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WMC PURPOSE

(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

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

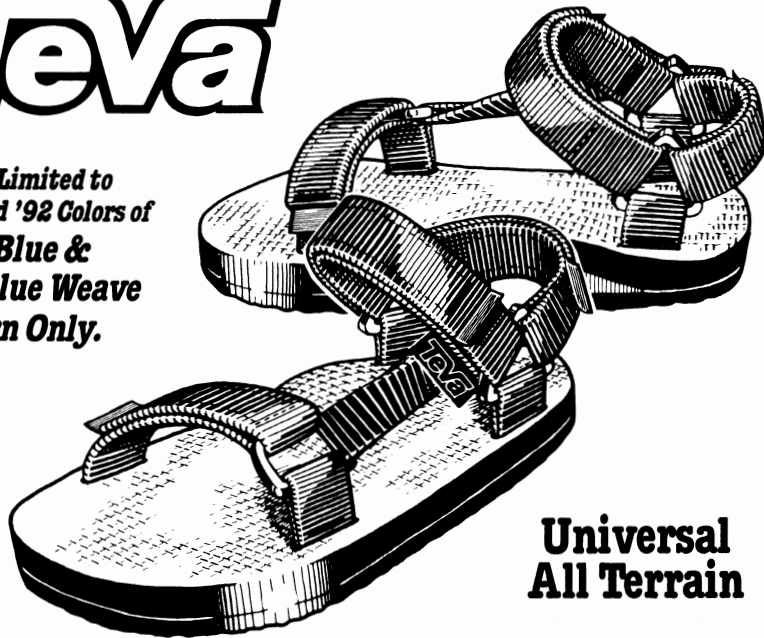
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Scrambling towards
Wolverine Bowl Dec. 1992.
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TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

MARCH 1968

by Dale Green, Historian

Prexy Tom Stevenson sums up his last term in office: "The Club has really grown during this last year. Our present membership is over 370. This is due in part to the personal efforts of many members finding prospective members, and advertising the club to others. The personal touch counts!"

"The Club is solvent. We have about \$1120 in the coffers, even after buying a \$2000 bus. This is a result of a year of fiscal prudence during 1966 and successful boating and bus trips last year, plus continued prudence."

Transportation Director, Dick Snyder, solicits funds to match a donation by an interested member to facelift the "new" bus.

Local trip reports include Albion Basin by Carl Bauer and Gad Valley by Clarice Caywood.

A more exotic report by Dale Green relates a solo trip up Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest. The cost for a 6 day trip, which included a hotel, guide, 4 porters, tips, food and lodging was 470 shillings or about \$79.80 American money!

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN THE WMC

MARCH, 1943

(From Board of Directors Meeting Minutes)

The Commissary Director was in a quandary as to how to apply for food rationing for the Club.

Pa Parry is again volunteering to donate a trophy to the Club member who wins the Langlauf ski race for three years running. This year, the March 14th cross-county race held at Alta, was won by Harold Goodro in 1:20 hrs. A half-length course was sponsored for the girls.

FROM THE HISTORIAN

I am in the process of inventorying and assembling past issues of the Rambler. Eventually, several copies will be bound and placed in our library. To my dismay, several recent issues are missing. They are: MAY, 1987; MARCH, 1989; DECEMBER, 1990. I also need a few copies of the AUGUST, 1992 and SEPTEMBER, 1992 issues. If you have copies in good order (no marks other than the address label) and are willing to donate them, please call Dale Green, (277-6417), and arrange for their pickup. Thank you.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

SKIING

March

- 6 Brighton to Midway
- 7 Leader's Choice
- 7 Co-op Creek
- 7 Leader's Choice
- 7 Triple Reverse
- 13 Leader's Choice
- 14 Greens Basin
- 14 Leader's Choice
- 14 Leader's Choice
- 20 Powder Park
- 20 Unitas (Woodland Area)
- 21 Lambs Canyon-Murdock Peak and Back
- 21 Scotts Pass
- 27 Mount Raymond
- 27 Reynolds Peak North Face
- 27 Unitas Willow Hollow-Wolf Creek
- 28 Deseret Peak
- 28 Powder Park

April

- 3 Annual Kings Peak
- 3 White Pine
- 4 Stansbury Mountains
- 4 Mill Creek
- 4 Powder Park
- 10 Days Fork
- 10 Gobblers Knob
- 10 Pinecrest to the Artisan
- 11 Leader's Choice
- 11 Mill D North Fork to Dog Lake
- 17 Silver Fork
- 17 Bear Trap
- 18 Gourmet Ski Tour

SNOWSHOE

March

- 6 Mill Creek Canyon
- 7 Red Pine
- 13 Lake Blanche
- 14 Lake Catherine
- 20 Uintas Leader's Choice
- 21 Leader's Choice
- 28 Uintas Leader's Choice

April

- 3 Gourmet Trip

SOCIALS

March

- 4 Entertainment Committee Meeting
- 14 St. Patrick's Pot Luck (Changed date)
- 21 Open House

BOATING

April

- 7 Planning Meeting

MOUNTAINEERING

March

- 16 Mountaineering Networking Activity
- 20 South Ridge of Mt. Superior
- 30 Mountaineering Networking Activity

April

- ??? Desert Mountaineering Trip
- 30 Indian Creek

(Note to mountaineers: Ice axes can be rented commercially and the club has a few available to those who are early in registering for trips).

HIKING

March

- 14 Stansbury Island Winter Hike
- 21 Leader's Choice
- 24 Hiking Committee Pary
- 28 Big Beacon via Georges Hollow

April

- 3 April Fools' Peak Winter Hike
- 3 City Creek Twins Hike
- 4 Pencil Point Family Hike
- 4 Craner Peak Hike
- 10 Van Cott Peak Hike
- 11 Big Beacon Hike

MARCH VOLLEYBALL

DATES: 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29
MEET: 6:30 pm at Highland High
 (2100 S 1700 E)
FEE: \$1 Members \$2 non members
CALL: First timers please call Duke
 Bush (467-4666)

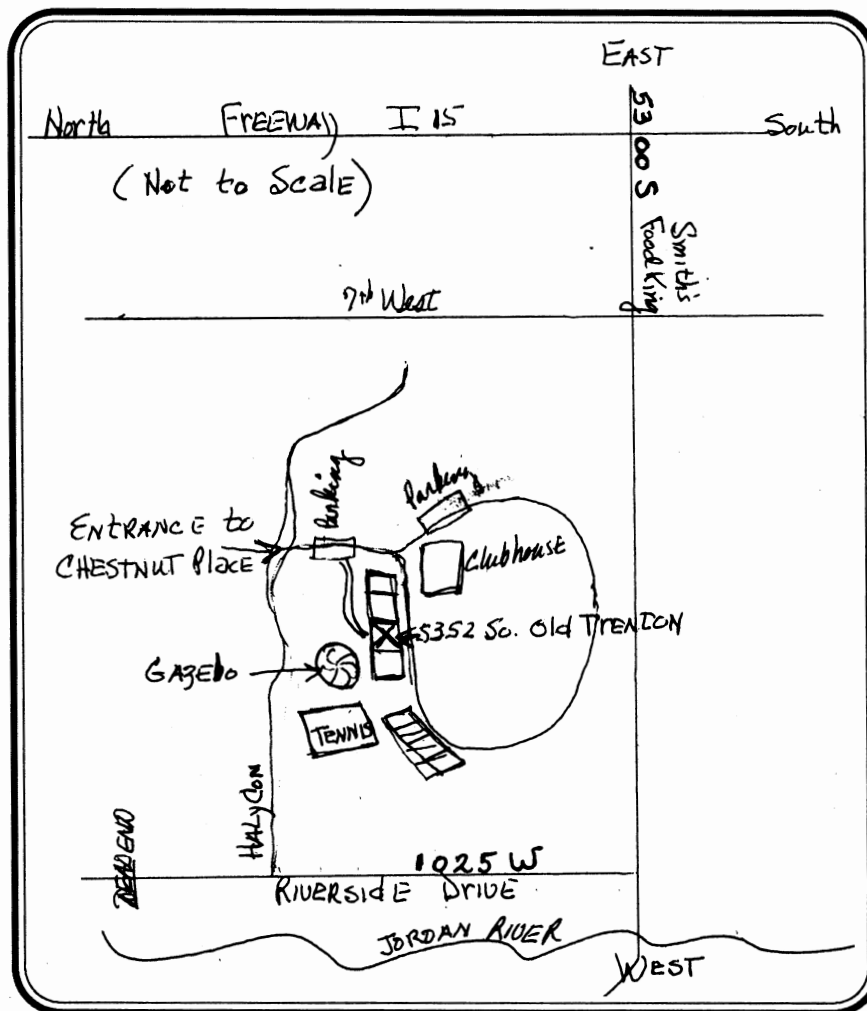
FROM THE EDITORS

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In submitting articles, we have the capability to translate many programs. Therefore, send us your floppy **and a hard copy, double spaced** (this also applies to typed copy).

Please **do not** type articles in caps as it requires retyping it in the computer.

Help us and help yourselves by picking up your disks and pictures after you've received the *Rambler*.



Map to Christine Allred's home in Murray.

