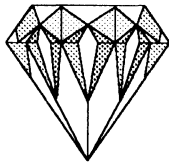
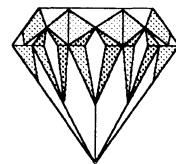


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TO SUBMIT A PHOTO: We welcome photos of all kinds: black & white prints, color prints, and slides. Please include captions describing when and where the photo was taken, the names of the people in it, and the photographer. Photos will not be returned unless requested and accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope, otherwise they will be found in the Red Box outside the office door of the WMC.

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; and to foster awareness of our natural areas including their plants, animal and bird life.

Cover Photo

*Jim Piani finally gets to "look down" on an abbreviated 6' + Tom Walsh. Brian Barkey judges the accuracy of the measurements.
Photo by Kyle Williams*

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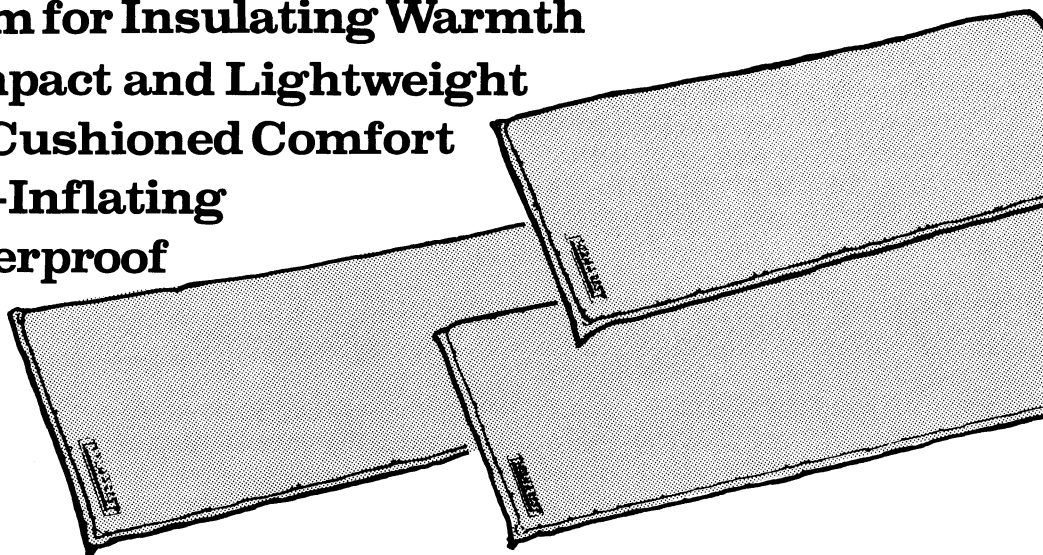
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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

MARCH 1970

BY DALE GREEN—HISTORIAN

The Adolph Coors Company has recently announced a new plan to pay a dime per pound for scrap aluminum beverage cans delivered to any of its distributors. "This can be a major program for keeping America clean, and also for providing substantial revenue for deserving community projects," according to a Coors spokesman.

Skiers and snowshoers were unexpectedly delayed on the Park City Ridge Run when Ruth Henson broke her leg in two places below the knee while skiing between lifts at Park City West. Ski Tour Director Dennis Caldwell discusses a problem which never seems to go away. Many recent trips have been burdened with large numbers of skiers who are attempting tours beyond their abilities. By taxing their upper limit they increase the probability of injury and greatly impede the progress of the group. They are also causing problems with finding qualified leaders.

FIFTY YEARS AGO IN THE WMC

March, 1945

(From Board of Governors' Meeting Minutes)

Approval was granted to place a lamp on the big tree by the bridge at Brighton to help light the way from the Lodge to the parking lot.

Steve Macdonald was elected to become Trips and Outings Director to replace Harold Goodro, who was being inducted into the Navy.

The Board approved a plan to publish a schedule of the trips two or three months in advance so that people would know what to plan on.

The lodge will be rented out to groups this summer. The YWCA will pay \$1.50 per person or a minimum of \$60.00 a week. Other responsible organized groups may rent at a minimum of \$100.00 per week.

QUESTION: LAST MONTH'S TRIVIA QUIZ: "What is the relationship between the names of one of the lakes in Mill B and one of the lakes in the Brighton Bowl?"

ANSWER: Alfred and William Lambourne were brothers and some of the early artists who painted scenes in Big Cottonwood Canyon. These artists named the three lakes in Mill B after their daughters and three of the lakes at Brighton after their wives. Lake Lillian, below Lakes Blanche and Florence, was named after the daughter of Alfred Lambourne. Lake Martha, between Lake Catherine and Lake Mary at Brighton, is named after William Lambourne's wife. Lillian, therefore, was the neice of Martha.

THIS MONTH'S TRIVIA QUIZ: Many of the forks of Big Cottonwood Canyon are named alphabetically after early lumber mills which were located at or near the mouth's of each fork. Mills A, B, D, and F are well known and shown on most maps. Where were Mills C and E located?

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

SKI AND SNOWSHOE TOURS

March	
4	Ski Tour-Beartrap or Leader's Choice (MOD)
4	Ski Tour-Lower Silver Fork
4	Ski Tour: Silver Fork-West Bowl
4	Ski Tour-Wolverine Bowl
4	Snowshoe-Dog Lake
5	Snowshoe Red Pine
5	Ski Tour-Uintas North Fork of the Provo
5	Ski Tour-Upper Greens Basin
5	Ski Tour-wilson Fork via Mill D
9-12	Ski Yurt Overnight-Tetons
11	Ski Tour-Woodrow Wilson Peak
11	Snowshoe North Fork of Norway Flats
11	Snowshoe Bountiful Peak
11-13	Ski Yurt-Logan Canyon
12	Ski Tour-Cardiff Fork
12	Ski Tour-Leader's Choice (MOD)
12	Ski Tour-Lower Mineral Fork
12	Snowshoe Brighton Area
18	Ski Tour Soldier Fork in Mill Creek
18	Ski Tour-Leader's Choice (NTD)
18	Ski Tour-Full Moon, Pancake Feast, Overnight
18	Ski Tour-Plan B
19	Snowshoe Mineral Fork
19	Ski Tour-Stansbury Deseret Peak
19	Ski Tour-Summit County-Rockport Reservoir
19	Ski Tour-Leader's Choice (MOD)
24-26	Ski Tour-Hut Overnight
25	SKI Tour-Uintas Kings Peak
25	Snowshoe Gourmet Social to Willow Lake
25	Ski Tour North Side of Timp
25	Ski Tour Leader's Choice
26	Snowshoe White Fir Pass
26	Ski Tour Scotts Pass
26	Ski Tour Powder Park #3
April	
1	Ski Tour Uintas April Fools Beaver Creek
1	Ski Tour April Fools Leader's Choice
2	Ski Tour Leader's Choice
2	Ski Tour Uintas Norway Flats
8	Ski Tour Lower Silver Fork
8	Ski Tour Leader's Choice
9	Ski Tour Leader's Choice
9	Ski Tour Leader's Choice
15	Ski Tour Tax Day Leader's Choice
15	Ski Tour Accountant's Holiday Leader's Choice
16	Ski Tour Silver Fork
16	Ski Tour Uintas Norway Flats

BOATING

March	
21-24	Salt River Trip
23	Annual River Trip Planning Meeting
April	
22-23	River Safety Clinic

CLIMBING

March	
1/8/15/22/29	Wasatch Front Climbing Gym
25-26	South Sixshooter—Moab Area
April	
6/13/20/27	Petes Rock
21	Snow Climbing—Leader's Choice
22	American Fork Canyon
29	Snow Climbing Class

HIKING

March	
18	Leader's Choice
19	Pencil Point
22	Hiking Committee Meeting
25	Leader's Choice
26	Craner Peak
26	Leader's Choice
April	
1	Desert Mt. Lost Falls
1	City Creek Twins Family Hike
2	Diamond Fork Hike/Snowshoe/Post-holing???
2	Silver Island Mts.
8	Big Beacon
9	Antelope Island
9	Salt Lake Overlook
9	Perkins Peak
16	Pilot Peak
28-30	Backpack: Grand Gulch

BIKING

March	
4	Road/Mtn: Capitol to Crompton's
5	Road/Mtn: Draper-Herriman
11	Road/Mtn: St. Patrick's Ride
12	Road/Mtn: Farmington
12	Road/Mtn: Draper-Lehi
19	Road/Mtn: SL Marina
25	Road: Antelope Island
26	Road/Mtn: Draper-Bluffdale-Riverton
April	
1	Road: Maddox
2	Road/Mtn: Copperton
8	Road/Mtn: Morgan Valley Loop

SPECIAL EVENTS

March	
1	Board Meeting
4	KUED Service Night (also under Socials)
5/19	Snow Shoveling at the Lodge
April	
5	Board Meeting

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

SOCIALS

March

1	Movie Night
4	KUED Service Night
5	Entertainment Planning Meeting
8/15/22/29	Country Western Dance Instruction
11	Country Western Dancing
15	Movie Night
17	St. Patrick's Day Potluck
24	Sing-a-Long
26	Gourmet Pasta Party

April

8	Polyester Potluck Party
12/19/26	Country Western Dance Instruction
15	Easter Egg Hunt

VOLLEYBALL

Participation Limited to 42

DATES:	Mon. All Mondays in March
PLACE:	Highland High—2100 S. 1700 E.
TIME:	6:30 pm in Girl's gym
FEE:	\$1.00 members \$2.00 non
CALL:	Ross Martin 364-4006

A Reminder: Snow shoveling at the LODGE March 5 and 19 from 2-4. Everyone is welcomed to come join in the fun!!!

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Mar. 7 Dave Smith, experienced alpinist and skier shares slides and stories from some favorite climbs and classic tours on local peaks.

Mar. 14 Scott Hoffman shares slides and stories of his three month bike trip through Kenya, African cultures, and several national parks.

Mar. 21 Lincoln Clark presents an introductory clinic on the basics of reading topographical maps and using a compass. Bring compass and Sugarhouse quadrangle 7 1/2 minute USGS map.

Mar. 28 Scoff Hoffman presents slides of the Tibetan Plateau and other regions in this fascinating and troubled part of the world.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIENDS OF THE UAFC ELECTIONS - CANDIDATES SOUGHT

In March Friends of the Utah Avalanche Forecast Center will be electing Board members for next year. Board members receive substantial discounts from several local outdoor shops. Serving as a Board member also offers the chance to work with the forecasters, the local business community, and some other really great volunteers. No knowledge of avalanche science or forecasting is necessary.

The current Board of Directors is working out the details of the election. I will be glad to keep any interested persons updated and to discuss the role of the organization and its Governing Board.

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

Participation in any WMC activity can be dangerous. It is your responsibility to evaluate your own preparedness and ability to safely participate in any activity.

Mar 1 Wed

CLIMBING: WASATCH FRONT CLIMBING GYM-BEGINNERS WELCOME! Spring is coming, and this is a great place to learn how to climb in a controlled environment, so beginners are welcome. If you have never climbed before, call Herb Hayashi (278-2620) for more information. Meet about 5:30 til ? at 427 W. 9160 S. Price is about \$8 per visit or you can purchase a 10 ride pass for \$69.

Mar 1 Wed

SOCIAL: MOVIE NITE Join this evening's host at the Sugarhouse Pier 49 San Francisco Sourdough Pizza Co. (2227 Highland) at 6 pm to eat before catching a movie at the Cinemark Movies Ten that starts between 7-7:30. Call Ken (466-2825) with any questions. Co-listed with the Sierra Club Singles.

Mar 1 Wed

WMC BOARD MEETING: Any member interested in attending is welcome. Call the Club office or any director to get the time and place (usually 7-10 pm). This is the first meeting of the 95-96 board.

Mar 4 Sat

BIKE: ROAD/MTN CAPITOL TO CROMPTON'S (NTD) This is the season opener and being the optimists we are, good weather is expected! This will be your first chance of the year to gently see what kind of shape you're in, and enjoy some socializing over lunch with long lost friends. We begin at the Capitol and ride past City Creek, along 11th Ave, cross over to Sunnyside, and up Emigration Canyon to Crompton's. This is an out and back ride of a total distance of only 25 miles, with a gain of about 1000'. Meet at the upper NE corner of the Capitol parking lot (400 E. Capitol Blvd.) at 10 am. You may want to consider bringing full gloves and a shell for the descent if it is cold. Call Rick Kirkland (486-0909) for further details or if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 4 Sat

SERVICE: Join the WMC in supporting public television (KUED) with their March fund drive. We will be answering phones from 6 pm to midnight. Volunteers are needed. Call Linda (943-1871) for details.

Mar 4 Sat

SKI TOUR: LOWER SILVER FORK (NTD) Lade Heaton (1-801-647-3756) will meet you at 9:00 am at Butler School. Although beacons and shovel are not required, bring 'em if'n ya got 'em. Skins are encouraged, sturdy track skis or light touring skis are recommended.

Mar 4 Sat

SKI TOUR: BEARTRAP OR LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Will McCarvill (943-5520) hopes the snow conditions will be good for a long day of yo-yo skiing. He warns you to prepare for lots of runs and climbs back up if the powder is found. Meet Will at Butler School at 9:00 am. Beacons, shovel and skins required. What's your frequency? Tell Will.

Mar 4 Sat

SKI TOUR: SILVER FORK-WEST BOWL (MSD) Peter Hansen (583-8249) plans to go up beside the Evergreen Lift at Brighton, going on to Twin Lakes Pass, skirting around Honeycomb Canyon, and then on to the bowl. After trashing out all the good powder, the group will then descend via Silver Fork to the lower parking lot at Solitude. We'll have to do some car spotting in advance. The scenery will be splendid, and so will the skiing. Call Peter Thursday to pre-register and to obtain the confidential meeting time and place. Beacons, shovel and skins are required.

Mar 4 Sat

SKI TOUR: WOLVERINE BOWL (MOD+) One good way to get high in the Wasatch is to ski Wolverine Bowl. At 10,795' it is one of the more accessible high bowls. Jeff Stowell (582-5214) will make it easy for you by using the Brighton Ski lift (\$4.00 for a one-lift ride) to lop off a thousand feet of climbing. Beacons, shovel and skins are required. Call Jeff to pre-register and to find the meeting time and location.

Mar 4 Sat

SNOWSHOE: DOG LAKE (NTD) Rob Merritt (582-4942) will lead a group of snowshoers to this popular snowshoe destination. Meet Rob at Butler Elem. School (2700 E. 7000 S.) at 10 am.

Mar 5 Sun
LODGE SNOW SHOVELING 2-4 PM.

Mar 5 Sun
BIKE: ROAD/MTN DRAPER-HERRIMAN (NTD) In case you missed the season opener yesterday, here comes your second chance to see what kind of shape you are in. Or if you survived the opener and just can't seem to get enough, join Kathy Hoenig for this pleasant fairly flat loop of 30 miles. Bring a picnic lunch to eat at the rendezvous point in Herriman (SW corner of SL valley), or grab a snack late in the ride in Riverton. Meet Kathy at 10 am at Draper Park (12500 S. 1300 E). Call her (486-8525) for details or if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 5 Sun
SKITOUR-UINTAS: NORTH FORK OF THE PROVO (NTD) Dave Anderson (532-0947) will meet you at the Parleys Way K-Mart at 9:00 am, or the Park City High School at 9:45 am. This is a pretty flat trail, so track skis are preferred. Scenery will be marvelous, and Dave guarantees to be entertaining.

Mar 5 Sun
SKI TOUR: UPPER GREENS BASIN (MOD+) Andy Schoenberg (583-3193) will meet you at 9:00 am at Parking Lot #4. Beacon, shovel, and skins are required. Call Andy with your frequency before the trip.

