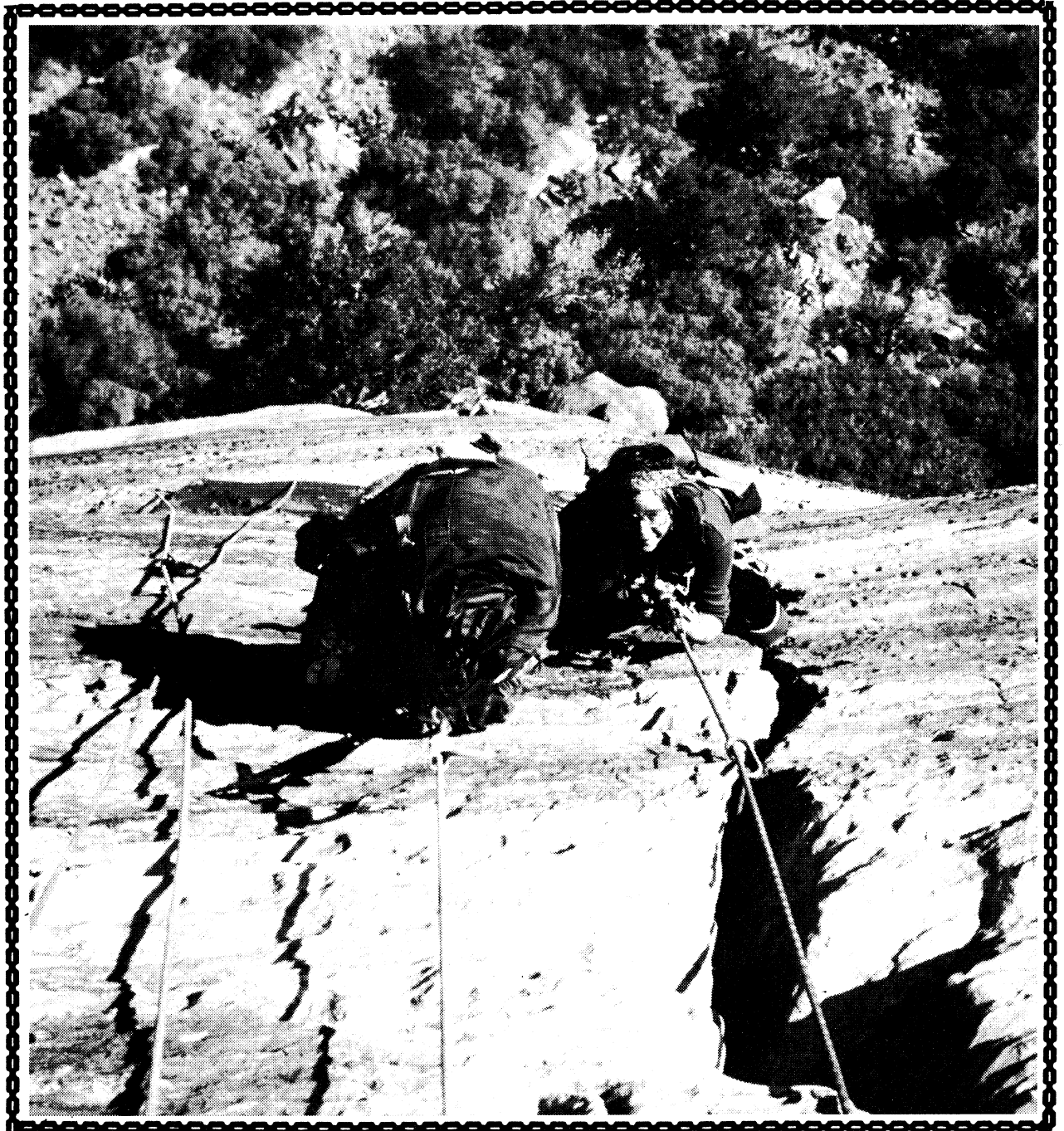


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(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

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.

COVER PHOTO

Laurel Anderton on Cerberus Gendarme.
Zion National Park
Nov. 1991

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER, MARCH 1967

by Dale Green, Historian

The Club has a "new" bus. The cost to restore old La Tortuga to operating condition was deemed far in excess of its value. Transportation Director George Smith was instrumental in obtaining a 1947 vintage, 29-passenger, "Flexible" bus from Lewis Brothers Stages for only \$1900. Its engine had just recently been overhauled. Tortuga was dumped for \$325. The new bus has a Buick straight-eight engine whose parts are readily available, as contrasted with Tortuga's Hall-Scott engine which had become a collector's item.

Several wedding plans were announced: Ron Perla and Ron Weber scheduled a double wedding at WMC's lodge to marry Miss Coco Cotchette and Miss Shiela Gutke, respectively, Dick Snyder and Phyllis Anderson announced their engagement, with the wedding scheduled for mid-summer.

Aroop Mangalik, a very active member during his brief stay in our city, writes from India. He is very concerned about the population and proposes an intensive program to reduce the numbers, especially in India. He also wants someone to explain to him the difference between a 'conservative' and a 'conservationist'.

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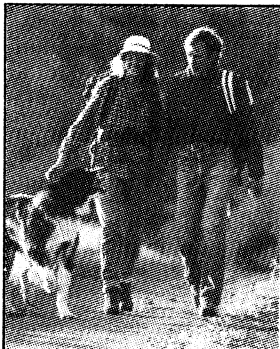
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in Nairobi |

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RSVP Alene: 801-268-3836
OR Anwar: " 485-5459

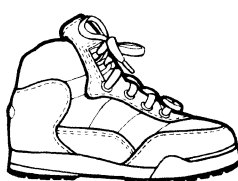

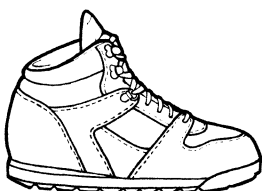




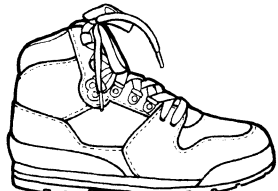






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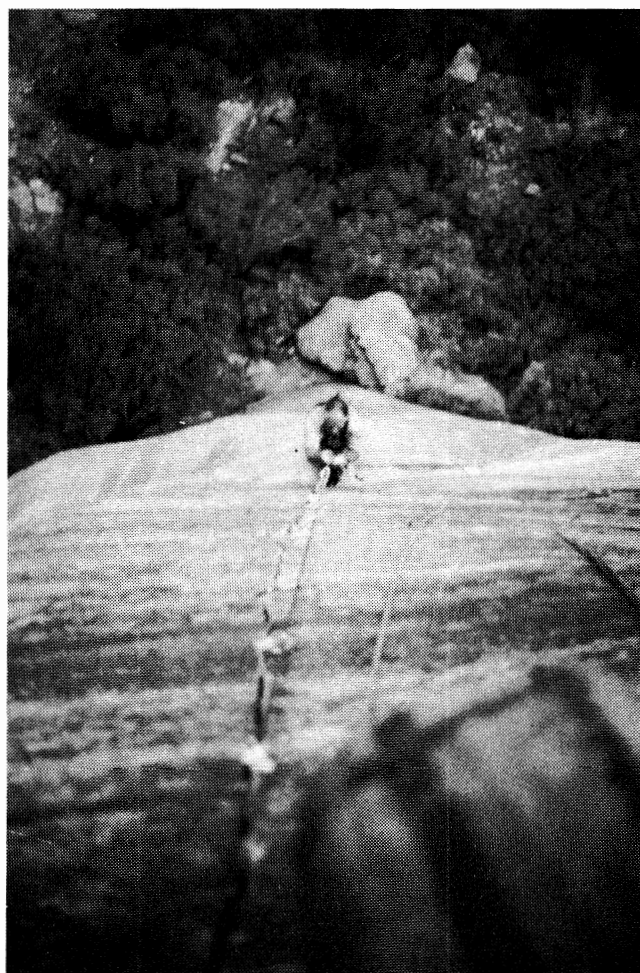
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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

April

4 April Fools Turtles Hike
 4 Leaders Choice Ski Tour
 5 Roy to Layton Bike Ride
 5 No snow, No Leaders Tour
 5 Sunday Social
 5 Mtn Bike Ride-Stansbury Island
 6 Volleyball
 8 Emigration Canyon Bike Ride
 11 Overnight Ski Tour
 11 Big Beacon Via George's Hollow
 11 Hughes Canyon Hike
 11 Saturday Social
 11-12 Fish Springs Refuge Birding Trip
 12 Gourmet Ski Tour
 13 Boating Planning Meeting
 18 Pencil Point Hike
 18 Boating Equipment Work Day
 19 Perkins Peak Hike
 20 Volleyball
 25 Great Basin Exploratory Day Hike

April

25 Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup
 25 Mt. Olympus to the Stream Family Hike
 25 Houndstooth Hike
 26 Grandeur Peak Snow Hike
 26 Mueller Park to Rudy's Flat to Big Black
 27 Volleyball

May

2 Promontory Golden Spike Historic Hike
 2 Grandeur Peak Via West Ridge Hike
 3 Grassy Mountains Hike
 3 Red Butte Overlook Hike
 9 Salt Lake Overlook Family Hike
 9 Reynold's Peak Hike
 10 George's Hollow Wildflower Hike
 10 Ferguson Canyon Hike
 10 Dry Hollow Hike
 15 Grandeur Peak-Moonlight Hike
 16 Sharp's Peak Hike
 16 Van Cott Peak Hike
 16 Mt Aire Hike
 16 Mt. Olympus Hike
 25 Little Black Mountain Hike
 17 Big Beacon Hike

Backpacking & Car Camping Schedule

Apr 11-12 San Rafael Swell Car Camp

11-14 Zion Backpack

17-26 Upper Stevens Canyon Backpack

18-19 West Desert Car Camp

25-26 Iron & Old Woman Washes Car Camp

May 2-3 San Rafael Swell Family Car Camp

2-3 Capitol Reef Car Camp

May 8-10 Arches Car Camp

9-10 Spring Canyon Backpack

9-10 Indian Head Car Camp

15-17 Arches Car Camp

15-17 Boulder Mail Trail Backpack

23-25 Sids Mountain Backpack

23-25 Birch Creek Car Camp

VOLLEYBALL

(Monday evenings at 6:30 pm at Highland High School)

April 6, 20, 27

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 hikes leave the meeting place at 6:45 pm PROMPT! 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 the Olympus Hills Shopping Center parking lot (northwest corner) at 3900 Wasatch Blvd. Carpool passengers pay for canyon entrance fee; please bring change. Hikes in Big Cottonwood meet at the "Storm Mt. Quartzites" geology sign, 2.9 miles up the canyon (rt hd side) from the stop light. Hike organizer: Dale Green.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS are welcome on ALL club activities, with these 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.

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.

REMINDER

PARKING INFO: CANYON PARKING NOTE: Even days - down side. Odd days - up side Check sign in canyon. **HILLSIDE PARKING NOTE:** Park on the West side of the parking lot, South of the bank.

THANKS!

April 4
Sat

APRIL FOOLS TURTLES HIKE TO FOOL PEAK Rating 7 or 8. It's the annual April fools pilgrimage to Fool Peak, east of Delta with Charles Lesley. Tenacious fools may choose to churn and claw their way through depths of snow to the 9712 foot summit. (See last year's stories in the July '91 Rambler), while more timid fools may allow for a lesser goal. Conditions vary considerably however, and the top may yet be available to all of us foolish enough to come. Plan for snow, a stupid look for the group photo, and on meeting foolishly early at 6:00 am at Bagel Nosh in the Olympus Hills Mall. To register your foolish intent, phone 364-2486.

LEADERS CHOICE SKI TOUR (Mod) Call Sue Berg (485-6778) to register.

April 5
Sun

ROY TO LAYTON BIKE RIDE (Mod - 43 Miles) This ride is an 'out and back' course from Roy to Layton. The terrain is mostly flat. Lunch at a cafe. Meet Elliott at the Park & Ride located at 7200 South and I-15 at 9:00 am to carpool or at Roy's Recreational Complex, 2150 W 4700 S, Roy at 10:00 am. Helmets required. For further info 968-7357.

NO SNOW, NO LEADERS, NO TOUR

SUNDAY SOCIAL at Gary and Betsy Tominson's home from 5:30 to 8:30 or 9:00 pm. Potluck dinner and bring your own liquid refreshments. Paper, plastic, and ice provided. Address: 10631 S. Wasatch Blvd., Sandy. **DIRECTIONS:** Go east on 10600 S. to 20th E. Turn left at 20th E. (it turns into Dimple Dell) and proceed to Deer Hollow Drive. Turn right at Deer Hollow Dr. (also go right at the fork) and stay on it till you get to Wasatch Blvd. Turn left at Wasatch Blvd, stay on it, and their home is the first one on the right hand side with a driveway and wall--house number is on wall. Call Gary or Betsy 942-5709 for more info.

MTN BIKE RIDE - STANSBURY ISLAND (MOD - 25 Miles This ride circumvents Stansbury Island while going through juniper, cattle, cliffs, one 400' climb,, sandy beaches, evaporation ponds. Meet Lade Heaton at 9:00 am at Valley Fair Mall north parking lot for carpooling or at 10:00 a.m. at the beginning point which is: west on I-80 about 35 miles from Salt Lake to exit 84 (hwy 138), take the dirt road 4 miles north, past the salt evaporation ponds and go left at the first intersection. Helmets required. Bring snacks to eat along the way. For further info 466-7008.

April 6
Mon

VOLLEYBALL 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2100 South 1700 East). \$1.00 fee. First-timers please call Duke 973-8935.