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, boating, 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

MID-WEEK MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY Sue Berg (576-0532) is interested in organizing mid-week ski tours throughout the whole season. Please call Sue to set up anything of interest.

MOUNTAINEERING: Anyone interested in coordinating, leading, or participating in any kind of climbing/mountaineering activity this year, please call Kyle Williams (487-9309).

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| Mar 4
Thu | MEETING: ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE PLANNING MEETING Come share your ideas for upcoming social events. Meet at Marie Callender's, 1313 So. Foothill Blvd. at 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome. We'll try to sit near the entrance. For further information call Randi Gardner (968-7335) or Mary Ann Losee (278-4587). |
| Mar 6
Sat | SNOWSHOE TOUR: MILL CREEK CANYON (NTD) Newcomers are welcome on Duane Call's (485-2980) snowshoe tour in Mill Creek Canyon. Meet Duane at 9:30 am near the defunct Bagel Nosh at Olympus Hills shopping center. |
| Mar 6 | SKI TOUR: BRIGHTON TO MIDWAY (MOD) Call leaders Mike Budig (328-4512) and Ken Kelley (649-3520) before March 1 to register. Try to fit in tradition of hot tub and dinner. |
| Mar 7
Sun | SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD) Meet Bill Franks (649-3364) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. |
| Mar 7 | SKI TOUR: CO-OP CREEK OR ELSE WHERE (NTD to MOD+) Wick Miller (649 1790) will lead this tour. Salt Lakers meet at Parley's Way K-Mart parking lot at 8:30 am for generic car pooling. Then meet Wick at McDonald's at Kimball Junction at 9 am. You can go as far as you like, but Wick prefers to make it more of a MOD tour. You may need skins depending on snow conditions. |
| Mar 7 | SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD+) Meet Clint Lewis (295-8645) at 9 am Hillside Plaza. Experienced snowshoers welcome. |

- Mar 7
Sun **SKI TOUR: TRIPLE TRAVERSE (MSD+)** Call George Westbrook (942-6071 to register and for a very early start. Alta to Flagstaff, to Day's Fork, to Desolation, to Little Water, down Mill Creek, up to Murdock, down Lambs, over into Tolls and out at Summit Park.
- Mar 7 **SNOWSHOE TOUR: RED PINE (MOD)** Tom Walsh (969-5842) will lead this intermediate trip up the popular Red Pine trail. Join Tom at 9 am at Hillside Plaza for the snowshoe and afterwards at the Canyon Inn.
- Mar 13
Sat **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD)** Brian Barkey (583-1205) will lead this late season powder hunt. Meet at 9 am at Hillside Plaza .
- Mar 13 **SNOWSHOE TOUR: LAKE BLANCHE (MOD+)** See the WMC emblem (Sundial Peak) on this new more difficult snowshoe tour. Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will meet in-shape snowshoers at the Hillside Plaza at 9 am.
- Mar 14
Sun **SKI TOUR: GREENS BASIN (NTD)** Louise Rausch (583-3305) will meet you at 9 am at Hillside Plaza.
- Mar 14 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD)** Karen Perkins (272-2225) will meet you at 9 am Hillside Plaza. Pieps and shovels required.
- Mar 14 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD)** David Minix (967-3864) will meet you at Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9 am. This will be a very easy and slow paced tour.
- Mar 14 **SNOWSHOE TOUR: LAKE CATHERINE (NTD+)** Join Howard Wilkerson (277-1510) on snowshoes to this beautiful lake in a bowl. Howard will lead this slow paced tour with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. Meet at Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am.
- Mar 14 **WINTER HIKE: STANSBURY ISLAND** Donn Seeley (595-1747) started hiking on Stansbury Island on the first weekend in February last year. This year, with more snow, he figures an extra month will solve the problem. The hike will be moderate but steep with cross-country travel and some scrambling: bring sturdy boots. Meet Donn at 9 am at the Utah Travel Council parking lot, across the street from the State Capitol on the southeast.
- Mar 14 **SOCIAL: ST. PATRICK'S POT LUCK 6:00-8:30 pm—bring your own beverage.** Note that this is a change in date. Place: American Towers Party Room. Reservations essential to obtain access. Festive Irish attire welcomed. Call John Howe (534-1033) for reservation and information on parking, access to building and party room.
- Mar 16
Tue **MOUNTAINEERING NETWORKING ACTIVITY** Meet other mountaineering enthusiasts at the REI Clinic, "Spring Mountaineering in the Wasatch". This is a great chance to make friends you may want to climb with later and learn more about the local potential for great snow climbs. The clinic starts at 7:00 pm at REI (3285 East 3300 South), then afterwards we will meet at Kyle Williams house, 440 East 3335 South #12 (Crestwood Apts.) (487-9309) Bring your maps and guidebooks: visit, dream, and get some things going!!

- Mar 20 Sat **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD)** Join Jim Piani (272-3921) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. Pieps and shovels required.
- Mar 20 **MOUNTAINEERING: SOUTH RIDGE OF MT. SUPERIOR** Crampons, ice ax, and knowledge of roped safety required. Limit 6, register with Kyle Williams (487-9309).
- Mar 20 **SHOWSHOE TOUR: UINTAS LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD)** Snowshoe in a new area this year with Janet Friend (268-4102). Meet Janet at the Parley's Way K-Mart at 9:00 am at the Hillside Plaza.
- Mar 20 **SKI TOUR: UNITAS (WOODLAND AREA) (NTD)** Meet George Swanson (466-3003) at Parley's Way K-Mart at 9 am.
- Mar 21 Sun **SOCIAL: OPEN HOUSE** 4636 So. Westview Dr. (3215 E) from 7:00-9:00 pm. Cost: \$5 per person. Scott Harrison will serve up hors d'oeuvres, pasta (vegetarian and not), and decadent dessert (chocolate and not). Soft drinks provided—bring other drink choices. RSVP (277-9871) by Mar. 14.
- Mar 21 **SKI TOUR: LAMBS CANYON-MURDOCK PEAK & BACK (MSD)** You must call Rich Osborne to register at (537-7627). This trip is 13+ miles on the ridge above Mill Creek. It has 3600 feet of elevation gain. Limit of 6 people. Pieps, shovels & skins required.
- Mar 21 **SKI TOUR: SCOTTS PASS (NTD)** Meet Tom Silberstorf (255-2784) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. No track or light touring skis please.
- Mar 21 **SNOWSHOE TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD)** Meet a new snowshoe leader, Gaynell Danielson (266-4622) for an enjoyable tour in the Wasatch. Snowshoers, meet her at 9:30 am at the Hillside Plaza.
- Mar 21 **WINTER HIKE: LEADER'S CHOICE** Depending on the weather, the possibilities may include Stansbury Island, the Salt Lake foothills, or Antelope Island if it's open. Meet Patrick Van Hooser (486-9065) at 9 am at the southeast corner of the Parley's Way K-Mart parking lot.
- Mar 24 Wed **HIKING COMMITTEE PARTY** Fresh home-made chocolate chip cookies are promised this time; we'll be scheduling events for May. Meet at 7:30 pm at 187 J Street. As usual, visitors are welcome and BYOB. Call Donn Seeley at (595-1747) for more information.
- Mar 27 Sat **SKI TOUR: MOUNT RAYMOND (MSD)** You must call Rolf Doebebeling (467-6636) to register and for details.
- Mar 27 **SKI TOUR: REYNOLDS PEAK NORTH FACE (MOD)** Meet Cassie Badowski (278-5135) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. Pieps and shovels required.
- Mar 27 **SKI TOUR: UINTAS WILLOW HOLLOW-WOLF CREEK (NTD)** Meet Lade Heaton at Parley's Way K-Mart at 9 am. Skins and pieps are **NOT** required. Call Lade for the details.

