by taking a jar of salsa. Glass is usually forbidden for the obvious reasons, but you'll be the hit of the party. Try Hain's Medium Salsa.

I also carry a container of citrus-flavored powder to spruce up the water while hiking. I still can't tell if Gatorade makes a difference. Also take hard candy, granola bars, herbal tea, instant cup-of-soup for pre-dinner snack, and chocolate for whatever ails you. Sudden dietary switches to honest-to-goodness nuts & twigs granola are not on my list anymore.

Don't expect to pack your pack in an hour. Between shopping and packing, it takes more like 4-8 hours, depending on how much you need or need to replenish. Like anything else, if you rush it, you'll forget something. I'll be glad to send you my list.

Needless to say, personalities and personal needs will affect how you put it all together. There are many experienced backpackers in the club. If you're ready for this kind of adventure, call one for an opinion. Or call me at 363-4186. I'll share other food & gear information. Now--happy trails to you.

TALENT SEARCH FOR COFFEE HOUSE IMPROMPTU ENTERTAINMENT

Do you have a desire to perform? Can you dance, play an instrument, be a comic, perform skits, sing? If you have any unusual talent that you would like to share, the social committee would like to hear from you now! Call Mary Jeanne at 278-0952.

SEARCH & RESCUE

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE INJURED OR LOST IN THE BACKCOUNTRY

by Dan O'Connor
of American Search Dogs, Inc.

A quick glance at the Wasatch Mountain Club calendar and you know the outdoor season is back in full swing. This is true for Club members and the population in general.

With this seasonal increase in activity, past history indicates that there will be a corresponding increase in lost and/or injured people in the wilderness.

So, along with digging your compass out from under your ski clothes, oiling your boots, etc. it's probably a good idea to review your guidelines for safe backcountry travel.

And if the unthinkable should happen, remember help is available and act quickly.

Organized groups build smart/safe travel guidelines into their programs. Members are reminded to stay with their partners, to leave information regarding their travel plans and other common sense safety tips.

Educating children in the Hug-A-Tree program or similar safety procedures can also be a valuable preventative measure.

Should you encounter a lost or injured person situation, stay calm, keep any reliable eye witnesses at the scene and call for help quickly. A quick call reduces the potential search area. The Salt Lake County Sheriff's Search and Rescue (and other County Sheriff's Search and Rescue organizations throughout the State) can respond quickly with trained manpower and equipment.

These Sheriff's Search and Rescue Organizations think in terms of L-A-S-T. LOCATE - ACCESS - STABILIZE - TRANSPORT

For an injured person whose whereabouts is known, the latter three elements are activated.

Because these agencies are trained, equipped and more than willing to respond, they can safely and efficiently employ the proper manpower and equipment to access the victim, be they on the ground or trapped on the side of a mountain, and give them the proper care.

Should a person be lost, it is important, again, to act quickly in calling for help.

When the LOCATE function of Search and Rescue is needed, a preplanned response employing trained personnel (both professional and volunteer) and the necessary equipment is set in motion. Also, the medical response capabilities are alerted and put on ready standby in case they are needed.

Search operations are set up under a central command and these people analyze the situation, select the proper strategies and deploy search resources accordingly.

Strategies include area confinement, so the search area doesn't grow any larger over time, active efforts - putting searchers into the field to locate the person and/or find clues and passive or attraction efforts - activities such as fires, loudspeakers and manned outposts.

The Commanders of Search Operations have a multiplicity of resources they can call upon. One such resource is Search and Rescue Dog Teams trained to locate people using Tracking skills if there is a definite point where the victim was last seen or using Air Scenting skills if a strategy of general search is dictated.

If there are scent articles belonging to the lost person (uncontaminated, not handled by other people) the Dogs can use their Scent Discrimination skills in both the Airscent and Tracking modes to narrow their efforts to just the one person.

All human beings continually slough off microscopic particles that are the source of our individual scent (estimated at 40 million particles per hour). Millions of these are laid in a track or become airborne and are carried considerable distances by the wind. The Dogs are trained to detect this scent and follow it to the source. The name of the game is - I can

smell them but I can't see them so I'll go find them.

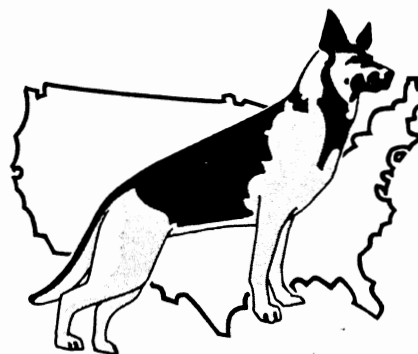
Search Dogs, like all searchers, are clue oriented and will alert on any articles dropped by the lost person. This is extremely valuable information in that it can indicate a direction of travel thereby reducing the potential search area and allowing resources to be concentrated in more likely areas.

Dogs are very effective nighttime searchers. They see well and sometimes scenting conditions are even better at night. A sleeping or otherwise unresponsive victim presents no extra challenge to the dogs.