Mar 5 Sun
SKI TOUR: WILSON FORK VIA MILL D (MSD) Wilson Fork, which extends northward into Millcreek Canyon, lies between Alexander Basin and Big Water Gulch. This infrequently skied canyon is the site of the 1995 Terry Rollins (363-2459) Skiing Fandango. Try it, you'll like it. Call Terry to preregister and to get the secret meeting time and location. Beacons, shovel and skins are required.

Mar 5 Sun
SNOWSHOE: RED PINE (MOD) Mohamed Abdallah (466-9016) will lead a group of intermediate snowshoers on the popular Red Pine trail. This time Mohamed hopes the canyon is open. Meet Mohamed at Butler Elementary School (2700 E. 7000 S.) at 9 am.

Mar 5 Sun
SOCIAL: ENTERTAINMENT PLANNING MEETING WANTED: Fun loving folks to help plan and/or host WMC socials. Come with your ideas for the winter strategy session at 3705 Golden Hills Drive. Refreshments at 6:30, planning starts at 7. Call Sam (262-6698) or Craig (521-5408) if you have any questions. See you there!

Mar 8 Wed
CLIMBING: WASATCH FRONT CLIMBING GYM-BEGINNERS WELCOME! Spring is coming, and this is a great place to learn how to climb in a controlled environment, so beginners are welcome. If you have never climbed before, call Herb Hayashi (278-2620) for more information. Meet about 5:30 til ? at 427 W. 9160 S. Price is about \$8 per visit or you can purchase a 10 ride pass for \$69.

Mar 8 Wed
SOCIAL: COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE INSTRUCTION Back by popular demand, Linda Kosky will be teaching us all the new line dances, round dancing, etc. No partners are needed. Bring your dancing shoes to the First Unitarian Church (569 S. 1300 E.) at 7:35. Cost is \$2.50 to cover rental of the church. Call Linda (943-1871) or Sam (262-6698) for details.

Mar 9-12 Thu-Sun
SKI TOUR-YURT OVERNIGHTS: TETON SKI YURT TRIP (MOD) Your leaders, the Telly Mavens, Pamela and Frank Perniciaro (583-1646) have reservations for three glorious nights and four fabulous days at the Baldy Knoll Yurt on the Idaho side of the Tetons. Views! Intermediate bowls right outside the door. Advanced skiers scale Housetop Peak for thrills! \$65 per person with a full hut. Limit 6. Reserve NOW or we start filling with non-WMC grungies! Telemarking equipment, skins, beacon, and shovel are required. We'll be packing in our gear and food as well.

Mar 11 Sat
BIKE: ROAD/MTN ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE RIDE (NTD) Join Lucy Shoell at 9 am at the Waterbury Clubhouse (1550 E. 5830 S.). Enter at Waterbury Way: 1550 E. 5600 S. This will be an easy paced 17 mile round trip ride to Main Street at 300 S. downtown to enjoy the parade. Bring your favorite dish to share at the Luck-O'-the-Pot after the ride at the clubhouse. Call Lucy for more details (272-5234) or if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 11 Sat
SKI TOUR: WOODROW WILSON PEAK (MSD) Pat McEwen (571-5033) and his daredevil companions will go in at Mill D, up Woodrow Wilson Peak, and then ski out via Mill Creek Canyon. Woodrow Wilson has a 1,500' chute due east of Gobblers Knob that is seldom skied. BRING BUS MONEY. Call Pat to pre-register and to find out the meeting time and location. Beacon, shovel and skins are required.

Mar 11 Sat
SNOWSHOE: BOUNTIFUL PEAK (MOD+) Bert Balzer (299-0246) will meet you at the Albertson's grocery parking lot in Centerville at 8:30 am. Bert likes this mountain and wants others to see for themselves. This will be a nice moderate pace in hopes more people will come to see this great snowshoe area. Come prepared for a full day.

Mar 11 Sat

SNOWSHOE: NORTH FORK OF NORWAY FLATS (NTD) Mark Jones (486-5354) will lead a group of easy paced only snowshoers on this trip to the Uintas. Call Mark for details or meet him for a pleasant day at Skyline High School (3251 E. 3760 S.) at 9 am.

Mar 11 Sat

SOCIAL: COUNTRY WESTERN DANCING Call Linda (943-1871) for details.

Mar 11-13

SKI YURT TRIP: LOGAN CANYON STEAM MILL YURT (MOD) Check your calendar now—this trip is filling fast. A limit of 6 for this three day and two night stay. Cost will be about \$50 per person. We will have to pack in our food and sleeping bags. You must call yurt-man Tom Walsh (969-5842) ASAP to register.

Mar 12 Sun

BIKE: ROAD/MTN FARMINGTON (NTD) Join Bill Ohlsen at 9:30 am at the Agricultural Building (350 N. 1700 W.) for this 34 mile out-and-back ride to Farmington. You will enjoy quiet, flat backroads through the communities of Woods Cross, West Bountiful, Centerville, and Farmington. Bring a lunch or buy one on the road. Call Bill (364-2159) for more details or if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 12 Sun

SKI TOUR: CARDIFF FORK (MSD) Jim Piani (272-3921) wants to test your knowledge of the parking lot situation this year. Meet him at Parking Lot #2—9:00 am (Hint—it's on Ft. Union Blvd.). Jim will be the guy in the little old man costume. Beacons, shovel and skins are required, and please call Jim to discuss your beacon's frequency.

Mar 12 Sun

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD+) Larry Stewart (944-0213) claims that if there's powder, he'll ski it. If crusty-cruddy-crummy stuff overwhelms the powder, then he'll do a scenic tour instead. Flexibility is the spice of life. Meet Larry at 9:00 am at Butler School. Beacons, shovel and skins required. Call Larry to discuss your beacon.

Mar 12 Sun

SKI TOUR: LOWER MINERAL FORK (NTD+) Mike Hendrickson (942-1476) will meet you at Butler School at 9:00 am. Mike advises you to bring back-country skis and skins. Track skis are a no-go. Although beacons and shovel are not required, if you have them, bring them.

Mar 12 Sun

SNOWSHOE: BRIGHTON AREA (NTD+) Doug Stark (277-8538) will lead a group of snowshoers to this beautiful area around the WMC Lodge and possibly to Catherine Lake. Meet him at Butler Elem. School (2700 E. 7000 S.)—9 am.

Mar 15 Wed

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Mar 15 Wed

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Mar 17 Fri

SOCIAL: ST PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK PARTY Wear your green and bring your favorite Irish dish (corn beef and cabbage, Irish stew, potatoes) and join us for a couch potato party. Join us at 6 pm at the Polo Club Clubhouse (3660 S. Highland Dr. Look for the Polo Club sign just south of the China City Restaurant. Turn west into the Polo Club, bear left at the first opportunity. Clubhouse is the next right, located just beyond the pool. Coverage charge \$2 (for paper goods, utensils, etc.) Coffee/tea provided; or bring your beverage of choice. Call Gary (568-1764) or Patti (973-7984) for details.

Mar 18 Sat

BIKE: ROAD/MTN DRAPER-LEHI (NTD) Jim Piani will lead us through quiet, rural Draper, out along the frontage road, over Point-of-the-Mountain, and into Lehi. We retrace our route for a total distance of about 35 miles. There will be a climb over the Point both out and back, but nothing too serious. Bring your lunch or buy one in Lehi. Meet Jim at 9 am at Draper Park (12500 S. 1300 E.). You may call Jim (272-3921) for details or if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 18 Sat

HIKE: LEADERS CHOICE (Foothills) Leader Dave Vance (486-1878) gets the honor of kicking off the new hiking season with a hike somewhere in the foothills. Meet Dave at the K-Mart on Parley's Way at 10:00 am.

Mar 18 Sat

SKI TOUR: "PLAN B" (MOD) Edgar Webster (583-0703) says that Salt Lake skiers tend to go with "Plan A" locations on central Wasatch slopes. Edgar's "Plan B" is going to be in the Ogden area or perhaps Provo Canyon. Attention powder hounds: A "Plan B" location will not be crowded nor skied out. If you have suggestions or experience with typical "Plan B" slopes, share them with Edgar when you call to register. Beacons, shovels, and skins are required, just like on "Plan A" slopes.

Mar 18 Sat

SKI TOUR: FULL MOON SKI TOUR, PANCAKE FEAST, AND LODGE OVERNIGHT (EL-NTD) . Jim Patterson (1-783-2213) has a great idea how to make the most of the last full moon of the winter, and get WMC winter use of the Lodge. Organize your own car pools, then meet Jim at the WMC Lodge between 8 and 9 pm for an easy moonlight ski tour around Brighton. Plan on returning to the Lodge about midnight for an apres-ski pancake and egg breakfast. The overnight stay at the Lodge is optional, but since it will be so late, we encourage you to spend the night there. Bring: Lightweight skis, drinks and water for skiing. Afterwards: eating utensils, sleeping bag and pad, and \$10.00 for food, Lodge user and overnight fee (or \$5.00 if you're not spending the night). Jim is supplying the pancakes, eggs, coffee, cocoa, and tea. You won't need beacons, shovels, or skins. Call Jim's answering machine by Mar. 17 to register and to reserve an overnight spot (limit 30). About flashlights: It's nice to have along, but leave it in your pack while we ski. Jim quotes Wendell Berry: "To go in the dark with a light is to know the light. To know the dark, go dark, go without sight. Learn to know the dark."

Mar 18 Sat

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD) Looks like Jim Bailey (261-5609) might be going up into the Uintas today; he's planning on meeting you at the Parleys Way K-Mart at 8:30 am. Jim would like you to call him for details before the trip and find out if beacons, shovel, or skins are required.

Mar 18 Sat

SKI TOUR: SOLDIER FORK IN MILL CREEK (MOD+) Kyle Williams (567-9072) hasn't put his mark on this spot in several years. Join him and the gang as he revives this traditional trip. We'll have to spot a car in advance. Call Kyle to pre-register and to find the meeting time and location. Beacon, shovel and skins are required.

Mar 19 Sun

LODGE SNOW SHOVELING 2-5 PM

Mar 19 Sun

BIKE: ROAD/MTN GREAT SALT LAKE MARINA (NTD). Join Jim Zinanti (967-8578 or 594-3521) for a ride from the West Jordan Park (7941 S. 2200 W.) to the marina at Great Salt Lake. Bring a picnic for lunch (or at least a banana). We'll start at 9:00 am and keep to a pace designed for socializing and enjoying the scenery. Call if the weather is questionable.

Mar 19 Sun

HIKE: PENCIL POINT (NTD 2.5) Leader Mohamed Abdallah (466-9016) will lead this pleasant spring hike overlooking Carrigan Canyon. Meet at the Parley's Way K-Mart at 9:30 am.

Mar 19 Sun

SKI TOUR-STANSBURYS: DESERET PEAK (MSD) Leader Larry Swanson (H-278-3269, W-594-6859) says bring plenty of food and water, plan on a long but fun day in the mountains west of Salt Lake. Beacons, shovel, and skins are required. Since Larry has two dual frequency beacons, you do not need to call him to pre-register for this trip. Larry will meet you at the Truck Stop at the Grantsville Exit of I-80 at 8 am. Look for his silver Subaru. This would be a good training trip for his upcoming Kings Peak trip.

Mar 19 Sun

SKI TOUR-SUMMIT COUNTY: ROCKPORT RESERVOIR (NTD) Been caught in the same Wasatch rut this winter? Jim Gully (277-2578) wants to take you to some new terrain. He's going to go along the east side of Rockport Reservoir (between Coalville and Peoa) to the Corral. Meet him at 9:00 am at the Parleys Way K-Mart. Track skis will be just fine, and you can leave the skins at home along with the beacon and shovel on this fairly flat tour. Come and check out this opportunity for a different and new ski terrain.

Mar 19 Sun

SKI TOUR: LEADERS CHOICE (MOD) Pat Kottcamp (467-7231) wants to go somewhere, but you'll need to check with him to find out where that somewhere is. You can plan on needing beacon, shovel, and skins, however.

Mar 19 Sun

SNOWSHOE: MINERAL FORK (NTD+) Tim Boshert (298-1814) will meet you at Butler Elementary School (2700 E. 7000 S.) at 9 am. Tim plans to go to the meadow below the mine unless the group wants to go to the mine and depending on conditions in the area.



Mar 21-24 Tue-Sat

BOATING: SALT RIVER TRIP—Arizona (Class IV) Steve Susswein (now living in CO) is opening up his permit to WMC members. It's a great early season run for those with experience. He would like a local coordinator to help with the logistics. Please call him (719-684-9093) to sign up.

Mar 22 Wed

CLIMBING: WASATCH FRONT CLIMBING GYM-BEGINNERS WELCOME! Spring is coming, and this is a great place to learn how to climb in a controlled environment, so beginners are welcome. If you have never climbed before, call Herb Hayashi (278-2620) for more information. Meet about 5:30 til ? at 427 W. 9160 S. Price is about \$8 per visit or you can purchase a 10 ride pass for \$69.

Mar 22 Wed

HIKING COMMITTEE MEETING (NTD) Come on out and support a brand new season of WMC adventure by taking part in the first regular Hiking Committee meeting of 1995! It will be held at Brad's place on 409 S. University St. at 7:00 pm. Call Brad (583-1205) for directions. See ya there!

Mar 22 Wed

SOCIAL: COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE INSTRUCTION Back by popular demand, Linda Kosky will be teaching us all the new line dances, round dancing, etc. No partners are needed. Bring your dancing shoes to the First Unitarian Church (569 S. 1300 E.) at 7:35. Cost is \$2.50 to cover rental of the church. Call Linda (943-1871) or Sam (262-6698) for details.

Mar 23 Thu

BOATING: ANNUAL RIVER TRIP PLANNING MEETING Bring your permits and calendars to the Zion Lutheran Church (1070 S. Foothill Dr.) at 7:30 pm. The goal is to map out the river schedule for the season. We will need trip planners/leaders, as well as permit holders. I'd like to see you there! Call Janis Huber (486-2345) with questions.

Mar 24 Fri

SOCIAL: SING-A-LONG (NTD!!) Join Frank Bernard (533-9219) at 7 pm for this "end of season" session of folk and joke singing. Bring your voice and/or guitar to 415 N Center St. in Capitol Hill (about 130 W. 400 N.), and we'll entertain ourselves in this 100% audience participation event. The rehearsals (held here in SLC, at a ski hut, on the White Rim, in the Red Butte parking lot, and on board the Roll Over in Antigua) have been great and this will wrap up the indoor singing season. BYO snacks, beverages, and an enthusiastic attitude.

Mar 24-26 Fri-Sun

SKI TOUR-HUT OVERNIGHTS: LA SAL SKI HUT (MOD) The jolly hutmeisters, Pamela and Frank Perniciaro (583-1646) have reserved the Tomasaki Hut for two nights for the best skiing in the La Sals. Both spring corn on open slopes and tree powder will make a fantastic hut experience. We will ski in Friday afternoon and zip out Sunday after some early turns. Telemarking equipment, skins, beacon, shovel are required. We will also pack in our sleeping bags and food, of course. \$56 per person, limit of 8. Register with Pamela and Frank by Feb. 25th.

