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Contact Jaelene Myrup (583-1678) for information or to place an ad.

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- subscribe wmc-bike (for the bike list)
- subscribe wmc-hike (for the hike list)
- subscribe wmc-climb (for the climbing list)
- subscribe wmc-ski (for the skiing/snowshoeing list)

Boating List: Contact Bart Bartholoma at bartbartholoma@netscape.net.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS:

Nominations are open for the 2001-2002 Board of Directors.

All positions are open for election.

Qualifications for president and trustee are five years of membership and a previous term on the board.

All other offices are open to club members in good standing.

If you are interested in any of the positions, contact Brad Yates (801-521-4185) or bnyslc@earthlink.net.

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FROM THE EDITOR:

Some of you want to know why **the deadline for submissions to the Rambler was permanently changed to the 10th of the month.**

Rambler Timeline:

4 days = time for volunteers to do the Rambler

7 days = time for Transcript Bulletin (the printing company) to print the Rambler

2-4 days = time for World Wide Mailing (the labeling company) to label, sort, bag, and deliver the Ramblers

7 days = time for U.S. Postal Service to deliver the Rambler to your doorstep

20-22 days = total time to produce, print, label, and deliver the Rambler

As you can see, producing the Rambler is a three-week process that involves WMC volunteers and three companies. You cannot get your Rambler on your doorstep in the first week of the month with the old deadline of the 15th. If you are concerned about missing out on activities, look at the previous month's Rambler or get on line at www.wasatchmountainclub.org.

Why does it take the volunteers so long? Because we're volunteers with 9-5 jobs.

Why doesn't the club label, sort, bag, and deliver the Ramblers to the U.S. Postal Service instead of paying a company? First, we suck at our own labeling. We don't get enough volunteers and the Postal Service rules are too complex. Second, *World Wide Mailing does this for us for free*; because they have the equipment and resources, they get us a better postage rate. This service costs \$1,200 - \$2,000 per year. In summary, the benefits outweigh the cost.

Why does it take so long for the Transcript Bulletin to print the Rambler? Seven days to print the Rambler is a reasonable time in the printing industry. Printing the Rambler is not as simple as putting it on the printer, pushing a few buttons, and all the Ramblers are printed. To shorten the length of time from seven days to two days, the club would have to purchase software such as Quark Xpress (\$900) and pay more (sometimes twice as much) to make the master (the document that is used to make all the copies). In turn, this means you would pay more in dues. I opt to use a simple Word document and not increase dues.

Why does it take seven days for the U.S. Postal Service? Ask them.

Jeanette Buenger (978-0650)

JenBuenger@aol.com or

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WMC Purpose:**(Article II of the WMC Constitution)**

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

Moving? Please call the WMC office or send your new address to the Membership Director. Allow 45 days for address changes.

Missing your Rambler? Contact the Membership Director to make sure the WMC has your correct address. Replacement copies are available, while they last, at the WMC office during office hours.

How to submit trip talks:

1. Email them to: wmc@xmission.com. You can email your pictures too!
2. Submit the trip talk, **on a 3.5" disk**, to the club office (1390 South 1100 East in Salt Lake City). Use Microsoft Word and Arial, 10 point for all submissions. Label the diskette with your name and identify which file(s) are submissions. Enclose a hard copy in case your diskette cannot be read. The deadline is 6:00 p.m. on the 10th of the month.

How to submit pictures: The same way you submit trip talks. Photos of all kinds are accepted. Make sure that each photo is labeled with the photographer, date, and names of people. Unless a S.A.S.E. is provided, photographs will be left in the **red** bucket outside the WMC office door.

How to submit to the Marketplace:

1. Email ads to: (wmc@xmission.com); use the subject line "marketplace".
2. Submit an ad, on a floppy disk, to the club office (1390 South 1100 East in Salt Lake City).

When are ads due? The 10th of each month.

How much do I pay for the ad? Advertising rates are \$5.00 for up to 20 words and \$0.20 for each additional word per month. Please specify the number of months you want to run the ad.

Is there a charge for members? **Prepayment must accompany your submission.** There is no charge for WMC members placing ads for used, recreational gear or for private and non-commercial and not-for-profit activities.

Bulletin Board

The Entertainment Committee requests your input on the types of music used at our dances. We have received vague requests at the dances for a type of music. Unfortunately we need you to be more specific. It doesn't necessarily mean anything when someone says 90's or 70's music. So...Give us titles of your favorite music and we will work them into the programs. Please keep in mind that certain dances have a theme and all kinds of music won't fit. Requests AT THE DANCE don't work, unless we just happen to have that title with us. If you contact us sufficiently in advance, we will have time to get your music into the program. Contact Bart & La Rae at bartbartholoma@netscape.net or 801-277-4093.

Bulletin Board

I got home from the Boating End-of-Season party without my fork and spoon. If you got home with extras, I'm hoping to reclaim mine. They are part of a heirloom set, quite heavy, stainless steel, with a brushed steel pattern on the handles.

Janet Embry @ 801-408-3148
Email: ldjemby@ihc.com

WMC LODGE AVAILABLE FOR RENTAL USE

The WMC lodge can be rented on a full or half-day basis. Full day rate is \$250. Contact Julie Mason at 278-2535 for information.

Results of Halloween Costume Contest:

Best Couple: Gary & Jane Myers/Joe & Tina Treadwell

Most Creative: Jonathan Nelson (double face front & back) and Pamela Hale (Barbie)

Most Scary-Wierd-Strange: Phil (Viagra Man) & Margie McCloy (Rose Hips)



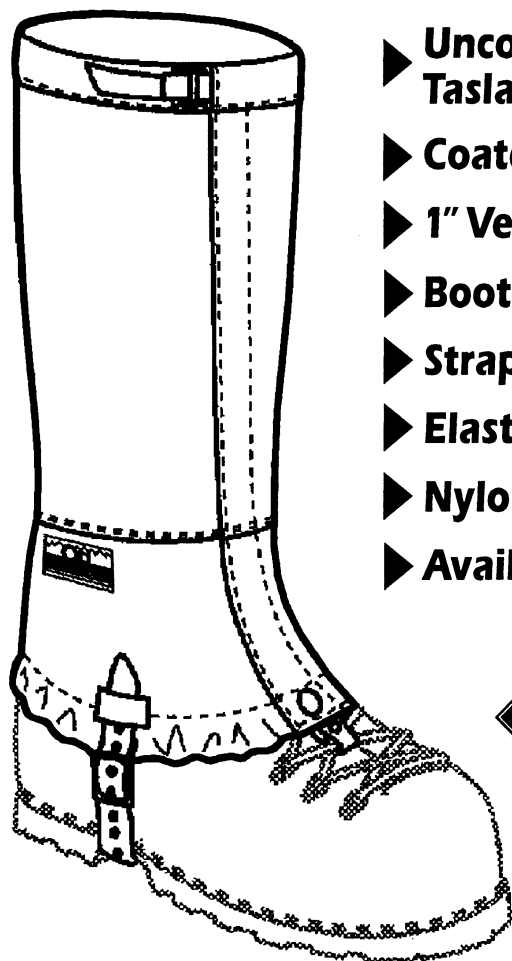
The Wasatch Mountain Club welcomes these new members to our organization:

Jennifer Alberico
Anne Anderson
Stefani Day & Chris Magerl
Tatyana Egan
Larry & Gail Gerlach
Scott Gerwe
Lyndon Heiss
Dave Hoffman
Lois Houston
Ray Miller
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Dick Newth
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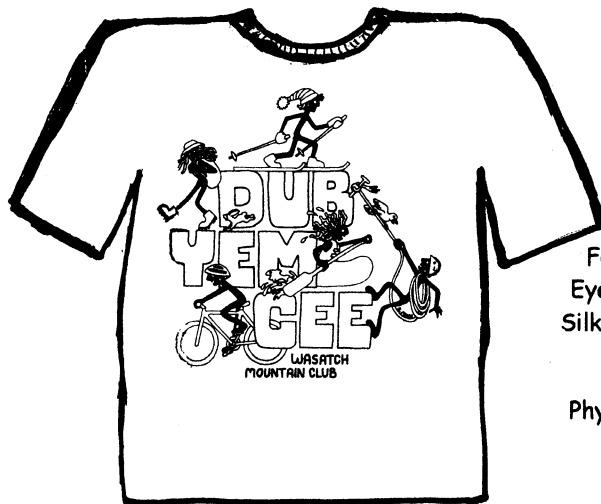
Highlights from the General Membership Meeting October 18, 2000

Membership consists of 1110 members, of which, 246 are couples, 98 are partners, 2 are students, and 735 are singles. Overall, the membership is holding steady at just over 1100. Boating reported that a river clean-up trip on Desolation was added to the program this year. Members enjoyed over 400 hikes this season. A special thanks to Knick Knickerbocker for his help. Two conservation issues that the club has been involved with are the Snowbird Expansion Project and the San Rafael Swell Bill. Since Publications is having difficulty meeting the necessary deadlines to get the Rambler out on time, beginning with the December issue, the deadline for submission will be on the 10th rather than on the 15th of the month.