- Mar 28 Sun** **SKITOUR: DESERET PEAK (MSD)** Call Rich Osborne (537-7627) to register. This tour is 18 miles long with 5000 feet elevation gain. Limit of 6 people. Pieps, shovels and skins required.
- Mar 28** **SKITOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD)** Join Tom Walsh (969-5842) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. Depending on the mood of the group, this trip may report to JR's Beer Garden afterwards. Pieps and shovels required.
- Mar 28** **SNOWSHOE TOUR: UINTAS LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD)** Joanne Miller (1-649-1790) will lead snowshoers on this easy slow paced tour somewhere in the Uintas. Meet Joanne at McDonald's at Kimball Junction at 9:00 am.
- Mar 28** **WINTER HIKE: BIG BEACON VIA GEORGES HOLLOW** Jerry Hatch (467-7186) will lead this moderate hike just north of Emigration Canyon with a great view of Red Butte Canyon and the city. Meet at 9 am at the Fort Douglas Cemetery parking lot in Research Park. Rating: 4. 8.
- Mar 30 Tue** **MOUNTAINEERING NETWORKING ACTIVITY** Meet other mountaineering enthusiasts at the REI Clinic, "Climbing Mt. Hood and Mt. Rainier". These are two beautiful peaks deserving of our attention. The clinic starts at 7:00 pm at REI (3285 East 3300 South), then afterwards we will meet at Kyle Williams house, 440 East 3335 South #12 (Crestwood Apts.) (487-9309). This is a great chance to make friends you may want to climb with later. Bring your maps and guidebooks: visit, dream, and get some things going!!
- Apr ?** **MOUNTAINEERING TRIP IN THE DESERT** Paul Horton will once again lead a classic trip to some sandstone summit. Last years Windowblind peak climb was an incredible experience. Don't miss this one. Call Paul at (521-4296) for details.
- Apr 3 Sat** **SKI TOUR: (MSD) THE VERY ANNUAL** Kings Peak tour is again at hand. Conditions promise to be excellent. It's an MSD tour because of it's length. The skiing is easy if snow conditions are good—no pieps or shovels are required—standard back country equipment and clothes work best. We will camp at Henry's Fork trailhead, move out before sunrise and finish just on the cusp of blackness. Probably 1/3 of the folks will stop at Henry's Fork Basin, which is very scenic and a worthwhile destination, another 1/3 will stop on Gun Site Pass, which gives a panoramic view, and the final 1/3 will blast on to the peak. Call Larry Swanson (594-6859-w, 278-3269-h) or Steve Swanson (484-5808-h) for information and to register.
- Apr 3** **SKITOUR: WHITE PINE (MOD)** Meet Myron Herrick (561-0472) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. Pieps, skins and shovels are required.
- Apr 3** **SNOWSHOE TOUR: GOURMET TRIP (NTD)** Enjoy snowshoeing and delicious food on the third annual gourmet showshoe tour with our leader, Leah Mancini (582-7912). Bring some gourmet goodies to share. Join Leah at 9:30 am at the Hillside Plaza for a stimulating mountain experience.

- Apr 3 Sat** **APRIL FOOLS' TURTLE HIKE TO FOOL PEAK** Rating: around 7 or 8. Fools' delight! It's our time of year again. To celebrate, our annual hike to Fool Peak is planned. Since most of us don't get our holiday off work, it is scheduled for the Saturday following April Fools' Day. Snow is guaranteed, so bring snow shoes and ski poles. Practice a zany face in front of the mirror for a summit photo and show up at Skyline High School parking lot at the foolishly early hour of 6 am. Please announce your foolish plan to participate to lead fool, Charles Lesley, at (364-2486). Expect a leisurely pace.
- Apr 3** **HIKE: CITY CREEK TWINS** Richard Zeamer (355-3751) will meet you at 9 am at Shriner's Hospital. Go up Virginia Street to 11th Avenue. There, turn east into the Shriner's Hospital parking lot. We will carpool to the northwest corner of the Chandler Drive subdivision, where the Twin Peaks trail starts. Our destination is a beautiful open peak overlooking the entire Salt Lake Valley. The hike should conclude before 1 pm. Rating: about 2.
- Apr 4 Sun** **FAMILY HIKE: PENCIL POINT** An easy foothills hike, south of Emigration Canyon. Bring your kids and enjoy the spring air and the view. Meet Bonnie Walsh (485-9837) at 10 am at the east side of the Parley's K-Mart parking lot. Rating: 3.5 but steep in spots.
- Apr 4** **HIKE: CRANER PEAK** Jim Frese (1-882-5222) pioneered this charming hike for the Club several years ago on a day when there was too much snow in the north Stansbury Range. Craner Peak (6,625') is the highest point in the Lakeside Mountains on the southwest side of the Great Salt Lake. There are some deep and winding canyons in gray stone, a couple of old mines with antique buildings and machinery, and an unusual relict pinon pine or two. Meet Jim at 9 am at the Lake Point Union 76 truck stop, at exit 90 on I-80 west of Salt Lake. Rating is unknown: distance is about 5.5 miles with 2,000' elevation gain and some cross-country hiking, with a few steep places. Sturdy boots are called for.
- Apr 4** **SKI TOUR: STANSBURY MOUNTAINS (MOD+)** Call Jim Frankenfield (1-800-289-4403) to register. Leave a message for Jim at (1-800-289-4403) and he will call you back with the details. The route and difficulty will depend on snow and weather conditions at the time.
- Apr 4** **SKI TOUR: MILL CREEK (NTD)** Meet Gary Whitney (484-4020) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. Join Gary for a leisurely trek up the road of Mill Creek Canyon.
- Apr 4** **SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK (MOD)** Meet Clint Lewis (295-8645) at Hillside Plaza at 9:30 am. Experienced snow shoers are welcome. Pieps and shovels are required for telemarkers.
- Apr 7 Wed** **BOATING PLANNING MEETING:** Meet at 7 pm at Gart Brothers, 5550 So. 900 E. in their upstairs meeting room (south part of building).

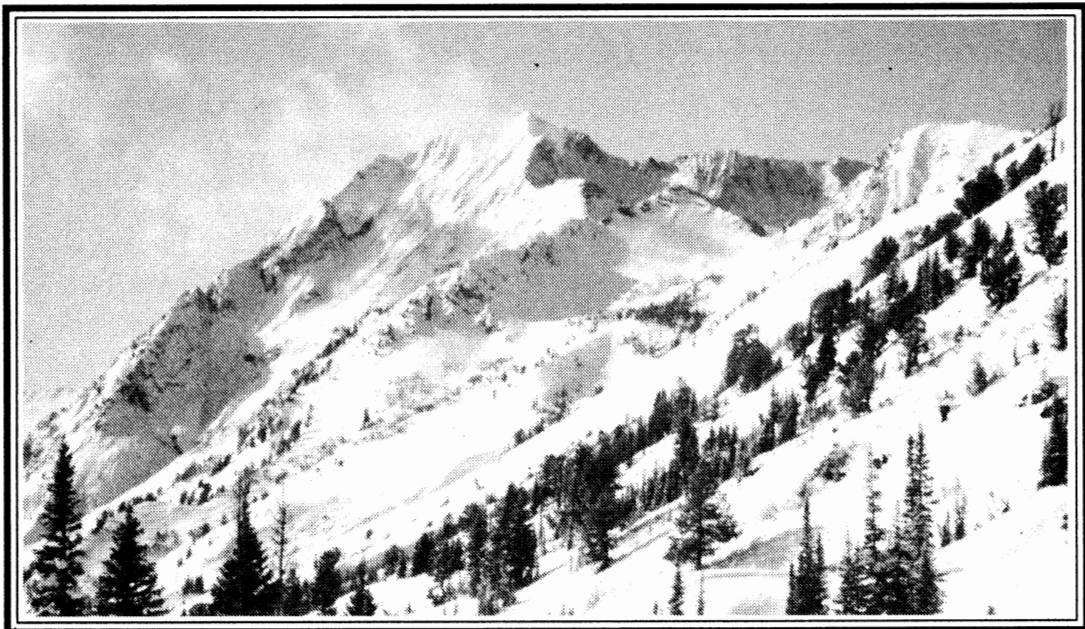
- Apr 10 Sat **SKITOUR: DAYS FORK (MOD)** Meet Peter Hansen (583-8249) at Hillside Plaza at 9 am. Pieps, shovels and skins required. If the snow is marginal, call Peter to register.
- Apr 10 **SKI TOUR: GOBBLERS KNOB (MSD)** Call Rich Osborne (537-7627) to register. This trip goes in Butler Fork and out Porter Fork. This will be an all day tour. Limit of 6 people. Pieps, shovels and skins required.
- Apr 10 **SKI TOUR: PINECREST TO THE ARTISIAN (NTD)** Meet Pat Briggs (582-4431) at **6407 Emigration Canyon Road in Pinecrest**. Pat will lead a potluck lunch/NTD ski trip to an artisan well near Pinecrest. Bring a lunch and meet at her house in Pinecrest. Enjoy the beauty surrounding her house. The trek is short but special. Track skis OK but wax or skins recommended. Friendly dogs welcome. *Check with Pat for snow condition day before.*
- Apr 10 **HIKE: VAN COTT PEAK** Hunt for cephalopods with David Vance (486-1878). Meet at 9 am in the upper east parking lot at University Hospital. Rating: 2.7.
- Apr 11 Sun **HIKE: BIG BEACON** Jon Blakeburn (467-5626) tackles this perennial favorite. Meet him at 10 am at the Fort Douglas Cemetery parking lot in Research Park. Rating: 4.8.
- Apr 11 **SKI TOUR: MILL D NORTH FORK TO DOG LAKE (NTD)** Meet Phil Fikkan (583-8459) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. If snow is marginal, call first to register.
- Apr 11 **SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MSD)** Call Marty Barth to register (532-6423).
- Apr 17 Sat **SKI TOUR: SILVER FORK (NTD)** Meet Louise Rausch (583-3305) at Hillside Plaza 9 am.
- Apr 17 **SKI TOUR: BEAR TRAP (MOD)** Meet Brian Barkey (583-1205) at Hillside Plaza 9 am. Pieps and shovels required.
- Apr 18 Sun **GOURMET SKI TOUR (NTD)** Gayle Dick (359-5764) will meet at Hillside Plaza 10 am. It's time for the great annual Gourmet Ski Tour!! Dress up as formally as you like for the party and bring treats enough for several people. Non-dessert items are especially welcome. We will set up as we did last year where the White Pine and Red Pine trails separate. This is a short easy ski tour—snow shoes welcome. **Think Sunshine!!**
- Apr 30-May 2 **MOUNTAINEERING: INDIAN CREEK** in southeast Utah. Steve Walker will lead the excursion with dozens of options for routes of all difficulties. Register by calling (466-7032).