Mar 25 Sat

HIKE: LEADERS CHOICE (MOD) Leader Jerry Hatch (583-8047) plans to find a scenic west desert destination. Meet Jerry at 9:00 am at the Utah Travel Council lot (just south and east from the State Capitol)

Mar 25 Sat

BIKE: ROAD ANTELOPE ISLAND (MOD). This is an out and back course from Roy to Antelope Island. The 48 mile route tours the agricultural region west of Ogden, traverses the Davis County Causeway, and then climbs to a viewpoint on the island affording wonderful vistas of the lake. Notwithstanding two teeny tiny climbs, the terrain is easy flat to rolling. Bring a picnic lunch. Meet Elliott Mott (968-7357) in the southwest parking lot of the Capitol at 9:00 to car-pool/caravan, or in Roy at the Roy Recreational Complex (2150 W. 4700 S.) at 10:00.

Mar 25 Sat

SKI TOUR-UINTAS: KINGS PEAK (MSD) It's time to begin thinking about the VERY ANNUAL ski assault of Kings Peak, the highest point in Utah. Larry Swanson (H-278-3269, W-594-6859) and brother Steve (484-5808) are practicing their early-hour cocka-doodle-doo and lubricating their cat-o-nine-tails in preparation to lead their tour. Rated MSD only because it's long (17.5 one way miles and 5,000' vertical gain). It's quite easy skiing when the snow is good. NO beacons or shovels needed, and standard light backcountry gear works best. Skins are often helpful, but racing skis or heavy mountaineering skis are a disadvantage here. Meet at 6:00 pm Friday night at the Parleys Way K-Mart. We'll grab dinner in Evanston, camp out that night near Henry's Fork trailhead, ski out before sunrise, and finish just on the cusp of blackness. A third of the folks may stop at Henry's Fork Basin, which is very scenic and a worthwhile destination. Another third may make it to Gunsight Pass, which gives a marvelous panoramic view. The final third will blast on to Utah's highest point. Bring plenty of food, water, and sunscreen, but pack lightly for optimal speed. You don't need to pre-register, but call Larry or Steve for further information.

Mar 25 Sat

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Cassie Badowski (278-5153) needs you to call to register for this Wasatch Front tour. Beacons, skins, and shovel are required.

Mar 25 Sat

SKI TOUR: NORTH SIDE OF TIMPANOGOS (NTD+) Peter Mimmack (1-801-377-2330) advises call first to register because of snow conditions. If your budget won't allow the long distance call to Provo, Leslie Woods (484-2338) can help you as well. Pete says that this is a Uintah-type tour with Wasatch scenery. They will be skiing 10-14 miles with a 2000' elevation gain. Meeting place #1 is 9:00 am at the Park and Ride at I-15 and 7200 S. If you're coming from further south, then meeting place #2 is 9:30 am at the Park and Ride at I-15 and the Timp exit #287. This is a new trip, and the NTD+ rating is a guesstimate. Come along and help Peter evaluate this new tour.

Mar 25 Sat

SNOWSHOE: GOURMET SOCIAL TO WILLOW LAKE (NTD) Holly Smith (272-5358) and Mark Jones (486-5354) are calling this trip the "*Gourmet or Fast Food Plus Socialshoe*". Come and join them for a slow paced pleasant time of food and frolic in the snow around Willow Lake. Call Holly for food or dessert ideas. Meet them at Butler Elementary School (2700 E. 7000 S.) at 10 am.

Mar 25-26 Sat-Sun

CLIMBING: SOUTH SIXSHOOTER—MOAB AREA This is a desert classic of moderate difficulty. Leader Herb Hayashi (278-2620) says it's two pitches, 5.7ish and great for the average climber. If there is time left over he will climb in the Wall Street area, also near Moab. Call to register, and plan on leaving SLC Friday evening.

Mar 26 Sun

BIKE: ROAD/MTN DRAPER-BLUFFDALE-RIVERTON (NTD) Join Bill Walton at 10 am at Draper Park (12500 S. 1300 E.) for this easy 22 miler around the south end of the valley. From Draper, Bill will be leading us to 14600 S. out to 3600 W. and back through Draper. Food will be available along the way, or you can bring your own picnic lunch. Call Bill (969-8948) with your questions or, if the weather looks questionable.

Mar 26 Sun

HIKE: CRANER PEAK (LAKESIDE MOUNTAINS) (MOD) Meet leader Jim Frese (882-5222) at the Union 76 truck stop (Tooele exit) for this out of the way west desert destination. Meet at 9:00 am.

Mar 26 Sun

SKI TOUR: POWDER PARK #3 (MOD) Jim Piani (272-3921) breaks all tradition as usual, and doesn't want you to call to pre-register for his trip, but be sure to bring your beacon, shovel, and skins. If you are the only one with an old-frequency beacon, you will not be able to go on this trip. Meet at Lot #2 (look at the MAP) at 9:00 am.

Mar 26 Sun

SKI TOUR: SCOTTS PASS (NTD) Mohamed Abdallah (466-9016) promises that this trip will be an easy going NTD tour with good route selection for easy touring. Meet Mohamed at Butler Elementary School at 9:00 am. Skins are recommended.

Mar 26 Sun

SNOWSHOE: WHITE FIR PASS (NTD) Janet Chatwin (255-3732) will lead a group of snowshoers on this tour in Mill Creek Canyon (weather and snow conditions permitting). Please call Janet before 9 pm if you have any question about conditions. Meet Janet at Skyline High School (3251 E. 3760 S.) at 10 am.

Mar 26 Sun

HIKE: LEADER'S CHOICE Join Donn Seeley for a moderate to strenuous hike possibly in the Cedar Mts. Call Donn (273-7955) for meeting time and place.

Mar 26 Sun

SOCIAL: GOURMET PASTA PARTY Chef Scott Harrison will be preparing another delectable pasta meal. Join us from 6-9 pm at 4636 S. Westview Dr. (3215 E.) Cost is \$5/per person; price includes coffee and tea. Bring your other beverages of choice. Call for Scott (277-9871) for details.

Mar 29 Wed

CLIMBING: WASATCH FRONT CLIMBING GYM BEGINNERS WELCOME! Spring is coming, and this is a great place to learn how to climb in a controlled environment, so beginners are welcome. If you have never climbed before, call Herb Hayashi (278-2620) for more information. Meet about 5:30 til ? at 427 W. 9160 S. Price is about \$8 per visit or you can purchase a 10 ride pass for \$69.

Mar 29 Wed

SOCIAL: COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE INSTRUCTION Back by popular demand, Linda Kosky will be teaching us all the new line dances, round dancing, etc. No partners are needed. Bring your dancing shoes to the First Unitarian Church (569 S. 1300 E.) at 7:35. Cost is \$2.50 to cover rental of the church. Call Linda (943-1871) or Sam (262-6698) for details.

Apr 1 Sat

BIKE: ROAD MADDOX (MOD). This 55 mile ride tours the flat agricultural region west of Ogden and then meanders north past Willard Bay, through some of Utah's finest orchards, to Brigham City. The itinerary includes stopping at Maddox—one of Northern Utah's more famous and enduring eating establishments for lunch, and afterwards, if there's interest, at Peach City Ice Cream for dessert. The terrain is easy flat to rolling. Meet Elliott Mott (968-7357) in the southwest parking lot of the Capitol at 9:00 to car-pool, or in Roy at the Roy Recreational Complex (2150 W. 4700 S.) at 10:00 am.

Apr 1 Sat

FAMILY HIKE: CITY CREEK TWINS (NTD 2.4) Join leader Chris Baierschmidt (272-9452) for a mildly paced family hike above the avenues with great views of the city. Kids are welcome! Meet at 10:00 am at the Utah Travel Council Lot (just south and east of the State Capitol bldg.)

Apr 1 Sat

HIKE: DESERT MOUNTAIN (MOD) Leader Jim Zinanti (594-3521 or 967-8578) decided that this granite intrusion north of Delta was such a fun hike that more exploration was necessary. This hike will include plenty of scrambling and some mild exposure. Call Jim for details and to preregister.

Apr 1 Sat

SKI TOUR-UINTAS: APRIL FOOLS BEAVER CREEK (NTD) Mike Eisenberg (572-2676) calls all fools to gather with him today to ski the Uintas. Mike's no fool, however, the snow conditions today may dictate a change of tour destinations, so please call him to confirm the trip location. Meet at the Parley's Way K-Mart at 9:00 am. Mike says skins are recommended.

Apr 1 Sat

SKI TOUR: APRIL FOOLS LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Edgar Webster (583-0703) will be looking for soft snow to fall in. Call before the trip to discuss your beacon's frequency. Meet Edgar at 9:00 am at Butler Elementary School.

Apr 2 Sun

BIKE: ROAD/MTN NORTH COPPERTON (NTD) Lily Schumann is going to start riding from West Jordan Park (7941 S. 2200 W.) at 10:30 am (MDT!) and would like some company. She will go west on the Old Bingham Highway to Copperton Park, then 10 miles north to Magna, and wind through West Valley for a total loop of 38 miles. A picnic lunch is suggested, yet food will be available in Magna and West Valley. **REMEMBER DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME!** Call Lily (561-3756), especially if the weather looks questionable.

Apr 2 Sun

HIKE/SNOWSHOE/POST-HOLING (depending on snow) **DIAMOND FORK (MOD +/-?)** Trip length is 6-16 miles according to whimsy of leader. Bring swimsuits for hot springs, towels optional, limit 12. Call Carrie Clark (583-1205 or 957-3238) to register.

Apr 2 Sun

HIKE: SILVER ISLAND MOUNTAINS (MSD) Leader Pat Kottcamp (467-7231) invites you to visit this rugged range near Wendover. Strenuous with scrambling. Call Pat to register.

Apr 2 Sun

SKI TOUR-UINTAS: NORWAY FLATS (NTD+) Dale Woodward (467-2097) advises that because of the lateness of the season, please call him for meeting time and location.

Apr 2 Sun

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Ridge Williams (272-0969) advises that because of the lateness of the season, please call him for meeting time and destination.

Apr 5 Wed

WMC BOARD MEETING: Any member interested in attending is welcome. Call the Club office or any director to get the time and place (usually 7-10 pm).

Apr 6 Thu

CLIMBING: PETES ROCK Join us after work for real rock after a long winter in the Gym. This Quartzite outcrop at 5200 S. Wasatch Blvd. is a great place to get back into it, with routes of all difficulties. Call Kyle Williams (567-9072) if you have questions. If the weather is bad we can go to The Gym.

Apr 8 Sat

BIKE: ROAD/MTN MORGAN VALLEY LOOP (NTD) This 31 mile ride showcases the rural mountain valley surrounding East Canyon Creek and the Weber River. In the spring, with the snow-capped Wasatch Mountains as a backdrop, this is an especially scenic ride. We'll spin past wintering sheep, purebred horses, highjinking colts, llamas, and cantankerous billy goats, and along the way, view some fabulous ski and snowshoe terrain. The course follows mostly lightly trafficked country roads over easy flat to rolling terrain. Plan on stopping at a cafe for lunch. Meet Elliott Mott (968-7357) in the southwest parking lot of the Capitol at 9:00 am to car-pool/caravan, or in Morgan at Riverside Park (125 N. 200 E.) at 10:00.

Apr 8 Sat

HIKE: BIG BEACON (MOD 4.5) Leader James Janney (521-0538) will lead a group to this favorite old classic above Pioneer Park. Meet at 9:00 am at the K-Mart on Parley's Way.

Apr 8 Sat

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Kevin Oakes (277-8742) advises that because of the lateness of the season call him to register and to find out the destination, meeting time and location. Beacons, shovels, and skins are required.

Apr 8 Sat

SKI TOUR: LOWER SILVER FORK (NTD) Sherry Handy (262-6200) hopes that snow conditions are adequate for this excellent beginner's tour. Because of the lateness of the season, please call her for last minute trip change, and the meeting time and location.

Apr 8 Sat

SOCIAL: POLYESTER POTLUCK PARTY Dig out your WILDEST 60's mini-skirts or 70's leisure suit. Look for details in the April *Rambler*. Prizes for the most innovative jello dessert or spam casserole contest. Contact Lucy (272-5234) for details.

Apr 9 Sun

HIKE: ANTELOPE ISLAND (MOD) Leader Alan Brennan (776-9206) plans to find a route on the south end of the island. Call Alan to register.

Apr 9 Sun

HIKE: PERKINS PEAK (MOD 4.9) Join leader Chris Baerschmidt (272-9452) to take in some beautiful views of the valley from this seldom visited peak above Emigration Canyon. Meet Chris at the Hogle Zoo parking lot at 9:00 am.

Apr 9 Sun

HIKE: SALT LAKE OVERLOOK (NTD 2.8) Leader Mohamed Abdallah (466-9016) will be leading this old favorite to a spectacular vantage point over the Salt Lake valley. Meet at 9:00 am at the K-Mart on Parley's Way.

Apr 9 Sun

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Levi Todd (278-3644) is also hoping for some good late season snow. Because of the lateness of the season, call him to register and to find out the destination, meeting time and location. Beacons, shovels, and skins are required.

Apr 9 Sun

SKI TOUR: LEADER'S CHOICE (NTD-MOD) Mike Hendrickson (942-1476) is hoping for some good late season snow. Because of the lateness of the season, call him to register and to find out the destination, meeting time and location. Back-country skis, Beacons, shovels, and skins are required.

Apr 12 Wed

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Apr 13 Thu

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Apr 15 Sat

SKI TOUR: ACCOUNTANT'S HOLIDAY LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Jeff Stowell (562-5214) and other IRS lovers will join together to find some good late season snow in a fairly difficult end of the season trip. Because of the lateness of the season, call him to register and to find out the destination, meeting time and location. Beacons, shovels, and skins are required

Apr 15 Sat

SKI TOUR: TAX DAY LEADER'S CHOICE (MOD) Phil Fikkan (583-8499) hopes you have done your taxes and that there will be some good late season snow. Because of the lateness of the season, call him to register and to find out the destination, meeting time and location. Back-country skis, Beacons, shovels and skins are required.

Apr 15 Sat

SOCIAL: EASTER EGG HUNT Look for details in the April *Rambler*.

Apr 16 Sun

HIKE: PILOT PEAK (MSD) Join Hiking Director/Jack-rabbit Brad Yates (583-1205) for a rugged snowy adventure just across the Nevada border followed by an Easter dinner in Wendover. Call Brad to register.

Apr 16 Sun

SKI TOUR-UINTAS: NORWAY FLATS (MOD—Due To Length) Clarence Cardwell (487-1456) is closing out the ski season in the Uintas with this or another Uintas tour if snow conditions permit. Back-country skis and skins are recommended, but Clarence says if you are a competent track skier, come on along. Because of the lateness of the season, call him for the meeting time, location and last minute changes.

Apr 16 Sun

SKI TOUR: SILVER FORK (NTD) This is NOT an official end of the season gourmet ski tour, but a reasonable facsimile. Ron Thole (569-0121) suggests everybody brings something in the way of eats to share with the rest of the die-hard end of the season skiers. Because of the lateness of the season, call him to find out the meeting time and location.

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Apr 21 Sun

SNOW CLIMBING: LEADERS CHOICE Join Dave Smith (572-0346) on the best snow climb he can find depending on conditions that day. This will be a more aggressive climb, with ice ax and crampon skills a must. Call him to register.

Apr 22 Sat

CLIMBING: AMERICAN FORK CANYON June Freedman (278-8501) will lead a day trip to this world-famous area with 10+ climbing on limestone. We can set up top ropes but the climbing is pumpy, so eat your Wheaties.

Apr 22-23 Sat-Sun

BOATING: RIVER SAFETY CLINIC Ken McCarthy once again offers his time for this clinic. It's open to WMC & the UT Whitewater Club. First day instruction will be in the SLC area, second day on the Weber River. Ken offers a "hands on" approach. This excellent class covers all types of rescue as well as personal safety tips. Cost: \$40 per person for both days (raft rentals may be extra). More info, call Ken (1-800-647-2923) or Janis (486-2345).