Placeholder for picture: "moose at old-timers party"

The Lodge report stated that 400 people hours and 40 trips to the Lodge have been put in toward Phase I of the water project. The budget is \$150K, of which, \$30,000 has been spent on 1000' of lines, \$20,000 has been spent on architect/engineer/permit costs, and \$35,000 has been spent on the excavation concrete and rough plumbing work. The balance is \$65,000 to complete the addition. The Lodge Director is trying to develop a volunteer program to utilize electricians, plumbers, roofers, and carpenters to assist with the completion of the addition. So, please call Rob Merritt and volunteer your services. We ended the evening by watching the video of the Old Timer's Party that Jean Frances and Mike Treshow made.

---Leslie Woods



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- ❖ Setups (bring your beer, wine, liquor)
- ❖ Recognition Awards
- ❖ Board Nominations

- ❖ Dancing to music of Chris Dokos + belly dancer

Enjoy this 1st social of 2001 dining & dancing with your friends!

Semi-formal attire is invited ~~ Your non-WMC friends are welcome to attend

COST: \$24/person in advance

Advance registration: Please clip and mail the coupon below with payment by January 15th. Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

Questions?? Call Carol Ann (255-4713). Mail to:

Carol Ann Langford
WMC Entertainment Director
609 Briarsprings Circle
Midvale, UT 84047

CLIP & MAIL

Registration for WMC 2001 Awards Banquet & Ball

Your name _____ No. of attendees _____

Name of guest(s) _____

Entree preference _____ Pork & Chicken Ceblaki (marinated Greek style with
lemon rice & Greek vegetables) - Greek Sampler
_____ Vegetarian (Spanikopita: spinach in phyllo and
Dolmathes: grape leaves) + lemon rice & vegetables

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB ACTIVITIES

? What activities can be listed in The Rambler?

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC director. **DIRECT SUBMISSIONS TO THE EDITOR ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

? How do I submit my activity to the club?

Send your proposed activity for approval to the appropriate director for inclusion in their activity schedule. Activities sent directly to the Rambler are not accepted.

? What are some of the rules and regulations?

1. **Dogs and children** are not allowed on WMC activities, except when specifically stated in the activity description.
2. **Car pool rates:** Gas plus \$0.15/mile, shared by everyone in the vehicle (including the driver) on 2WD roads, OR gas plus \$0.25/mile on 4WD roads OR \$0.08/mile/person on 2WD roads shared by everyone in the vehicle.
3. **Notice to Non-Members:** Prospective members must attend, and have trip organizers sign, two qualifying activities (not including socials) prior to submission of an application for membership. Most WMC activities are open to prospective members as one of the two qualifying activities for membership, except when specifically stated in the activity description. Weekend outings count as both qualifying activities.

Thanks to Duane Johnson for submitting all of the halloween pictures.



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*****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.**

Rating Difficulty Range:

0.1-4.0 = Not Too Difficult (NTD)= lightly strenuous
4.1-8.0 = Moderate (MOD)= Moderate to very strenuous

8.1-11.0 = Most Difficult (MSD) = Very strenuous, difficult

11.1+ = Extreme (EXT) = Very strong, well-seasoned hikers.

Other Factors:

B = Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking

E = Elevation change in excess of 5,000 feet

M = Round trip mileage in excess of 15 mi.

R = Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding

S = Scrambling

X = Exposure

W= Wilderness area, limit 14

10Es: map, compass, flashlight, pocket knife, matches, sunscreen, sunglasses, candle, first aid kit, and extra clothes.

Uinta Ski Network

Join the 'Users of Intermountain Nordic Trails' (UINTA) to get postings of outings in the Uintas, Northern Wasatch, and SW Wyoming. Due to very low demand last year, these ski tours will no longer be regularly scheduled in the Rambler ahead of time. However, Mike Berry (583-4721) will coordinate some weekend dates and destinations, which will vary. A typical outing will require metal-edged skis and stiff leather boots. Dogs usually OK. To subscribe send a message to mberry@attglobal.net.

DEC-MAR

Special Ski Days & Sundays Resort Telemark Skiing

Join the WMC free-heel skiers throughout the season for resort skiing each week. We will use the WMC ski list to coordinate our outings. We will visit places such as Alta, Solitude, Deer Valley, and Powder Mountain. Emphasis will be on helping each other learn to tele-ski, and searching for powder at these resorts. We will sponsor formal clinics during the season; the initial one is December 9th at Alta at 9 a.m. We will need multiple "leaders" to make this work, so please help with this list. We hope to do the weekly tele-day on Sundays. Other days are up to those on the list. Contact Ric Schmitz at 733-8748 for information.

DEC 2 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Willows Area (NTD)**

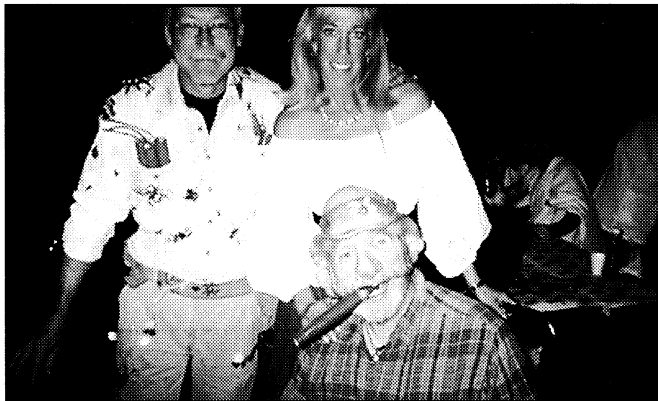
The plan is to go to the upper basin east of Willow Lake in Big Cottonwood Canyon, eat lunch, maybe tour back a little further north, then exit. Meet Martin McGregor (967-9860) at Butler Elementary School (2700 East and Fort Union Blvd.) at 9:00 a.m. Bring skins, food, water, 10 E's. The always desirable beacon and shovel are recommended but not mandatory.

DEC 2 SAT**Ski Tour North of Iron Mountain (Uintas) (MOD+)**

This tour starts at the Soapstone Basin turn-off and offers the right combination of trail (jeep road) conditions, slope aspect, and elevation for an early season success. After 8 miles and 2,000' of climbing the terrain opens up in the high country and a likely turn-around point. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot on Parley's Way at 8:30 a.m. Call trip organizer Michael Berry (583-4721) for the meeting plan if you are driving from the Park City area. Bring \$3.00 per car for the Forest Service toll. Dogs OK.

DEC 2 SAT**Snowshoe: Silver Fork (NTD)**

Janet Friend (268-4102) will host a true NTD and may turn it into a hike if snow is sparse. This is a great chance to try the sport and see if you can keep up in a supportive, non-threatening environment. So, rent a pair of snowshoes, get instruction on how to put them on, wear proper clothing, and show up at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

**DEC 3 SUN****Ski Backcountry: Catherine Lake (NTD)**

In case snow is slow to accumulate this year, Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) will be going where it's likely to be the best. High-by-Alta is a good bet for skiable snow conditions. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. Bring skins for climbing. (An alternate leader may be named.)