FROM THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE

PARKING: For tours meeting at the Hillside Plaza (7000 S 2300 E): Be sure to park south of the bank so parked cars will not interfere with shoppers.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

- Apr 17-18 **SKI/SNOWSHOE OVERNIGHT TOUR** in a Yurt snow cave or igloo as the group may desire. Limit 12 persons. No experience necessary but participants must meet the leader's expectations of physical/mental condition and have proper equipment. If you are interested or would like to learn more, contact Vince Desimone (1-649-6805) Also read the article in this issue titled Winter Camping.
- Apr 24 **MOUNTAINEERING: FREMONT PEAK** A one day ascent of Elkhart Park. Call SteveWalker to register (466-7032) as numbers are always limited.
- May 7-9 **ARCHES ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY CAR CAMP** Details to come in next months issue.
- May 14-16 **SECOND ARCHES CAR CAMP** This will be held for those who didn't make it on the first one.
- May 8 **MOUNTAINEERING: SNOW CLIMBING COURSE** Learn the proper methods of ice ax self arrest, and roped safety. With the huge levels of snow this year, many popular hikes will require this knowledge for safe passage. Register with Rich Osborne (537-7627). (Ice axes can be rented commercially, and the club has a few available to early registries.
- May 9 **MOUNTAINEERING: TANNERS GULCH SNOW CLIMB** Apply what you learned yesterday! This is a classic trip, involving the triple traverse of Dromedary, Sunrise, and Twin Peaks. Crampons and ice ax knowledge required. Participants must be prepared for a strenuous outing. Register with Kyle Williams (487-9309).



Mt. Superior photo by Kyle Williams

FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Wick R. Miller

Summary of February Board Meeting

The WMC Board met Wednesday, Feb. 3. A major item of discussion was a report from the Hiking Leaders' Committee, chaired by Tom Walsh. A full report will be forthcoming after the topic is discussed again at the next General Membership meeting (which will have taken place by the time these words appear in print). The committee put in a considerable amount of time and thought with suggested policy changes, and have done a very superb job. Many thanks to the committee for their fine work.

Another major discussion item was the Lodge. We need to renew our Special Use Permit with the Forest Service. A committee is being formed by John Veranth and Karin Caldwell to consider the various issues that are involved. In a related action, John Veranth suggested, and the Board approved, that we set aside \$50,000 from our treasury to be earmarked for Lodge improvements. You will doubtless be reading more about the lodge in later issues of the *Rambler*.

Linda Kosky reported total membership is now 1363.

By the time this is printed, the Heliski Committee will have met with our lawyer, and I will report back to you on where we stand on this issue.

This is the last month that I serve as WMC President. While elections have not taken place as I write, we already have a pretty good idea who the next president will be. It has been a pleasure for me to serve the club, which has meant so much to me over the past 20 or so years that I have been a member. I plan to continue serving the club in the future in other ways.

***To report conflicts you have had
with Heli-skiers, contact:***



***Doug Abromeit,
Wasatch-Cache National Forest
6944 S 3000 E
SLC 84121
or Call 943-1794***



RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB, INC.

by Dale Green

Every applicant for membership to our Club signs a statement: "I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC." Because of an accumulation of problems with lack of leadership and members who want to act independently of the group, a committee has been formed to formulate new, enforceable rules for how we are to behave on Club outings. These should be published in the new membership manual next June. In the meantime the current rules are printed below. It is the intention of the Governing Board to publish these every month in the *Rambler*.

GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT

1. In the event of any accident or rescue, the expenses incurred shall be the sole responsibility of the individual incurring said expenses whether or not said individual shall deem them necessary.
2. No person shall be permitted to carry or use firearms.
3. All persons will refrain from needless destruction of plant and animal life.
4. No short-cutting on trails.
5. The trip leader is in full charge and all persons will be governed by her/his decisions.
6. No person shall be allowed to participate in a trip if, in the opinion of the leader, she/he is not qualified and adequately equipped to successfully complete the trip.
7. Leave camps and trails in the same or better condition than found. Carry all non-burnable trash (cans, glass, foil, etc.) back out.
8. Obnoxious indulgence in alcoholic beverages will not be tolerated in connection with club functions.
9. Children can be taken on hikes with permission of leader in advance.

HELI FREE WASATCH CAPS AND BUMPER STICKERS AVAILABLE

New Heli Free Wasatch Caps are available in over 10 different colors and designs. New Bumper Stickers are also available that address the Save Our Canyons Issue or the Heliski Debate: Heli Free Wasatch, Quiet The Noise In The Canyon, and No! Noise In the Canyons: all designed by B.J. Nicholls of Salt Lake.

Get a cap and a bumper sticker and educate others as to the current noise and user conflicts in our busy Salt Lake Canyons. Catch the vision of greater solitude and quiet in our canyons, for in time, silence in the skies will become a reality!

Caps and bumper stickers are available from Milt Hollander (277-1416), Steve Lewis (943-7334) (**Please don't call him at the office**), Allan Gavere, Bob Athey, Mike Tate, Barbara Turner and from a few others. There is absolutely no profit made on any of the caps or stickers. If the truth be known, they are sold and distributed at a loss—but it's a bigger loss if folks don't catch the spirit and sport the "helicopter repellant gear."

EMERGING VALUES OF WILDLIFE II: A PLACE FOR PREDATORS

*Saturday, March 13, 1993, Sugarhouse Garden Center, 1650 East 2100 South, Salt Lake City, UT
8:15 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.*



8:15-9:00 A.M.

Social/Refreshments

9:00-9:20 A.M.

Introductory Remarks, Setting the Stage

Dick Carter, Coordinator, Utah Wilderness Association

9:20-10:30 A.M.

Bears, Berries and Behavior

Presentations by Dr. Barrie Gilbert, Utah State University wildlife professor who has done extensive research on grizzly and black bear behavior, and Dr. Hal Black, Brigham Young University zoology professor and Utah black bear researcher

10:45-11:45

Varied Voices: Predator Control

Representatives from the local environmental, animal rights, Utah Wool Growers and Animal Damage Control perspectives

11:45-12:30 P.M.

Your Voice: Storytelling

Margaret Pettis

12:30-1:30 P.M.

LUNCH

provided by Ray Smith and Jeanne LeBer of the Great Salt Lake Audubon Society

1:30-2:10 P.M.

Coyote in the West: Myth, Monster and Mother

Dick Randall, Humane Society of the United States and former ADC Trapper

2:20-3:20

Inviting Wolves Home

Representatives from the local environmental, U.S. Forest Service, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and Utah Farm Bureau perspectives.

\$5.00 Registration fee includes lunch

Sponsors include: Utah Wilderness Association, Great Salt Lake Audubon Society, Humane Society of Utah, Wasatch Mountain Club, and Utah Wildlife Manifesto

FROM THE BOATING DIRECTOR

Randy Klein

First of all, call me with any river permits for the 1993 season that you will share with the club (944-9070). Tim and Liza Poole drew a May 20th Yampa launch. Details to be published in the April *Rambler*.

The boating planning meeting will be Wednesday evening, April 7, at 7 pm at Gart Brothers, 5550 S. 900 E. in their upstairs meeting room (south part of building).

Last year there was no family river trip for lack of a leader. Anyone interested in leading this year, please call me. Other people who sign up will help you plan and lead the trip, the main thing is to set a date and have a contact person listed in the *Rambler*.

Other dates to be aware of: May 2 for the equipment work day, and May 15-16 for the Beginner boating trip. Anyone interested in helping out with the Beginner trip call Janis Huber (486-2345).

Rolling Practice Information—At Salt Lake Community College (old South High location), from 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm. On Mondays, as a formal class sponsored by Wasatch Touring. On Tuesdays as open pool sessions by Wasatch Touring. On Wednesdays, as open pool sessions by the Utah Whitewater Club (contact Donnie Benson at 466-5141).

FROM THE MOUNTAINEERING DIRECTOR

Kyle Williams

"Why do mountain climbers rope themselves together?" "So the sane ones can't sneak off and go home!"

Yes, even we admit it. Mountaineering is a bit crazy. Edmond Hillary's answer, "Because it's there," never quite adequately explained the need to explore, to climb, to quench the thirst for adventure. So, with no good reason we've ever been able to articulate, we mountaineers continue on.

The Mountaineering group in the WMC seems to be somewhat of an underground connection, with rumors of activities filtering out to the civilized world from time to time. It is a unique activity. The risk of danger and the trust required between participants makes it difficult to schedule a climb in the *Rambler*, take some phone calls, try to screen and evaluate a perfect stranger over the phone, ("Can I really trust this person with my life on a climb?"), and embark on an adventure. What usually happens is that a few friends call each other and say, "Let's go climb Mt. Podunk," and a trip is born, filled, and completed without hitting the *Rambler*.

This year we plan on organizing, along with trips, a "Networking" program where climbers can meet on horizontal ground and on easy trips, hopefully to plant the seeds of trust and friendship that will blossom into ambitious mountaineering excursions!