Apr 26 Wed

SOCIAL: COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE INSTRUCTION Same information as Apr. 19th

Apr 27 Thu

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Apr 28-30 Fri-Sun

BACKPACK: GRAND GULCH Frank Bernard (533-9219) has volunteered to lead this trip to some of the finest Anasazi ruins in the state. Call Frank for more details and to register.

Apr 29 Sat

MOUNTAINEERING: SNOW CLIMBING CLASS Learn the basics of safe snow travel including avalanche safety and use of the ice ax. These skills are necessary for many early-season hikes in the Wasatch. Register with Larry Coulter (485-9623). If you can help teach, please volunteer. (ed. note: This class does not plan to repeat last year's in-class lab work on wet snow avalanches.)

May 6 Sat

MOUNTAINEERING: SNOW CLIMBING CLASS-ADVANCED Learn more advanced skills including avalanche safety, roped climbing, snow belays, crampon use, crevasse rescue. If you couldn't make it to last week's class, this class can accommodate a beginner, so please show up. Register with Larry Coulter (485-9623). If you can help teach, please volunteer.

May 7 Sun

TANNERS GULCH: TRIPLE TRAVERSE This is one of the best snow climbs in the Wasatch. Walt Haas (534-1262) will lead this aggressive climb up the gulch, then follow the ridge to include Dromedary Peak, O'Sullivan Peak, and East and West Twins. (OK so we lied, it's really the Quad Traverse—actually Quint, if you consider the little bump called Jessen's Folly!) Anyway, plan on an early start and a long strenuous day, with skill in the use of ice ax and crampons required.

May 13-14 Sat-Sun

CLIMBING: CITY OF ROCKS, IDAHO June Freedman (278-8501) will lead a weekend trip to this great granite area 2 hours north. Routes of all difficulties await you. We will leave Friday evening, and car camp. Don't miss this early season opener. (Pray for warmth).

May 20 Sat

CLIMBING: ROCK CLIMBING CLASS Learn the basics of safe roped rock climbing including knots, belaying, and rappelling. Participants will need snug fitting rubber soled shoes and webbing to make a harness. Call Kyle Williams (567-9072) for details and to register. If you can help teach, please volunteer.

Jun 4 Sun

SNOW CLIMB: TANNERS GULCH This will be a trip geared for beginners who have learned the ice ax self arrest and the use of crampons. We will get an early start to accommodate a slow pace and the chance to practice as we go. Call Kyle Williams (567-9072) to register.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Apr 24-27 GRAND CANYON PHANTOM RANCH GET-A-WAY: A resort vacation with scenic strolls, remote beaches, high stakes gambling (nickel limit), intimate accommodations and delicious food awaits you. There are still a few spots left or get on the waiting list. Cost for the ranch (two nights, six meals) is about \$120 per person). The cost of lodging and food on the south rim is extra. There will be an optional day spent backpacking in on the Hermit Trail (subject to obtaining a permit) starting on the 23rd. A deposit of \$50 is required. For more info: Mike Eisenberg (572-2676).

Apr 95 HAUTE ROUTE—SWISS ALPS Yes boys and girls, this is the real thing! Start planning now to join George Westbrook (942-6071) for this once in a lifetime trip! This will be a semi-private guided trip, costing only about \$1500, including travel expenses! Don't miss this!

May 6-7 BIRD WATCHING and MTN BIKING Frank Bernard is planning an exploratory trip to the Fish Springs area for a combination of bird watching, biking, and car camping. More information in next month's *Rambler*, or you can call him (533-9219).

May 16 SLC CYCLEFEST MTN BIKE RIDE We'll be doing one of our Tuesday-evening rides in conjunction with the Mayor's bike week. It'll include an introductory-level ride as well as one or more harder rides. For more information, see next month's *Rambler*.

May 27-29 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MOAB MANTI LASAL'S LOOP RIDE *Are you in shape???* for a 70 mile, two day ride (35 miles per day) with a 4,200 foot climb in day one? This is a beautiful ride that can be done on either a road or mountain bike. We will depart from Moab Saturday morning for a tough but rewarding ride, then camp up on the high plateau and dream about the much deserved 4,200' descent the next day into Castle Valley and back to Moab along the Colorado River. Call me early for more info and/or sign up as the trip will be limited to ten (10) people. Cost: \$30 to cover meals and the sag vehicle gas. Monday will be left open for what ever people wish to do. Call Chuck Howisey (364-4820) if interested. (P.S. Two WMC "Get -in-Shape" pre-rides are required.)

Jun 96 MOUNTAINEERING—DENALI, ALASKA They don't get any bigger than this on this continent! Start planning now to join Larry Coulter for this twice in a lifetime (if you're a hard person like Larry) chance to climb Denali. Register (485- 9623) to start training to carry heavy loads, stay storm-bound for 5 days straight in a small tent, and try to keep from hating your best friend who whistles off-key and clicks his teeth during the aforementioned 5 day storm!

San Juan Islands Sailing Adventure—1995

In September of this year, I am planning on sailing for a week in one of the premier, protected, inland cruising areas of the Pacific Northwest (my 4th time). I'd love to have a flotilla of WMC members aboard other boats to join me in experiencing some great sailing, anchorages, ports, hiking, scenery, etc.

Costs should be about \$500 to \$600 per person for the week, depending on the size of the boat you charter and the number aboard. Transportation to the start point is extra, but car pools can be arranged (if a long day on the road to Seattle appeals to some).

The WMC cruise week will be somewhat different from previous cruises as the trip leader will not be personally chartering the boats and assigning crew members to them. But I'll give every assistance in getting compatible crews and captains together, locating suitable charter companies and in coordinating our dates, routes and overnight stops.

Charter sail boats ranging in size from 28' up to mega sized crewed yachts are available—if you want to hire a captain and a cook/crew (as in luxury sailing) that is possible as well. We are not locked into having to have 6 people aboard a 42' ship, but that is certainly an option. I will be personally sailing my 25' pocket cruiser so there will be at least one small boat on the trip.

I'll be putting together a packet of info on this so if you are interested, give me a call: Frank Bernard, trip leader (533-9219) or Vince Desimone, sailing coordinator (649-5317).

FROM THE NEW CONSERVATION DIRECTOR

Rich Osborne

The next few weeks are quickly shaping up as a critical time for BLM Wilderness issues in Utah. County hearings regarding wilderness recommendations are scheduled to be completed by Apr. 1. If you have questions and wish to get involved, please call me (647-0205 or 363-7150).

The Conservation Section of the Club will be very active during the coming year. A number of coordinator positions to address specific issues or geographic areas are being created. So far the following coordinators have been proposed:

John Veranth—Wilderness Issues
Will McCarvill—San Rafael Swell
Donn Seeley—Western Desert, Antelope Island
Allan Gavere—River Issues
Rich Osborne—Kaiparowits Plateau

If you have an interest in becoming involved in these areas or desire to be a coordinator for a specific issue or geographic area, please call me.

Additionally, a number of informational conservation meetings will be scheduled throughout the year. These meetings will be designed to introduce issues, methods, federal documents. (NEPA - EA - EIS etc.) and processes. A general "how to" approach to getting involved in conservation matters will be presented.

The first informational meeting is scheduled for March 9 at 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Mike Budig, WMC trustee and former Conservation Director, will present issues related to proposed wilderness legislation. For more information, see

Conservation Newsletter from the Wilderness Society

("excerpted, with permission, from the Wilderness Society's *New Voices* newsletter.")

ROAD TO RUN

Imagine for a moment that you live in coal mining territory, and that mining beneath your neighborhood has caused several homes to be swallowed up and a highway to collapse. You breathe a sigh of relief when the U.S. Office of Surface Mining steps in to cut back the mining operations to protect your neighborhood. The company takes the government to court claiming that the OSM restrictions are a "taking" of the company's private property.

Incredibly, this really happened to a community in West Virginia. The court ruled against the coal company. But if takings proponents have their way, there soon will be a federal law shielding that coal company (and all other businesses) from regulations designed to protect the public.

Sound ridiculous? So is the takings campaign being waged in Congress and in state houses all over the country. But takings proponents are very, very serious, and they are gaining ground. Here are just a few examples of how they operate:

A Georgia motel operator sued the U.S., claiming that the 1964 Civil Rights Act requiring him to rent rooms to people of color was a "taking" of the motel property.

A tavern owner in Arkansas sued the state for its sobriety check points, claiming they hurt business and constituted a "taking".

Property owners who leased their land for the Summitville mine in southeast Colorado may have made more than a million dollars while the mine polluted nearby rivers and soils. The EPA and the state of Colorado stepped in to correct the damage—at an estimated cost of \$120 million—and now the landowners are suing for a "taking".

Except for the last example, which is still pending, the courts ruled against these takings proponents. However, there are many legitimate takings lawsuits successfully brought each year. The courts have been protecting property owners from unlawful taking of property for more than 200 years. For that we can thank

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the framers of the U.S. Constitution. Private property rights are protected by law.

But takings legislation on the fast track before Congress would in effect *amend* the Constitution, requiring taxpayers to foot the bill for situations similar to the examples described above.

Such legislation would be so expensive, would create such a bureaucratic morass, that the government protections you and I take for granted—such as food and drug safety, clean air and water—could be seriously jeopardized.

One sponsor of 1994 takings legislation, Rep. Billy Tauzin (D-LA) admitted that his legislation would “bankrupt the government” unless Congress rolls back environmental protections. And that is clearly what takings advocates want to do.

“If a takings provision passes we will see an undoing of environmental protections in the name of profit for industry,” says Jim Baca, former BLM Director who has taken to the road to educate groups about the dangers of takings legislation. “What takings supporters want is the freedom to do anything on their property regardless of the threats to others.”

Yet it is big business that is bankrolling the takings effort. Exxon, Texaco, Boise-Cascade, Dupont, Chevron, Louisiana Pacific, the National Cattleman’s Association, the American Mining Congress, and the American Petroleum Institute are just a few of the organizations and corporations that support takings laws or have contributed money to the takings campaign, which includes not just federal legislation but state legislation as well.

According to Liz Storer with Wyoming Outdoor Council, many of the state bills require state agencies to prove a substantial threat to human health and safety before agencies may take action.

“It’s a taxpayer’s nightmare,” Storer says. “Agencies would have to spend enormous sums trying to prove ‘substantial threats’ while the public’s health and safety remain at risk.”

Under the GOP Contract with America, federal takings legislation would require taxpayers to pay up whenever a federal regulation devalues property value by as little as ten percent. And, whenever a land owner claims a taking, the government’s action would be “stayed” or temporarily halted, under this legislation.

“[Legislation] would, in effect, write into law the dubious principle that the government must pay pollut-

ers not to pollute, pay property owners not to harm their neighbors or the public, and pay companies not to damage the health, safety, or welfare of others,” wrote Tom Udall, New Mexico’s Attorney General, in a letter to members of Congress, signed by 33 state attorney generals.

The Costs of Takings

By all reasonable accounts, takings legislation is a budget buster. Federal legislation that would have affected wetlands alone was estimated to cost \$45 billion. Colorado officials estimated costs for state takings legislation could range as high as \$26 million. The governor of Kansas vetoes a takings bill last year, citing fiscal costs, and the state senate upheld the veto.

How to Fight Takings Legislation

According to a report issued by the Political Economy research Center, a backer of takings legislation, state takings efforts *failed* in states where there was “opposition from environmental groups, fear that the laws would interfere with local zoning, and high fiscal notes.” For a copy of *Property Rights Legislation in the States: A Review*, contact PERC at 406-587-9591.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Get a copy of the Wilderness Society’s activist takings packet. Call Anna Lopez, 303-650-5818.

Contact your representative and senators in Congress: Legislation may be coming to a vote soon. Write or call your representative and senators and ask them to oppose any form of regulatory takings bills.

Do a little more:

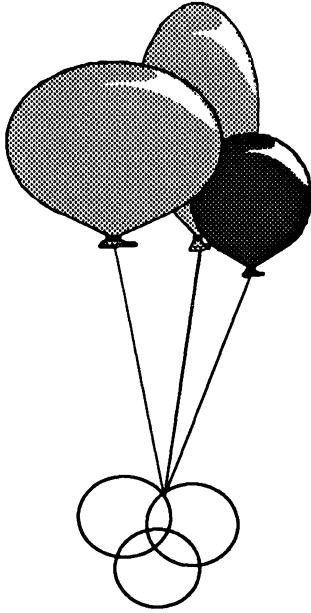
Fax a copy of your letter to: Rep. Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the House, 202-225-4656; Sen. Robert Dole, Senate Majority Leader, 202-224-8952; President Clinton, 202-456-2461.

Spread the word:

Get a copy of the Wilderness Society’s activist takings packet and make copies of pertinent materials for groups you know—the PTA, the school board, your city council, or county commissioners. Ask them to pass a resolution opposing takings. Mail a copy of the resolution to your congressional members, congressional leaders and to *New Voices*.

FROM THE 1994/95 ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTORS

by Mary Ann Losee and Sam Kievit



The 1994-95 Club year is drawing to a close and we don't want to let it end without expressing our appreciation to the many folks who have planned, hosted, and participated in this year's social events. The following people have served as hosts:

Bill Franks, Gary Myers, Bob Graves, Karin Caldwell, Marianne Faubion, Donna Kramer, Vince Desimone, Linda Wilcox, Harry Kimbrough, Aaron Jones, Randi Gardner, Martha Veranth, Dolores Silletti, Bill Loggins, Pat Briggs, Scott Harrison, Ken Engstrom, Lade Heaton, Beth Hermann, Felecia Kulsic, Alan Brennan, Terri Fitzsimmons, Camille Pierce, Chris Baierschmidt, Linda Kosky, John Shavers, Dave Vance, Holly Rordame, Phyllis Anderson, Liz Cordova, Frank Bernard, Craig McCarthy, Robert Turner, Carol Beasley, Ursula Jochmann, Russ Pack, Linda Pack, Zig Sondelski, Bill Yates, Linda Palmer, Patti O'Keefe, and Dave Miller. (Hope we haven't missed anyone!)

A special thanks to Rich Osborne, Bob Myers, and all those who do so much work at the lodge.

This year the Club was also able to participate in a couple of service activities. At the Thanksgiving Harvest celebration, WMC members donated over five large boxes of food to the Salt Lake Food Bank. Holly Rordame and Felecia Kulsic coordinated the event and Dale Woodward delivered the goods. At Christmas time, Liz Cordova worked with Leslie Whited to coordinate a gift-giving project for the Utah Traveler's Aid.

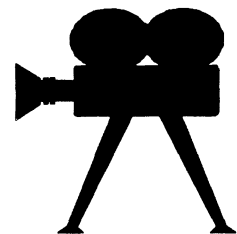
Members of the WMC selected, purchased, and wrapped gifts for children in the day care center and for adults in the men's and women's facilities. The children, in particular, seemed delighted with the gifts. A group of twelve WMC members also enjoyed singing Christmas carols at a local nursing home and clinic. We look forward to more involvement in such activities in the future.

It has been great getting to know so many of you during the past year. The Wasatch Mountain Club is a terrific place to meet terrific people. Thanks for the fun!