DEC 3 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Desolation Lake Area (NTD+)**

Do you still remember how to ski? Meet Bob Cady at Butler Elementary School at 10:00 a.m. for an early

season shakedown trip and find out. Don't worry about the rocks, they will help scrape the rust off your edges. There will be a post-trip debriefing session at Molly Green's. For information, call Bob Cady (274-0250 or drcady@aol.com).

DEC 3 SUN**Snowshoe: Millcreek Canyon (NTD) Dogs OK**

Join Barbara Petty (486-7023) and Snickers, the border collie for a morning somewhere in Millcreek. Dogs not necessary, but if you bring one, bring a cleanup bag (or a large pocket). Meet at Skyline High at 9 a.m.

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DEC 3 SUN**Snowshoe: Sunset Peak (MOD) via Catherine Pass (NTD) from Brighton**

All levels of ability are welcomed to join Mohamed Abdallah's (466-9310) first mountain wandering of the season. After attaining Catherine Pass, Mohamed will seek a volunteer to lead the NTDs back; he will continue to Sunset Peak. Remember "Not Too Difficult" does not mean "Easy." Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

DEC 5 TUE**Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

Vince DeSimone will lead the "Tuesday Group". They go to great places at a normal, healthy pace with great conversation. You will feel welcomed and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace: Vincedesimone@yahoo.com.

DEC 6 WED**Annual Robert Frohboese Avalanche Clinic**

Part I: In honor of the memory of Bob Frohboese, the WMC sponsors this excellent clinic on backcountry avalanche awareness conducted by Bruce Tremper of the Utah Avalanche Forecast Center at 7:00 p.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church at 1070 S. Foothill Blvd. All prospective snowshoe & ski organizers and trip participants are highly encouraged to attend. A donation of \$5.00 is suggested. A beacon practice (Part II) is scheduled for Sunday, December 17th. Call Mike Berry (583-4721) for information.

DEC 9 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Soldier Fork via Mill D North Fork (MSD)**

Even though this outing is rated MSD, it ain't that bad – it might be one of the less demanding MSD trips around. Steve Pritchett (523-9243) will organize this one starting at Mill D North Fork, going up Little Water, west to Big Water, down Soldier Fork, and gliding down the length of Millcreek Canyon. Show up at Butler Elementary School at 8:30 a.m. with your mandatory backcountry equipment (beacon, skins, shovel, food, water, etc.). Email sprtc1041@aol.com.

**Dec 9 SAT****Social: 4th Annual Turkey Snowshoe Sing-Along @ Lodge**

Meet at 1:00 p.m. at the Lodge for snowshoeing (BED, NTD, and MOD) to Catherins Pass (carpoolers may meet at the Butler Elementary School. (Organizers will not be there, but you may meet someone to share a ride.) potluck dinner (hosts will provide three turkeys and a ham) at 5:30 p.m. Please bring a festive side dish to serve 6-8 people. BYOB. Supervised children are welcomed. The Lodge is available for overnight guests. The cost is \$3 and you must be out by 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. Games and puzzles are available at the Lodge for those who are staying indoors. Member price is \$3 and non-members cost \$5. The hosts are Frank Bernard, LaRae & Bart Bartholoma, Carol Ann Langford, Dudley McIlhenny, Christine allred, and Mark Jones. If you have any questions, call Frank Bernard at 533-9219. Rember your flashlight! If the canyon is closed, the event will be canceled; otherwise, it's a go! COME CATCH THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT!!!

DEC 9 SAT**Ski Tour: Norway Flats (MOD)**

Clarence Cardwell is organizing an outing that features more length than height. Norway Flats can be as long as 12 round trip miles, if you get serious about it. The plan is to kick and glide a reasonable distance (defined by the inclinations of the group), eat on the trail, and take in

some high alpine scenery. Salt Lake City people should meet at the Parleys Way K-Mart parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Carpools will be formed to meet Clarence at 9:30 a.m. at the high school at the east end of Kamas on the Mirror Lake highway. Bring food, water, and skins (or some sturdy metal edged touring skis). Call 1-435-848-5302 for information.

DEC 9 SAT**Ski Tour: Almost a Full Moon Ski Trip, Albion Basin (NTD)**

Meet Bob Cady at Butler Elementary School at 7:30 p.m. to carpool to Alta. Dress warmly, bring an extra layer of clothes for the trip down, and something warm to drink in a thermos. Don't bother with a headlamp: if it is clear you, won't need it and if it is cloudy, we won't go. For information call 274-0250 or drcady@aol.com.

DEC 9 SAT**Annual Telemark Ski Clinic**

At Alta Sunnyside Lift, 10 a.m., the WMC will have it's annual Tele-Ski clinic. Beginners to Advanced skiers are invited. Learn to turn safely before you venture into the backcountry. Beginners will work on basics on the lower lifts. Buy a 10-ride ticket for these lifts and you can ski multiple days. There are packed and powder runs available. Experienced skiers- help the new comers! Rent Tele equipment at REI, Kirkham's, or Wasatch Touring. Join the WMC-ski (email) list for future resort-based, tele-skiing updates. Pizza and beer will be served afterwards on Ric's deck in Sandy. Contact Ric Schmitz 733-8748.

**DEC 9 SAT****Snowshoe: Brighton Towards Twin Lakes Pass (MOD)**

This tour will be planned with avalanche conditions in mind: weather, wind, and slope aspect will influence Carrie Clark's (957-3238) chosen route and destination. Carrie expects to go to the dam, but the pass is no guarantee! Show up and enjoy the dynamic winter scene above Brighton. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m. You may want to stop by the Lodge at 1:00 p.m. also for the Catherine's trek!

DEC 9 SAT**Snowshoe: Brighton to Catherine Pass (EL to MOD)**

Meet Frank Bernard (533-9219) at 1:00 p.m. at the Lodge for the start of the 4th Annual Turkey Snowshoe Sing-along.

DEC 9 SAT**Snowshoe: Moonlight Magic Night (NTD)**

Zig Sondelski (292-8332) is hoping you will be adventurous enough to check out the glorious snow and stars by moonlight following the Turkey Sing-along. Check with Zig at the Lodge for a departure time. Bring a flashlight or two for those shadows and finding extra mittens in your pack!

DEC 10 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Powder Park (MOD)**

Lets do some yo-yo skiing on the smooth slopes of Powder Park! Due to lack of big rocks and tall brush, even a modest amount of snow ought to be sufficient to get multiple runs out of this favorite place. Meet Tom Walsh at 9:00 a.m. at Butler Elementary. Bring the mandatory gear: beacon, avalanche rescue shovel, skins, food, water, and 10 'E's. Be ready to do laps. Call Tom at 685-6190 for details.

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DEC 10 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Little Cottonwood Canyon Area (MOD+MSD)**

The exact destination is currently undefined, but we'll go as big as we can given the snow conditions, probably on the Little Cottonwood Canyon perimeter. Bring the 10Es, radio transceiver, shovel, and skins. Meet at Butler elementary School at 8:00 a.m. (note the earlier than usual meeting time). Phone Joni Sweet at 274-0450 for more information.

DEC 10 SUN**Snowshoe: Dog Lake (NTD)**

Carol Anderson leads this true NTD at a leisurely pace to Dog Lake. Bring your 10Es, energy snacks, and a drink. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m.

DEC 10 SUN**Snowshoe: Green's Basin (NTD)**

Green's Basin is probably the Wasatch tour with the most reward for the least investment of time and energy. The wooded terrain offers some security from the dreaded avalanche and protection from wind and sun. Meet Knick Knickerbocker (272-2485) at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

DEC 12 TUE**Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

Vince DeSimone will lead the "Tuesday Group". They go to great places at a normal, healthy pace with great conversation. You will feel welcomed and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace: vincedesimone@yahoo.com.