MONDAY MOUNTAIN MADNESS Tired of running circles? Do your shins need a break from the pounding of pavement? Wanna' get in shape for some real fun like the Wasatch Steeplechase, the Bair Gutsman, the Rowdy Run or the Wasatch 100 miler? Well, come out for Mon. Mt. Madness starting Apr. 6. We will meet each Mon for some Long Slow Distance (LSD) on mountain trails. It's all self-paced so everyone from ultra-marathoners to joggers can enjoy it. We'll meet, stretch out and start together, then run out for 20 minutes (or some other agreed upon time) at our own pace and then turn around and run back. We'll try a different trail each week to keep it interesting.

The first week we will run the City Creek trail. Meet at the City Creek barrier at 6:00 pm. If interested jsut show up or call Tony Ackerman (966-6041 H) for more information.

April 8
Wed

EMIGRATION CANYON BIKE RIDE (NTD - 17 Miles Meet Lade Heating across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for this traditional evening ride. Coffee at an agreed restaurant after. Helmets required. For further info 466-7008.

April 11
Sat

OVERNIGHT SKI TOUR Call Kyle Williams (298-2184) to register.

BIG BEACON VIA GEORGES HOLLOW HIKE Bert Hovis (272-2826) will meet you at 10:00 am at Fort Douglas Cemetary parking lot. This will be an easy paced hike. Nice view of Red Butte Canyon from the top.

HEUGHES CANYON HIKE Martin McGregor (967-9860) will meet you at 9:30 am at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Heughes Canyon is between Dry Hollow and Tolcats Canyon on Mt. Olympus. Rating is 2-3. Heughes has a waterfall in it. If permission cannot be obtained then a similar rated hike in Big Cottonwood Canyon will be done.

SATURDAY SOCIAL Hike or Bike with Picnic Pot Luck at Jordan Park. Meet 9 am at Cottonwood Park (300N 1520W--Redwood Rd and 300 N, go east to end of North Star Dr.). Hikers follow Duane Call (485-2980) and go north for two hours. Bikers with leader Bonnie Walsh (485-9837) will follow or take another route. Everyone will return to trail head for a pot luck picnic (Frank Atwood 583-9990, picnic master). If you miss the hike or bike, come for picnic around 1:00 pm. Families are welcomed and encouraged to come.

April 11-12
Sat - Sun

FISH SPRINGS REFUGE BIRDING TRIP Stay at BLM campground four hours into the west desert and check out the fresh water marshes and the thousands of migrating birds at this national fish and wildlife refuge. (Those who wish can climb Pyramid Peak on the way back on Sun.). Pat Briggs, President of Audubon leads this trip. Pre-meeting for beginning bird watchers. Call 521-2446 for details.

April 11-12
Sat-Sun

SAN RAFAEL CAR CAMP Visit the slots and spires of the slickrock canyon country on this leader's choice car camp trip. Mark McKenzie (486-4986) plans to explore some rugged territory in a BLM wilderness study area, perhaps Cistern Canyon in the southeastern reef. Weather conditions permitting, Mark will leave Friday night and return Sunday. Call Mark to register and to discuss new places to investigate in the Swell.

April 12-14
Sun-Tue

ZION BACKPACK If you like to avoid Dixie's heat, early April is a great time to visit Zion National Park. Kay Millar (583-1381 evenings) also figures that a Sunday through Tuesday trip can avoid the crowds which afflict the park in the spring. Join Kay for a backpack on the East or West Rim trails with spectacular views of Zion's famous cliffs and slabs. Novice backpackers are welcome, but please try to register with Kay by April 6th if possible. There will be a \$10-20 trailhead shuttle fee.

April 12
Sun

GOURMET SKI TOUR (NTD- to MSD+) MSD+ skiers (hikers) must carry the NTD- hikers through the mud and flowers of what was supposed to be the '92 ski season, to the junction of the Red Pine and White Pine trails about 1/4 mile above the parking lot at White Pine. At the time of this writing, the hiking is better than the skiing, and we expect the Gourmet Tour to be held on a warm April day of about 80 degrees. Bring your sun bathing wear, and a dish to share. Gale Dick (359-5764) will again host this event. Meet at the Hillside Plaza Shopping Center (7000 S 2300 E) at 10:00 am. Pieps and shovels, what are they? Backcountry, track skies, sneakers, hiking boots, and thongs are acceptable.

April 13
Mon

BOATING PLANNING MEETING This is when we plan the boating trips for the entire summer, so it would be very helpful if permit holders and potential trip leaders could be present. The meeting is 7 - 9 pm at Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 S. Foothill Blvd. (west side of the street, around the back, downstairs).

NO VOLLEYBALL Spring break, school closed.

MOUNTAIN RUNNING at Ensign Peak (a.k.a. the antennae). See Apr 6 write up. Meet at the barrier at 6:00 pm. Call Tony Ackerman (966-6041 H) for directions and more info.

April 17-26
Sat-Sun

UPPER STEVENS CANYON BACKPACK This long, moderately strenuous backpack will explore the Water Pocket Fold in the area of upper Stevens Canyon. If no one wants this long trip, we will do something shorter over the Easter weekend. Call Alex Ranney at 583-1092 to register and for information.

April 18
Sat

PENCIL POINT HIKE Russell Wilhelmson (583-2306) will meet you at 9:30 am at Parley's Way K-Mart parking lot, the east side. This will be a slower paced hike with a superb view of the Wasatch Front overlooking Parley's Canyon.

April 18
Sat

CITY CREEK TWINS HIKE Randy Scott (486-5433) will meet you at 9:00 am. at the U of U Medical Center upper parking lot. This double-topped peak is above the avenues overlooking City Creek Canyon. There's an outstanding view of Salt Lake City and the Wasatch Front. One of the easier spring foothill hikes doing 1100 ft elevation gain in less than 2 miles.

BOATING EQUIPMENT WORK DAY Come see our new self-bailing oar rig and learn how to set it up. Also, help us work on gear that needs repairs. Meet at 9:30 am at the boating equipment shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8, just north of Zim's.

NEW BOATERS' ORIENTATION If you're new to river running or just new to the WMC and want to find out how we run our river trips, come to Gart Brothers, 5550 S. 900 E. from 2-5 pm for an informal class and slideshow. Besides discussing trip logistics, we'll answer your questions about clothing, gear, whitewater, etc.

April 18-19
Sat-Sun

WEST DESERT CAR CAMP Donn Seeley (583-3143) likes to explore the craggy peaks west of the Wasatch Line. The precise destination of this expedition will depend upon the weather and Donn's inclinations; he may go looking for topazes on Topaz Mountain, sheep in the Sheeprock Range, houses in the House Range (there's one in Stone Cabin Wash), crystals on Crystal Peak, needles in the Needle Range or fish in the Fish Springs Range. Call Donn to register

April 19
Sun

PERKINS PEAK HIKE Kyle Williams (298-2184) will meet you at 9:30 am at the east end of the Hogle Zoo parking lot. The route starts at the top of Emigration Canyon and follows the ridgecrest that meets Pencil Point. The length is about 4 miles with an elevation gain of some 1200 ft. The rating is 5.2. Along the way are remnants of the original forest that was in Emigration Canyon prior to logging. This hike was done successfully last year with almost no bushwhacking despite the absence of a trail. The ridge is surprisingly remote, showing few signs of visitation.

Apr 20
Mon

VOLLEYBALL 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2100 South 1700 East). \$1.00 fee. First-timers please call Duke 973-8935.

MOUNTAIN RUNNING at Blacks Mountain ridge (the ridge east of City Creek Cyn). See Apr 6 write up. Call Tony Ackerman (966-6041 H) for exact meeting place and for more info.

April 25-26
Sat-Sun

IRON & OLD WOMAN WASHES CAR CAMP Will McCarvill (943-5520) will leade this easy canyon country care camp to two spectacular canyons in the San Rafael Reef Unit of the San Rafael BLM wilderness study area. Get away fro SLC smog and come looking for petroglyphs and potholes in the desert sun. Call Will to register and to ask who the Old Woman was.

April 26
Sun

GRANDEUR PEAK SNOW HIKE (at this writing the "snow" is questionable). Phyllis Anderson (943-8500) will meet you at 9:30 am at the north end of the Mt. Olympus Mall parking lot. This is a revival of the early season snow hikes, glissading. Ice axes suggested (call leader). Rating is 5.7.

April 26
Sun

MUELLER PARK TO RUDY'S FLAT TO BIG BLACK HIKE Merrily Kulmer (292-0134) will meet you at the North Salt Lake-Woods Cross Exit of I-15 at the Southwest corner of the K-Mart parking lot. The length of this hike depends on the group and snow conditions. The pace will be moderate. On the last trip, 2 moose were sighted.

April 27
Mon

VOLLEYBALL 6:30 pm at Highland High School (2100 South 1700 East). \$1.00 fee. First-timers please call Duke 973-8935.

MOUNTAIN RUNNING in Killyon's Canyon. See Apr 6 write up. Call Tony Ackerman (966-6041 H) for exact meeting place and more info. We are looking for input about this activity--at any time, so call Tony with your suggestions.

April 30
Thurs

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE Foothills hike. Meet at north end of the far east parking lot, University Hosp. For more info see Events at a Glance Page.

May 2
Sat

PROMONTORY GOLDEN SPIKE HISTORIC HIKE Frank Atwood (583-9990) will meet you at 8 am at the Travel Council (300 N. State). Promontory, the site of the May 10, 1869 completion of the first transcontinental railroad is about an hour north-west of SLC. There is a Visitors Center, working replica of trains, Big Fill hike, Silverton and a lot of abandoned railroad beds. Estimated at a rating of 3.0.

GRANDEUR PEAK VIA WEST RIDGE HIKE Jim Robson (968-6799) will meet you at 9:00 am at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center. Rating is 6.7.

May 2-3
Sat-Sun

SAN RAFAEL SWELL FAMILY CAR CAMP Julie Tanner (466-1958) will lead a fun car camp to Cottonwood Draw. Come out with the kids and enjoy the spring in one of the prettiest and least known parts of the Colorado Plateau. Call Julie to register.

CAPITOL REEF CAR CAMP Jerry Hatch (467-7186) plans to walk through the park one day in the merry month of May. Jerry seems inclined to do some exploration and he has no fixed destination in the park at press time; he's open to suggestions. Call Jerry to register and to tell him how the rest of the tune goes.

May 3
Sun

GRASSY MOUNTAINS HIKE Donn Seeley (583-3143) will meet you at 9:00 am at the Utah Travel Council across from the State Capitol. There's a spectacular view of the western Salt Flats and you'll see a "Chinese Wall".

RED BUTTE OVERLOOK HIKE Barry Quinn (727-7097) will meet you at 10:00 am at the Fort Douglas Cemetary parking lot. The route is up George's Hollow to the saddle where there's a lovely view of Red Butte Canyon. Wild-flowers should be coming out along the trail.

May 8-10
Fri-Sun

ARCHES CAR CAMP This is our annual Mother's Day Car Camp and General Spring Celebration. We have the group campground reserved for Friday and Saturday nights. Bring your kids! Call Noel de Nevers (581-6024, office; or 328-9376, home) for information and reservations. We are limited to 10 cars and 35 people; don't come without a reservation!

Addenda

April 25. SAT. GREAT BASIN EXPLORATORY DAY HIKE. Don Seeley (583-3143) will meet you at 9:00 am at the Utah Travel Council across from the State Capital. This is another "exploratory" hike west of Salt Lake City as done annually by Donn. The precise destination will be chosen the day of the hike.

April 25. SAT. LITTLE BLACK MOUNTAIN. Mark Hutchison (355-3227) will meet you at 9:00 am at the City Park at 750 North and 10th East. Rating is about a 6 or 7.

April 25. SAT. MT. OLYMPUS TO THE STREAM. (A Family hike). Randy Long (943-0244) will meet you at 10 am at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon in the parking lot. This will be a slow-paced hike for the enjoyment of the kids (also it's only about a 3 rating).

April 25. SAT. HOUNDSTOOTH. Hank Winawer (277-1997) will meet you at 9:00 am at the parking lot at the mouth of Big Cottonwood canyon. Houndstooth overlooks Deaf Smith Canyon. The route is steep and interesting in lieu of a sensible trail. There's no formal rating but it's about a 5 plus.

April 26. SUN. GRANDEUR PEAK SNOW HIKE. (at this writing the "snow" is questionable). Phylis Anderson (943-8500) will meet you at 9:30 am at the north end of the Mt. Olympus Mall parking lot. This is a revival of the early season snow hikes, glissading. Ice axes suggested (call leader). Rating is 5.7.

April 26. SUN. MUELLER PARK TO RUDY'S FLAT TO BIG BLACK. Merrily Kulmer (292-0134) will meet you at the North Salt Lake/Woods Cross Exit of I-15 at the Southwest corner of the K-Mart parking lot. The length of this hike depends on the group and snow conditions. The place will be moderate. On the last trip, 2 moose were sighted.