Our Search Dogs are socialized (non-aggression trained) and work well around other people and are happy and playful when they locate a lost person.

As with all Search and Rescue Organizations throughout the State of Utah, there is no charge for services.

A call to Salt Lake County Sheriff's Search and Rescue will automatically include Search Dogs as one of the resources put into action. Other Sheriff's agencies throughout the State and the Intermountain area can call American Search Dogs in to assist their operations by merely calling the Sheriff's 24 hour emergency dispatch 535-5855.



American Search Dogs, Inc.

LAST CHANCE TO COMMENT on Wasatch Canyons Master Plan

Your comments must be in the hands of the County Planning and Zoning staff (2001 S State St, #N3700, S.L.C, UT 84190-4000) by Friday morning, May 12 to guarantee consideration.

- Pick up a copy of the Salt Lake County Wasatch Canyons Master Plan (\$5.00)
✓ Salt Lake County Government Center, 2001 S State St, Room N3700.
- Attend WMC **INFORMATION SOCIAL AND LETTER-WRITING PARTY**
at one of the following locations:
 - ✓ MAY 8 - MONDAY - 7:00pm to 10:00pm
Cindy Cromer - 816 East 1st South - 355-4115
 - ✓ MAY 9 - TUESDAY - 8:00pm to 10:00pm
Karen Caldwell - 3645 Golden Hills Ave. (8770 So.) - 942-6065
 - ✓ MAY 10 - WEDNESDAY - 7:30pm to 10:00pm
Janet Friend - 1172 Hill View Dr. (4160 South) - 268-4102

Hear a discussion of the Master Plan. Read summary material. Express your opinions in letters to the Salt Lake Planning Commission and County Commissioners. Bring a type writer or a pen. We'll provide **info - munchies - fun.**

• Attend Planning Commission **Public Hearing:**

✓ MAY 15 - 7:00 pm Cottonwood High School Auditorium, 5717 So. 1300 East

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.

HOUSING

Ride the Slickrock Bike Trail, run the Colorado, backpack in Canyonlands. Year round weekend hideaway for sale, nestled at foot of Castle Rock. 5 acres, all amenities including swim-spa. Call Ann McDonald 1-259-8846.

NUTRITION

Interested in: good nutrition, nutritional weight loss program (it works!), portable water treatment system? Call 466-5703.

SEWING & REPAIRS

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

TRAVEL

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

Ladies size 6 Merrill Ultra XC SKI BOOTS. Used 3 times. Make offer. Karen Letts 773-0712 anytime.

Scott Boulder MOUNTAIN BIKE. 18" Deore components. Yellow & black. \$450. Like new, ridden twice. 466-4938.

Ultra sports Ultra II KAYAK. Carlson kevlar \$575. Mitchell Expedition wood kayak paddle, rt hand, \$60. Werner Fuhrer kayak paddle rt hand \$60. Call 944-9832. Woodie or Sally.

KAYAK for sale. Perception Mirage with skirt & flotation plus Perception paddle. Great shape, \$415. 277-9552 Scott.

WINDSURFING GEAR. F2 Comet Sailboard, \$300. Neil Pryce Warpspeed sails, 6.3 \$200, 7.7 \$250. Excellent cond. Buy all for \$650. Call Bob 481-6512 days, 537-1200 eves

WANT TO BUY

USED CLIMBING SHOES. Smear soles. Size ladies 8 1/2 to 9 1/2, Mens 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 or metric 38. Leave message 486-4582

TRIP · TALK



any map. Our area of exploration lay approximately east of coastal towns of Ciudad Obregon/Navajoa, just across the border into the State of Chihuahua, and finishing back in Alamos. We started at the end of a logging road, and made our way through the mountains to the Rio Mayo, following it back out until we hit roads again.

These valleys and mountains are home to the remaining descendants of the Guarijio Indians. It was their Uto-Aztecan language which had first lured Wick to the area, and he valiantly attempted to teach us a few important words. "Temei" means tortilla, usually corn. Look at any Indian up there, and he's about 90% corn. The corn, or white hominy is ground by a hand mill, and then again on a stone that same day it is used. To taste these tortillas is to forever spoil your appetite for the yellow patties imitations you can buy at Smith's. Wick arranged a few home cooked meals for us, and

NORTH MEXICO BACKPACK

Wick Miller will lead a week's backpack into the mountain and canyon country of the sierras of northwest Mexico. We fly by small plane into Arechuyvo, a small Mexican village that looks more like the last century than the present. From there we hike through the Guarijio Indian country, to the Rio Mayo, and on out to the low lands. Optional three day trip to Creel on the world's most scenic train rides.

"Small plane" "Scenes out of the last century" "Indians" All the elements were there for a thriller, so it's no wonder that the trip filled up early. After the dust settled, this was the crew that made the cut: Beve "geologist" Henry, Bill "Jubilation" Viavant, Dave Rumbello, Craig "Chuck" Brown, Janet Friend, Bill Yates, Vera "el escribir" Novak, Linda "burro" Leigh, and Earl Cook. Little did we know that we had signed up for the experience of a lifetime, with a great deal more excitement than that innocuous description foretold.