DEC 13 WED**SOCIAL: MOVIE NIGHT**

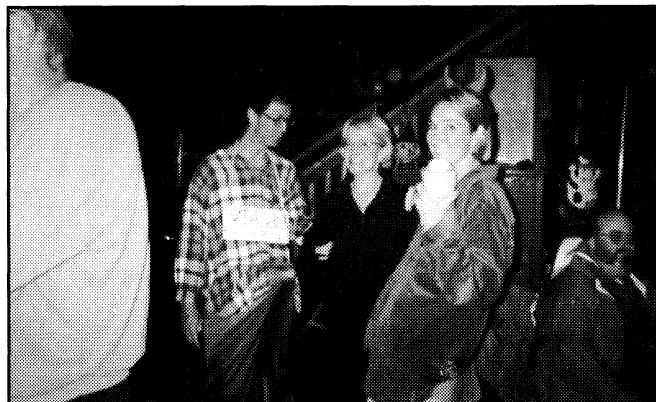
Singles and everyone are welcome to meet Craig (487-2077) at 6:00 p.m. at Mr. Z's Cucina Italiana for dinner (111 E. 300 S.) followed by a first-run movie at the Broadway cinemas next door.

DEC 16 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Silver Fork (NTD)**

Depending on the conditions, Mike Budig (328-4512) will lead a trip to Silver Fork. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Butler Elementary School. As conditions warrant, you will need skins, and possibly a beacon and a shovel. If the snow is questionable, Mike will alter the plan. For information, phone no less than 24 hours in advance.

DEC 16 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Soldier Fork (MSD)**

Jim Piani (733-0627) will organize this traverse and car shuttle. Show up at parking lot #2 (3360 East Fort Union Blvd. and 7090 South) at 8:30 a.m. with your key backcountry equipment (beacon, skins, shovel, food, water, etc.).

**DEC 16 SAT****Ski Backcountry: Steve's Hill (MOD)**

Is this a real place, or did Steve Barbee (531-7610) make it up? The area north of Powder Park is claimed to be a great spot to link a line of turns. If it's near the

estimable Park of Powder, it has to be good. Meet Steve at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m. Mandatory gear includes 457 Hz beacon, shovel, skins, 10Es, and sustenance. This is going to be a great outing.

DEC 16 SAT

Snowshoe: Green's Basin (NTD) and South to Peak (MOD)

Larry Nilssen (296-1716) will try to find Green's Basin again this early season. He will drop off those who wish to do an NTD (assuming orienting available for the return), and set off for a MOD tour and peak 9,699', immediately south about one mile and 1,200' higher. The view on top of the peak is sublime. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m.

DEC 16 SAT

Snowshoe: Dog Lake (NTD)

Join Holly Smith (272-5358) on a trek in Big Cottonwood at the same time as Larry 9above). Having secured the location of "The Lake," Holly should deliver you back to town at about the same time as the Green's Basin NTD group. It's a participants choice day—decide! Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m.

DEC 17 SUN

Avalanche Transceiver Practice

Part II of the WMC Clinic Part I: December 6th (or REI on December 5th). We have allowed time for you to make that purchase, or refresh the batteries! Listening to a lecture or a video is not enough. To have any level of skill at an avalanche rescue you must practice. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 8:30 a.m. for a 3-4 hour practice session. Bring your snowshoes or skis for mobility on the snow. If you want to go out on a short snowshoe or ski outing afterwards, bring your 10Es, lunch, shovel, and transceiver. Two groups can be organized. For questions, call Mike Berry (583-4721).

DEC 17 SUN

Ski Backcountry: Silver Fork Roundabout (NTD)

Going up the west and down the east in a roundabout loop is a gimmick Craig Anderson (487-2077) has developed to enhance the normal route. Try it, you'll like it! The normal NTD rating will be upgraded to account for skiing among aspen trees under control. Bring the usual stuff including water, food, skins, and 10Es. Phone Craig for details. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

DEC 17 SUN

Snowshoe: Scott's Pass (NTD+)

Norm Pobanz (262-3703) heads for Scott's Pass. The trailhead is across from the Solitude's upper lot. Leave the alpine ski crowds behind, hit the trail, and get elevation with muscle power. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:30 a.m.

DEC 17 SUN

Snowshoe: Dog Lake (NTD)

A WMC weekend at the "Dog" via Big Cottonwood will be repeated today for those of you who missed yesterday. Perhaps the Saturday group will leave a message in the snow. Find out! Knick Knickerbocker (272-2485) has volunteered to lead the group. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m.

DEC 19 TUE

Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)

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DEC 22 FRI

Ski Backcountry: Free Heel Friday (MOD)

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DEC 23 SAT

Ski Backcountry: Desolation Lake Tour (MOD)

For a nice glide through the aspen and meadows of Big Cottonwood Canyon, sign up with Tom Silberstorf (255-2784) for an 8-mile, round trip to Desolation Lake. The 1,900' elevation gain is an average of 475' per mile. Meet at Butler Elementary at 2700 East and Fort Union Blvd. at 9:00 a.m. in the morning. Bring your beacon, shovel, and skins.

DEC 23 SAT

Ski Backcountry: Reynolds Glade or Shangra La (MOD)

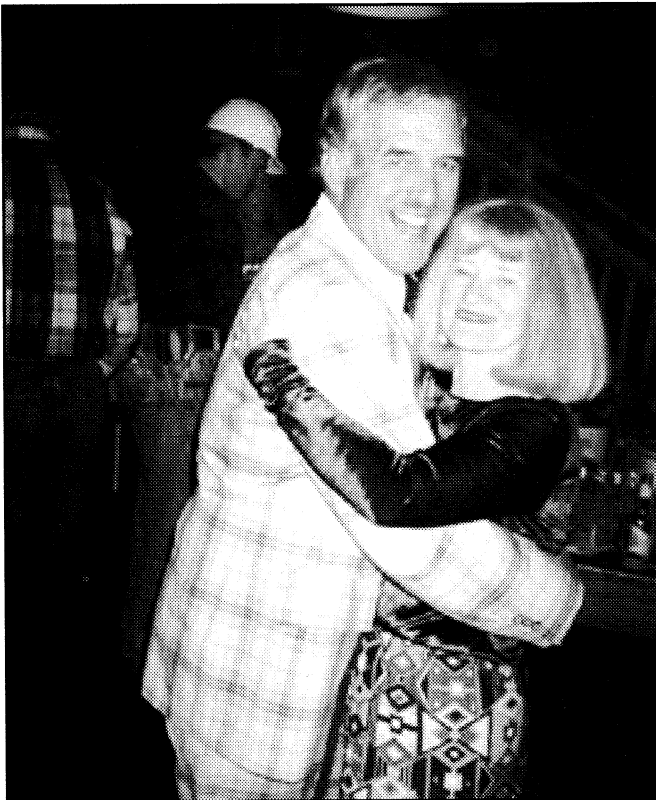
Depending on the conditions, Pat McEwen (571-5033) will ski the glades of Reynolds Peak, or maybe go in a little deeper to Shangra La (north of Big Water). Pat can be reached by phone or email at jopj888@aol.com. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. Bring lunch, sufficient clothes, beacon, shovel and skins.

DEC 23 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Little Cottonwood Canyon Area (MSD)**

The exact destination is undefined, but we'll go as big as we can given the snow conditions, probably on the Little Cottonwood Canyon perimeter. Bring the 10Es, radio transceiver, shovel, and skins (or else you can't get there). Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 8:00 a.m. (note the earlier than usual meeting time). Phone Edgar Webster at 583-9398 or email shredgar1014@yahoo.com for information.

DEC 23 SAT**Snowshoe: Cardiff Fork to the Mine (NTD)**

This nice, gentle hike via Donut Falls is made for beginners. Meet Adrienne Boudreaux (278-9894) at the Butler Elementary School by 9:00 a.m. to start the holiday weekend on a festive note.

**DEC 23 SAT****Snowshoe: White Fir Pass (NTD+)**

If you prefer a good Christmas weekend workout, join Rick Kirkland (486-0909) on his winter tour to White Fir Pass. Meet at the Skyline High parking lot by 9 a.m.