- May 7**
Thurs **THURSDAY EVENING HIKE** Foothills hike. Meet at the WIN parking lot just north of Fort Douglas Cemetery. Details on Events at a Glance Page
- May 9**
Sat **SALT LAKE OVERLOOK** (Family Hike). Randy Long (943-0244) will meet you at 9 am at the Olympus Hills shopping center.
- May 9**
Sat **REYNOLD'S PEAK HIKE** Bonnie Kaye (485-8569) will meet you at 9:00 am at the parking lot at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. This is a 2 1/4 mile hike with a 2200 ft elevation gain (Rating of 5.1). There's a spectacular view of the rugged Big/Little Cottonwood ridge. Reynolds is directly across from Kesler Peak.
- May 9-10**
Sat-Sun **SPRING CANYON BACKPACK** Spring Canyon is a tributary of the San Rafael River in the northern part of the San Rafael Swell, part of the Mexican Mt unit of the proposed San Rafael BLM Wilderness. Will McCarvill (943-5520) plans to lead a short, easy backpack into the area, with day trips up Spring and Nates Canyons in search of petroglyphs, petrified wood and outlaw trails. Call Will to register.
- May 9-10**
Sat-Sun **INDIAN HEAD CAR CAMP** The Roan Cliffs form the southern edge of the Tavaputs Plateau, part of the high, wild country between the Uinta Basin and the Colorado Plateau. Aaron Jones (467-3532) plans to explore this pretty, green part of the Ashley National Forest; he is interested in visiting Indian Head, a 9,959 ft summit along Reservation Ridge, and/or Gray Head, a 9,496 ft peak several miles to the northeast. Call Aaron to register.
- May 10**
Sun **GEORGE'S HOLLOW WILDFLOWER HIKE** (Newcomers Hike and others). Mike Treshow (582-0803) will meet you at 9:00 am at the WIN parking lot a block SE of the Fort Douglas cemetery. This will be almost a "non-hike" going up only slightly higher than where the wildflowers are in bloom at this date--probably not more than 1500 ft elevation gain. If the weather's yucky, forget it or at least phone the leader.
- May 10**
Sun **FERGUSON CANYON HIKE** James Janney (521-0538, home; or 272-9600; work) will meet you at 9 am at the mouth of Big Cottonwood canyon. The bottom of the canyon has a stream and lush forest growth; the upper canyon has excellent views of the Great Salt Lake Valley. Top overlooks Stairs Gulch. Across the canyon is Mt. Olympus.
- May 10**
Sun **DRY HOLLOW HIKE** (Mt. Olympus). Mark Jones (486-5354) will meet you at 9:00 am at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center (north end). The top of Dry Hollow overlooks Mule Hollow. Across Big Cottonwood Canyon is Storm Mt.
- May 15-17**
Fri-Sun **ARCHES CAR CAMP** (Overflow from last week). 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 and 35 people; don't come without a reservation! At the time of going to press we are still lacking a leader.

May 14
Thurs

THURSDAY EVENING HIKE Foothills hike. Meet at the Mt. Olympus trail head about 5600 Wasatch Blvd. More details on Events at a Glance Page.

May 15-17
Fri-Sun

GRANDEUR PEAK- MOONLIGHT HIKE Gene Woolridge (973-8073) will meet you at 6:30 pm at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center parking lot (north end). Required items: Flashlight, warm clothing! Keep in mind that the combination of falling darkness, plus the elevation difference, plus the breezes on the ridge, make for a chilly night sometimes. Socially acceptable items include munchies. Share with the group while the group shares the moonlight. A 5.6 rating by daylight. ?? by moonlight.

BOULDER MAIL TRAIL BACKPACK This is one of the classic hikes of the Escalante Canyon country. It follows the old mail delivery route from Escalante to Boulder, crossing several impressive canyons, including Sand Wash, Death Hollow and Mamie Creek. Phil Giles (487-5046) will lead this strenuous 16 mile, 3 day backpack; he suggest that you should be prepared to get wet walking through streams, to deal with insects and a little poison ivy, and to handle a slight amount of exposure. Depending on the rate of travel and the conditions, Phil hopes to have some time to explore side canyons along the way. Phil plans to leave Thursday night and start hiking on Friday morning; call him to register.

May 16
Sat

SHARP'S PEAK HIKES (Oquirrh's) Jerry Hatch (487-7186) will meet you at 9:30 am at the I-80 Tooele exit truck stop. This is a new hike above the Jacob City ghost town. Rating is unknown but roughly moderate.

VAN COTT PEAK HIKE Joan Thalman (968-6302) will met you at 10:00 am at the upper U of U Medical Center parking lot. The hike is rated as a 2.7.

MT. AIRE HIKE Clari Powers (262-6422) will meet you at 10:00 am at the Olympus Hills shopping center (north end). The hike is rated as a 3.8.

MT. OLYMPUS HIKE Andy Schoenberg (583-3193) will meet you at 8:30 am at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center (north end). This will be a moderately paced hike, but with a 4230 ft elevation gain it's a reasonably difficult 8.3 rated hike.

May 17
Sun

MT. OLYMPUS TO THE STREAM HIKE Joanne Williams (583-9238) will meet you at 10:00 am at the Olympus Hills Shopping Center.

BIG BEACON HIKE Jim Piani (272-3921) will meet you at 9:00 am at the east end of the Hogle Zoo parking lot. Hike is rated at 4.8.

May 23-25
Sat-Mon

SIDS MOUNTAIN BACKPACK Enjoy a Memorial Day weekend away from the crushing crowds with Will McCarvill (943-5520) in this region of the western San Rafael Swell. Will plans on a big circle backpack, taking time out to look for Sid Swasey's cabin in the 'other' Robbers Roost and perhaps to see a few desert bighorn sheep. You can expect a remote, peaceful desert experience of deep canyons and high plateaus in this proposed unit of the San Rafael Wilderness. Call Will to register.

May 23-25
Fri-Mon

DEEP CREEK RANGE CAR CAMP This range is the fourth highest mountain range and the third highest in the Great Basin. It lies west of Salt Lake along the old Pony Express Trail, near the Nevada border. Birch Creek is the last unstocked stream in the Deeps containing pure Bonneville cutthroat trout, and it was recently saved from a consortium which wished to dam it for hydroelectric power generation. Donn Seeley (583-3143) plans to camp at the mouth of Birch Creek and lead day hikes into its deep, twisted gorge; depending on time and inclination, the group may also tackle a peak or take in another canyon, such as Trout Creek or Indian Farm Creek. Call Donn to register.

RAMBLER BICYCLE RIDES

April 4
Sat

ROY TO LAYTON BIKE RIDE (MOD - 43 miles). This ride is an 'out and back' course from Roy to Layton. The terrain is mostly flat. Lunch at a cafe. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at the Park & Ride located at 7200 South & I - 15 at 9:00 am to carpool, or at Roy's Recreational Complex, 2150 West 4700 South, Roy, at 10:00 am. Helmets required.

April 5
Sun

MTN BIKE RIDE - STANSBURY ISLAND (MOD - 25 miles). This ride circumnavigates Stansbury Island while going through juniper, cattle, cliffs, one 400' climb, sandy beaches, evaporation ponds. Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) at 9:00 am at Valley Fair Mall north parking lot for carpooling, or at 10:00 am at the beginning point which is: west on I-80 about 35 miles from Salt Lake to exit 84 (Hwy 138), take the dirt road 4 miles north, past the salt evaporation ponds and for left at the first intersection. Helmets required. Bring snacks to eat along the way.

April 8
Wed

EMIGRATION CANYON BIKE RIDE (NTD - 17 miles). Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 p.m. for this traditional evening ride. Coffee at an agreed restaurant after. Helmets required.

April 11
Sat

SOUTHEASTERN BEAR RIVER VALLEY BIKE RIDE (NTD- 37 miles). This ride tours the rural farm lands situated between Brigham City and Tremonton. Snuggled between the Wellsville Mountains and the Blue Springs Hills, the Bear River Valley is one of Utah's richest agricultural areas. The flat to easy rolling terrain make it ideal for cycling. We'll stop along the way at a park for lunch, so bring a picnic. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at the Park & Ride at 7200 South & I-15 at 9:00 am to carpool, or at Crystal Springs Resort in Honeyville at 10:30 am. Helmets required. Following the ride, an after ride option is to relax in the pools at Crystal Springs --so bring a swimsuit.

April 12
Sun

PARK CITY - KAMAS BIKE RIDE (MOD - 35 miles) This ride will be the leader's first outside of Salt Lake Valley. We will go from Park City down Browns Canyon, cycle through Peoa, Oakley, Marion, and lunch at Kamas. We'll return to Park City via the new highway that skirts the east side of the Jordanelle Dam. Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) at K-Mart parking lot at Parleys Way and Wasatch Boulevard at 9:00 am for carpooling, or meet at Park City High School, at 10:00 am at 1750 East Kearns Boulevard, Park City to begin the ride. Helmets required. Cycling Possibilities. Vol 2. pg 34. (Note: this route will coincide with a training ride for the MS Best Dam 150 ride. A great opportunity to meet other people and to extol the virtues of belonging to the Wasatch Mountain Club.)

April 15
Wed

EMIGRATION CANYON BIKE RIDE (NTD - 17 miles). Meet Kathy Hoenig (486-8525) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for this traditional evening ride. Coffee at an agreed restaurant after. Helmets required.

April 18
Sat

HOBBLE CREEK BIKE RIDE (MOD - 40 miles). This ride tours both forks of scenic Hobbble Creek Canyon. The twisting mountainous roads and overhanging trees reminds one of City Creek Canyon -except Hobbble Creek is longer and not as steep. Still, this ride has 1882 feet of elevation gain. We'll stop at the end of the pavement for lunch - so bring a picnic. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at the park and ride located at 7200 South & I-15 at 9:00 am to carpool, or in Springville at Springville Park (Center & Main) at 10:30 am. Helmets required.

April 19
Sun

ON YOUR OWN RIDE As this is Easter, no scheduled ride have been planned. Call up a few friends and discover a ride that you would do for the WMC during the summer. Be sure and call Lade Heaton (466-7008) with details of the ride you will lead this summer.

April 22
Wed

EMIGRATION CANYON BIKE RIDE (NTD - 17 miles). Meet Kathy Hoenig (486-8525) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm for this traditional evening ride. Coffee at an agreed restaurant after. Helmets required.

April 25
Sat

PAYSON LAKE BIKE RIDE (MOD+ - 27 miles). This ride climbs south out of Payson along the scenic Nebo Loop highway. We'll ride to a lakeside picnic area for lunch - so bring a picnic. This challenging course features 3350 feet of nearly continuous elevation gain and showcases one of the Wasatch Front's finest cycling canyons. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at the park and ride at 7200 South & I-15 at 9:00 am to carpool, or in Payson at Payson Park (200 South 100 East) at 10:30 am. Helmets required. Mountain bikes are not appropriate on this ride.

April 26
Sun

SALT LAKE TO PARK CITY FOR LUNCH BIKE RIDE (MOD - 50 miles). Meet leader Ceil Meade (572-2035) at Eastwood Elementary, 3305 S. Wasatch Blvd. at 10:00 am. Route will go up Parleys to the summit, the down the frontage road to the Park City exit. In Park City, the group will have lunch and then return to Salt Lake. Helmets required.

April 29
Wed

MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE - EMIGRATION OAKS - PINECREST (MOD - 15 miles). Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) across from Hogle Zoo at 6:15 pm. Part of ride will be on asphalt, but most will be on dirt. Coffee after. Helmets Required.

May 2
Sat

SCOFIELD RESERVOIR BIKE RIDE (MSD - 84 miles). This ride presents some of the best alpine cycling in Utah. This "up and over and back" course features nearly 5500 feet of elevation gain - to include some "Snowbird" caliber grades - as it dissects the Skyline Drive. Scofield Reservoir is presently being treated for trash fish, so there shouldn't be the customary boating traffic. Bring a picnic lunch or rely upon the Scofield convenience store; in any event, two large water bottles and plenty of energy foods are recommended. Meet Elliott (968-7357) at the park and ride at 7200 South & I-15 at 8:00 am to carpool, or in Mt. Pleasant at Mt. Pleasant Park at 900 S State at 10:00 am. Helmets required. Mountain bikes are not appropriate on this ride.

May 3
Sun

PARK CITY - SMITH AND MOREHOUSE BIKE RIDE (MOD- 52 miles). This ride will begin in Park City, go down Browns Canyon, through Peoa and Oakley, and on up Weber Canyon Road to the dirt road going to Smith Morehouse Reservoir. Return will be the same route. Bring snacks for a picnic at the turn around. Other optional stops can be at convenience store in Oakley. Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) at K-Mart parking lot at Parleys Way and Wasatch Boulevard at 9:00 am for carpooling, or meet at 10:00 a.m. at Park City High School, 1750 East Kearns Boulevard, Park City to begin the ride. Helmets required. Cycling Poss. Vol 2. pg 49. (Note: this route will coincide with a training ride for the MS Best Dam 150 ride. A great opportunity to meet other people and to extol the virtues of belonging to the Wasatch Mountain Club.)

May 6th
Wed

MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE - LITTLE MOUNTAIN - BIRCH SPRINGS - AFFLECK PARK (MOD -miles). Meet Lade Heaton (466-7008) at Little Mtn. Summit at 6:30 pm. This ride goes through fantastiac scenery so close to Salt Lake City. The return to Little Mtn. from Affleck Park will be on asphalt. Coffee after. Helmets required.

May 9 and 10
Sat and Sun

CEDAR MOUNTAINS MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE with optional car camp and additional Sunday mountain biking, (MOD - 15 miles). It's time to get back in the saddle and play! Lack of snow permitting, meet Nancy Goodell (534-0742) at the Agricultural Bldg., 350 North 1700 West at 9:00 am to carpool west to the Cedar Mountains. This MOD ride will make a 15 mile loop on a dirt road up and over the 7,000 Valley on mountain bikes on Sunday. Perhaps we'll see a wild horse. Please contact Nancy Goodell the week before, asweather/road conditions may be questionable.

May 11
Mon

CITY CREEK CANYON BIKE RIDE, (NTD - 13 miles). Meet leader SamKingston (355-8043) at the north east parking lot of the Capitol at 6:30 pm for this traditional club ride. Helmets required.