This program will involve activities like the Clinic/dream sessions on March 16 and 30th, a beginners snow climbing course on May 8th, beginners climbing days (where beginners can show up and

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climb without the fear of being dragged up a 5.10 finger crack), the traditional Thursday night climbing, and any other activities we can think of.

We invite all who are interested in meeting other climbers to join in on these activities! It's a great way to expand your circle of friends and climbing partners, making it possible to organize "real" trips.

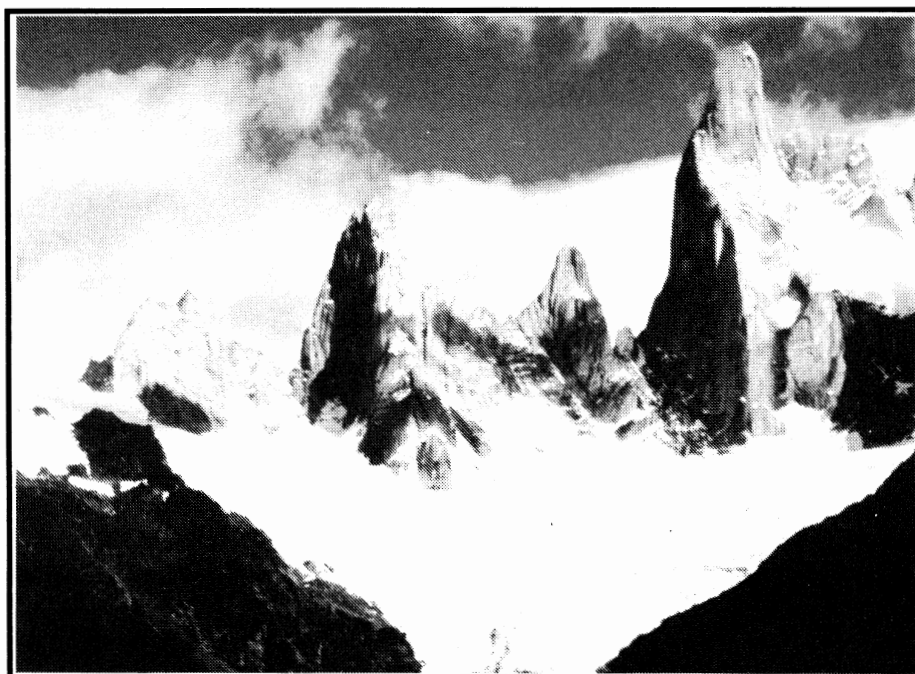
Since the membership application/renewal forms don't ask for volunteers to lead mountaineering trips, there is a real dearth of information as to who and how many people are interested. Towards the goal of finding out, I would invite anyone who is interested in coordinating, leading, or participating in any kind of climbing/mountaineering activity to give me a call (487-9309) and let me know.

We, as a Mountaineering Committee, are anxious to promote a strong active group of climbers, a group proud to be a part of the Wasatch Mountain Club. Why? "Because it's (still) there. I'll be off! I'll hope to see you on a peak somewhere (or meet you at a networking activity)."

If you've been thinking this is the year you are going to run whitewater and maybe even that this is the year you might need top level skills to do it, this may be the year you want to commit to a course in paddle raft captaining. I'd like to organize some formal instruction on the Weber in April. The "captain class of 1993" would then move on to Gray's Canyon in May, Alpine Canyon in June, Split Mountain in July and, for those who dare, Westwater Canyon in August or September. Who knows, your employer might even want to sponsor you for this leadership series. You will be learning "teambuilding" and "leadership" as you master the skills to mold any formless mass of paddlers into a precision paddling machine.

If you are interested, please give me a call at 321-3148 or 322-4326.

by Janet Embry



*To dream the impossible dream—a cross country ski tour in the Andes.
Photo by Cloyd Krebs*

FROM THE HIKING DIRECTOR

by Donn Seeley

The first hiking committee party on February 10 was a success. I did find one bag of chocolate chip cookies left over (out of four), but all the fudge-covered Oreos were gone. Next time it will be home-made chocolate chip cookies.

My deepest thanks to members of the committee who have volunteered for the hardest part of the job: getting leaders. Bonnie Walsh has volunteered to call and solicit leaders for March and April day hikes. This is the slowest part of the season, but there's still a lot of work to do; it's even tougher when you remember that most club members haven't turned in their yearly activity surveys yet and we have to work from old lists of volunteers.

Tom Walsh and Mark Mackenzie will be calling for May. Will McCarvill and Mark Mackenzie will be calling for spring backpacks and car camps.

Please help our committee volunteers out by volunteering to lead a hike. Even if you can't help out, *please be nice to the folks doing the calling*. Without their help and your help, the Club wouldn't exist. You can lead a trip even if you don't get a call—just call me at 595-1747 to let me know, and we'll set you up.

Hiking committee meetings are open to the membership because we hope to convince many to volunteer to be on the committee. The next committee meeting/party will be Wednesday, March 24th at 7:30 pm at 187 J Street.

ABSTRACT OF PROPOSED NEW HIKING REGULATIONS

Hiking is an inherently risky activity.

1. Don't go on a hike unless you understand the risks and are prepared.
2. If a hike becomes riskier than what you are prepared for, stop.
3. Always make use of common sense, experience and good judgment.

Hikers must take responsibility for their actions.

4. Be prepared for a hike with proper equipment and physical fitness.
5. Stay together on the trail and watch out for others.
6. Talk to the leader to report problems and seek guidance.
7. Walk softly in the wilderness and keep it clean and safe.
8. Obey established rules for recreation on the trail.

Leaders have discretion.

9. You may be ejected for not following rules.
10. You must respect the leader's decisions on the trail.

Leaders have responsibilities to hikers.

11. The leader will plan the hike and explain its risks to you.
12. The leader will sign you in and account for you at the end of the hike.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Linda Kosky

Membership renewal applications and activiity surveys for the membership year March 1, 1993 to February 28, 1994 were mailed February 15. Current membership expires as of February 28, 1993.

Members who joined in December, January and February will not receive a renewal application, as their membership has been extended through the next club year.

All other members, please complete your renewals and activity surveys and return as soon as possible, but no later than April 15th. This is the final cut-off date for membership renewal without a reinstatement fee. Renewals received after that date will require a \$5.00 reinstatement fee, in addition to the required dues amount. Those memebtrs who have not renewed by April 15th will not receive a May Rambler.

If you have not received your renewal by March 1, please call, leave your name, address and telephone number and I will arrange for another copy to be mailed.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK-YOU TO DOLORES CASE AND BETTY CLUFF FOR HELPING WITH THIS MONUMENTAL TASK.



Believe it or not, but those two eyes looking at you are all that you can see of the WMC lodge in January. Photo by Kyle Williams: the skier, some unknown beauty.

ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!

The Club is looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant.

As the club has grown, the work has increased. Finding volunteers to handle the volume of paperwork is becoming more difficult. Someone in this position would allow us to better serve our members while allowing the directors to concentrate on providing continuity, setting policy and developing programs.

Requirements for the position:

1. Wasatch Mountain Club member only!
2. Must be experienced, proficient and have excellent skills in computer data entry.
3. Demonstrated skills in DOS, word processing, spreadsheets and data base management a must.
4. Experienced with Macintosh and IBM compatible computer systems.
5. Excellent telephone and communication skills.
6. Ability to work independently.
7. Excellent office skills.
8. Must be able to work a flexible schedule.

Hours are "minimal" to possibly 40 to 80 hours per month during the summer.

This is a "trial" position, for a period of three months, beginning upon date of hire.

Salary: \$5.00 per hour.

All interested parties, please send a letter of introduction and resume, by March 15 1993 to: Linda Kosky, Membership Director

Wasatch Mountain Club
888 South 200 East Suite 207
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

FROM THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE

*TO PROMOTE SAFER AND MORE FUN
SKI TOURS, THE SKI TOUR COMMITTEE
WILL REQUEST SKI TOUR LEADERS
TO READ THE FOLLOWING TO
THE MEMBERS OF EACH TOUR THIS
SEASON:*

"It is your responsibility to be prepared for this ski tour with proper clothing, food, and equipment. It is also your responsibility to stay with the group!"

On the uphill climb:

The Tour Leader suggests/requests that the uphill skier never loses sight of the person following. This way the group will stay together and be able to help any skier with problems.

On the downhill:

The Tour Leader suggests/requests before starting, we form groups of 3-4 skiers with equal ability, selecting one from the group to be Group Leader. The Tour Leader will note the Group Leaders' names before starting down. During the downhill portion each Group must stay together. We will regroup at the selected locations on both the uphill portion and downhill run.

The above, together with "Tips for Tour Leaders" will be mailed with the Release Form to each leader.

Winter Camping

by Vince Desimone

Winter camping can add a new dimension of pleasure to the outdoor person. While the first reaction of many is negative, those who do go in for this kind of adventure usually will do it again and again. The peacefulness of winter can be experienced in a new way on an overnight trip. This year we will camp out in the yurt, snow cave or igloo on April 17-18th. (See the Coming Attraction section in this issue.)

The key to an enjoyable trip is proper planning and cooperation while on a trip. It is not difficult if common sense rules are followed. The following information should help make a winter camp-out enjoyable.