DEC 24 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Days Fork to the Meadow (NTD)**

A nice outing that won't beat your body to a pulp. After the initial steep climb the route levels out and becomes a very pleasant glide to a fine meadow; just right for sandwiches and hot tea. Mike Hendrickson (942-1476) is the organizer. Bring your sturdy, metal-edged skis

plus traction devices of your choice (fish scales, wax, or skins).

DEC 24 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Greens Basin Peak (MOD)**

Is this a real place or is Jim Piani scamming us again? Jim says this is the high point on the north end of the western ridge of Silver Fork Canyon; it is located on the edge of the Meadow Chutes. Notwithstanding where it is located, it is a Piani tradition to ski it on Christmas Eve. Join him at Butler School at 9:00 a.m. with your 457 Hz beacon, skins avalanche shovel, and 10Es. For information, phone 733-0627.

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DEC 24 SUN**Snowshoe: Show 'N Go (NTD-MOD)**

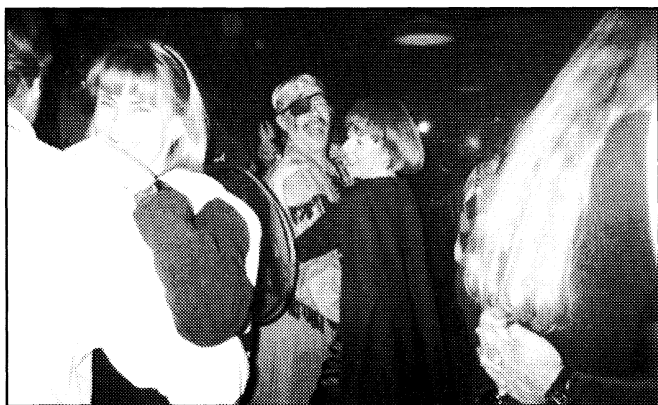
The snowshoe committee didn't find any volunteers for Christmas Eve. Anyone interested in a winter hike today? If you would like to lead, and are on the WMC-hike list, you are welcome to post a trip description; include a fax and you will receive a release form, along with thanks. What a deal! Otherwise, show up at Butler Elementary by 9:00 a.m. and go.

DEC 25 MON**Christmas Snowshoe: Alta (NTD)**

Ray Duda (272-4601) and Lorraine Lovell have enjoyed organizing this leisurely tour on Christmas for several years. So, if the idea of heading up Albion Basin towards Catherine Pass is appealing, and you would like to take an X-mas break, this is it. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:30 a.m.

DEC 26 TUE**Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

Vince DeSimone will lead the "Tuesday Group". They go to great places at a normal, healthy pace with great conversation. You will feel welcomed and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace: Vincedesimone@yahoo.com

**DEC 30 SAT****Ski Backcountry: Can2Can (MOD)**

Alta to Brighton via Catherine Pass takes you from Little Cottonwood Canyon to Big Cottonwood Canyon—thus the shorthand name of this jaunt by Stan DeJong (572-4157). This will be a multi-modal transit type of trip using skis and buses. Meet Stan at 8:30 a.m. at the UTA Park and Ride at 9400 South and 2000 East (south of Smiths) for the ride to Alta. (Plan enough time to get on the bus because it won't wait.) Bring \$2.00 for the bus fare. Bring your skins, shovel, beacon, and food. Another \$2.00 will get you from Brighton to the Park and Ride.

DEC 30 SAT**Ski Backcountry: American Fork Twin Peaks (SKI-MTN)**

Join Dave Smith (572-0346) to climb American Fork Twins from White Pine. Big vertical, lots of skiing. There is an early start. Bring your beacon, shovel, and skins for safety. If avalanche conditions are high, an alternate trip to Mt. Raymond will be considered. Please call Dave for information and to register.

DEC 30 SAT**Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice (MOD)**

Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) has promised an interesting snowshoe this morning. Be sure to bring the 10Es plus one for energy. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9 a.m.

DEC-JAN 30-1 SAT-MON**Out-of-Town Trip: Henry's Fork & Gilbert Peak (MSD)**

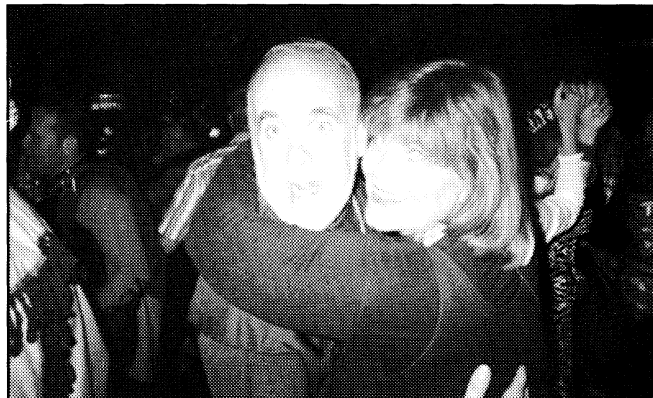
Scott Patterson (963-2263) takes snowshoes on this winter camping trip. The first day covers 11 miles to Dollar Lake. The second day affords an opportunity to summit Gilbert Peak or stay around the upper Henry's Fork area. Prepare for and expect the coldest of temperatures in the Henry's. Skis and/or sleds to pull gear are an option. Call Scott to register.

DEC 31 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Organizer's Choice (MOD)**

The organizer plans to yo-yo ski on an intermediate slope, perhaps in the Reynolds Peak area or maybe Little Water area. Carol Masheter (466-5729) will take you where the telemark turns are abundant and available. Plan to rendezvous at Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. You must have skins, rescue shovel, and radio beacon. Further information is available at masheter@eng.utah.edu.

DEC 31 SUN**Snowshoe: Show 'N Go (NTD-MOD)**

The snowshoe committee didn't find any volunteers for New Year's Eve in the Cottonwoods. Interested in a hike today? If you would like to lead, and are on the WMC-hike list, you are welcome to post a trip description; include a fax and you will receive a release form, along with thanks. What a deal! Otherwise, show up at Butler Elementary by 9:00 a.m. and go.

**DEC 31 SUN****Snowshoe: Rattlesnake Gulch (NTD) Doggie Hike**

Barbara Petty (486-7023) has offered to lead a "doggie" snowshoe for New Year's Eve. She would like to introduce her new puppy, Dusty, to the wonders of snowshoeing. She says this will be a true NTD, so plan on joining her with your favorite pet (dogs) at Skyline High at 9 a.m.

JAN 1 MON**Ski Backcountry: Crack of Noon Ski Tour (NTD)**

Now here is a great way to start the new year. Let your party-weary body sleep until a late hour of the morning and then drag it to the Butler Elementary School at 12 noon for a ski tour. Instead of ingesting the hair of the dog that bit you, bite off an invigorating tour towards Brighton and the overlook near Lake Mary and Martha. Phone Tom Silberstorf at 255-2784 to get more information. Beacons and skins are always recommended.

JAN 1 MON**Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice (MOD)**

What a great way to welcome the new year & millennium! Celebrate your health with Zig Sondelski (292-8332) as he leads an outing to where the snow is fresh and resolutions can't be broken. Meet at Butler Elementary by 9:00 a.m.

JAN 2 TUE**Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

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JAN 5 FRI**Ski Backcountry: Free Heel Friday (MOD)**

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JAN 5-7 FRI-SUN**Ski Backcountry: Steam Mill Yurt (MOD)**

Ski where you live Mongolian style. Live in Logan Canyon Friday morning through Sunday afternoon. This trip may be canceled if an organizer is not found by mid-December. If you are interested organizing a group for this trip, call Mike Berry before December 15th (583-4721), email: mberry@attglobal.net.



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JAN 6 SAT**Ski Tour: Millcreek Canyon (NTD)**

Don't like narrow trails with tree branches in your face? Try Millcreek Canyon; it provides plenty of shoulder room on a mostly groomed trail (road). Mary Ann Losee (278-2423) is organizing this outing; it can total 12 round trip miles if you go to the end of the road. Meet at Skyline High School at 9:00 a.m. Bring warm layers and touring skis.