May 13
Wed

MILLCREEK CANYON BIKE RIDE (MOD - 19 miles). Meet Ilka Allers-Olsen (272-6305) at the Skyline High School parking lot nearest I- 215 at 6:15 pm 3251 East 3760 South, for this traditional evening ride. Note, this course has 2,547 feet of gain. Coffee at an agreed restaurant after. Helmets required.

CLIMBING - MOUNTAINEERING SCHEDULE FOR APRIL AND MAY

April 2, 9, & 16
Thursday night climbing at Petes Rock

April 23, 30-- May 7, 14, 21, & 28
Thursday night climbing at Storm Mountain. May 28 will also include part one of the Beginners Climbing Course. (See Details on Saturday, May 30 schedule).

April 10 to 13

CLIMBING IN LAS VEGAS?! Red Rocks is located 30 minutes from Las Vegas. This is one of Nevada's premier climbing areas. There are an abundance of moderate climbing routes. Leave Friday afternoon and return late Monday. Call Toni Torri @ 942-2472 to register.

May 9

SNOW CLIMBING COURSE A brief review of belaying will be followed by a short hike to a steep practice snow slope. Bring sturdy hiking boots and a harness if you have one. Call Steve Walker @ 466-7032 for details.

May 10

TANNERS GULCH - TRIPLE TRAVERSE SNOW CLIMB
Successful snow climbing graduates and all else interested may participate in his beautiful snow climb that is as near to "alpine" as anywhere in the Wasatch. Summits will include Dromedary Peak, Sunrise (aka O'Sullivan) Peak, and West Twins. Descend either Broads Fork or Deaf Smith Canyon. An ice axe (and knowledge of its use) required and crampons make things easier. Call Steve Walker @ 466-7032 for details.

May 15 to 17

INDIAN CREEK CAR CAMP - CLIMBING TRIP A visit to sandstone's answer to sport climbing will be opportunity to learn and practice crack climbing. Most climbs are one pitch and top-rope-able, ranging in difficulty from 5.9 to infinity. The cliffs are a short hike from a paved road so those trepidating at the ratings need not feel rushed. If you can't make it up something you can have fun trying. Call Steve Walker @ 466-7032 for details.

May 30

BEGINNERS ROCK CLIMBING COURSE. No experience necessary. Course will cover knots, belay techniques and one or two shortclimbs. Bring 25 feet of 1 inch tubular webbing (approximately 25cents per foot) to the May 28th Thursday Night where seat harnesses will be made and a few basics discussed. Tennis shoes are good footwear in lieu of letter shoes for the Saturday portion. Call Steve Walker @ 466-7032 for further details.

FUTURE EVENTS AT A GLANCE

June 12 to 14 - Middle Teton with John Veranth
June 19 to 21 - City of the Rocks with Mark Hutchinson
July 16 to 20 - Gannet Peak, Wind Rivers
August 13 to 16 - Granite Peak, Beartooths
September 3 to 7 - Devils Tower, Wyoming

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This month the editors have experimented with listing some of the activities separately, as you have noticed. Thus you will find Boating contains only Boating, Mountaineering only Mountaineering, etc. If you're interested in a specific type of activity you don't have to scan everything else to find it. We'd like to get all the feedback we can on this and ask you to call Christine Allred (261-8183) with your comments. You can express yourself in person or on her answering machine.

FUTURE EVENTS AT A GLANCE

May 9

WESTERN DANCE at a place to be determined -- dancing to begin at 7:00 pm--\$5.00 per person. More details forthcoming from ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS: Frank Atwood and Carol Beasley.

May

FAIRY MEADOWS, BRITISH COLUMBIA. Guided tour over glacier. Stay in huts. Estimated cost \$650. Call George Westbrook 942-6071 h or 882-6129 w.

June 4 - 9

WHITE RIM TRAIL - MTN. BIKE EXCURSION (MOD - 109 miles). We have a permit for a maximum of 10 people to bike the White Rim Trail near Moab, Friday, June 5th through Monday June 8th. Leave S.L.C. Thursday pm June 4th...stay in Moab Thursday eve. Friday, Saturday, & Sunday evening camp on White Rim Trail. Return to S.L.C. late Monday or stay in Moab and return early Tuesday, June 9th. Call leaders Cassie Badowsky 292-8687 work or 278-5153 home or Lade Heaton at 466- 7008 for details and to secure your place for thi scenic trip. Carpooling, food sharing, etc. to be decided at a planning meeting later on.

July 4th

SILVERTON NARROW GUAGE BIKE RIDE (MOD). The second annual Bike and Choo Choo bike ride. The trip will include riding from Telluride to Mancos over Lizard Head Pass, visiting Mesa Verde, and riding the Silverton Narrow Guage train from Durango to Silverton, cycling the long down hill back to Durango. (There is one tiny uphill however). More details will be in later *Ramblers*, or call Bob Wright, in Park City, 1-649-4194 for information.

July 18-August 1

LEEWARD ISLANDS CARIBBEAN SAILING: Martinique, Dominca & Guadeloupe - contact Vince Desimone for details, 1-649-6805 (see article on page 36).

July 24

WEEKEND SECOND ANNUAL MOUNT WHITNEY EXPEDITIONS. Call and leave your address in order to receive a more detailed letter in late April. In mid-April, a Park Service lottery will determine overnight camping dates in July-August. The July 24 weekend Day Hikers schedule briefly; ETD SLC 6:00 pm, Thursday, July 23; ETD Whitney Trailhead 5 am July 25 (13.7); Victory Banquet in Bishop, CA, July 26; ETD Boundary trailhead 7 am July 27 (10.4); ETA SLC 6 pm, Tuesday, July 28. All levels of participation are welcomed. Frank Atwood 583-9990.

August 1-8

HIKE COLORADO 14-ER'S--LONG PEAK, MT. ELBERT, UN-COMPAHGRE contact Frank Atwood at 583-9990 or Cassie Badowsky 278-5153 (evenings) for information.

FUTURE EVENTS AT A GLANCE

August 15 - 23

BICYCLE TOUR FROM SALT LAKE TO FISH LAKE AND BACK --
call Elliott at 968-7357 to register and get details.

August 22-29

HIKE COLORADO 14-ER'S--Longs Peak (14,255'), Mt. Elbert (14,433') highest point in Colorado, and UnCompahgre (14,309') in the San Juan's. Call Frank Atwood at 583-9990 or Cassie Badowsky at 278-5153 evenings for more information. A meeting will be at the home of Cassie Badowsky, 2845 E. 5495 S. in Holladay on Sun. April 19, at 7:00 pm to discuss more details and to sign up.

Oct. 15 - 17

SAVE THE FUSS -- TAKE THE BUS TO GRAND CANYON - not thru the 18th as was printed in March. Unfortunately, as of this date, no rooms are available at the Bright Angel Lodge on the night of 10/16. Three things, though, can be done: 1) call South Rim reservations (1-602-638-2401) and put your name on the cancellation list for the Bright Angel Lodge (cancellations DO happen; 2) using the same phone number, make reservations at one of the other lodges on the South Rim (full refunds are given, if needed); 3) or, you can choose to camp--reservations must be made for camp sites also. A bus transports you to and from the campground.

At the last minute, if worse came to worse, people with rooms have expressed a willingness to share the cost of their rooms and have people crash on the floor with them. We will manage somehow.

If anyone has to change their plans and won't need their South Rim reservations, "please" call me before you turn them back for refunds. I have a list of people needing rooms. If you want to be added to this list call me at 268-6405.

ROUND TRIP CHARTERED BUS FARE--S.L.C. to North Rim, to South Rim, return to S.L.C. for \$46.00 if all 44 seats are filled. This reservation is NON-REFUNDABLE but is TRANSFERABLE. A stand-by list will be kept. The bus seats are being filled on a first come, first serve basis. Send your \$46.00 check to Carol Nelson, 3695 S. 700 E., S.L.C. 84106.

The meeting will be in June at my house to discuss making these reservations. The date will be in the June Rambler. REMEMBER, you don't have to do the hike to join us. This is a wonderful opportunity and inexpensive way to see both rims and all the spectacular scenery in between. The bus will stop, if desired, so you can shop at the Navajo Indian stands along the way.

FROM THE HIKING COMMITTEE

Submitted by Frank Atwood

I believe in the Club's hike point system even though on every hike I've been on there is someone who thinks the hike is under rated. Maybe this reflects the individual not realizing that calculations are 0.3 points per mile, not 0.5. Also, this is an imprecise rating system and trail conditions and route can change the work required to do a hike. The club's rating has significance as a relative comparison of hikes and permits comparisons between easy, moderate and more strenuous hikes. If you want to be more involved with these numbers you are invited to submit suggestions to the hiking committee.

The club's rating has significance as a relative comparison of hikes. Also it permits correlations with easy, moderate and hard ranges given on the first page of the *Rambler*. If you want to change any one hike expect to review all hikes. Recognize this system has worked and is VALID.

The Hiking Ratings (as per 3/86) are calculated as follows:

0.3 points for each mile walked OR
(0.6 points for every round trip mile),
PLUS 1.0 points for every 1000 ft of elevation gain
PLUS 0.2 bonus points for every 1000 feet
elevation gain above 10,000 ft.

Additional bonus points are given for primitiveness of trail and exposure (very subjective).

Subtleties in the numbers: The ratio of level exertion to vertical exertion is 1 to 17.6 because of converting miles to feet. An example is walking up a flight of stairs (10 ft) is equivalent to 176 ft on the level. The more out of shape you are the more you appreciate the nuance.

My rating for Mt. Whitney in California is 13.7 WMC hike points. My calculations are:

21.4 miles @ 0.3 points per mile = (6.42)

6300 ft elevation gain @ 1.0 points for every 1000 ft. = (6.30).

Note: Summit is 14,496 ft, trail head at 8500 and add approximately 200 ft elevation to regain elevation between Trail Crest Pass and John Muir Trail Junction.

4700 ft bonus elevation points @ 0.2 per 1000 ft above 10,000 ft. = (0.94)

Total Points: 13.66

Published points: 13.7 WMC points

Another perspective of viewing hikes is hiking speed. John Veranth's "Hiking the Wasatch" suggests one-half hour for each 1000 ft or mile of trail going up and two thirds of that time to go down. This may be generous depending on conditions.

A third method of comparison is the slope and average rate of climb of the trail as calculated by thousands of feet divided by one-way miles. This number gives the uniqueness of the Alexander Basin trail and Mount Olympus' Blister Hill.

COMPARISON OF SOME FAMILIAR HIKES

	WMC Rtngr	RDT Mi	TOTAL ASCNT	MX ELE	TTL HK TIME	SLOPE ASC/MI
Alexander Basin	3.3	3.0	1,660	8,800	3.0	1.10
Big Beacon (Wire Pk) via Georges Hollow	4.8	5.0	2,200	7,143	4.0	0.88
Mt Olympus So Pk minor exposure	8.3	6.6	4,230	9,026	6.2	1.28
Mt Timpanogos via Tinpooneke	11.6	14.0	4,390	11,750	9.5	0.63
Grand Ganyon	12.7	24.2	4,460	8,200	13.5	0.75
Mount Whitney	123.7	21.4	6,200	14,496	15.0	0.53

Wasatch Mountain Club Hike Ratings - Alphabetic Listing (Next month the Ratings will be ranked in ascending order of difficulty)

Hike Description	Rating Miles	R/T Ascent	Total Elev.	Max.
Alexander Basin Trail to Bowman Fork	4.2	5.2	1,700	8,840
Alexander Basin to 8800'	3.3	3.0	1,660	8,800
Amer. Fk. Twin Pks. from Albion Basin (exposure)	7.7	7.8	2,590	11,489
American Fork Twin Peaks from American Fork Can.	9±			
Beartrap Canyon to Willow Canyon	5.6	5.5	2,460	10,006
Bald Mtn (Uinta Mtns.)	2.9	2.8	1,180	11,943
Bear Trap Hol. to Desolation L. to Mill D No. Fk.	5.3	6.6	2,090	9,640
Beartrap Fork	3.5			
Ben Lomand	8±			
Big Beacon (Wire Peak) from Zoo Parking Lot	4.2	3.4	2,240	7,143
Big Beacon (Wire Peak) via Georges Hollow	4.8	5.0	2,200	7,143
Big Black Mtn. from Mueller Park	8.3	9.6	3,560	8,958
Bowman Fork to Alexander Basin	5.4	5.2	2,600	8,840
Box Elder Peak from American Fork Canyon	9.6	9.6	4,340	11,101
Brighton Ridge Run (Snake Cr. Pass to Millicent)	8.3	7.5	3,400	10,975
Broads Fork to Meadow	4.6	5.0	2,030	8,280
Broads Fork to Bridge	3±			
Burch Hollow to Ridge	4.6	4.8	2,130	8,160
Burch Hollow to Church Fork Peak to Church Fork	5.6	5.9	2,320	8,306
Butler Fork Loop (Left Fk. >Desolation Tr. >Rt. Fk.)	4.4	6.0	1,620	8,720
Catherine Pass from Albion Basin	3±			
Catherine Pass from WMC Lodge	3.7	4.6	1,380	10,220
Cecret L from Albion Basin Cmpgnd	1.2	1.6	420	9,220
Church Fork to Rattlesnake Gulch via Pipeline	1.6	3.1	320	6,000
Church Fork Peak via Church Fork	5.6	5.6	2,620	8,306
Circle All Peak via Butler Fork	3.7	4.0	1,610	8,707
City Creek Twin Peaks	2±			
Days Fork to Mine	4.6	5.6	1,850	9,200
Days Fork to Silver Fork	3-4±			
Deseret Peak (Stansbury Mtns.	8.1	8.0	3,610	11,031
Desolation Lake	5.4			
Devils Castle from Albion Basin (exposure)	5.0	4.4	1,420	10,920
Dog Lake via Big Water Trail	3.0	4.0	1,140	8,740
Dog Lake via Mill D North Fork	3.8	5.0	1,460	8,740
Dounut Falls from Stream Crossing	1.2	1.5	440	7,900
Dromedary Pk. vMill B So. Fk. (loose rock/exposure)	11.6	9.4	4,800	11,107
Dry Hollow (Holladay) (partial Trail)	6.9	5.8	3,340	8,498
Elbow Fork to Terraces	1.9	2.5	690	7,320
Emerald Lake (Timpanogos)	7-8±			
Flagstaff Peak from Alta (no Trail)	4.3	3.6	1,890	10,530
Gobblers Knob via Alexander Basin Trail	6.6	5.6	3,110	10,246
Gobblers Knob via Butler Fork	7.7	9.2	3,150	10,246
Willow Canyon to Beartrap Canyon	4.0	5.5	2,130	10,006
Willow Lake	1.5	1.9	640	8,500