Packs: There are three types of packs for overnight journeys: the external frame, soft pack, and internal frame pack. Each can be used for skiing. What is important is to have a pack that permits freedom of motion for poling and extension of the arms and that securely fastens the weight in the pack so it does not shift while moving. Soft body packs are best for this with the internal frame style being the next best. Whatever pack is used it should have adequate straps, perhaps some extra ones not normally used in the summer to secure the pack to the body. There may be times when you will want to walk and straps to fasten the skis to the side of the pack are handy.

Sleds: Sleds can be used to haul a lot of weight but they are difficult to ski with when pulled by ropes. Sleds with stiff handles that prevent the sled from overtaking you on the downhill are best.

Sleeping Bags: On an overnight trip any warm sleeping bag is acceptable. Down is still the lightest and least bulky but picks up body moisture and gradually loses its insulating values on longer trips of several days. A vapor barrier in the sleeping bag can help the bag keep dry and full of loft. However, with this system the body moisture stays inside with the body and can become uncomfortable. Synthetic materials used for insulation work better in the winter, however, they end up too bulky. Because winter nights can be tediously long when you are cold, this is an important area in which to prepare. One way to be sure you remain warm at night is to wear insulated quilted clothing inside the bag. The clothing should be loose to provide lots of air spaces for warmth and for comfort while sleeping. I usually use warm-up pants and vests that are also used while moving around camp in the evening and mornings. Weight is an important consideration, so consider ways you can use articles for more than one purpose.

Sleeping Pad: A sleeping pad is essential for winter camping in order to insulate you from the cold snow below you. Pads should be doubled or of adequate thickness to keep body heat from being lost. A moisture barrier is very important to prevent moisture from below soaking your pad or sleeping bag and reducing the insulating value.

Clothing: Clothing can be the same as that you normally use when cross country skiing on a very cold day. It is advisable to have a change of clothes with you in case you get wet and also to provide added layers of warmth should it get colder than you anticipated. Remember in order to layer clothing, some items need to be larger than you would normally wear.

Shelter: Tents are the quickest and easiest form of shelter. Snow caves require more energy to build but offer greater protection and warmth. Tents should be self-supporting like the tunnel or dome type using internal supports. Tents requiring stakes or support ropes are not recommended since it is difficult to get good fastening in snow. Plan to have moisture collect in the form of frost when you wake up. It is hard to prevent it. A ground cloth will help keep frost/moisture down. Snow is a good insulator. Snow caves or trenches will stay warm even on the coldest nights.

Cooking: A quality stove is essential in winter. Self-pressurizing stoves can work well in cold weather. Since these stoves require some heat to make the fuel flow, they are sometimes difficult to start. Cartridge stoves using propane or butane usually do not work well when cold. Whatever stove is chosen should be tested in cold conditions before a trip to learn cold weather operating characteristics. The same pots and utensils used for summer camping can be used in winter.

Winter Camping

Nutrition: A back country ski trip demands a lot of energy. The number of calories burned on a trip is usually over 4000 a day and can be much more when days are cold and skiing is strenuous. A skier must eat plenty of food, especially those with high caloric values, in order to maintain body strength and warmth. The energy that supports you for a day of skiing, hauling a pack, and keeping you warm at night is largely provided by the food you eat that same day. Don't worry about your weight! I've never known anyone who has gained weight on a back country ski trip - usually the opposite is true. A least 50% of your food should be carbohydrates such as pastas, starch vegetables, grains, cereals, fruits and candy with nuts and honey. Fats should be emphasized since they provide more calories per pound than any other food group. Margarine, butter, nuts, peanut butter, cheese, salami and canned fish are good fat sources. Protein is of less importance on short trips and can be obtained from meats, cheese and milk products.

Fluids: The body loses tremendous amounts of moisture through respiration because warm air exhaled from the lungs carries a lot of moisture.

Drinking several quarts of water each day is essential. A skier can slowly become dehydrated and not realize it. Dehydration can result in reduced ability to resist cold, poor coordination, loss of energy and can contribute to hypothermia.

If you drink a lot you will be warmer! **But caution, alcoholic beverages have the opposite effect.** They tend to cause a loss of moisture and ultimately have a chilling effect. Drink fluids before and during a trip. Keep an eye on the color of your urine. It's a good clue you're not getting enough liquid if your urine is dark.

Water: While we may have plenty of potential liquid around us in the winter, water is one of the most important things that will occupy our time with on a trip. First we should carry adequate water with us for each day when the trip starts. Water treatment in winter is the same as summer once you have the water. If a stream or lake is available, that is a good source when properly treated. Often it will be necessary to melt snow for water. This is a slow and fuel consuming process. Melted snow water never tastes as good but it is easy to "burn" water in a pot. The taste and the speed of melting can be improved by adding a little water to the pot before heating. Juice mixes, cocoa, coffee or tea can help hide the pan taste. Keep in mind that tea and coffee are diuretics and contribute to headaches, fatigue and dehydration.

Miscellaneous: Many small items must be brought to make the trip easier and more enjoyable. Things like candles, waterproof match containers, plastic trash-can liners that are used for storing backpacks, clothing and food to keep them dry during the night. I have used these trash bags as impromptu raincoats when an unexpected wet snowfall occurred. A hole can be cut in the bottom for the head and in the sides for arms. If large enough, it can cover the backpack as well as your body while skiing. Keeping dry is one of the most important things for staying warm in cold conditions. Down booties are also appreciated when not skiing.

Emergencies: Matches are an important item to carry. They should be carried in several different places in waterproof containers. Solid fuel fire starter, compass, knife, and whistle also are desirable items to have in an emergency kit. An avalanche shovel is essential for rescue and also is useful in setting up camp.

A repair kit containing enough items to fix broken equipment is important. Duct tape, sewing needle, strong thread, twine, screws and screwdriver, vise-grips (also serve as pot holders), extra ski tip and basket and bailing wire all are good to have along.

In Conclusion: This article has attempted to give a broad overview of winter camping. More detailed information can be found in one of several good books on the subject or by contacting the author at 1-649-6805.

SKI THE CHUTES

by Trudy Healy

When I was 18 (in 1934) I moved to Munich where the Bavarian Alps are easily reached by train. Up in the mountain I met a ski racer, Ole. He helped me buy better skis: laminated hickory with steel edges, a sturdier binding with a strong spring at the heel (for better control on the steep stuff), but there was no safety. I also bought stick-on seal skins for climbing. We went on many crazy ski tours together.

The first one was a good example. We climbed to a ridge and skied along the crest when Ole pointed down and said, "That's where we go!"

It looked narrow and very steep, but I said, "Okay, I follow you!"

"Oh no," Ole replied, "ladies first!"

So I skied down and did pretty well. At the bottom I skied out of the gully to one side and Ole stopped next to me with a flourish. "Are you crazy? That's an avalanche chute! We shouldn't have skied that! I just made a joke. I didn't think you'd run that!"

From then on we made a point of skiing avalanche chutes. After the snow had slid, the runs were very smooth and great to ski, but at the bottom where the snow had piled up, it was quite rough and sometimes a bit difficult to get out. We had a lot of fun and super ski tours.



Skiing in the Bavarian Alps

"Oh no! Ladies first." says Ole.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Great Salt Lake Audubon Society invites the WMC membership to the following events

March 16: Tom Scott speaks on archeology in the high Uintas and Uinta Wilderness Management Area.

April 20: Stephen Trimble noted photographer and nature writer will read excerpts from his newest and still working on book, Children, Wilderness, and Home. This work explores/investigates how children make connection with nature's world and how this plays out in the lives. (Author of Sagebrush Ocean)

May 18: Speaker Christi Dubois topic: grebs and gumbo.

Series at the Sugarhouse Garden Center and all begin at 7:30 pm.

For WMC Bikers

Sorry for the absence of bike tours this month. The new bike coordinator will have tours organized in time for next month's publication.

Earth Day April 22nd

Join the Earth Day Utah celebration this year! Earth Day Utah represent local communities, is no-profit and is composed of volunteers dedicated to engaging the public in events and projects which provide opportunities for public education and learning and ultimately serve to enhance the environmental quality of this inherently beautiful state.

TRIP TALKS

SMITH AND MOREHOUSE FULL MOON SKI TOUR

February 6, 1993
by Cheryl Soshnik.

The first challenge: locating the WMCers among the billions of tourists in the Park City Albertsons Parking lot at the busiest time of the shopping day. Having successfully sorted ourselves out from the Deer Valley Dudes and Dollies, 20 adventurous folks headed for the Uintas for a fun night of full moon ski touring. Skiing gear ranged from the latest lightweight skating gear to mountaineering skis and skins as we journeyed up the road to Smith and Morehouse Reservoir.

The almanac didn't lie as the full moon popped out over the mountains about an hour into our gentle glide on the smooth, packed road. We continued along, darting through the moon shadows, until we reached the Ledgefork Ranger station. After some warm drinks and a short rest, we cruised back down to the cars to begin phase two of the evening adventure.