JAN 6 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Big Cottonwood Canyon Area (MOD)**

The plan is to ski multiple runs on intermediate slopes like Reynolds Peak or the Desolation Lake area. Cheryl Krusko (474-3759) is sure to find some very fine powder on which to cut some telemark turns. Bring your radio beacon, rescue shovel, skins, food, and water for a day of skiing. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 2700 East and Fort Union Boulevard at 9 a.m.

**JAN 6 SAT****Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice (NTD)**

Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) has promised an interesting snowshoe this morning. Be sure to bring the 10Es plus one for energy. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

JAN 6 SAT**Snowshoe: Maybird (MOD)**

Maybird is more a state of mind than a place. It looks different each time because the trail is spectacularly ambiguous. In fact, there is no real trail. It provides a spectacular view of a gorgeous cirque with Pfeifferhorn in the background; one of Larry Nilssen's (296-1716) favorites. Call him if you have any questions. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

JAN 6 SAT**Snowshoe: Moonlight Magic Night (NTD)**

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JAN 6 SAT

Ski Backcountry: Pfeifferhorn (SKI-MTN)

Pfeifferhorn is a different world. You need skills to even think about this ski mountaineering trip of 10 round trip miles and 2700' elevation gain. Email Walt Haas at haas@xmission.com for details, equipment, time, meeting place, etc. By phone, Walt can be reached at 534-1262 to register.

JAN 7 SUN

Ski Backcountry: Powder Park (MOD)

Yahoo! It's always a great day when you ski the Park of Powder. Larry Larkin (486-9060) is the organizer today if you have questions. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. with your snow and avalanche equipment (beacon, skins, and shovel).

JAN 7 SUN

Ski Tour: Audrey Kelly Learn-to-Ski Clinic (EL)

The clinic is intended to provide lessons and a learning environment so a student can acquire some cross country skiing skills. The plan is to group each instructor with 2-4 students for personal instruction. We will practice in Big Cottonwood Canyon. You will need to make your own gear rental arrangements. To register, volunteer to teach, or discuss equipment & transportation call Mike Berry at 583-4721.

JAN 7 SUN

Snowshoe: White Pine Lake (MOD)

The indomitable Tom Walsh (685-6190) is taking off his skis and putting on his snowshoes for this challenging trek. Bring your 10Es, high-energy food and drink, and your avalanche awareness. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

JAN 7 SUN

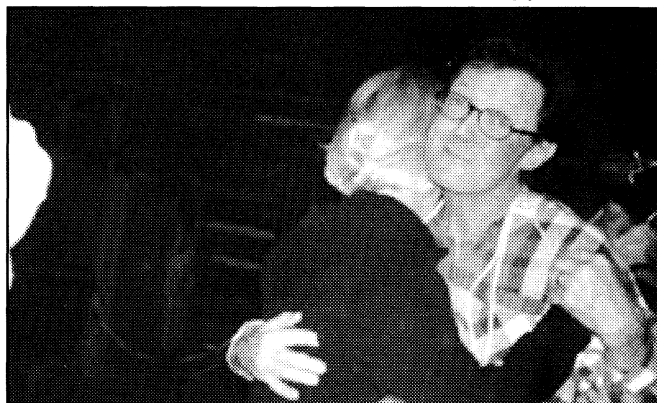
Snowshoe: Catherine's Pass from Brighton (MOD-)

This tour will be planned with avalanche conditions in mind: weather, wind, and slope aspect will all influence Knick Knickerbocker's (272-2485) chosen route and destination. Knick plans to give you a workout, but the pass is no guarantee! Show up and enjoy the dynamic winter scene above Brighton. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

JAN 9 TUE

Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)

Vince DeSimone will lead the "Tuesday Group". They go to great places at a normal, healthy pace with great conversation. You will feel welcomed and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace: Vincedesimone@yahoo.com



JAN 11-15 THU-MON

Ski Backcountry: Commissary Ridge Yurt (Advanced Backcountry Skiing)

Spend the long weekend at Commissary Ridge Yurt on the west side of the Tetons and trim turns on Beards Mountain. Drive up Thursday evening, spend Thursday night in a motel, ski in Friday morning, spend three nights at the yurt, and return on Monday. A non-refundable \$75 deposit is necessary to reserve your place. This trip may be full, but if you are interested in this trip, call Brad Yates or email: bnyslc@earthlink.net

JAN 13 SAT

Ski Backcountry: Willow Lake (NTD)

If there were a contest for the best spot for lunch, Willow Lake would probably win. Nancy Inaba (485-0537) will guide a trip at a pace that will not leave you gasping for air. Metal-edged skis or solid touring skis will suffice. Of course, skins are the best. Nancy will meet you at 9:00 a.m. at the Butler Elementary School.

JAN 13 SAT

Ski Backcountry: Beartrap Fork (MOD)

The only problem with this terrific slope is that the aspen at the trailhead are packed tighter than the teeth of a comb. Larry Stewart (944-0213) might have an alternative to work around them via a Willow route. Developing another ingress/egress for Beartrap would be a worthwhile research project. Meet Larry at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m. and have your beacon, skins, shovel, and 10Es.

JAN 13 SAT

Snowshoe: Broad's Fork (NTD+ to MOD)

Holly Smith (272-5358) organizes this trip on MLK weekend. Be prepared with the 10Es and have an enjoyable, scenic tour with Holly. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9 a.m.

JAN 14 SUN**Ski Tour: Upper Setting Road (NTD +)**

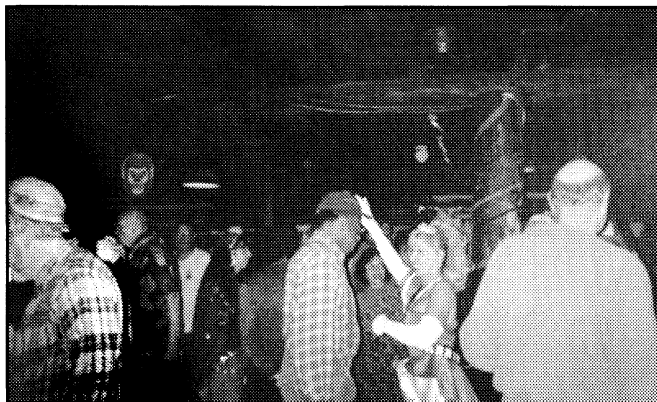
Jerry Hatch (583-8047) will lead no tour before its time. If the snow on Upper Setting is not suitable, he will switch to Norway Flats. Most likely, the snow will be perfect. At a maximum, the route can go 12 miles round trip and gain 2,300'; however, Jerry says he will keep it at an NTD level. Meet Jerry at the K-Mart on Parleys Way at 8:45 a.m. Metal-edged touring skis would be suitable for this trip. Skins are definitely OK.

JAN 14 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Montreal Hill (MOD+)**

Located in Mill D South Fork, also known as Cardiff Fork, the Montreal Hill route abuts the upper end of Mineral Fork and has perspectives over to Cardiac Bowl. It is a good place to ski. John Kokinis (534-0871) leads this trip. Rendezvous at Butler Elementary at 9:00 a.m. Be sure to bring the essential equipment: beacon, shovel, fine brandy, skins, lunch, and hot tea, etc. Phone John for details.

JAN 14 SUN**Snowshoe: North Fork of the Provo (NTD)**

Winter Sports organizer Vickie Ashby (352-2553) will be back at the popular trailhead up the Mirror Lake Highway. Join her in a classic trip into the snowy Uinta backcountry. Avalanche beacons are not needed. Convene at the K Mart parking lot by 8:30 a.m. Remember the Forest Service user fee.