Grandeur Peak via Church Fork	5.7	6.0	2,610	8,299
Grandeur Peak via West Ridge (no Trail)	6.7	4.6	3,300	8,299
Grandview Peak from Mueller Park	10.9	13.8	4,210	9,410
Greens Basin from Days Fork Trail	2.5	3.2	970	8,320
Hayden Peak (Uinta Mtns.) (exposure)	7.0	5.8	2,120	12,479
Heritage Mtn.	4.5±			
Honeycomb Cliffs via Silver L to Twin Lks Pass	4.6	5.2	1,750	10,479
HoundsTooth	4.5			
Jacob City (Oquirrh Mtns.)	4±			
Kessler Peak from Cardiff Fork	7.4	7.4	2,940	10,403
Kessler Peak via Montreal Hill	8±			
LakeBlanche	5.7	6.0	2,580	8,900
Lake Catherine from WMC Lodge	3.0	4.0	1,120	9,960
Lake Desolation via Mill D North Fork	5.4	7.6	1,900	9,240
Lake Mary from WMC Lodge	1.7	2.0	700	9,540
Lake Solitude from Silver Fork	1.5	3.0	290	9,020
Lambs Canyon Pass via Elbow Fork	3.4	3.6	1,500	8,130
Little Black Mtn. (Peak 8026) via Twin Peaks	7.5	9.6	2,870	8,026
Kessler Peak from Cardiff Fork	7.4	7.4	2,940	10,403
Kessler Peak via Montreal Hill	8±			
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L. Laxawaxen	4.5			
Maybird Lakes	6.0	8.4	2,060	9,760
Mill B North Fork to Overlook	1.8	2.4	660	7,080
Mill Creek Summit via Lambs Canyon	3.4	3.8	1,510	8,130
Mineral Fork	5-7±			
Monte Cristo Peak from Alta	7.7	5.6	3,420	11,132
Monte Cristo Peak via Lake Blanche	11.3	10.2	4,810	11,132
Mt. Aire from Elbow Fork	3.8	3.0	1,990	8,621
Mt. Aire via Burch Hollow to Elbow Fork	6.6	6.0	3,110	8,621
Mt. Baldy from Albion Basin Cmpgnd to Pass	4.1	4.5	1,570	11,068
Mt. Evergreen	2.8	3.4	1,120	9,850
Mt. Majestic (Clayton Peak) from WMC Lodge via Tr.	5.0	6.0	1,880	10,721
Mt. Nebo North Peak via Nebo Basin Trail	9.1	9.0	3,330	11,928
Mt. Nebo South Peak via Andrews Ridge	11.7	12.0	5,000	11,877
Mt. Ogden	8.5±			
Mt. Olympus North Peak (exposure/climbing)	8.3	4.8	3,360	8,959
Mt. Olympus South Peak (minor exposure)	8.3	6.6	4,230	9,026
Mt. Raymond via Bowman Fork	9.0	9.2	4,000	10,241
Mt. Raymond via Butler Fork	7.9	9.0	3,140	10,241
Mt. Raymond via Hidden Falls	9.0	9.0	4,000	10,241
Mt. Superior via Lake Blanche	11.3			
Mt. Timpanogos via Tinpooneke	11.6	14.0	4,390	11,750
Mt. Timponogos via Aspin Grove	11.6	11.4	4,850	11,750
Mt. Millicent from Ski Terminal to Dam	4.0	3.0	1,160	10,452
Mule Hollow to Mine	2.9	2.8	1,400	7,200
Murdock Peak via Toll Canyon	5±			
Naomi Peak	6±			

Neffs Canyon to Ridge	7.7	7.6	3,620	9,200
Neffs Canyon to Thayne Canyon	7.3	8.0	3,220	8,800
North Willow Lake	4.5±			
North & South Willow Lakes (Stansbury Mtns.)	5±			
Notch Peak (House Range) via Sawtooth Canyon	7.6	8.4	2,960	9,655
Notch Peak (Uinta Mtns.)	5±			
Park City OverLook	3.5			
Pencil Point	3.5			
Perkins Peak (no Trail)	5.2	4.2	2,370	7,490
Pfiefferhorn via Red Pine Lake	9.9	10.0	3,700	11,326
Pioneer Peak	5.2			
Provo Peak	5±			
Red Butte Pass via Georges Hollow	3.5	3.4	1,660	6,600
Red Butte Peak via Georges Hollow	3.5	3.0	1,800	6,742
Red Pine Canyon to Bells Canyon (Beatout)	14.0	14.0	4,780	11,326
Red Pine Lake	5.3	7.0	1,940	9,640
Reynolds Peak Loop (Mill D No. Fk. to Butler Fk.)	5.1	6.0	2,080	9,422
Reynolds Peak via Big Water Trail	4.4	5.2	1,820	9,422
Reynolds Peak via Mill D North Fork	5.2	6.4	2,080	9,422
Salk Lake Overlook via Lake Desolation Trail	3.5	4.0	1,500	7,240
Sheep Trail	4.2	5.0	1,760	7,016
Silver L. to Twin L. Pass to Silver Fk. to Spruces	8±			
Snake Creek Pass from WMC Lodge via Trail	3.3	4.4	1,570	10,080
Spanish Fork Peak via Right Fork Maple Canyon	10.2	11.0	4,570	10,192
Stansbury Is Peak (no Trail)	5.6	5.0	2,420	6,645
Storm Mtn. via Ferguson Gulch from Geology sign	9.6	8.0	4,600	9,524
Sugarloaf from Albion Basin Cmpgnd to Pass	3.9	4.2	1,550	11,051
Twin Lakes Pass from Silver Lake	3.4	4.5	1,260	9,993
Twin Lakes Pass via Grizzly Gulch	2.5	2.4	1,230	9,993
Twin Peaks via Broads Fork	11.8	10.2	5,130	11,330
Van Cott Peak	2.4			
Van Cott Peak via Cephalopod Gulch	2.7	2.4	1,350	6,348
Wheeler Peak (Snake Range)	7.5	7.4	2,960	13,063
White Fir Pass	3.1	3.4	1,360	7,600
White Pine Lake	6.3	8.4	2,300	10,000
Wildcat Ridge to Mt. Raymond to Mt. Olympus	15.4	14.0	5,620	11,242
Willow Canyon to Beartrap Canyon	4.0	5.5	2,130	10,006
Willow Lake	1.5	1.9	640	8,500

THOSE @!*&%?! (EXPLETIVE DELETED) HIKING RATINGS

by Dale Green

Frank Atwood has asked several of us hiking committee members to comment on his article (published herein) concerning the hike rating system. Rather than trying to add my input to his article, the following is submitted separately.

I concocted the present system nearly 30 years ago during the winter of '62-'63 in an effort to give hikers a better feel for what they were facing. The previously used rating system of "easy" or "not too long" or "medium to hard" was totally inadequate and the source of universal complaints, especially by newcomers. By establishing a hike rating based on points given for a combination of distance, elevation gain and various fudge factors, I hoped to establish a scheme where the relative amount of effort expended on any hike could be calculated. The first guess on how to apportion points was slightly off so one major modification was made about 10 years ago.

Frank believes in the system and so do I. A few years ago Howard Wilkerson did a study of the ratings using basic physics principles (see the March, 1991 Rambler) which gave an astonishingly close correlation with how points are assigned; so he also believes in the numbers. Why, then, do so many still complain? I even had someone tell me that every hike she had ever been on with the Club was underrated! (Think about that a while).

The basic reason for grumbling about a too long rating is because the complainant is going too fast for his/her state of difficulty, especially when trying to follow behind someone who is in better shape. So - if you think points should be added to a rating, slow down, you're moving too fast. March to your own drummer. A good clue to proper pace is your breathing rate. If at any time you have to stop to catch your breath, you have not established the proper pace for sustained hiking. Forcing your body to get its "second wind" is necessary to do continuous exercise. That will sometimes never happen if you stop too frequently.

Other intangibles distort a hikers perception of the number of points a hike should receive:

1. Altitude: It is impossible to quantify how an individual will respond to increasing altitude. Points are added for hiking at elevations above 10,000 ft but both that figure and the number of points added are totally arbitrary. I repeat - totally arbitrary. Some hikers get into trouble above 8,000ft - others can't function at all. You should never take the rating numbers as an absolute measurement of how you will personally function.

2. Climatic conditions. Dehydration from heat, hypothermia from cold, and everything in between have strong effects on how your body responds to the physi-

cal stress of hiking. The rating points assume conditions are optimal (but they never are).

3. Exposure (situations where the hiker is exposed to the danger of falling down a precipice). Some people freeze to the point of total rigidity when traversing a cliff face that other walk across like it wasn't there. How does one assign points in this situation? Again, the assignment is arbitrary.

4. Trail conditions. Slogging up a steep talus slope (climb one step up, fall two steps back), pushing through thick scrub oak (in shorts, no less), kicking steps in snow (in sneakers), and myriads of other factors all contribute to distorting point ratings. Almost universally, on hikes where the route is particularly steep we always get complaints because of the inability of the complainer to properly adjust to the correct pace.

5. Personal factors. Even the best of hikers sometimes have low blood sugar, or are coming down with an illness not yet recognized, etc. The ailment list is nearly endless and all can affect how easily you get up the trail.

6. Wrong route. Ratings are computed for standard routes, usually the shortest path. Many leaders go their own way without informing their followers of this change. Such deviations always have higher ratings than what was listed for the hike.

After listening to 30 years of comments, some constructive, other acrimonious, I feel there are several general statements that should be understood about the rating system:

Beginners take the point system much, much too seriously. No one can really tell the difference between a 3.4 hike and a 3.6 hike as I have heard many times. When the ratings get somewhere above 8 or 10, they really start to lose their relative meaning. Two hikes both 10.0 might require approximately equal effort. However, trying to say that a 12.0 hike is 1.5 times as hard as a 8.0 hike is ridiculous; the human body doesn't work that way. Also, believing a 6.0 hike will be twice as hard as a 3.0 hike doesn't make sense if you struggled to do the 3.0 hike. It could be 4 times as difficult or even completely out of reach without carrying backpacks for camping.

For your information, during the next hikeing season I will be remapping all of the trails in the local Wasatch and will use this information to update applicable ratings. The old point allocation will be used so that the overall points for any hike shouldn't change much.

FROM THE SKI TOUR DIRECTOR

by Donn Seeley

The 1992 ski season not only is winding down but it never really wound up. The hiking season has started on the snow packed trails of what almost was a great year (it was for one month). Warm weather and a clear dry southern exposure should bring the 1992 hikers to the Hillside Plaza waiting for our Hiking Director to kick off the first hike of the season. For the history books, this is the first year that I can recall when in February the weather was warm and clear and we had no participants (except the leaders) for the scheduled tours. Break out the suntan lotion and hiking boots and close out the season on the Gourmet Ski Tour/Hike.

I would like to thank the touring committee for their help in putting together a full schedule of tours. Thanks to incumbents Ken Kelly, Clint Lewis, Doug Stark, Leslie Woods, George Westbrook, Monty Young, and new blood, Kyle Williams. A special thanks to Trudy Healy, who for a second year sent out hundreds of release forms and who after seeing yours truly without one, mailed one back to me. Next year I will be #2 director behind Clint Lewis who will handle the regular schedule. Start your snow dance and snow offerings early for 1993.

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FROM THE TENNIS COORDINATOR

by Christine Allred

The response from WMC members and friends who might be interested in a regularly scheduled round robin tennis get together has not been as enthusiastic as expected. So, I'll try again.

Please check your March Rambler for details in respect to ability level, frequency, style, place, time frame, etc. and give me a jingle at 261-8183. If I'm not at home, leave a message with my son or on the ubiquitous answering machine.

FROM THE KAYAKING COORDINATOR

By Janis Huber

Pool Practice

Presently, there are only tentative plans for open pool sessions during the month of April. I do expect this to change and I will try to put this information on my answering machine recording. For those of you who want to give me a call, my number is (801)-486-2345.

New Kayaking Activities

As the boating season draws ever closer, dreams of whitewater are more prevalent each night. This season is going to be a fun one. This year I would like to try some new activities. "Eddy" practice on the Weber, and a Scouting Clinic, are two ideas that I am contemplating for this season's boating activities. If anyone has any other suggestions, or would like to participate, please give me a call.

And please help the Boating program by showing up at the Storage Shed Work Party, River Season Planning Meeting, and Leader's Workshop in April!!!