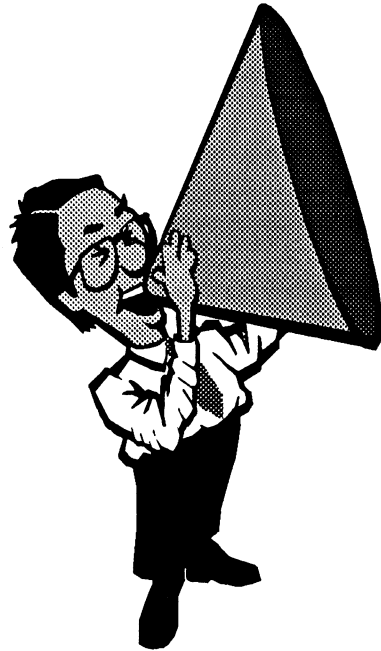
Thanks so much
Mary Ann & Sam



Red Shoes and Chocolate Desserts Party: Ursula Jochmann and Craig McCarthy Photographer unknown



The WMC Entertainment Committee WANTS YOU



1995 is the Wasatch Mountain Club's Diamond Jubilee Anniversary and promises to be a GREAT year! The WMC Entertainment Committee is planning a full calendar of events for 1995, and you are cordially invited to assist us with the planning, hosting, or otherwise participating in these important activities.

Members of the Entertainment Committee meet lots of interesting people; learn about other interesting club activities; are afforded the opportunity to exercise their individual creativity; and most importantly, have fun! Join us at our next Entertainment Committee meeting on Sunday, March 5 at 7:00 pm at 3705 Golden Hills Drive in Salt Lake City. For more information, please call either Sam Kievit (262-6698) or Craig McCarthy (521-5408).

Come help us make the Club's 75th Anniversary year one of our best ever !!!

SNOW STABILITY AND AVALANCHES

Part 5 of 5 - Human Factors, Spring Hazards

by Jim Frankenfield

Human Factors

Human Factors refers to things such as enthusiasm, group dynamics, and risk acceptance. These three factors are not isolated from each other, but work together in various ways. Each of these will be demonstrated through an example.

Enthusiasm: A few weeks ago during the quasi-spring conditions of early February three skiers decided to go to Tanners Gulch. However, they got a late start and didn't arrive at the trailhead until about noon. One of the three was really excited about the skiing possibilities and started off quickly. The other two were not too sure and trailed behind a bit. The second one stopped at the mouth of the gully. When the third skier caught up (s)he said they would not continue, but would wait there. The second then decided to wait also. They ended up all returning to the car and coming back the next day at a much earlier hour. By noon the sluffs off the east facing slopes up in the gulch were getting pretty large! This story had a happy ending, but all too often the enthusiasm for that perfect run causes people to ignore all common sense practices and all factors which have been discussed earlier in the series.

Group Dynamics: A group was recently climbing in Colorado and found themselves out in a storm. On the way back they encountered a steep open slope on the lee side of a ridge. One person had recently taken an avalanche awareness course and wondered if this was a safe slope to cross. However, (s)he followed one of the other climbers out onto it since that person was far more experienced. The experienced person suddenly appeared coming back shouting "Slide!". Fortunately it was small enough that the group was not caught and this also had a happy ending. Individuals should not hesitate to speak up and question situations they feel uncertain about, despite the perceived experience of others in the group. Remember that even seasoned professionals have been known to get caught off-guard on occasion.

Risk Acceptance: In March of 1994, I was ice climbing with a friend between Banff and Jasper. On the sixth (and last) pitch of a classic called, "Polar Circus" an avalanche came down over us. My partner was securely anchored at the belay, and I was on a steep section where it all went by overhead. Another party below was

also lucky. So again we have a happy ending. It was clear that there was a risk, but the level of risk was difficult to assess. To make things more difficult, the question was one of how likely was a natural release from above, which is inherently different from digging a snowpit and questioning the odds of triggering something yourself. Partly because of these factors and partly because of the nature of the sport, ice climbers (and mountaineers) often tend to accept higher levels of risk than skiers.

Spring Hazards

Full spring conditions typically consist of an isothermal snowpack; one which is at 32 F throughout. The surface will refreeze overnight, and as it softens in the sun good "corn" snow makes great skiing. The hazard tends to follow a daily cycle of low in the morning and moderate in the afternoon. After softening too much, wet slides can release, often starting as point releases and growing. A good rule of thumb is to head home when you start to sink to your boot tops.

Another hazard to keep in mind is that before softening up, the snow can be icy and a fall can be dangerous. A few years ago a skier crossed into White Pine from Snowbird and tried to ski a long open slope a bit too early. A fall led to a long and fatal slide down the slope.

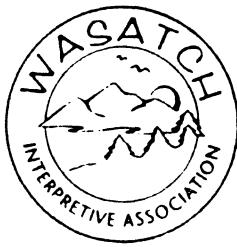
Large wet slides can be a hazard in the early spring, typically for a period of a few days when the snowpack first becomes isothermal. One reason for this is that free water can be introduced to snowpack too quickly if rapid warming occurs, especially if refreezing overnight does not occur. Initially this free water can flow along and lubricate buried bed surfaces, leading to wet slab releases. The effect of free water in the snowpack can be very difficult to predict. Ultimately, the free water and the melt-freeze process will hinder fracture propagation and break down the layering in the snowpack. After isothermal conditions prevail for a while the hazard of wet slabs becomes small.

Questions, comments, suggestions, and other feedback is welcome. I may be contacted at 1338 Foothill Drive #170, SLC, 84108, or on the internet at snowman@aip.org.

Here's how to order
"Winning The Avalanche Game"

VHS videotape

Please fill out this form and mail to:



Wasatch Interpretive Association
P.O. Box 526246
Salt Lake City, UT 84152-6246

or fax your credit card order to the:
Utah Avalanche Forecast Center
(801) 524-4030

Your purchase helps fund avalanche safety information and services.

Ordered by: _____

Shipping Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Payment enclosed:

_____ Money Order (Payable to Wasatch Interpretive Association)

_____ Check (Payable to Wasatch Interpretive Association) Orders paid by check may be delayed for clearance.

Charge my: _____ Visa _____ Mastercard

Account Number _____

Expiration Date: _____

Your Signature: (required) _____

Note: Credit card order cannot be processed without signature.

Quantity _____ \$19.95 each in United States	Quantity _____ \$25.00 each in Canada
<div>Add Shipping and Handling charge: <div>Priority mail in U.S. + \$5.00 per video . \$3.00 per additional video</div></div>	<div>First Class air mail Canada + \$10.00 per video \$ 4.00 per additional video</div>
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FROM THE BOATING COMMITTEE

by Janis Huber

The snow is still falling. Above average snowpack means it's going to be a great, no, A FANTASTIC river season. Please grab your permits and come to the annual river planning meeting Thursday, March 23rd, 7:30 pm at the Zions Lutheran Church (1070 South Foothill Drive). Even if you didn't get a permit, please come, and help us plan the season.

Coordinators Wanted: Kayaking, and Canoeing, and Instructional Coordinators are needed for the boating committee for 1995. Please call Janis Huber at 486-2345 to volunteer.

Raft Equipment Rental: UNIVERSITY OF UTAH OUTDOOR PROGRAM

Note: You must have a current U of U ID to rent this equipment. Phone: 581-8516 Hours: M-F 8am-6pm

Cost Per Day

Self Bailing paddle raft	\$52.00	Self Bailing Oarrig	\$57.00
Paddle Raft (not self-bailing)	\$42.00	Oar rig (not self-bailing)	\$47.00
Cougar Cataraft	\$57.00	Kayaks	\$15.00
Canoes	\$12.00	Duckies	\$16.00

REI Phone: 486-2100 Hours: M-F 10 am-9 pm, Sat. 10 am-6 pm Sun. 11 am-5 pm

Member		Non-Member	
1st Day	Additional Day	1st Day	Additional Day
Canoe: 2 life vests	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$35.00
3 paddles	\$200.00	Deposit	\$30.00

Raft Rowing Package: \$85.00 \$100.00
(self-bailing raft, frame, \$500.00 Deposit
3 oars, 5 life vests, pump, 80qt. cooler, repair kit & throw rope)

Raft Paddling Package: \$70.00 \$90.00

(self-bailing raft, 6 paddles, \$500.00 Deposit
6 life vests, pump, repair kit & throw rope)

Wave: 12 ft raft	\$60.00	\$70.00
Sea Kayaks: Spectrum	\$20.00	\$15.00
Chinook	\$25.00	\$20.00
Keowee(w/o skirt)	\$25.00	\$20.00

Includes:(paddle, life vest, spray skirt) \$200.00 Deposit

Life Jacket \$6.00 \$2.00 \$8.00 \$3.00

River Bag \$6.00 \$2.00 \$8.00 \$3.00

Tents and other items available for rental

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB Phone: 486-2345 Hours: Flexible

	WMC Trips	NON-WMC trips*
	Per Day Cost	Per Day Costs
Oar Rig without gear	\$8.00 per person	\$50.00
Oar rig with gear	\$50.00	\$65.00
Paddle raft (on-river camping)	\$40.00	\$50.00
Katadyn Filter	\$6.00	Not available
Lifejacket	\$3.00	\$3.00

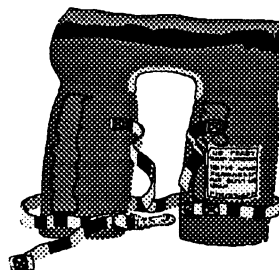
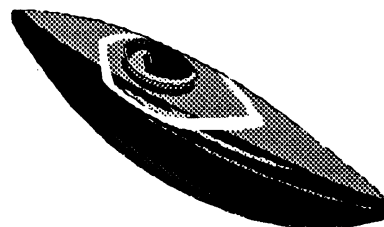
Rates apply to each calendar day of river usage.

Maximum damage liability per person on WMC trips is \$30.00 per person

*Club members only may pick up, return, and be responsible for gear

*On Non-WMC trips, renter is responsible for ALL loss and damage.

Posting for Kayak rentals next month.



RATING THE RAPIDS

by Janis Huber

CLASS I: Moving water with a few riffles and small waves, with few or no obstructions.

CLASS II: Easy rapids with waves up to three feet, and wide, clear channels that are obvious without scouting. Some maneuvering is required.

CLASS III: Rapids with high, irregular waves often capable of swamping an open canoe. Narrow passages that often require complex maneuvering. May require scouting from shore.

CLASS IV: Long, difficult rapids with constricted passages that often require precise maneuvering in very turbulent waters. Scouting from shore is often necessary, and conditions make rescue difficult. Generally not possible for open canoes. Boaters should be able to Eskimo roll.

CLASS V: Extremely difficult, long, and very violent rapids with highly congested routes which nearly always must be scouted from shore. Rescue conditions are difficult and there is significant hazard to life and damage or loss of equipment in the event of a mishap. Ability to Eskimo roll on both sides is essential.

CLASS VI: Difficulties of Class V carried to the extreme of navigability. Nearly impossible and very dangerous. For teams of experts only, after close study and all precautions taken. The usual convention is a class VI rapid is an unrun rapid.

Note: Factors such as isolation and logjam potential will increase the difficulty rating of the river.

FROM THE MOUNTAIN BIKING

COORDINATOR

by Linda Palmer

I'm hoping the weather will let us get out and ride over the next couple of months. If the weather looks good and you feel like getting your mountain bike out, check my recorder (484-3959). I'll be listing informal rides—call Friday evening or Saturday for weekend rides. Barb Petty hopes to lead a few rides, I'll probably lead a couple, and if you're interested in having a few people along for a ride of your own, give me a call.

FROM THE MOUNTAINERRING

DIRECTOR

John Muir advised us to climb for our own good, "Climb the mountains and get their good tidings.. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into the trees. The winds will blow their freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves."

Sounds like a prescription to me! Let's do it.

If you would like to learn how to climb safely, join us each Wednesday evening in March at the climb gym where Herb and crew will help you get started. (See activity schedule.) We also have snow and rock climbing classes scheduled this spring, so no excuses. We look forward to climbing with you.



FROM ONE OF THE SKI TOUR

DIRECTORS

by Brian Barkey

This is the last month that we'll be offering regular ski tours in the *Rambler*. The days are getting longer and warmer and folks are dragging out their bicycles, boats and hiking boots. But we'll be back next year, both Cheryl and I had a wonderful time as your ski tour directors, and have volunteered our services for next season. We must offer our appreciative thanks to all the leaders who led tours, to our ski tour committee for their eager assistance, and a special thanks to Trudy Healy for helping us keep track of what was going on the ski tours.

This time of the year, conditions in the mountains can be rather iffy, that's why most of the tours this month are calls to register for. Last year, a few leaders ended up volunteering their time for no-shows. If the temperature is 80 downtown, it's a sure bet there is no powder in the mountain and very little motivation for folks to go skiing.

Thanks again, have a great summer and we'll see you next year!

COUNTY WILDERNESS PUBLIC MEETING CALENDAR (2/15/95)

COUNTY	FIRST MEETING	SECOND MEETING	THIRD MEETING
Beaver			
Carbon	3/13/95 7:00 pm Price (place has not been determined)		
Duchesne			
Emery	2/1/95 6:00 pm Museum of San Rafael Castle Dale	2/22/95 6:00 pm Museum of San Rafael Castle Dale	3/22/95 6:00 pm Museum of San Rafael Castle Dale
Garfield	2/13/95 7:00 pm Courthouse Panguitch		
Grand	2/27/95 7:00 pm Moab Community Ctr. Moab	3/7/95 7:00 pm Moab Community Ctr. Moab	3/13/95 7:00 pm Moab Community Ctr. Moab
Iron			
Juab (East)	2/23/95 7:00 pm Juab County Center Nephi	3/10/95 7:00 pm Juab County Center Nephi	
	(West) 2/27/95 3:00 pm West Desert School Partoun (w/ Tooele Cnty)	3/9/95 3:00 pm West Desert School Partoun (w/ Tooele Cnty)	
Kane	2/24/94 7:00 pm Kane County Courthouse Kanab		
Millard	1/27/95		
San Juan	2/16/95 7:00 pm San Juan High School Blanding		
Sevier			
Tooele	2/27/95 3:00 pm West Desert School Partoun (w/ Juab Cnty)	3/9/95 3:00 pm West Desert School Partoun (w/ Juab Cnty)	
Uintah	2/28/95 3:30 pm Uintah County Commissioner Chambers		
Washington	2/28/95 7:00 pm Washington County Administration Bldg St. George	3/14/95	
Wayne			

ADVENTURE IN OUR OWN BACK YARD "WINTER ASCENT OF NORTH SLABS OF MT. OLYMPUS"

by Kyle Williams

"This sure is dicey" Steve Walker kept muttering as he tip-toed up the slabs. There was barely a half inch of ice over the rock, and every kick of the crampons and swing of the picks sailed through the ice and hit the rocks underneath. The smell of ozone from the impact was strong in the air.

There wasn't enough ice to climb easily, but enough to hide any cracks in the rock where we could place anchors, so we headed for small trees growing out of the hidden cracks, and tied into them. It was very run out for Steve, who thankfully did all the leading, exhausting himself by pulling the double rope up the cliff all day.

For the last ten years I've worked in an office building gazing up at those ice covered slabs on Mt Olympus. Steve's home affords him the same view, and we had longed to climb this route. The trip was discussed years ago when I asked Steve about the route and he said, "Sure, bring two ice tools". I then knew I was over my head at the time so I learned how to climb ice, and when conditions were right the day before Christmas 1994, we saddled up in the predawn dark and headed up out of Olympus Cove to have at it.

The directions we had for beating the brush put us on a jeep trail that fizzled out almost immediately, so we were wacking the bush in knee deep snow, in the dark. Where did that barbed wire fence come from? We later discovered we were paralleling the real trail about 30 yards above it. (Argh! I think that was the hardest part of the trip!) We finally found the trail and started up the gully towards our cliff. It wasn't as cold as we would have liked for an ice climb, but things were frozen tight still, so we felt OK. Steve is an animal on the uphill and left me far behind. When I caught up, I gasped, "Do all your other climbing partners keep up, or am I just a weenie?" He graciously answered "I guess I am kind of fast."