There is something rather risky and adventurous about taking a trip to an area which is not drawn on

we were treated to delicious tortillas, hot off the grill. Tortillas and beans, tortillas and soup, and tortillas and beans; but always, tortillas.

Wick also tried to teach us to count to ten in Guarijio, so we could count off and help him in his boy scout task of keeping us together in that mountainous country. Not too far into the trip, we became 9 little "gringos," since Bill Yates took a private plane out on the second day of hiking. He was perhaps quicker than us all to realize that in mountains that look like the top half of Notch Peak, we would be producing enough endorphins to keep us on a hikers high all day. That was more fun than he could handle!

It wouldn't be honest to let you interested readers think that we arrived in Arechuyvo as simply as Dorothy flew to Kansas. No, it was more like an Outward Bound program, and as graduates, we feel entitled to spread our feathers and strut a bit, letting you all know how stud/ studly we are. Day 1 we started on a deluxe American West plane, and then downgraded to an older Aero Mexico craft. Day 2 we moved on to a "deluxe" Mexican bus, standing room only. Day 3 we moved into a cattle truck - cucumber truck, actually. And on Day 4, after another day of being jostled about as we traversed one Elephant Hill after another - and finally we were there. "There" was still a 1,500 ft descent, and 1,000 ft. ascent to Arechuyvo. On day 5, the trip began at the real beginning. By this time, we were toughened and ready for anything.

Our geological specialist, Beve Henry, explained all about the origin of the rolling stones we were stumbling over. This was a nice touch, since we had



we were on. Flowing around the edge of our peak was the Rio Mayo, a little thread of blue which wove its way through the deep valleys. Barely distinguishable corn fields dotted the slopes, on some of the steepest terrain imaginable and often quite a hike from the villages.



our eyes glued to our feet, seeking out a firm spot in the loose rocks of the trail. Yet each time we hit the summit, the spectacular vistas made the climbing worthwhile. In the heart of the high country, we climbed to one particularly scenic vantage point from where we could peer down into villages far below us, one on either side of the ridge

The high country portion of our trip was truly a unique cultural experience. We expected the second part of the week, in the lowlands, would just be a nice hike along an interesting river. This is what we thought, until we got to the next "portal", or pass, and encountered two Mexicans - one with a rifle and one with an automatic weapon...

Photos & Story by Vera Novak

(see next month's Rambler for the continuation of this story.)

MAY SKY CALENDAR

by Ben Everitt

MOON

New Moon	May 5	June 3
First Quarter	May 12	June 10
Full Moon	May 20	June 18
Last Quarter	May 28	June 26

MOONRISE

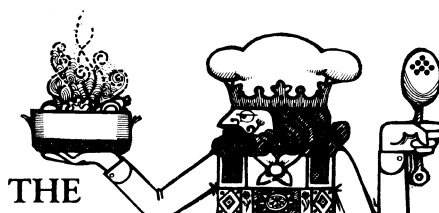
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Saturday	MDT
May 6	6:30 AM
May 13	2:00 PM
May 20	9:00 PM
May 27	1:30 AM
June 3	5:00 AM

Source: Astronomical Almanac for 1989

STARS: Arcturus glittering in the east at evening signals that it's almost summer.

PLANETS: Early May is a good time to see **MERCURY** low in the west after sunset. **JUPITER** continues to fade west, and on May 22 will pass **VENUS**, coming eastward from behind the sun. The yellowish planet rising late in the evening is **SATURN**, now residing in the constellation Sagittarius.



GRUBBY GOURMET

GRUBBY GOURMET

by Roseann Woodward

Picnic season is drawing near. Get ready with this All American potato recipe from Maine. By the way, potatoes are Grubby's favorite food. Promise her anything but feed her potatoes.

BLUE CHEESE POTATO SALAD

- 4 cups potatoes, peeled and diced
- 1 cup celery, diced
- 3 tablespoons onion, minced
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup bottled blue cheese salad dressing
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 hard cooked eggs, sliced
- Parsley

Cook the diced potatoes in salted water until tender. Drain and chill. Combine with celery and onion. Mix the mayo and dressing together and add potatoes with salt and pepper. Add egg slices. Cover and chill 8 to 24 hours. Garnish with parsley.

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
_____ DO NOT 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

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Receipt #: _____ Date Received: _____ Amount Recv'd: _____
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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY PLEASE NOTIFY
THE SALT LAKE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT:

535-5855

OR THE APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY
AGENCY IN YOUR LOCATION.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE WASATCH CANYONS MASTER PLAN

**7:00 P. M. on Monday, May 15, 1989, in the Cottonwood
High School Auditorium, 5717 South 1300 East, Salt
Lake City, Utah 84121.**

(see page 27 for details)

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