Twelve of the original 20 concluded the evening by competing for title of: best full moon in a hot tub. The hands down winner was Tom Miller, with his flawless double back flip out of the tub and into the snow. The other trip members included: Phyllis Anderson, David Anderson, Monte Young and Star, Rick Hughes, Harry Lichtenstein, Doug Merrill, Gary Whitney, Skinny Bob Hannon, Aaron Jones, Kermit and Pam Earle, Bill Thompson, Cathy Hunn, Vince Desimone, Alan Blank, Dan Noll, Tim Nelson, Geoff Harrison, and leader, hot tub hostess, and trip reporter Cheryl Soshnik.

"WE DIDN'T EVEN MISS SUPPER!"

(Mt. Olympus by moonlight, January 1993)

by Kyle Williams

"Adventure makes you miss supper" proclaimed the reluctant Bilbo Baggins.

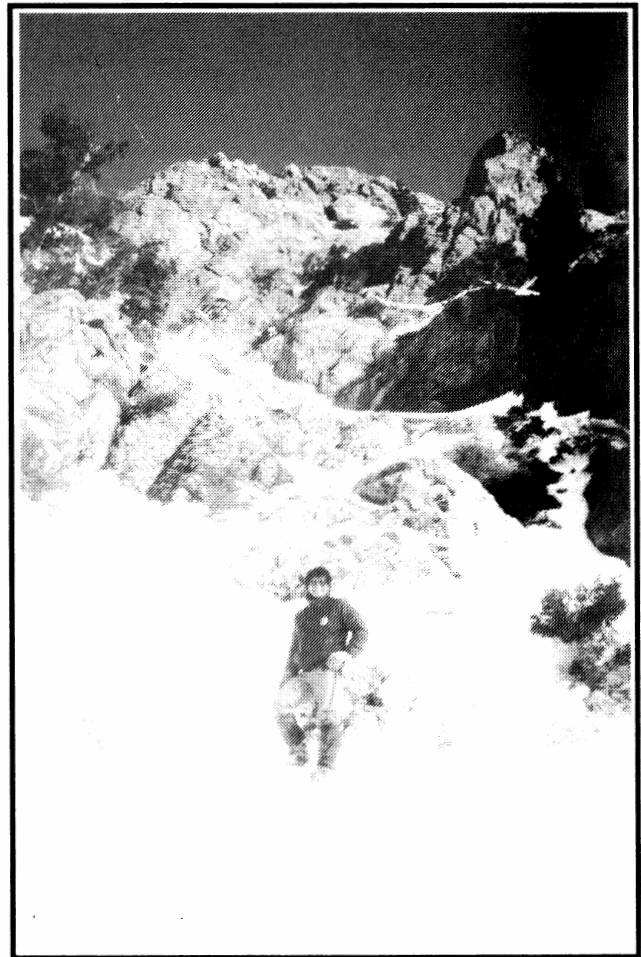
Well, that is usually true but this time, to please the Hobbit, we decided to wait till AFTER supper! Ten in the evening found Brian Barkey and I snowshoeing atop Blister Hill towards the summit of Mount Olympus. Above the January inversion, a half moon cast dim shadows on the snow. It wasn't too cold at this altitude and our exertions kept us stripped to shirt sleeves. The upper section of trail was lost in a tangle of snow-squashed brush so we had to find a new route up in the dark. The flat light also tangled our depth perception and at times it was hard to tell if we were on steep or really steep terrain (mostly it turned out to be real steep). Mable (Brian's dog) raced up and back several times, making us really feel lazy for only climbing it once.

There must have been a shift in the Wasatch Fault, because in the dark, this peak never seemed to end. Towards the top I had to retreat to "inner self" meditations (one step for each word of a song) to keep going. Finally we reached the Saddle at 2:00 a.m. and flopped down into hastily dug snow trenches. Brian's thermos of hot chocolate was a life saver!

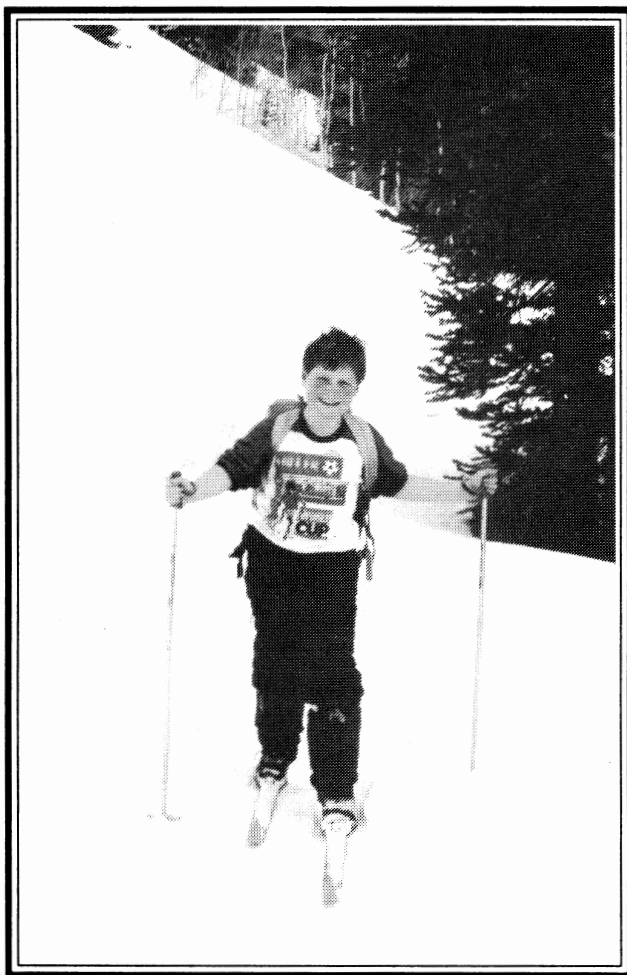
The morning sun found us negotiating the final summit block on steep snow and rock. The summit, a beautiful untrampled whisper of snow, with

layers of cornice drifting over each other like swirls of frosting on a (very tall) cake. The wind stirred a mountain top of diamonds, sparkling at our feet in a sunrise free of smog and crud.

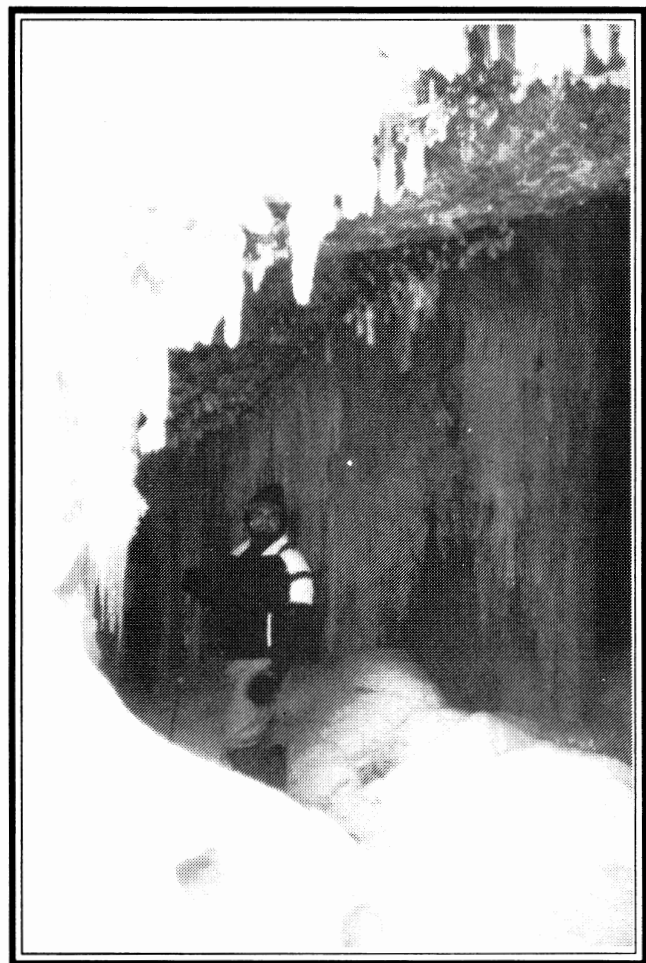
The exhilaration of being on that summit answered, for me, all the questions of, "What did you do that for?". We did it for adventure. The Hobbit would never understand. And we didn't even miss supper!



*Brian Barkey on the way up Mt. Olympus.
Photo by Kyle Williams*



"This is funner than Alta," says smiling 10 year old Porter Williams after his first tour. Photo by Kyle Williams at Silver Fork, Feb. 1993.



Donut Falls Ice Cave, and Do-no who man in cave is. Photo by Kyle Williams, Dec. 1992.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB LODGE NEEDS HELP!

With all the snow this year, members need to expend some extra tender loving care to their "second home." Any time you are up Big Cottonwood Canyon, please take a shovel along and spend an hour taking snow off the Goodro Annex or the Porch Roof. While there are no signs of structural problems at this time, we would like to keep the roof snow free just in case.

Our resident caretaker Deb Read has been doing a good job of shoveling but would appreciate some help. Call her at 1-649-2756 if you can assist. She may have an organized work party in the near future.

Thanks for your help. Vince Desimone (Lodge Director)

FREE CLINICS AT REI
3285 East 3300 South

Janet Christensen

October 20, 1919 - August 12, 1992

- March 2 Nordic Ski Tuning and Waxing
- March 8 Kayaking in Chile and Argentina
- March 16 Spring Mountaineering in the Wasatch
- March 23 River Running in Utah
- March 30 Climbing Hood and Rainer

All workshops begin at 7:00 pm. For more information call Marty Stum or Kelly Davis at (486-2100).