We roped up and started climbing on ice right off the deck. The relatively easy low-angle front-pointing on the ice was interrupted by long stretches where the rock was covered by 4 inches of loose snow. We had to scrape our axes through the snow until the pick caught on some rough feature in the rock that we couldn't see, and trusting it, move upward. This gives me an idea for a Thursday night climb this next summer: Crampon and Ice Axe Rock Climbing Night. Well, maybe not. I wore about a half inch of steel off my picks that day. Our crampon points gave great but unbelieving purchase on the rock. Every step was made on faith, which gradually gave way to belief as we kept going and never fell. Steve broke off a front point on his crampon when his weight shifted while the point was wedged in a crack. It made for difficult balancing after that, trying to stand on one off-center point.

As the day warmed up, snow started to slide off the slabs. It hadn't snowed in weeks so there wasn't enough to be dangerous, but it got our attention when they came down right on us. Being so warm, we weren't bundled up and when they came down, all we could do was hunker down on our tools and let the avalanche roll over us and under our collars, filling our clothes with snow. We were soaked when we got to the top.

This route on the west end of the north face of Olympus is about 1200 feet long, usually requiring about 10 belayed rope lengths of climbing. We chose to simul-climb as much as we could to save time, and made only 5 belay spots. At the 4th belay, there wasn't room for both of us so we had to do a tricky change-over (since I wasn't confident enough to lead through. Steve gamefully led every pitch. Thanks Bud!). Anyway, I was tied in about 10 feet to the side of the anchor, and Steve traversed above me a few feet. He was on one of those "crampon by faith" moves on the rock, when he announced he thought he was going to fall! He would have dropped right on top of me, all 24 points in my face, and we both would have dropped 10-15 feet before the rope would have caught us. I was about to warn him, "No, you really don't want to do that," when he finally caught a pick in a good hold and moved over to safety. That's when he made his infamous statement, "Boy, talk about adventure in your own back yard! This is really challenging!" Steve has climbed all over the world: in Yosemite, Alaska, and guided in the Tetons. We were having world class adventure right here within sight of the out-of-business, Bagel Nosh!

We hit the top of the ridge about 3:00 that afternoon. We chose not to finish the ridge to the summit but started down, traversing over to a gully that led back to our starting point. The gully cliffed out and we rigged a rappell that dropped us into an easy walk down. As we tried to pull down the frozen ropes, there was too much friction against the webbing anchor point, and I had to clip into the rope and bungee on it for a while until it pulled free. What a surprise when it finally came and I went rolling down the snow gully!

We plunge-stepped and glissaded down to the trail, where we found that it ended (started) in some rich dudes backyard! We had to sneak past his indoor pool and rappell off his retaining wall to get back to the car. At least now we know how to find the trail next time!



— CALL OF THE SEA —

final episode of a three part series—Oct. 23-Nov. 7 1994
from the logs of Linda Wilcox, Marilyn Brickley and Jean Frances
abridged by Jean Frances

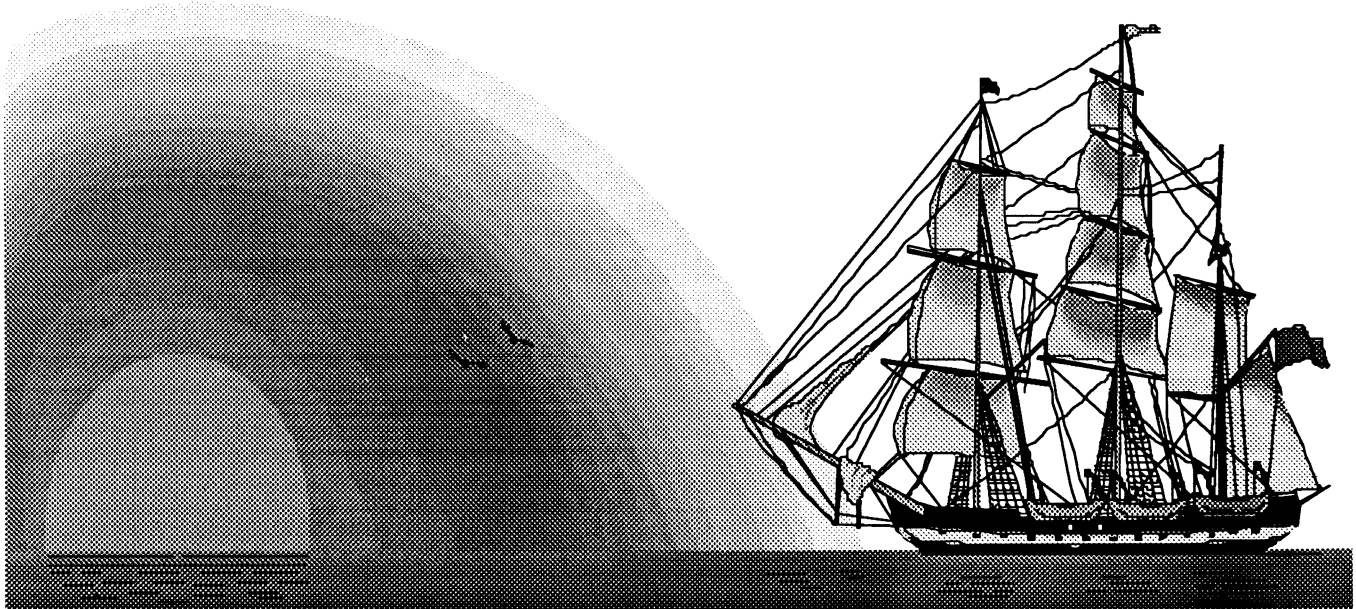
In the January *Rambler* we left you spellbound on St. Kitts, anxiously awaiting this final installment of "Call of the Sea" to appear in February's issue. The necessity to finally put in a current membership list, and the procrastination of the abridger, kept this from making the February deadline. (Even the editor has to meet the deadline.)

October 31: Following a snorkeling expedition, we hauled anchor at mid-morning. The Valvia motored the short distance to Charleston, on the island of Nevis. Two amateur sailors, one on the Roll Over, the other on the Nil Victoria, were given the opportunity to man the helm (oops), women at the wheel, namely, Jean Frances and Marilyn Brickley. On the Roll Over, it took some prodding by the rest of the crew to get me to take charge of steering the ship, but after the *ordeal* was over, I had to agree with Marilyn's enthusiastic, "It was exhilarating and fun". I too, loved the experience!

Each crew spread out in all directions once on land, exploring the sea museums, window shopping, and gawking at the inhabitants. In the center of town, a large historic stone edifice houses a library on the second floor, a court house on the first. A teeny-tiny park, shaded by century old trees just outside this building teems with shoppers, cars, and markets of all sizes, shapes, and aromas. A short walk in any direction and you're outside the business district of the town. A noticeable distinction on Nevis was their wearing apparel. The women, with the exception of the tourists, wore dresses or skirts. The men dressed neater here than on any of the other islands, giving them an air of confidence and prosperity. But the litter and decaying debris abounds here also. Nevis's unique claim to litter fame is their main streets—they're peppered with discarded bottle caps embedded in the tar.

Vince, our lead captain, arranged for a party at a local "outdoor" bar to celebrate Halloween. Dave's crew on the Nil Victoria opted to stay on their ship. Those who did go ashore dressed up in lavish costumes, drawing the attention of many, but especially three young native boys. They joined our party for the evening, participating in dancing with the ladies of the night, drinking soda pop provided by the male contingent, and telling us stories about their families and school.

November 1: Dave, Bob, Barb, and Norah, from the Nil Victoria, Earl and Munda from the Valvia chose to scuba dive for their morning activity. Jim and Marilyn clad in snorkeling gear, played among the locals—the fish, that is. The remaining Valvia crew, Vince, Linda, Joan, and Ali, along with Dale from the Roll Over, rented a taxi guide. They drove to Gingerland, a lovely area of old buildings and elegant grounds, and a nature trail in a rain forest area. Some enjoyed a pleasant walk among impressive plants, trees, and moisture, but alas no glimpses of monkeys. Afterwards, at the Golden Rock Hotel, they sat sipping iced tea, pear coolers, and Carib beer while admiring the panoramic view of the islands of Montserrat, Redonda, and Antigua.



A CARIBBEAN VOYAGE

November 2: 0440 (4:00 am) All crews on deck! Hoist the main sails—0530 for the long sail to Antigua! Pause: Enjoyed the sunrise.

Shortly into our voyage, our course took us through some ominous clouds filled with buckets of rain water. They dumped a quick, but heavy shower upon us. In their wake, they left behind two breath-taking, vivid rainbows that arched from the sea's horizon and fused softly with the low flying clouds trailing behind us. A beautiful and moving vision.

November 3: Early morning on Antigua—shore leave was given. All hands dispersed in various directions. Shirlyn, Steve, Frank, Mike and I shopped locally at the harbor stores and found some good buys on pastry, bread, coffee, clothes, and gift items. The crews from the Valvia and Nil Victoria took a bus (it looked more like a VW van stuffed to bursting, into St. Johns. On the way it was dimpled by a collision with a cow that wandered onto the road. The cow fell over from the impact, then got to its feet and ambled off into the bushes on the opposite side of the road. (The next day we drove by and saw two men butchering it where it apparently died.) Back to the 3rd of Nov. It was market day and in full swing when our entourage arrived. Third world markets have their similarities—fresh fish and meat covered with flies.

We reboarded our ships for an afternoon sail to Deep Bay where the snorkeling was supposed to be superb around a shipwreck. Floating and bobbing around the wreck in mass, were jelly fish ranging in sizes from silver dollars to pizza pans. Early the following morning, Norah, Bill, Dave and Barbara took their dingy back to the wreck and discovered the jelly fish had moved on, so they snorkeled there.

November 4: The crew of the Roll Over sailed to Nonsuch Bay, leaving the Valvia and Nil Victoria until the appointed rendezvous at English Harbor. Nonsuch Bay proved to be the highlight experience of the trip for this crew. We enjoyed an extra two days of sailing; we found several small, cozy, hide-away coves to anchor in; and a world of fish, conch shells, coral reefs, and sea grasses thriving in aqua marine shoals, to snorkel around. Adding to the pleasure, we discovered the most fabulous restaurant on Antigua, Harmony Hall where we drank rum punches and dined in elegant surroundings (written up in Nov. *Rambler*). Harmony Hall is surrounded by butterflies, hummingbirds and other small, colorful bird life. Flowers bloom in colorful profusion, while towering trees shade and waffle cool breezes.

November 5: Sunrises are seldom as striking as sunsets, but on this particular day the sun's early rays splashed the eastern clouds a soft glow of pink. Slowly the pinks blushed a soft rose, cooled to white and pale gray hues before the sun's yellow ball rose above the hills that cradled the cove we were a part of—making the moment of tranquil beauty and peace perfect.

Back to the Valvia and Nil Victoria. They sailed out of Deep Bay to the next cove, Falmouth before going one bay further to English Harbor, our final destination. One of the stops made by the crew of the Valvia was to the Pineapple Beach Hotel. A trail led to "The Outhouse", a snack stand at the top of the hill. Here they found the real outhouse nearby labeled, "Necessary Room", and a sign indicating, "Ducks, Ladies and Gents Welcome". Inside another sign read, "Gents, please put the seat up high; ladies like to sit and stay dry."

In English Harbor there is an area called "Pillars of Hercules", a great snorkeling area, by far the best in the opinion of many of us. Each crew managed to spend some time snorkeling in this abundant fishing hole.

November 6: The last full day in paradise. Each crew found something different to do during the day, but in late afternoon, we all met for one last happy hour on the Roll Over (whose crew never let a day go by without one). Left overs from each of the boats served as hors d'oeuvres. The crew of the Roll Over, with the assist of Bob from the Nil Victoria, and Ali from Valvia, sang their favorite song, "O When the Saints Come Marchin' In", with hand motions. It caused a crowd of sight-seers to stop and gasp at the gyrations and the lack of musical talent performing before them.

Our final activity of the trip was to attend a barbecue and steel band performance at Fort Shirley, a former British fort that sits on a high perch (called Shirley Heights) overlooking the harbor. Its prominent position protected the harbor from sea invasions during the seventeen and eighteen hundreds. Today it is one of the loveliest sites to walk around and be awed by the vistas of lush green islands floating on an aqua-marine waterbed.

Besides sailing for pleasure, we took time to learn some of the history of each of our destinations and we observed the changes that have occurred over the past two-three hundred years. What once was a prosperous part of the world, a world trading mecca in the 17th and 18th centuries, now is a group of islands fallen upon hard times. Their economy has slipped considerably, and much of their lands lay unfarmed and unkempt. Yet it was surprising how expensive lodging, food, and other items were. The inhabitants on all the islands move unhurriedly; service is performed slowly—we'd say, "At a snails pace." Waiting, being patient, has to be learned by those of us from the temperate zone. Otherwise, the locals are amiable, friendly, and very helpful.

Crews and Ships: Vince Desimone (Lead Captain), Linda Wilcox, Ali Watson, Joan Proctor, Earl and Munda Cook on the *Valvia*.

Dave Townsend (*Nil Victoria* Captain), Norah Morris, Jim and Marilyn Brickley, Bob Hanlon, and Barbara Green. Steve Morris (*Roll Over* Captain), Shirlyn Morris, Frank Bernard, Dale Woodward, Mike Treshow, and myself.

BEAVER CREEK SKI TOUR

January 28

by Jean Frances

It couldn't be more perfect! The weather: sunny skies with peek-a-boo clouds, temps in the high 30's, now and then zephyr breezes, and lucky us, freshly fallen snow. It was a WOW day!!

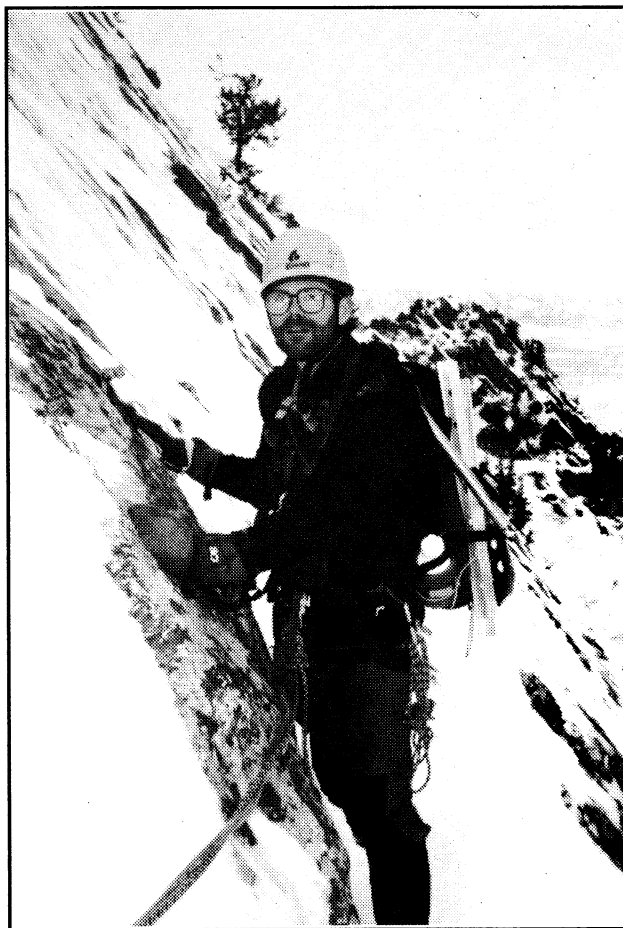
WMC members weren't the only ones taking advantage of the perfect weather and snow conditions on the Beaver Creek Trail. Uncounted numbers, many with their dogs, plied the tracks along the 4 miles of trail. Our group, as usual, had its animal contingent too, but they were the two footed type. You know the ones. They have lungs of Eurus (god of the wind) and legs of Mercury (the god of the fleet footed)—they never get winded and they never stop until they reach the rendezvous point, or the turn around meeting place. Our leader Mike Treshow, with great wisdom led the group from the rear.