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INSTRUCTIONAL CAMPING VIDEO AVAILABLE

The National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) has produced an excellent "Leave No Trace" video called "Soft Paths". Production of this 15 minute video was sponsored by the U.S. Forest Service. We have a copy and it can be borrowed by calling Randy Klein (774-6239). "Soft Paths" is appropriate for viewing by either youths or adults, and can be used to stimulate educational discussions.

Conservation Activities

By Marc Hutchison & John Veranth

April 11 - 12 - Escalante Canyons Wilderness Study Area Work Project

This is a joint work project with the Utah Wilderness Association and the BLM. We will be backpacking into the Gulch and will spend Saturday doing a site cleanup. Don't worry the BLM plans to horse pack the material out. There will be time for relaxing and socializing as well. Contact John Veranth 278-5826 for registration.

Wednesday April 29 - Spring Conservation Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Everyone who wants to get involved is welcome to this meeting. We will be planning this years conservation program and will try to match members with projects that interest them personally. Soft drinks and pizza will be provided. Meeting will be at 4460 Ashford Drive (1520 East north of 45th South). Call John Veranth for information.

Everyone is invited to a spring Conservation Committee meeting where we will plan this year's program. Goals of the meeting are to identify individuals who are willing to take the lead on particular issues; to set priorities for club work projects; to rank potential donations from the conservation fund; and to draft some general club positions on issues for Governing Board endorsement. See the activities listing for time and place.

We have an exciting work project scheduled for the Escalante area this month. These projects are a chance to have fun, talk with BLM staff, and make a positive contribution to the areas we enjoy.

Last year we constructed a fence to separate a recently negotiated trailhead right of way from the adjacent private property. During that weekend we remarked that we have a lot of backpackers around and that lead to the idea of this year's cleanup backpack in the Gulch.

The season schedule for Conservation trips, events and meetings includes:

April

Wilderness Cleanup Backpack - Escalante Area.

April

Spring Conservation Committee Meeting

June

Wilderness Study Area Field Workshop and Car Camp in Book Cliffs.

August

Midsummer committee meeting and barbeque.

July

Uintas North Slope Family Car Camp and Workshop.

October

Fall Conservation Committee Social at WMC Lodge



Shadow Pitographs by Charles Ranney

WELCOME TO THE CAMPING SEASON

by Donn Seeley

It's that time of year again, folks....

I'm Donn Seeley--I organized backpacks and car camps for the Hiking Committee last year and I'm Hiking Co-Director this year. You guessed it: it's time to start filling the schedule. (Actually, last month was time to start filling it, but this article was misplaced in the mad rush to get last month's *Rambler* out).

I was very happy with last year's schedule. An army of volunteers led trips to pretty places in Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, California and Colorado. I know how much fun this was--I went on several trips and led several more myself. I also know how much work it takes to run a successful expedition, and I want to thank all those volunteers for committing their time to taking the phone calls, working out the logistics, leading the troops to their destinations and getting home safely. Without you, it wouldn't happen.

We need new volunteers for this year's schedule. I received a list of names and phone numbers of people who checked off boxes on their membership renewal forms indicating that they were interested in leading out-of-town trips, but you can call me directly at 583-3143 to express your interest. I work from my home, and I'm available most afternoons and evenings; I have an answering machine for those occasions when I'm unavailable (usually because I'm camping). You should be aware that the *Rambler* deadline falls on the 15th of each month, so (for example) trips for mid-April to mid-May are normally scheduled during the first two weeks of March. This means that leaders must think about trips up to two months in advance; it can be hard to get in the mood for backpacking through the desert while snow is still on the ground in the city, but that's the way it works.

One reason to call me directly is to get a chance to grab a good weekend. I try to schedule two out-of-town trips per weekend from mid-April to mid-September, with more on holiday weekends, and your chances of finding a weekend that doesn't already have other interesting trips scheduled improve greatly if you call ahead. Another reason to call is to ask for suggestions about where to lead a trip. I generally have a good idea of areas that the Club has covered well during the season and areas that have been neglected, and I also have concrete suggestions for many beautiful (and somethings un

usual) destinations. I like to encourage exploratory trips, but I'm also familiar with grand old traditions, and I can recommend both kinds of trips to you. If you've never led a trip before, I can tell you what's involved and what sorts of problems (and joys) to expect. Finally, I'd love to hear about a wonderful canyon or mountain that you've always wanted to show to someone else--that's what leading trips is all about.

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FROM THE HIKING CO-DIRECTORS

First of all, many thanks to those of you who have agreed to serve on the Hiking Committee this year. As of this writing, these are: Tom Walsh, Randy Long, Phyllis Anderson, Charles Lesley, Dale Green, Howard Wilkerson, Bob Everson, Gerry Hatch, Duane Call, Frank Atwood and Bonnie Walsh. Special thanks to Howard Wilkerson who made the first round of calls and is responsible for the hikes listed in this *Rambler*. And, of course, many thanks to all of you who agreed to lead these hikes.

Just a reminder: Everything is done by volunteers. So without you, there'd be no hikes or anything else. Oh yes; a reminder to leaders: Please pace your hikes commensurate with the difficulty of the hike. A 2, 3 or 4 rated hike is not a sprint nor a competition. Nor, for that matter is anything else above this although we do recognize the competitive, A-type behavior of some of our members. And, of course, if a hike is rated at 8 or so or more, a brisk pace is necessary to get home before dark.

For you non-leaders, if you would like to lead a hike, GREAT. Your name may be on the volunteers print out but to be sure of leading, call Donn (583-3143) or Mike (582-0803) and let us know where and when. Then we'll be sure to get you on the program. Hope to hear from you on this or any suggestions you can offer.

Happy hike and camping in '92!!!!!!!!!!!!

Mike and Donn

FROM THE BOATING DIRECTOR:

by Randy Klein

Check the activities section for details about the river trip planning meeting, the work day at the boating shed, the new boaters' orientation, the new leaders' training class, and the spring boating party.

So far, we have permits in hand for the Yampa (June 6, Eileen Brown, 359-0754) and Westwater (June 6, Randy Klein, 774-6239). A leader will be needed for the Westwater trip if Randy goes on the Yampa trip.

A new river related activity has been "spawned". If you're interested in trips specifically designed for fishing (from shore, float tubes, or boats), call Bruce Oshita (774-6239).

A Grand Canyon permit may be up for grabs (July 3 launch, 15 people). Call Scott (278-3851) if you're interested.

Remember that the club rents boating gear to members for non-club trips. I'll try to remember to publish the rates in the May Rambler. You can also call Tony Ackerman at 966-6041 for details.

For the APRIL "Events at a Glance" (April 25 is a new item)

April 13	Boating Planning Meeting
April 18	Boating Equipment Work Day
April 18	New Boaters' Orientation
April 25	Jordan River Cleanup
May 2	Boating Party
May 11	Beginners' Work Party
May 13	New Leaders' Orientation
May 16-17	Beginning Boaters' Trip
May 16-18	Fishing in Montana
May 22-25	Payette Boating Trip

April 13 Boat Planning Meeting:

This is when we plan the boating trips for the entire summer, so it would be very helpful if permit holders and potential trip leaders could be present. The meeting is 7 - 9 pm at Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 S. Foothill Blvd. (west side of the street, around the back, downstairs).

April 18 Sat. BOATING EQUIPMENT WORK DAY.

Come see our new self-bailing oar rig and learn how to set it up. Also, help us work on gear that needs repairs. Meet at 9:30 am at the boating equipment shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8, just north of Zim's.

April 18 Sat. NEW BOATERS' ORIENTATION.

If you're new to river running or just new to the WMC and want to find out how we run our river trips, come to Gart Brothers, 5550 S. 900 E. from Sat.

Most of the distance from 900 South to 1000 North will be cleaned up. No one from the club has expressed interest in organizing a WMC group, but individuals can register by calling Sandra at the U. of U. Outdoor Program (581-8516) or REI (486-2100). The \$2 fee gets you lunch and a travel mug to commemorate the event.

May 2 Sat. RIVER RATS' BOATING PARTY.

We'll be having big fun at Tony Ackerman's house (6128 Hazelhurst Dr. (2730 West)). Plan to arrive at 6:30 pm for a potluck. Bring your own beverages, and if you wish, something to throw on the grill.

May 11 Mon. BEGINNERS' BOATING TRIP WORK PARTY.

For all those going on the May 16-17 Beginners' Boating Trip. Meet at 6 pm at the boating equipment shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8, just north of Zim's.

May 13 Wed. NEW BOATING LEADERS' ORIENTATION.

There are a lot of "tricks of the trade" that make leading a boating trip easier. We'll hand out WMC leaders' manuals and discuss the things you need to know to streamline the process and complete your trip with minimum hassles. We'll meet at Gart Brothers, 5550 S. 900 E. from 7 - 9 pm.

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BOATING (con't from p 28)

May 16-17 Sat-Sun BEGINNERS' BOATING TRIP (CLASS II).

Ease into river running at Gray Canyon on the Green River (near Green River, Utah). There will be instruction in paddling and river safety for beginning rafters or for advanced beginner kayakers and canoeists. Higher skill levels are welcome and needed to assist. Send \$25 deposit (and/or call with questions) to leader Janis Huber (486-2345). New boaters are encouraged to attend the April 18 orientation class as listed.

May 16-18 Sat-Mon FISHING IN MONTANA.

This trip will emphasize catch and release fishing. Possible rivers are the Madison, Gallatin, Yellowstone, etc. Call trip leader Bruce Oshita at 774-6239.

May 18 Mon. PAYETTE WORK PARTY

For all those going on the May 22-25 Payette Boating Trip. Meet at 6 pm at the boating equipment shed, 4317 S. 300 W. #8, just north of Zim's.

May 22-25 Fri-Mon. PAYETTE RIVER TRIP (CLASS III-IV).

Send a \$25 deposit or call Randy Klein (774-6239) if you're interested in paddling or leading this trip. For those who can't get off work on Friday, we'll try to arrange a second carpool to join the trip on Saturday morning.

FROM THE SCUBA DIRECTOR

Due to the lack of interest there will be no classes for scuba training at this time. If anyone still has an interest in classes at another time, call Bob Sherer and he will keep your name on file. Some members who are participating in the Leeward Island sailing trip are planning to take lessons in as a small group of anywhere from 2-4. If anyone is interested in joining, you're more than welcome. The cost is about \$200 per.



Yellowstone Trip--Mar. 5-9 at Biscuit Basin

(l-r) Wes Groesbeck, Susan & Gary Whitney



Yellowstone Trip Gary Whitney at Biscuit Basin

SOGGY BAGELS IN THE RAIN or How to Pack Food for River Trips

by Mike Dege

Each year I see more and more people learning the hard way how to pack for a river trip. Let me share with you some of the tips I have gained from many years of eating soggy bagels.

Packing food for a trip is basically the same as packing your personal gear. It **WILL** be smashed, bashed and soaked in dirty bilge water so **PREPARE FOR IT**.

Seal-a-meal bags are the greatest invention for river running. The bags are very durable; I've sealed syrup, lasagna, refried beans, almost anything. You can heat the food by boiling the bags, avoiding messy pots which you have to clean. Many people have a sealer so if you don't have one, **ASK**, or buy one at Deseret Industries real cheap.

Prepare things at home. It is far easier to chop, grate, peel and slice in your own kitchen than it is on the river. Putting these prepared foods in plastic bags also makes it easier to pack. Having your onions, peppers, potatoes, meats and cheese already grated lets you relax and enjoy happy hour instead of doing it in the rain.

Make several smaller packages rather than one big one. It packs easier and if you don't use all of it, you need not open all the bags. Cans pack well, but first remove the labels and mark the contents with a waterproof marker. Without a doubt, these cans find themselves stored in duffel bags at the bottom of the load and will lose their labels immediately.

Don't trust store wrappers! I have seen tortillas and bagels sitting at the bottom of a cooler soaked because someone thought the plastic they were wrapped in was sufficient -- put them in waterproof bags.

Wine should be brought in boxes, then leave the box home. Be sure to label the bladder. These bladders are truly indestructible. I once saw two large men stand on the top of one and it refused to break or split.

Eggs should be broken and stored in plastic bottles. They last fairly long in the cooler this way;

you don't have egg shells to dispose of and no worries about breaking the egg.

Mark everything with the name of the meal to which it belongs, such as "Saturday breakfast." This makes it easier to organize the packing and to find appropriate meals later in the trip. Don't bring food that will generate a lot of garbage. Melons have a lot of rind, corn on the cob is bad too. We once had whole chickens on the Grand Canyon. It was great until we had to live with the bones and other chicken leftovers baking in the garbage for two weeks.

Breakable foods such as taco shells and chips should be kept to a minimum. Dry food ammo cans are **DANGEROUS** to carry; most captains want to keep them to a minimum. Spagetti is not bad but tortilla chips are out. Don't forget squishables like tomatoes. Now really, how are you going to keep them from getting smashed?

Avoid bulky foods. Melons are my #1 enemy. Where do you store them? In the cooler? In a duffel bag? In an ammo can? These things are evil and should never be brought. If you must have them, remove the rind, cut them in pieces and store in a container that will pack well. Whole lettuce heads are terrible unless you cut it up before hand.

Don't count on a special place just for your food. When 20-30 frantic people are packing up in the middle of the night, things get thrown helter skelter. Don't count on being able to pack those cream puffs you bought in a special dry protected spot -- it doesn't exist!

Bon appetit Riviere Rats.

Editor's note: Thanks to Mike for some of the don'ts -- now how about some of the do's for the next issue. Surely some of you river runners can pass on hints to others of us? With an emphasis on some flavor and versatility if possible?