March 2—REI's Master Technician, Pat Weiler, will lead cross-country skiers through the basics of ski care, base preparation and edge sharpening. He will also demonstrate the fine art of waxing for the best kick and glide response.

Monday, March 8—Kayaking in Chile and Argentina— Gary Nichols and Alan James run the threatened Bio Bio, the huge cataracts of the Futaleufu and the 20-foot waterfalls of the Fuy River along with adventures on the Manso and Rio Golgol. **(Please note that this clinic is on a Monday.)**

March 16—Spring Mountaineering in the Wasatch—REI's Dave Smith will show slides of some of the classic tours and climbs of the Wasatch Range as well as discuss routes, equipment and techniques.

March 23—River Running in Utah—Utah climbers Dan Miller and Stan Holmes will show slides of their successful ascents of two Pacific Northwest volcanoes, Mt. Hood and Mt. Rainier. They will discuss needed equipment and preparations for the climbs.

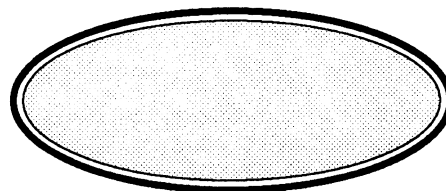
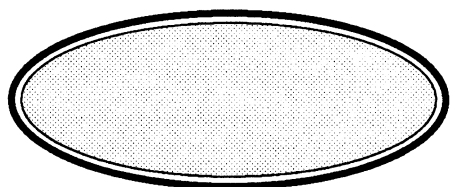
A friend to everyone, Janet was born in Mt. Pleasant, Utah. She attended public schools in Salt Lake City, attended Henagers Business College, and in later years fulfilled a dream by graduating from the University of Utah. She worked for Denver Fire Clay Company and as a secretary to the Director of Utah Wild Life Resources Division - always performing her duties cheerfully and with excellence.

Janet was a friend to everyone in the Wasatch Mountain Club where her love of the out-of-doors was evident. She was always eager to help and encourage new members to overcome their doubts of their hiking and climbing abilities. A fast, cheerful hiker and rock climber - where exposure and heights meant nothing to her.

Salt Lake Valley canyons and peaks felt her footprints, as did the Uinta, Wind River and Teton peaks with the Wasatch Mountain Club. One of her greatest joys was sitting on the banks of lakes or peaks above them to watch the changing shadows and shifting lights around her. Always a good companion and friend to all.

The WMC lodge was one of her pleasures where she did more than her share of cooking over the big coal stove; helped haul water from a hole in the creek north of the lodge; saw the lodge basement dug and was one of the members participating in a big re-decorating project of the main room. As a member of the WMC Board, she went the extra mile to fulfill her duties.

Members who experienced her friendship will always think of her as a great person who enriched their lives and outdoor activities. Janet ?



Classified Ad Policy

The *Rambler* cannot accept any ad that is inconsistent with the purposes of the WMC or offends the sensibilities of club members. Send your ad (with a check enclosed if it is not a used sports equipment) before the 13th of the month to Sue deVall, 11730 South 700 West, Draper UT 84020 or call Sue at 572-3294 for information.

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.

HEIRLING TLEMARK BOOKS: Size 43—\$100.

FISCHER E99 BACKCOUNTRY TOURING SKIS: 195cm, Rottefella 3 pin binding, metal edged, double camber ski—\$100.

KASTLE DOWNHILL SKIS: RX World Team Soft 205cm with Tyrolia 390Rd bindings—\$150.

NORDICA DOWNHILL BOOTS: Rear entry, size 11-11 1/2 mens—\$20. (Call Rich Osborne 537-7627)

DOWNHILL SKIS Pre Slalom S.P. length 204 with GEZE 962 R Bindings—\$75. Technia Boots size 10 1/2—\$25. Call Joseph (1-649-3364).

MT. HOOD AND MT. RAINIER: Anyone with basic mountaineering experience who is interested in climbing one or both of these peaks in late May or early June, please call Laurel Anderton at (263-1737).

VETTA WIND TRAINER: Keep up your bike training during the winter months. This fits any bike—like new—only \$100. Call (485-2717-evenings).

APPLE IIe & PRINTER with AppleWriter software. Good word processor for papers, etc. \$300. Call Sonja (485-2717-evenings) or (488-4108-days).

EDUCATIONAL VIDEO on endangered species for children in grades 3-6. Exceptional tape plus follow along book makes learning and caring fun! Developed in part by the National Wildlife Federation. Call for Kip at (536-4625-days) or (974-0855-evenings).

BIKE: Houdaille Powercam long distance touring bike, 60 tooth sprocket, 23" frame, 14 speed, ridden only 300 miles. RARE OFFER—\$150.

SKIS: Hexcel Splitail 185cm, Solomon 747 bindings—used one season—\$150. Call (571-3704).

CAR RACK: Yakima 1c-48", cross bars, towers & locks—\$100. Call (581-1523).

BOOTS: Kastinger Habeler Peak model, plastic mountaineering boots, size 9 1/2. Nearly new—only \$120.

SKI RACK: A&T Locking. Fits small-medium cars with rain gutters—\$25. Call Dave Smith (572-0346-H) or (486-2100-W).

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SKY CALENDAR

MOON

Full Moon	Mar 08
Last Quarter	Mar 14
New Moon	Mar 23
First Quarter	Mar 30

MOONRISE:

Mar 06	4:30 pm
Mar 13	12:01 am
Mar 20	5:00 am
Mar 27	8:30 am

NOTE: Moonrise times are for 40 degrees north latitude, 112 degrees 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 1993

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ian Saffer	Bob Walker
Mike Weeks	Joan Pratt
Karen Carlson	Midge Iccabazzi
Tom Talboys	Jeffrey J. Dyer
Kyle R. Jones	Jim Frankenfield

REINSTATEMENT

James R. Brohm	Jim Ruzicka
Mike & Linda Palmer	
Dan & Barbara Lovejoy	

ATTENTION SINGLES!!!!

The Utah Chapter of the Sierra Club has a singles group which holds potlucks at members' homes at least monthly. Membership in the Sierra Club is welcomed but not mandatory. We would enjoy having WMC members join us for these entertaining evenings. Call Carolyn Jones (359-9814) for more information.

PANEL DISCUSSION

"WHAT IS THE FUTURE FOR THE SALT LAKE VALLEY"

Tuesday March 9, 1993 at 7:00 pm
First Unitarian Church (569 So. 1300 E.)

The following topics will be discussed

- *Transportation
- *Health
- *Air
- *Water

Sponsored by Future Scape
(U of U Communication 417 Students)
Refreshments following program

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.

1992-93 GOVERNING BOARD

President	Jerry Hatch	467-7186
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Rafting	Janet Embry	322-4326
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Volleyball	Duke Bush	467-4666
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Commercial Ads	Knick Knickerbocker	364-6521

TRUSTEES

Karin Caldwell	942-6065	Term Exp 93
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Mike Budig	328-4512	Term Exp 96
O'dell Peterson	355-7216	Emeritus

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB
APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERS/REINSTATEMENT FOR PREVIOUS MEMBERS
RAMBLER SUBSCRIPTION FORM
DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Please read carefully and fill out completely.

APPLICANT(S) NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ DAY PHONE _____ BIRTH DATE _____

I HEREBY APPLY FOR

____ NEW MEMBERSHIP ____ STUDENT (30 Years or younger)

____ REINSTATEMENT ____ COUPLE

I wish to receive the RAMBLER (The WMC Publication) YES ____ NO ____

Subscription price is NOT deductible from the dues.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's dues and application fee (Mar 1, 19__ to Feb 28, 19__).

** (CHECKS ONLY) Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club**

Remit: \$20.00 for student membership (\$15.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$30.00 for single membership (\$25.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

\$40.00 for couple membership (\$35.00 dues and \$5.00 application fee)

YOU MUST COMPLETE TWO CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERSHIP CONSIDERATION
THE ACTIVITY DATES MUST HAVE BEEN WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE APPLICATION

QUALIFYING ACTIVITY	DATE	SIGNATURE OF RECOMMENDING LEADER
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1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the WMC. I am 18 years of age or older. I understand that outdoor activities involve risk, and that I am responsible for determining the suitability of my ability and equipment in advance of participating in any WMC activity. I release and discharge the WMC agents and representatives from all claims for property and personal injury sustained as a result of participation in WMC activities. I am willing to serve the WMC in the following areas (please check):

__ Service Projects __ Lodge Work __ Conservation __ Rambler __ Thur Night Hikes

__ Hike Leader __ Boat Leader __ Ski Leader __ Social Assistant

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____

(signature required)

I found out about the WMC from _____

MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
Wasatch Mountain Club
888 South 200 East Suite 207
Salt Lake City, UT 84111-4220

LEAVE BLANK

RECEIPT # _____	DATE RECEIVED _____	AMOUNT RECEIVED _____
(OR CHECK#) _____		(LESS APPLICATION FEE)

BOARD APPROVAL DATE _____

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