We of the turtle variety weren't too many hours (only kidding), minutes behind the lead group. The gradual incline of elevation kept us from falling too far behind. Earlier skiers grooved a nice track to kick and glide in, which on the level and slight declines, gave some relief for those like myself—the tail end trying to catch up to the top dogs, but never quite making it.

The Beaver Creek Trail supports a large number of pines, junipers and aspens, and some oak on the south facing slopes. In their fresh winter white clothing, they were eye catching. The seven or so miles with low elevation gain along this scenic trail made it a plus perfect ski tour. I'd recommend this for another NTD, or one for a "beginners only" tour any season.

At the rendezvous spot, all but four skiers took a side tour to higher slopes to try their abilities at telemarking. Before moving out, a remark was heard, "We need Brad Yates here to break snow for us." Having no Brad Yates around, someone else suggested, "We have a female Brad Yates. Her name is Audrey." In all modesty, she begged off from the honor. But she could have done it; she led the *pack* from the beginning to the turn-around spot. When the larger group took off, the four remaining continued on the easier trail, two making it to the end, two turning around just short of it. When we returned to our cars, not a *sole* was lost.

Other participants: Leader Mike Treshow, Audry Rindfleisch, Dan Asch, Peggy Toro, Mark Weygand, Jerry Hatch, Allan Parker, Camille Pierce, Sandy Zicus, Conley Adams, Sam Kievit, Teresa Sadal, C. Camp, F. Bernard, Uli Hegewald, Ken Workman, Jim Zinanti, and Reese Stein from KUTV (who produced a 2 minute piece on the WMC and our tour—aired on Jan 30),



Kyle Williams on the north face of Mt. Olympus on Dec. climb. Photo by Steve Walker, article on page 24.

FROM THE DEPARTING EDITOR

Dear WMC Members,

Now that it's time to step down from 3 years of serving as *Rambler* editor, I have mixed feelings. Part of me wants to hang on—it's been wonderful and rewarding—a growth in computer literacy and desktop publishing—an experience I'm grateful came my way. Another part of me says, "Whew! I've really had enough. No more translating disks, worrying about a missed typo or few, or entries that got gobbled up or lost somehow in the computer, and sweating out deadlines. Most of all, no more PMS (Panic Mode Syndrome every month), as Mike has named my 15th of the month through to the deadline frenzy.

I am most appreciative for the assistance I had in learning the computer skills necessary for this job from my daughter Cindy Kidd and WMC member, Randy Klein. Randy showed great patience with me—as learning to use the computer came slowly. The Board at the time was tremendously supportive of my efforts to improve, and try innovative things in the *Rambler*. They even followed the guidelines I came up with for submitting copy and got it to me by 6:00 pm on the 15th (or earlier) of each month (most of the time).

There have been some complaints—I discovered they come with the position of editorship. To those of you I've made unhappy by omitting an activity or article, or editing your story more than you liked, I can only say, "Until you have tried to organize the vast amount of material that comes in for the *Rambler* from at least 20 different sources each month in various forms from disks to illegible handwriting, bite your tongue."

Your new editor, Jim Zinanti has been co-editing this grand publication for the past 9 months. He's been wonderful to work with, a gem. He will do a fine job in this position; and wisely has found a co-editor, Reda Herriott to assist him. I leave the job in such good hands that I cannot feel too sad in leaving.

It's been a choice time in my life to have served the WMC in this capacity. Thank you!!

Jean Frances

GREENS BASIN

Jan 21

by Gloria Leonard

Twelve of us ventured out on a sunny day with the snow glistening and the wind calm. We started out on a flat trail through the Spruces campground, and as we turned up hill, we split into two groups for short stretches—those with and those without skins. The skinned group took the steeper inclines while the others cut a gentler path. Bob became the hero of the day when he took his skins off and loaned them to Marie. A true gentleman!

We found some logs to sit on when we reached the Basin for lunch. Afterwards we headed for a small hill behind us with untracked powder. Peter Hansen gave us telemark tips as we yo-yo-ed the hill. It didn't take 12 of us long to ski it out. On the way down we did some

gentle open slopes, some "radical" tree skiing, and even tried some cliff jumping with Peter in the lead. Bob loved the jumping so much he climbed back up for several jumps.

Seven of us enjoyed "Dunch", a word coined by our leader Bee, instead of Brunch, at the Silver Fork Lodge. Whatever it was, the food was good and the company delightful. The new management at the Silver Fork seems to have the right formula. Thanks to our leader, Bee and co-leader Peter for a wonderful trip. Others: Bob Janzen, Marie Barton, Gloria Leonard, Peggy Toro, Conley Adams, Ralph Johnson, Sharon Coons, Ellen Jenkis, Mark Weygand, Martin McGregor.

DESERT PEAK SKI TOUR

Feb. 5

by Brad Yates

After 4 days of record and near record temps, and a 5:00 am meeting time, I awoke at 4:00 with a sense of dread for the impending tour. (With good reason as it turned out.)

At the forest service boundary, 4 1/2 miles from the summer trailhead, we unloaded our skis from the van to discover that Jane had only one ski. George drove her back to Grantsville to find it, but to no avail, so Jane made other arrangements. The remaining five started hiking up the road around 7:00. About half way up the snow became decent enough to put on our skis. We followed a broken in trail for the first half mile beyond the summer trailhead. It ended in a snow pit. From there, trail breaking was not through real snow but rather through a sheet of plate like ice, apparently, the temps had risen high enough in the preceding days to create standing and flowing water on top of the snow pack until it had frozen into sheet ice in time for our approach. Our only hope for a decent descent was in the

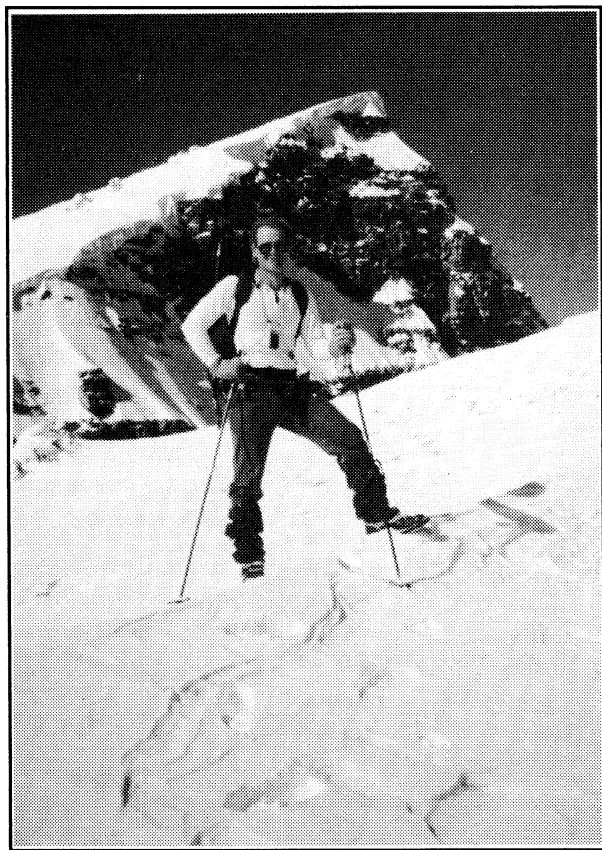
hope that it would melt by then. As we climbed up to the headwall, the snow changed from the breakable crust into unbreakable boiler plate.

About fifty feet below the crest of the ridge my edges failed to bite, sending me careening out of control down a forty degree slope. Fortunately I was able to use the catch your skis in a large tree and hang upside down on the slope—self arrest technique. After Brian helped untangle me, I decided kick stepping up the slope would be the better approach.

From the ridge top we skied a short distance until snow conditions and steepness made leaving our skis behind and kick stepping the best method for the final 900' to the summit—11,031'. We were rewarded for our efforts by one of the grandest views in the state, being able to see from the Uintas to Wheeler Peak, and the Ruby Mts. in Nevada, and north to Black Pine Mt. in Idaho.

We descended down the headwall by foot until the slope lessened sufficiently to ski the boiler-plate down to the breakable crust. From here on down to the road, it was purely survival skiing conditions. The crust was so icy that it cut gouges in leather ski boots. We eventually reached the road and skied a few miles with relatively pleasant conditions. George managed to ski all the way to the van while the rest of us walked the final mile and a half, completing an absolutely wonderful and lovely ski tour.

The other idiots besides myself on this tour were: Brain Barkey, Dallas Chopping, Rob Rogalski, and leader George Westbrook.



Brad Yates checks on the group below as he approaches Desert Peak on Feb. 5. Photo by Rob Rogalski.

LOGAN CANYON YURT TRIP

Jan. 21-23

by Phil Fikkan

A rather cold Saturday morning greeted six of us as we headed for the upper reaches of the Logan River. It was 11° in the canyon and probably half that at the trailhead. After roughly a mile and half of flat road and snow mobilers, we started up Hells Kitchen Canyon. Fortunately for us, carrying rather large packs, the route into the yurt had been skied recently.

Everything in the yurt was ship-shape except the niche for the porta potty. I guess we had expected some kind of wind break; instead we found a box on the snow with a seat for those special needs. We soon discovered that six people in a yurt built for four become really close friends.

Saturday afternoon we did some exploratory work southeast of the yurt. We found that south facing slopes were very stiff and had some definite incompetent layers. Sunday we got a fairly early start and made a beautiful run from the ridge southeast of the yurt down into the mouth of Steep Hollow. It amounted to about 1,000' vertical with excellent skiing through pines and aspens. Bill, Clint, Pam and Tom broke a trail back up to the summit. Frank and I thought we could beat them by climbing up the already established trail up Hells Kitchen Canyon, but we lost by 10 minutes. What animals!

Our long evenings were spend recounting good and bad experiences with our Club trips and those in Colorado where Frank and Pam had come from. We had one who snored, the culprit been narrowed down to Pam or Frank. Each one claimed to be innocent.

After a couple of runs Monday morning, we assembled the packs and with more caution, skied out. I had visions of continuing my weight lose program by having something petite to eat in Logan, such as a glass of water and a sacramental wafer. But no! I crammed a double bacon-cheese burger and fries in my face; as did Tom and Clint.

A great group of people took part in this. We enjoyed beautiful weather and fine snow. A big thanks to our leader Bill Franks. Other yurt dwellers: Pam Crane, Frank Pernicaro, Clint Lewis, Tom Silberstorf, and myself.



Clint Lewis making a fine tele-turn in Logan Canyon. Photo by Bill Franks.

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MILL CREEK SKI TOUR

Feb. 15

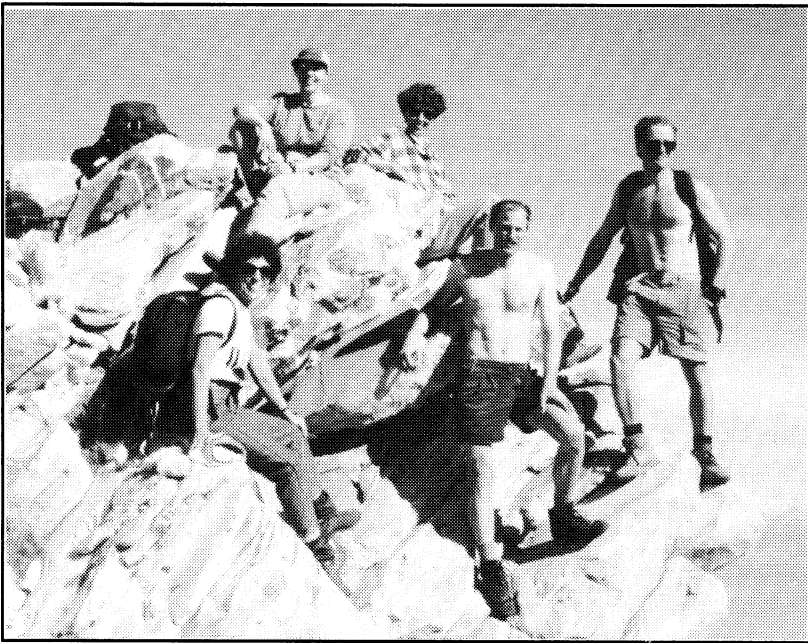
by Phil Fikkan

Bad road conditions in Park City changed ski plans for the seven of us who arrived at the K-Mart for a ski tour in the Uintas. Rather than let a very snowy day cancel our plans, we opted for Mill Creek Canyon. This normally mild area was just getting plowed out as we arrived. We drove off only after some waiting for the plows to do their work. In my rush, I left one of my passengers behind. Fortunately someone else picked him up. Surprisingly we all arrived at the road head. At this point, Phyllis demonstrated a unique method of unleashing the elastic band around her skis—it resulted in her getting a ski right

between her eyes! Ouch! A new trick we hadn't seen before.

The snow continued to fall heavily and was of the wet variety. It took considerable care in choosing the right wax, otherwise you ended up with very long, very narrow, platform shoes. Phyllis decided to ski to the end of the road to make sure everybody was accounted for. The ski down was enhanced by dodging dogs and people just arriving on the trail.

The coffee, soup, and bagels at the Olympus Mall Brachmans, was a welcome end to another great day. Our trusty band: Phyllis Anderson, leader, Leslie Loekkel, Rob Merritt, Jane Levy, Gene Lynch, Mark Weygrad, Kule Jones and myself.



"Is this exposure?" WMC members take advantage of warm weather to check out the hiking committee's new rating system. L-R and around the tip: Phyllis Anderson, Charlen Allert, Mary Ann Losee, Ken Engstrom and Brad Yates. Photo by Cheryl Soshnik. Other photo at Stansbury Island on page 35.



Bottom Row L-R: Bill Franks, Frank Perniciaro, Pamela Crane. Top Row L-R: Phil Fikken, Tom Silberstorff, Clint Lewis. Photo by Bill Franks.

Wasatch Tours—Book Review by Brian Barkey

Volume Two: *Intermediate and Advanced Ski Touring in the Northern Wasatch Mountains*

by David Hanscom and Alexis Kelner
Wasatch Tours Publishing, SLC, Utah.

The first thing I did when I got this book was look for my picture. I was in their first book, so why not the second? Sure enough, there I am, on page 136, smack dab in the middle of a huge crowd of Wasatch Mountain Clubbers at the annual "Old Timers Party". It seems that I've been lucky twice! But not really, this book is about ski touring in the Wasatch Mountains. The Mountain Club is a vital part of ski touring in these parts, so getting my face into two editions of this series is not a coincidence at all.

The book is the second in a series of three. This one describes the intermediate and advanced ski tours in the Wasatch Mountain range from Ogden down to the Cottonwood Canyons. The third edition, due in late 1995, will continue with tours farther south. The first edition describes some easier tours along with the practical and safety matters involved with ski touring. This book has the meat of what most of us 'pinheads' want, vertical! It has places to go—away from the resort crowds—where the snow is untracked. These tours, of course, are more dangerous, require more experience and stamina, and certainly more motivation. All require some skill on skis. Almost all of the places described involve some avalanche danger; so get the first book and enroll in some local avalanche classes to find out more about this. Avalanches are dangerous items; the authors say so throughout this book.