TRIP TALKS

YELLOWSTONE SKI TOUR - MARCH 5-9 BY GARY WHITNEY

Yellowstone in winter is another world. Angry plumes of geyser steam go unnoticed by bison wandering nearby - the animals as plentiful as tourists in another season. The magnificence of the place is intoxicating. Even snowmobiles become almost tolerable.

Wasatch Mountain Club members enjoyed four wonderful days ski-touring the Yellowstone under the competent direction of co-leaders Cassie Badowsky and Mike Budig. Cassie had arranged motels both in and out of the park, snow coach transportation and dinner reservations every day. She had information on all the ski trails and probably would have tucked us all into bed at night had we asked. My advice is to get a travel agent, like Cassie, to arrange your out-of-town Mountain Club trips. All that's left is to kick back and let it happen.

Mike took over once the skis were snapped on. He was a made-to-order tour guide and park naturalist. Seems he worked a couple of summers in the park several years back. He remembered all the good places to go and shared lots of information about geologic features and animal life.

In spite of Mike and Cassie's enthusiastic leadership, there were the inevitable problems. We were welcomed to West Yellowstone Thursday night by a drizzling rain. That, to add to the fears of an already dawning snowpack in the park. Then the lights went out. The entire town was without power from about the time club members started to party until long after they gave it up and went to bed. From then on, the town was set. Early-to-bed and early-to-rise, hit the trail and forget the parties (that was the behavior from then on out).

Charles Reichmuth is still wondering why he ended up leaving two liters of wine with lodge employees.

Then there was Cassie's luggage. A duffel bag did not get loaded on to the snow coach in West Yellowstone, and then hotel employees misplaced it after that. It was the last day of the trip before she could change out of her original ski outfit. It was black and it was beautiful - day after day. She was tolerant and we were polite.

Out first full day on the trail, at Mike's recommendation, was to Divide Pass with a spectacular view of Shoshone Lake. After several posed photos from our makeshift tripod (dubbed a "Polish tripod" by Cassie), we made our way down the Spring Creek trail. The trail lay next to a stream and gently descended several miles. Susan Lyman-Whitney liked the even slope - like a "people mover at the airport," she described it.

The highlight of Spring Creek was a granddaddy, seven-point bull elk left undisturbed by our stares and exclamations. He was less than one hundred feet off the trail and displayed an attitude later aptly described by a park naturalist. "The animals here are so wild they don't know they are supposed to be afraid of people."

The Spring Creek Trail ended with a side trip to Lone Star Geyser. A few of the more ambitious, Gayle Stockslager leading the pack, arrived in time to see an eruption. Even when it wasn't erupting it gurgled and fumed out of a huge cone, leaving one to wonder at the forces brewing underneath.

Days end couldn't have been more pleasant. Rooms at the Snow Lodge cabins were spacious, showers were hot and the beds were firm and comfortable. Dinners at the Snow Lodge restaurant brought universal "Oooohs" and "Ahhs" from all in our group. The favorite was vegetable lasagna. Yours truly ignored all the conversation about cholesterol and indulged heartily upon the tenderest of prime rib.

After dinner, it was the ranger show at the visitor's center, a few short hikes under a scant new moon, and then off to bed. Word is that those poor souls bunking with Lade Heaton awoke to him singing in the shower at 6 a.m. No wonder the wine went untouched.

With sunny, warm days to look forward to, we all wanted to get an early start. The spring-like temperatures had left spots of bare ground at lower elevations, but no one seemed to mind. Walk, ski, hike, jump over bison biscuits, take a lunch time nap if you want to. An easy pace developed, allowing plenty of time to smell the sulphur.

We brought out of our reverie the last day when our departing snow coach would not depart because of a transmission problem. Seems as though this was the last day of the winter season and the park employees were a bit rambunctious. Our driver was the victim of some playful sabotage by other drivers who had disconnected the gearshift linkage. Neither he nor we were much amused. After a short delay, a mechanic found the problem and we were on our way. And to think we could have left on tie, at least that once.

Trip participants were: Cassie Badowsky, Mike Budig, Gayle Stockslager, Tom Dickeson, Gary Whitney, Susan Lyman-Whitney, Wes Groesbeck, Susant Sweigert, Ray Wenger, Lade Heaton, Charles Reichmuth, and David Vance.

TELEMARK CLINIC

February 8, 1992

by Jim Bailey

The group met at Hillside Plaza at 9 a.m. After a month of dirty air and no snow, we were all prepared for icy and/or rocky conditions, but at least we would be out of the gunk. Attendance at the clinic was obviously hurt by the lack of snow. Dauphnee Randall had volunteered her time and skills to direct the clinic and organize the different volunteer teachers. Unfortunately for Dauphnee, she was the only teacher that showed up. Other scheduled volunteer teachers had probably thought that the clinic had been canceled due to lack of snow. However, Rick McClain and Kyle Williams, who both were to lead cross country expeditions, had all no-shows because of the lack of snow. They saved the day by volunteering their services to help Dauphnee with instruction.

On the way up the canyon, small particulate matter was perceived in the air. We questioned our senses, as this matter appeared to resemble snow, something we hadn't seen for some time. As it turned out, it was snow and a sense of elation and euphoria swept over us.

After pooling up to Alta, we bought morning half-days on the Albion lift and rode to the top. To break up the classes into different skill levels, we were all told to Telemark our way down the cat track. This was a difficult task for many of us, as we had not yet been taught the mechanics of the turn. I had recently read a book on the subject, so was able to fake the Telemark position sufficiently to be placed in the intermediate class, possibly a mistake.

Rick took the Telemark intermediates, while Dauphnee and Kyle took on the neophytes. Rick was a patient and effective teacher. Two of the pupils, Donna and Frank, obviously had prior experience with the turn. To me, it was a humbling experience. I've been an Alpine skier most my life, but managed to fall that morning more than all of the previous 5 years on Alpine gear.

Eventually, things started to click and I pulled off a couple of passable turns. I was praised mostly for my recovery skills, as I found myself frequently flailing arms and legs, trying to keep my balance and avoid the dreaded head plant.

Later, the two groups met at the top of the lift so we could display our nascent Telemarking skills. The teachers swapped students, and we were instructed from different points of view. This was helpful, as a different perspective often is. Dauphnee helped me solve my trailing ski problem, though it was obvious I needed some serious practice before I try this turn on any but the gentlest of groomed runs. I have since gained some of that practice night skiing at Brighton, a good deal for \$8, if you can avoid being overrun by teenage Kamakaze snowboarders.

All in all, everyone had an enjoyable time and deeply appreciated the instruction. It is commendable there are people in the club willing to volunteer their time to instruct those of us who lack certain skills. Dauphnee, who has volunteered her time to instruct a number of times this season, stated that she was only giving back to the club what the club had given her some years back, an exemplary attitude.

Instructors: Dauphnee Randall, Rick McClain, Kyle Williams

Students: Conley Adams, Jim Bailey (scribe), Gary Barnett, Dallas Chopping, Michael Eisenberg, Kevin Flanagan, Suzanne Gardner, Donna Kramer, Bill Strickler, Delores Taylor, Gary Whitney



Yellowstone Trip Mar 5-9 at Continental Divide

Greek Sailing Odessy

September 28 to October 14, 1991

by Shirlyn Morris on the Crisdi II with some help from Christine Allred and others on the Sonalis.

October 1st dawned clear and bright though some of our crew was a bit slow in getting started after the festivities of the night before in the Kea Harbor. A couple members took an early morning "constituional" walking around the bay and part way up a valley. These islands are very rocky and quite steep with small farms carved out of mountainous hillsides. We saw goats and orchards with some vegetable plots; it was very dry with little forage so one farmer was cutting leaves from his olive trees to feed the animals.

Kea's principal town, known as the "Hora", was located several miles inland and up, up, up. Part of the group caught the local bus; those that were slow in getting going called for a taxi and piled in for a wild ride to the same destination.

Talk about stepping back in time! The very narrow streets were of a gray stone, often with white washed lines or decorative flower shapes. Small homes were built cheek to jowl or on top of each other right to the edge of the street. The white washed walls sparkle in the brilliant sunshine; doors and shutters provide colorful accents in red, blue, green, yellow, orange or brown. Many times a door curtain of fabric served the same purpose as a screen and we could hear movement and sound from the interiors as the women conversed with each other.

Spaced inbetween the homes were small shops, tavernas and cafes, with occasional churches both small and large as religion is a very prominent part of Greek island life. As the homes and shops were built into the steep hillsides, the streets and narrow pathways would wind and twist to provide access. Following one such path, Gill found a community water closet and shower housed in a cave-like recess -- a seatless stool over a hole in the ground and a spray nozzle at the end of a flexible water hose.

Most of us followed a terraced path out of the village to find the "Lion of Kea," an ancient stone sculpture of a large reclining feline which dates back to the pre-Christian era. The big cat had an expression that could have inspired the Cheshire

Cat grin. It was hot and dusty so we were glad to get back to the village to find the local bakery and refreshments at a taverna.

Upon returning to the harbor, we found the motor on Crisdi II would not start so that prevented us from leaving for our next port. Leaving Dave and George to contact the owner of the boat for instructions and to finagle with buttons, switches and instructions, most of the group walked over a small hill to a beach area for a refreshing swim. The water was clear and quite cool at that time of the year. As the Aegean Sea is known as a "dead sea" we did not find the same interesting coral and tropical fishes as inhabit the Caribbean.

By the time the motor was activated, we had missed our "window" to sail; the insurance on the boats would not cover us after dark and in winds over Force 4 so we elected to spend another night on Kea.

October 2nd -- we put out around 9 a.m. into strong winds and big waves. Our group had been repeatedly counseled and advised against sailing in the Cyclades Islands this time of the year, but we were stubborn about when we wanted to go. Shirlyn, who is very knowledgeable about such things recorded that Crisdi II sailed with "only a reefed jib downwind, then a broad reach and then downwind again into Loutra."

After a while all Christine and several others on Sonalis (Sandy confirmed it was the same for Steve and her on Crisdi II) noticed was the size of the waves as they hung over the rail losing their breakfasts. Thanks to all the other crew members who hung on to our feet so we didn't go overboard on one of the boat rolls.

Unfortunately, there was no room at the Loutra docks on Kithnos Island, so we had to seek another port on the other side of the island. Now this may seem no big deal but to those of us on both boats who were by now deathly seasick, it was mighty serious -- all we wanted was to reach land, any land, and get off that boat. Jerry Hambleton earned the "good sport" award that day; not only doesn't he like boats, but he is afraid of water. Yet when new wife Lee wanted to take this honeymoon trip, he was game enough to try.

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Greek Odyssey - continued

Some time later, George Sifonis (our Greek Captain), with able assistance from Vince, Diane, Dave, Gill and Shirlyn (the only ones not literally under the weather) got both boats to a cement dock in Mericas -- where we stayed three nights due to the bad weather. Even getting to shore was a challenge as the gangplank quivered and heaved with each wave. Once on shore, some of the crew located hotel rooms for the duration in hopes a solid bed to calm their stomachs and spirits.

October 3rd-5th was spent on Kithnos waiting out the storm; we knew it was bad when the local fishermen spent the days in the harbor, mending nets, sitting around the taverns talking, eating and drinking. I don't think anyone was bored, however, as we each chose various ways to sight see, catching the flavor of life on a small Greek island; we really appreciated the guidance Diane offered. She had done a lot of studying before the trip and packed two or three guidebooks.

Due to the season, many of the tourist facilities were closed. Upon George's recommendation, we mainly patronized the Kissos restaurant, a family owned establishment where food was home cooked and presented in a cafeteria style with some changes in choice each day along with staples like Greek salad, moussaka, fish, chicken and vegetables.

During our stay in Meritas, we had a birthday celebration for Gill and Steve (actually it should have been on the 6th, but we didn't know what that day would bring or where we would be). The original plans called for a cake, candles, decorations, balloons -- the whole works. However, Shirlyn forgot some of the decorations and the stove on Sonalis was inoperable, so we couldn't bake the cake without giving away the surprise although Steve suspected something was afoot.

Upon hearing of our predicament, George enlisted the help of the Kissos family who whipped up two typical Greek birthday cakes for our dinner on the 5th. Composed of a lemon flavored jello or

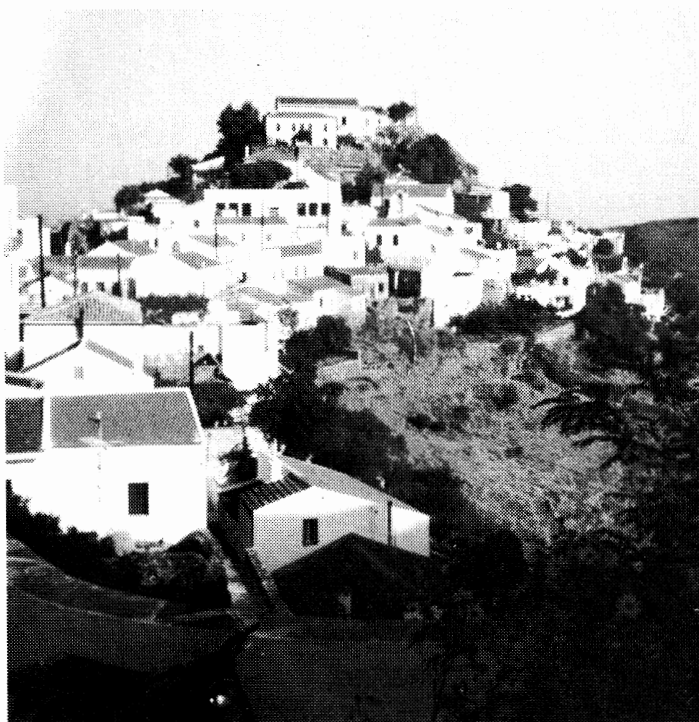
pudding like custard molded around spongy cookies, they were delicious. Americans as well as the Greek people got a real kick when neither Gill or Steve could blow out the trick candles on the top! As a fire station captain with Salt Lake City, Gill received a lot of ribbing on his difficulty in handling this small "fire."