**JAN 16 TUE****Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

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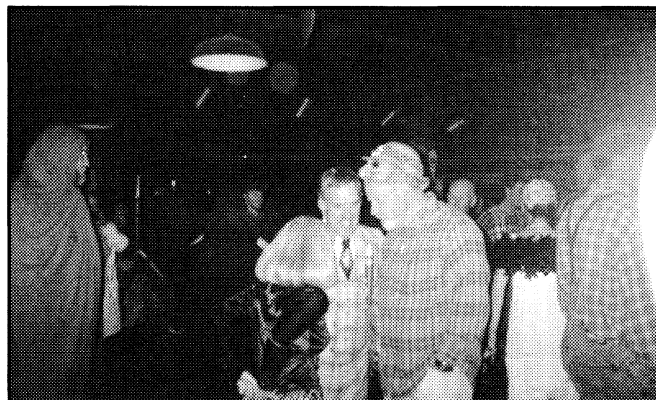
JAN 20 SAT**Ski Backcountry: Reynolds Peak (MOD)**

Harold Goeckeritz (553-8163) invites his buddies, who have not skied much in recent years, to join this classic trip. This could be a reunion of long time WMC members. Bring your 457 Hz radio beacons, avalanche shovel, skins, and enough lunch and water for a good

winter outing. Meet at the Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m.

JAN 20 SAT**SOCIAL: ANNAUL AWARDS BANQUET**

Reserve this evening now for the Annual Awards Banquet and Nominations at the Parthenon Banquet Room of the Greek Market at 3205 South State Street. The entire place will be reserved just for the WMC with a huge banquet room and plenty of room for dancing. Experience great greek food and dancing to the greek music of Chris Dokos! Maybe some belly dancing too! For more information, see the reservation form towards the beginning of this issue of the Rambler.

**JAN 20 SAT****Ski Backcountry: The 2nd Meadow (NTD)**

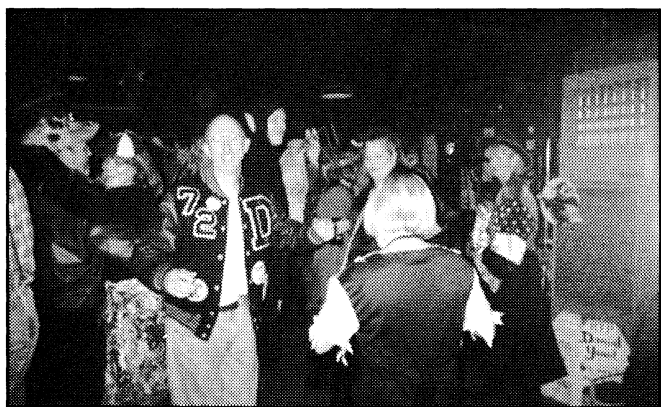
Stan DeJong (572-4157) shifted his gears for this trip—normally he is seen only at 10,000' or higher. Stan wanted to organize a tour in a place with thicker air, so he chose this fine one. Meet at the Big Cottonwood Park and Ride at 8:30 a.m. UTA will provide a bus ride for us (plus 36 others) for the price of \$2.00 each way. Do the canyon a favor and leave your car in the lot. (Skins make the tour better.)

JAN 21 SUN**Ski Backcountry: Dog Lake (NTD)**

This tour made the cover photo on John Veranth's book "Wasatch Winter Trails." Martin Gregory (582-2403) will lead a fine Sunday morning outing to this WMC favorite. Assemble at Butler Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. with your metal-edged skis. Skins are very helpful. Bring some bagels, a thermos with a delicious beverage, and have lunch at the shore of the Dog.

JAN 21 SUN**Ski Tour: Little Emigration Canyon (MOD)**

Tour past Little Dell Reservoir, Affleck Park, and Mormon Flat via Big Mountain Pass on a 14.5-mile (1,320' elevation gain) ski. General touring or light, metal-edged skis are recommended. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot on Parley's Way by 8:15 a.m. Park City folks: please call ahead for details. Michael Berry (583-4721) organizes this car shuttle trip.

**JAN 23 TUE****Snowshoe: Park City Environs (MOD-MSD)**

Vince DeSimone leads the Tuesday Group. Contact Vince in cyberspace (preferred) at vincedesimone@yahoo.com; if unwired at (1-435-649-6805) to find out the day's destination and meeting place.

FEB 3 SAT**Snowshoe: Moonlight Magic Night (NTD)**

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FEB 16-19 FRI-MON**Ski Backcountry: Commissary Ridge Yurt**

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FEB 23-25 FRI-SUN**23-24 Feb Bunchgrass Yurt (MOD)**

Ski where you live—Mongolian style. Live in Logan Canyon Friday morning through Sunday afternoon. A non-refundable \$46 deposit will be necessary to reserve your place. If you are interested in organizing this trip, call Mike Berry (583-4721), email: mberry@attglobal.net.

MAR 3-10 SAT-SAT**Out of Town Ski Tour: British Columbia (MSD- SKI MTN)**

Canadian peaks and hot springs. Longer days, cold, winter snows. One-week hut trip through Selkirk Mountain Experience. All the hut spots are now full for that week, but if you are interested, please call SME at 250-837-2381 (ASAP) to get on the waiting list and ask for a brochure. With this much lead-time, other groups may cancel, and it would be great for other WMC folks to join us! Edgar Webster says: "Expect the best skiing of your life: Call Edgar to discuss more details 583-9398.

MAR 3 SAT**Snowshoe: Moonlight Magic (Night) NTD**

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OUT OF TOWN SKI TOUR: BRITISH COLUMBIA (MSD- SKI MTN)

Canadian Peaks and hot springs. A one-week hut trip to be coordinated with the Canadian Alpine Club. Longer days and cold, winter snows. Edgar Webster says: "Expect the best skiing of your life." Call Edgar for more information 583-9398.

APR 1-6, 2001

SUN, SWIM, AND BIKE: FLORIDA (NTD)

Spring tan south Florida style. Bike the natural hammocks, beaches, and waterways of Ft. Lauderdale/Hollywood area. Enjoy the evenings at the beach and plan on snorkeling clear, blue waters of Key Biscayne; alligators in the Everglades and possibly some diving. Or, kayak the mangroves in the Keys. I'll show you my playground like you have shown me yours in the past. You fly here; I'll arrange accommodations, transportation, bikes, and swim gear. Or, bring your own. Rough cost estimate is \$600. Reservations will have to be made by Nov. 1, 2000. Contact Sue Chalmers (954-792-4098, schal@sprintmail.com).

AUG 2001

PERU-MACHU PICCHU-MANU-TITICACA LAKE - LA PAZ

Join me, a native of Cusco, on a 21-day trip to my homeland of Peru. I will take you to the most well known ruins and to many places off the beaten path. We will hike the Inca trail to Machu Picchu, with porters, cooks and charismatic guides. You will feel at home while immersed in the local culture and enjoy warm, Peruvian hospitality. We will visit Manu National Park, one of the largest tropical parks in South America. The United Nations has designated this tropical rain forest as a biosphere reserve. The park is home to countless species of birds, butterflies, primates and endangered species such as the giant otter and black cayman. Contact Sonia Couillard at 801-521-5540 or cuscomagic@yahoo.com for details or to sign up. Cost estimate is \$3500 (airfare included).

SPRING 2001

MACHU PICCHU & GALAPAGOS

Plan a two-week trip to take in both of these once-in-a-lifetime destinations. The basic plan is to spend some time in Cusco Peru, four days hiking the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu (tent, porters, cooks, and gear supplied by a local guide service,) and 7 days cruising in the Galapagos with a full-time naturalist guide. Our own boat is possible if we have at least 10 people. If there is interest in tacking on a visit to Manu Rainforest (4.5 million acres, 20,000 plant species, 1,000 bird species,) this is a possibility. Projected cost is in the range of \$3,000. If you are interested, call Dudley McIlhenny at 801-733-7740 for more information.

NON WMC EVENTS:

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SURVIVAL: 24th ANNUAL WASATCH OVERLAND

This is not a Wasatch Mountain Club event.