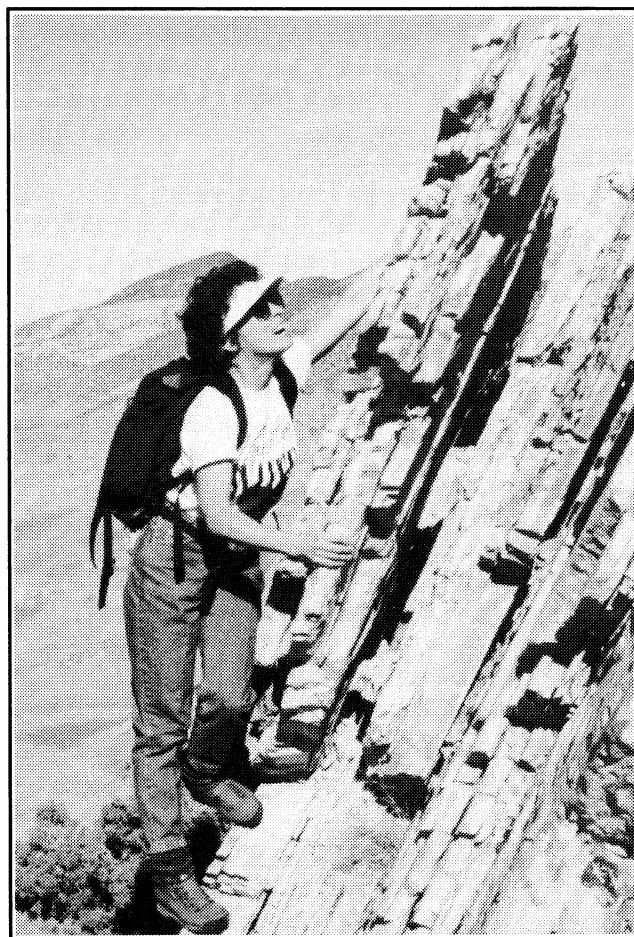
There are many tours I have personally been on, and on that I can make comments on the authors' descriptions. They are great! It is obvious a lot of time and energy went into researching the tours for this book. There are dozens of high resolution aerial photographs of the mountain routes. As a guide to folks wanting to know where to go in our backyard, this is it. They describe about everything an intermediate or advanced ski tourer would want to know, from the degree of avalanche hazard, to the trailhead access, to the possible presence of helicopters. Of course, you should not rely completely on this book, or any guide book, but it will certainly get you to the trailhead and give you a feel for what you're getting into.

For those of you tired of the crowds at Powder Park and Reynolds Peak, this is the book for you. The

descriptions of places beyond the Cottonwoods are great; it will whet your appetite for new places to go. I would never have known that there are places to ski behind Bountiful Peak! Hopefully, folks will buy this book and spread out along the Wasatch. I myself will be exploring some of these places in the near future.

Besides guiding us along the Wasatch, the authors describe the history of Wasatch skiing, both past and present. There are references to the first ski tourers in the area, historical avalanches, and origins of the names to some local features. The present 'history' describes the skier's version of the ongoing fight against development and commercialization of our canyons. There is a wonderful bit about the Wasatch Mountain Club and its lodge and our role in defining ski touring in the local area.

In short, if you ski in the Wasatch, you must buy this book. If you don't ski, buy the book anyway. Who knows, your picture might be inside, or get a copy for your mom!



"Brad, do you want to rate this as a ridge scramble," asks Phyllis Anderson? While most WMC'ers were still thinking winter, the unseasonable warm week-end turned 6 would be skiers to Stansbury Island instead. Photo by Cheryl Soshnick.

WMC ANNUAL NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS BANQUET

by Jim Zinanti

February 20, 1995

The WMC held its annual Nominations and Awards banquet on Jan. 21, 1995 at the The Riverboat restaurant.

After an excellent repast, the nominations committee, in the person of committee chair John Shavers, made the following nominations:

President - Nance Allen, Secretry - Camille Pierce, Treasurer - Kathy Hoenig & Larry Schumer, Membership Dir. - Leslie Ann Whited, Boating Dir. - Janis Huber, Conservation Dir. - Rich Osborne, Entertainment Dir. - Sam Kievit & Craig McCarthy, Lodge Dir. - Martin Clemans, Mountaineering Dir. - Kyle Williams, Publications Dir. - Jim Zinanti & Reda Herriott, Ski Touring Dir. - Cheryl Soshnik & Brian Barkey, Bicycling Dir. - Rick Kirkland, Information Dir. - Ann Wechsler, Hiking Dir. - Brad Yates & Kip Yost, and Trustee - Phyllis Anderson.

Nominations from the floor were called for. There were none. The motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept this slate of candidates. (Note: At the February general membership meeting, the above slate was elected, with the addition of Felicia Kulsic who was elected as co-director of membership, by write in votes. Rich Osborne received a write in vote as lodge director.)

After the nominations, the various directors presented service awards:

Hiking Awards - Brad Yates & Randy Long; Ski Touring Awards - Jane Eichten, Tom Silberstorf, & Tom Walsh, with honorable mention to Phyllis Anderson, Bicycling Awards - Vince DeSimone, Rick Kirkland, Lade Heaton, Kathy Hoenig, Linda Palmer, Chris Winter, & Jim Zinanti, Lodge Awards - Cassie Badowsky, Scott Schonrock, Martin Clemans, & Ken Engstrom, Entertainment Awards - Bob Graves, Holly Rordame, Felicia Kulsic, & Linda Kosky, Publications Awards - Christine Allred & Louise Rausch, with honorable mention to Jean Frances*, Mountaineering Awards: Larry Coulter, June Freedman, & Herb Hayashi.

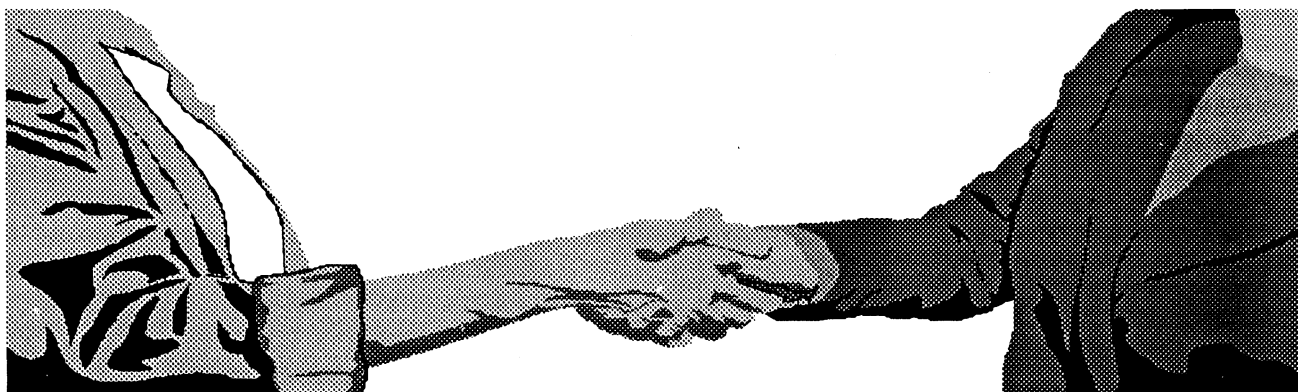
* Directors are not eligible to receive awards in their own areas.

WMC President Jerry Hatch presented awards to out-going directors and coordinators:

Hiking Dir. - Donn Seeley, Secretary - Nance Allen, Lodge Dir. - Bob Myers & Rich Osborne, Publications Dir. - Jean Frances, Information Dir. - Mike Treshow, Membership Dir. - Linda Kossky, Conservation Dir. - John Veranth, Conservation Dir. - Monty Young, Entertainment Dir. - Mary Ann Losee, Treasurer - Larene Miller, Bicycling Dir. - Frank Luddington, Boating Dir. - Gene Jarvis, Trustee - Alexis Kelner, President - Jerry Hatch, Adopt-a-Highway Coord.- Frank Atwood, Kayaking Coordinator - Janis Huber, Commercial Ad Coord. - Knick Knickerbocker

Finally, Jerry Hatch presented the WMC's big award, the "*Pa Perry*", to **Dale Green**, who has been WMC president and trustee many times, dating back to the early 1960's. Dale created and led the Thursday night hikes for a quarter of a century. He also created the WMC's official hiking map and is the WMC Historian.. (I could continue for many many paragraphs!) So, congratulations on behalf of the WMC to Dale Green, who so richly deserved this award.

The evening concluded with a couple of hours of dancing to the C&W music of the Wind River Band. Congratulations to the Entertainment Committee for a fine job!



Please Complete Both Sides

Wasatch Mountain Club

New Member/Reinstatement of Previous Members Application

Do Not Use this Form for Regular Annual Membership Renewal

Please read carefully and fill out completely.

Name(s) _____
(First) (Last)

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check phone number ☐ Residence: _____ Options: ☐ Do not print my name/phone in membership list.
to print in Rambler ☐ Do not put my name in lists given to Board
membership list ☐ Work: _____ approved conservation/wilderness organizations.
E-Mail: _____

I am applying for:

Check one:

____ New Membership
(Complete activity box)

____ Single

Birth date(s) _____

____ Couple

____ Reinstatement

____ Student (30 years or younger)

Activity Box: You must complete two Club activities (other than socials) to be considered for membership. The activity dates must be within one year of the application.

Qualifying Activity	Date	Signature of Recommending Leader
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

Do you wish to receive the Rambler (monthly WMC publication)? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Subscription price NOT deductible from dues)

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.

Applicant's signature(s) _____
(signature required)

I found out about the WMC from _____

Remit: \$30.00 for single membership (\$25.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)
\$40.00 for couple membership (\$35.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)
\$20.00 for student membership (\$15.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)

Enclosed is \$_____ for one year's dues & application fee. Checks/money orders only, payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

Mail application and check to: Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
888 South 200 East, Suite 207
Salt Lake City, UT 84111-4220

Leave Blank—For Office Use Only

Receipt/Check # _____ Amount Received \$ _____ Date Received _____ By _____

Board Approval Date _____

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ACTIVITY SURVEY

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEAD?

All of the Club's activity leaders are volunteers. You can be a leader too—just check off the activities you want to lead, and we'll give you a call. Help your Club and have fun too!

- Hiking:** ☐ easy day hike ☐ moderate day hike ☐ advanced day hike ☐ car camp
 ☐ backback
- Boating:** ☐ trip leader ☐ instruction ☐ equipment ☐ sailing
- Skiing:** ☐ NTD tour ☐ MOD tour ☐ MSD tour ☐ out of town trip
- Climbing:** ☐ Wasatch climb ☐ out of town trip ☐ winter mountaineering
- Bicycling:** ☐ road bike tour ☐ mountain bike tour ☐ camping tour
- Other outings:** ☐ snowshoe tour ☐ caving ☐ other

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT?

The Club also depends on volunteers for all the rest of its work. Some of this work is critical to the day-to-day functioning of the Club; some of it is important to our community; some of it is just fun. You can let us know how you'll help by checking off activities below.

- Conservation:** ☐ air and water quality issues ☐ trailhead access ☐ wilderness
 ☐ telephone tree ☐ trail clearing
- Socials:** ☐ social host ☐ Party assistance ☐ lodge host
- Rambler:** ☐ word processing ☐ mailing ☐ advertising ☐ computer support
- Lodge:** ☐ general lodge repair ☐ skilled lodge work
- Information:** ☐ public relations ☐ membership help ☐ recruiting ☐ instruction

Would you like to participate on an activities committee? Which one?

Is there a special trip or activity you would like to lead?

What phone numbers can we use to reach you?

NOTICE

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 used sports equipment) before the 13th of the month to: Sue DeVall, 11730 S. 700 W., Draper, UT 84020.

CLASSIFIED ADS POLICY

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

FOR SALE

Back Country Skis/Boots RD Coyotes, 175 cm, with 3-pin bindings, used twice \$150. **Kazama Outback**, 185 cm, with 3-pin bindings, \$75. **Merrell Ultra XCD Boots**, ladies 5 1/2, \$35. Call June (278-8501) on any of these items.

Godin Thousand Guitar, carrying case, crate GX-30m amp. All in excellent cond., 8 mths old, \$425 or OBO. David Minix (967-3864).

Mountain Bike: Fuji Sundance, 19" frame, Deore DX components, climbing bars, recent tune, \$425. **Ski Boots:** Technica TNT, 8 1/2 men's, used 2 seasons, great stiffness, \$150. **Ski Boots:** Salomon SX90, size 9 men's, rear entry, comfortable, \$50. **Skis:** Kastle RX15 Synergy S Giant slalom skis, never used, 208 cm, \$100. **Scuba:** Sherwood scuba buoyancy compensator, size med, \$50, steel scuba tank, \$30. Call Sam or Joe (476-8152).

Yakima Rack: 2 yrs old, excellent cond.: 4 Q-Rack Towers and 2 48" roundbars \$88, 4 Q-Clips, \$23, Q Stretch Kit, \$49. Buy total package for \$147. **Hollywood bike rack** (trunk style) used 4 times, \$36. Call Carole (594-6129 or 533-0608).

Asolo Extreme Pro Boots: \$225 OBO, men's sz 10, two buckle system, inc. deluxe chouinard gaters. **Montana Mohair Climbing Skins:** \$50, 50 MM width. This stuff is not junk! Near new condition! Call Bob (481-6512 days M-F or 466-3510 evenings/weekends).

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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GOVERNING BOARD

President and Directors

President	Nance Allen	273-8010
Vice Pres	<i>To be voted on at Bd. Meeting</i>	
Secretary	Camille Pierce	272-4552
Treasurer	Kathy Hoenig	486-8525
	Larry Schumer	485-0182
Membership	Leslie Ann Whited	766-4532
	Felecia Kulsic	266-9462
Hiking	Brad Yates	582-1205
	Kip Yost	532-9125
Boating	Janis Huber	486-2345
Conservation	Rich Osborne	647-0205
	<vacant>	
Entertainment	Sam Kievit	262-6698
	Craig McCarthy	521-5408
Lodge	Martin Clemans	968-1252
	<vacant>	
Mountaineering	Kyle Williams	567-9072
Publications	Jim Zinanti	967-8578
	Reda Herriott	483-1410
Ski Touring	Cheryl Soshnik	649-9008
	Brian Barkey	583-1205
Bicycling	Rick Kirkland	486-0909
Information (PR)	Ann Wechsler	583-2090

Trustees

Mike Budig	328-4512	1992-96
Karin Caldwell	942-6065	1993-97
Leslie Woods	484-2338	1994-98
Phyllis Anderson	943-8500	1995-99
O'Dell Petersen	355-7216	Emeritus
Dale Green	277-6417	Emeritus

COORDINATORS

Canoeing	<vacant>	
Trails Issues	Chris Biltoft	364-5729
Kayaking	Janis Huber	486-2345
Sailing	Vince Desimone	649-6805
Rafting	Janet Embry	322-4326
Boating Equipment	<vacant>	
Boating Instruction	<vacant>	
Snowshoeing	Knick Knickerbocker	364-6521
Mountain Biking	Linda Palmer	484-3959
Volleyball	Ross Martin	364-4006
Adopt-A-Highway	Carl Warberg	583-9611
Commercial Ads	Reda Herriott	483-1410
Rambler Mailing	Christine Allred	261-8183
Lodge User Rep	Rich Osborne	647-0205

**AVALANCHE HOTLINE
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364-1581**

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