During our stay on Kithnos, various members of the group, at various times, visited the other main towns -- Loutra on the other side of the island and Theropia (old name Aponia) at the top. Ruins of old windmills dot the crests of the hills and were very interesting. In Theropia, we visited a pottery shop where an old man was at work; most bought souvenirs. Townspeople are very friendly, especially the school children who were delighted to try out their English.

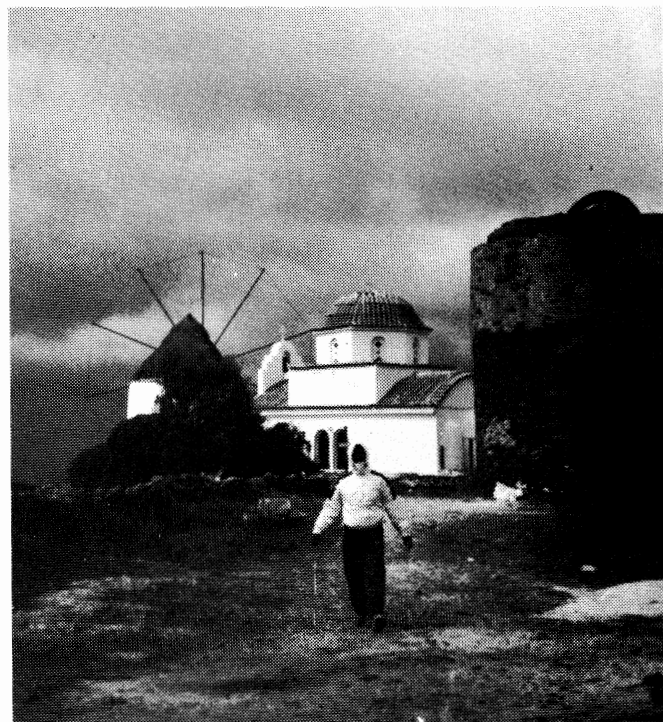
Coast walking and hiking provided some interest; Dave, Janet and Christine spent one morning getting to another beach, then visiting an abandoned light house on the way back. Lori, an avid artist, set up her easel in the main square one day to paint the local scenery. Diane, Janet and Bernadette knew where to find the best "nescafe" and goodies.

Nightlife could be exciting on Kithnos. Shirlyn was going back to the boat when she heard live music. After fetching Steve, they followed the music to a nearby cafe where they found a group of local fishermen having a party. Invited to sit down and have some wine, they joined in the party. After a while one of the musicians got tired and handed his tambourine to Shirlyn; she became a member of the band until he was rested. On another occasion, Bernadette was said to have danced on the bar. Or was it the tables? Vince and Linda kicked up their heels to old rock and roll tunes.

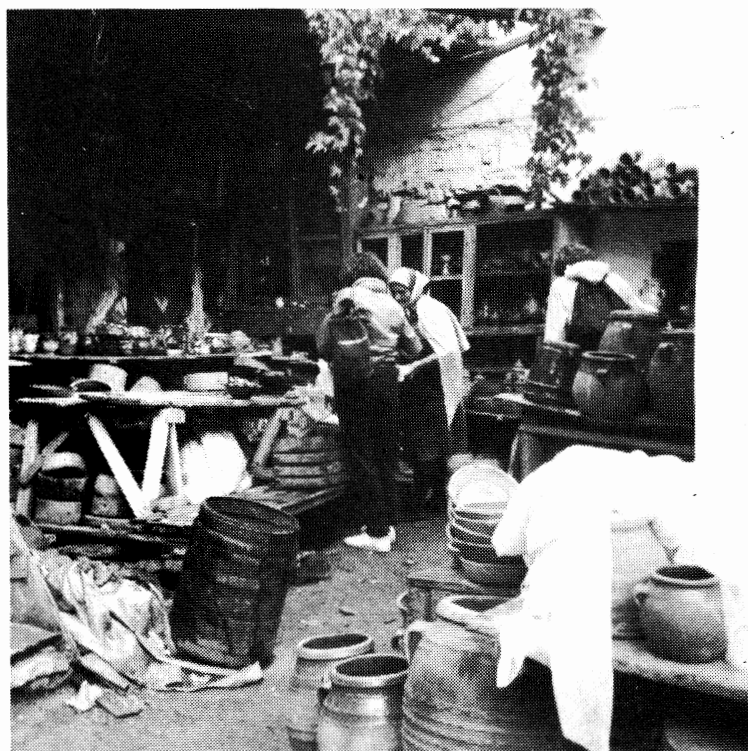
Stay tuned to the next issue -- we'll have more on the adventures of the hardy crew of Sonalis: Vince Desimone, Linda Wilcox, Janet Friend, Christine Allred, Diane Robinson, Bernadette Clahane and Jerry and Lee Hambleton. Crisdi II salts were Dave Townsend, Gill Gillian, Lori Webb, Sandy Dickinson, Steve and Shirlyn Morris



Hora, the principal town on Kea. Very typical of Greek Island villages



Hiking on the island of Kithnos. Ancient and modern windmill and small church



Shopping for souvenirs in a pottery on Kithnos

Exploratory Snowshoeing at Pinebrook by trip leader Christine Allred

Sunday, February 23rd, was a day of high avalanch possibilty, so I really expected a fairly good turnout for an exploratory Snowshoe outing in the Pinebrook area just over Parley's summit across from Jeremy Ranch. We would be using a north facing slope covered with pine and scrub oak and few, if any, overhangs or open bowls.

Janet Friend, Michael Budig and Duane Call were at the K-Mart/Regency theater parking lot at 9:30 a.m. A carpool was formed to the Pinebrook Sales office where we were joined by a Park City group assembled by Bernadette Clahane. Bernie had cajoled four other members of the Park City Ski Club to join her, and us, for a new adventure.

The weather was fantastic -- scudding clouds against a blue sky with lots of sunshine. The old Ecker Hill ski jump site prompted a story from Duane Call. Pioneer promoter Stein Erickson evidently finished one of his jumps with only a couple of feet of snow covered ground to spare. There is a monument and plaque to commemorate the spot and the steep hill is still used by local children for sledding.

The trailhead was at the apex of a horse shoe shaped curve as far back in the Pinebrook Homes area you could drive. After our more experienced hands (Janet, Mike and Duane) helped newbees Jill Cramer, Jack Corneveaus, Nancy Witt, Amy Knode and Bernadette strap on their curious footwear, we started up an old road which was well tracked and rutted from previous adventurers. Duane's black labrador dog could hardly contain his excitement at being off a lease and covered twice the ground we did with various side forays seeking bunnies, squirrels, whatever.

Some comments were heard in respect to ending up bowlegged after this hike until Christine suggested that lenthening one's stride often helped with the particular awkwardness associated with this type of locomotion.

Jack seemed particularly adventurous as he took the lead when we left the main road breaking trail vigorously!

"Is it time for lunch yet," came a plaintive cry after about two miles. Since I had heard that refrain on a Greek Sailing Trip (Bernie was our first rate pastry-goodie shop finder), it was easy to know from whence came the suggestion. By then, we were getting into steeper terrain and having to zigzag our way around a gully and snow covered fallen tree trunks and underbrush. Jack and Nancy

were in the lead so when they found a likely log, they brushed off the snow and we all stopped for a breather, some goodies and liquids.

Bernadette and Jill had come far enough for a first outing so they elected to rest a while then return to the cars. Always having had a good eye for attractive ladies, Duane offered to see they made it back down to the trailhead, allowing Christine to continue on exploring with the remainder of the group.

The rest of us slogged and weaved our way up a steep draw to a relatively clear hilltop with a view towards Park City and the various construction projects taking place for the proposed Olympic Sites. Whee, the expansive vista was worth the calories expended!

As leader on this outing, I'd like to thank both the Salt Lake and Park City groups for helping me find a new, beautiful area to explore. Perhaps next year a repeat trip will draw a bigger crowd.

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SAILING THE LEEWARD ISLANDS

We now have committed to a fourth boat one of which might be a catamaran. At press time, 2 spaces remain for this trip.

Estimated cost of the trip will be \$1,300 for one week and \$1,900 for two; it is possible to start in one location and fly out half way through. Price includes airfare, boats and operating expense; the initial deposit is \$400 and can be sent to Vince Desimone P.O. Box 680111, Park City, Ut. 84068-011 1-649-6805.

Better known as the Leeward Islands, this group has a delightful combination of French, African and English cultures blending with lush foliage, dense forests, mountain, waterfalls, tropical flowers and birds.

"You don't need to be a sailor to participate but there will be ample opportunity for those who want to learn to do so," Vince points out. "You will be expected to share in on-board chores." An average day might include 4 to 5 hours sailing, with lots of time left for snorkeling, exploring, shopping, as each night is spent at a shore-side anchorage.

Bob Sherer, the WMC Dive Coordinator, will be leading SCUBA divers on several outings. Contact him for further information on this activity.

APRIL SKY CALENDAR

by Ben Everitt

MOON

New Moon	Apr 02	May 02
First Quarter	Apr 10	May 09
Full Moon	Apr 16	May 16
Last Quarter	Apr 24	May 24

MOONRISE

Saturday	Mnt. Standard Time		
Apr 04	6:30 AM		
	Mnt. Daylight Time		
Apr 11	2:00 PM	May 02	6:00 PM
Apr 18	10:00 PM	May 09	1:00 PM
Apr 25	2:45 PM	May 16	9:00 PM
		May 23	1:00 AM
		May 30	4:30 AM

NOTE: Moonrise times are for 40 degrees north latitude, 112 west longitude. Add about an hour for each day later than the given date, and another hour if you are in the mountains.

SOURCE: The Astronomical Almanac for 1992

PLANETS

SATURN, MARS, and VENUS are in the morning sky, rising just before the sun in that order. MERCURY, dodging in and out, will pass just north of Venus, which by now is faint and close to the sun, on April 5. It will be highest and most visible on April 23, and will be south of the waning crescent moon on April 30.

The bright planet in the west at dawn in JUPITER, balancing that side of the sky by himself.

FROM THE MANAGING EDITORS:

Did you guess that there were new editors at the helm of the *Ramber* last month? Floundering as it were!!! You betcha!

Three inexperienced but enthusiastic women put their limited computer knowledge together (and with the assistance of computer literate lady Cindy Kidd), brought to you, a slightly imperfect, very slightly delayed, but readable up to date issue of most of the events and activities for which the WMC is famous.

A fish story this is not; the staff honestly acknowledges that **unintentionally** some articles and activities were omitted that were submitted on time (darn it, can't use they missed the deadline for an excuse). We could give 100+ fishy excuses and a few truthful ones as to why this happened, but the 'tail' would be too long, too boring to tell. And already there are enough long storeis to read in this issue.

So now the rest of the tale. Please bear with us as we struggle to overcome our disadvantage--which basically is--a learn as we go putting together each issue over the next few months. Those of you who now or will submit articles, activities, etc., refer to the March editorial from us for guidelines. Added to those, try to keep your verbosity in check when writing trip talks especially and **expect some editing**. If you plan on mailing in articles, they have to **be in the office by the 15th**, not postmarked by the 15th. We start on the 15th to input the material and it takes us many, many hours over an 8-10 day period to put it all together. We will be faster as we become more proficient and use to Desk Top Publishing.

To those of you who have submitted an article this month on a floppy disk and it didn't appear, it is because we couldn't translate it, even with the able help of Randy Klien, who was able to translate most of them onto our Ready, Set, Got and Micro Soft Word. Please resubmit your article or if it's on a disk we are unable to translate, give us a hard copy this coming month. Thanks.

Hopefully, if all goes right, next month we'll overcome this computer problem with a newer, more state-of-the-art system. Hope! Hope! HOPE!!

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.

NOTICE!

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.

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TWO KAYAKS: 1989 Perception Eclipse, Yellow, Custom Pads, Flotation, New Harmony Skirt. Seda Pyrana 390 Everest, Yellow, Fully Customized Cockpit, Skirt, Flotation, Flatwater Sdeg. Both in Excellent Shape. Call Gene Gillette, 486-0108 after 7:30 p.m.

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TENT: North Face. "New" Bullfrog 1991 model.. Call Rob at 487-3876 and make an offer.

SKIS: Tua Cirque. 200 cm. with voile cable bindings. Never used. \$350. Call Steve at 1-649-2535.

RAFT: 16-foot Shoshone. Great shape. Two removable thwarts. \$1,000. Contact Angela or Clare at S'Plore. 484-4128.

PERSONAL: Borrowed--Woman's white shirt with sail boat on front from "Mary" at Univ. Fld. House. Shirt wants to return home. Mary, plz call Jean Frances 582-0803.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

Membership applicants must participate in at least two Club outdoor or service activities, verified by the signatures of approval from the activity leaders. Yearly dues are \$25.00 single, \$35.00 couple. A \$5.00 initiation/reinstatement fee is charged.

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2. _____

I agree to abide by all the rules and regulation 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 Assistant

I found out about the WMC from _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:

**MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
WASTACH MOUNTAIN CLUB
888 SOUTH 200 EAST, SUITE 111
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111**

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RECEIPT # _____ DATE RECEIVED _____ AMOUNT RECEIVED _____
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535-5855

**OR THE APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY
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