Cross-country skiers, telemark skiers, snowshoers, boarders, and ski-bikers: The oldest snow race in Utah includes your choice of over-the-snow equipment in order to accomplish the objective of reaching Park City as fast as possible. The race features a LeManns style start with racers carrying their gear from the Brighton General Store to "Hanscom's cut-off". Then strap on the gear and make a net climb of 600 vertical feet to Scott's Pass via any route. A high-speed descent down the catwalks and ski runs of Thaynes Canyon takes racers down 2,400 feet to the White Pine Touring Center for an overall distance of 12 km (7 miles). Fastest time ever: Ken McCarthy (32 mins., 53 sec.)(1986). Sign up at: Wasatch Touring, 702 East, 100 South, Salt Lake City (359-9361), or White Pine Touring Center, Park City (435-649-8710). Pre-register before January 5th. No cars are to be left at Brighton. Take the bus or drive/shuttle to Park City!



MARKETPLACE:

How do I send my ad?

Mail your ad to:
Wasatch Mountain Club
Attn.: Marketplace
1390 South 1100 East, #103
Salt Lake City, UT 84105

OR email: wmc@xmission.com with the subject line of "Marketplace."

When are ads due? The 10th of each month.

How much do I pay for the ad?

Advertising rates are \$5.00 for up to 20 words and \$0.20 for each additional word per month. Please specify the number of months you want to run the ad. **Payment is due when you submit your ad.**

Is there a charge for members? There is no charge for WMC members placing ads for used, recreational gear or for private and non-commercial and not-for-profit activities.

Scarpa Inverno plastic mountaineering boots, brand new, size 10, \$200;

Asolo Extreme Pro Racer telemark boots, size 10, \$100
Montrail Goretex-lined hiking boots, size 10.5, brand new, \$30

Five-ten guide-tennis approach shoes, brand new, size 10 1/2, \$30

Cheap telemark setup - skis (185 cm), bindings, poles, and skins \$50

Avalanche beacon - Ortovox dual frequency \$150

Montanyl adhesive nylon climbing skins, 45mm wide, \$40

large fiberglass drybox - makes a great waterproof car-top carrier \$20

Moonstone advantage goretex parka, men's medium \$90

Down parka, fully baffled, goretex shell, men's medium \$150

Yakima canoe carrier adapter \$10

Solstice waterproof/breathable jacket, men's small \$20

Quantum Spinning rod and reel, brand new \$20

Browning graphite fly rod, 9', 5/6 weight, \$50

Crazy Creek chair - \$10

Patagonia paddling jacket, men's small, \$15

MSR Blacklight pot set - Includes 1.5 and 2 liter pots, frypan, lid \$25

Climbing pack, 2500 cubic inches, \$25

Kelty redwing pack, needs minor repair, \$5

Kelty travel/conversion pack with zip-off daypack, brand new \$75

Ultralight sleeping bag, lite-loft fill, waterproof/breathable shell \$50

Contact Steve at (435) 647-9833 or steve_susswein@hotmail.com (2/01)

CANOE WANTED. I am looking for a lightweight, non-aluminum canoe, and accessories, suitable for slower water river trips. Call Sue 435-259-3663 in Castle Valley or email sdevall@lasal.net. (02/01)

Professional woman wishes to rent in St George area—furnished home, apartment, or condo. Monthly beginning December. Contact: loanne@aa.net, (206) 523-8330. (02/01)

Nordic Track, Sequoia Model, folds for storage, speedometer/chronometer, cross country grips, book and accessory holder. \$200. Cost \$432 new. In excellent condition.

Stiga exercycle, folds for storage. \$50

Ajay bench and weight set. \$50.

Call and leave message at 466-3300 or email wennhold@home.com (02/01)

MSR SNOWSHOES: Used twice \$65
vincedesimone@yahoo.com 435-649-6805 (02/01)

Ajay bench and weight set. \$50.

Call and leave message at 466-3300 or email wennhold@home.com. (02/01)

Patagonia CFS river shoes, size 9, new (never used) \$45. Call Rob at 485-3262 or email Rob at robjones@sisna.com. (02/01)

Perception Whip-It; \$480 or best offer. Excellent, all around kayak, great for river-running and play boating. 9' long and 24" wide. Ideal for paddlers from 125lbs to 175lbs. Call Hardy Sherwood (801) 944-4398 or email "Kayaker@usa.com". (12/00)

Complete telemark outfit: Telemark skis: K2 Piste Off, 180 cm length, 7.6 mm width. Veile poles w/ avalanche probe; Scarpa T2 boots, men's size 11; Climbing skins. Most of this is brand new, used only 3 times. The skins alone cost \$110. For total package, asking \$450 or best offer. Call Paul at 363-6124. (12/00)

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF UTAH invites RN, LPN, Certified Nurse Assistants, and Certified Home Health Aides, with part-time or full-time availability to call our office and be placed on our Senior Assistance listing for elderly and their families, friends, and neighbors. Wages negotiated with family. Please call 801-588-0139 or 877-388-LSSU (Leslie) for more information. (12/00)

SKI RATINGS:

Here is the listing of ski tours and their ratings according to difficulty.

- There is considerable subjectivity in this, so if you feel the rating is too high or low, please let us know.
- All mile numbers are ROUND TRIP, from beginning to end.
- Unless otherwise noted, all trips are in the category labeled SKI BACKCOUNTRY.
 - This type of trip requires stout metal-edged skis, radio beacon, skins, and the skill of executing turns.
 - Typical examples are Powder Park or Catherine Pass.
- A trip labeled SKI TOUR is one that is mostly horizontal, involves using the kick-and-glide motion, and does not seek heights from which to do turns on the descent.
 - Typical examples are Beaver Creek or Norway Flats.
- SKI-MTN is a rating for difficult trips that, in addition to ski gear and radio beacons, include boot climbing on exposed terrain and require self-arrest skills. The rating is determined by the most difficult technical requirement of the trip. For example Pink Pine is short, but it is quite steep, so it is rated MSD. Ratings are as follows:

Avalanche knowledge is a prerequisite for winter travel. A new rating category for AVALANCHE AWARENESS is included to help you assess the relative risk for each trip.

- **A!** trip crosses major avalanche path and/or multiple avalanche paths
- **A** trip crosses known avalanche path
- **M** trip involves minimal risk of avalanches.

EL	Entry Level	Able to maintain balance and do kick turns
NTD	Not too Difficult	Able to ski a groomed run at a ski area
MOD	Moderate	Able to ski ungroomed runs at a ski area
MSD	Most Difficult	Able to ski any snow on any terrain
SKI-MTN	Ski Mountaineering	Involves exposure and self arrest skills

EL and NTD RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE	RATING-*	MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT
Daniels	Telephone Hollow	EL-NTD-M	3.0	300	Tour
Wasatch	Albion Basin Road	EL-NTD-M	3.0	600	Tour
Wasatch	Willow Lake	NTD -M	3.0	800	
Wasatch	Lake Mary	NTD -A	3.0	910	
Daniels	Doe Knoll	EL-NTD-M	5.0	300	Tour
Wasatch	Greens Basin from Spruces	NTD M	4.0	1000	
Wasatch	Lower Mineral Fork	NTD A	4.0	1000	
Wasatch	Millcreek Road to Elbow Fork	EL-NTD M	5.0	680	Road
Uintas	Smith & Morehouse Canyon to Ledgefork Campground	NTD -M	6.0	400	Tour
Daniels	Foreman Trail	NTD -M	4.0	900	Tour
Daniels	Telemark Hill	NTD -M	5.0	1000	Tour
Woodland	Bench Creek	NTD -M	7.0	600	Tour
Wasatch	Catherine Lake	NTD -A	4.4	1200	
Wasatch	Lower White Pine Canyon	NTD -A	5.0	1400	
Wasatch	Catherine Pass from Alta	NTD -A	5.0	1500	
Wasatch	Scotts Pass	NTD -M	5.0	1500	
Wasatch	Dog Lake	NTD -A	6.0	1400	
Heber	R Fork-Little Hobble Creek to Little Vall.	NTD -M	7.0	1150	Tour
Wasatch	Days Fork to Second Meadow	NTD -A	6.0	1600	
Uintas	North Fork of Provo River	NTD -M	8.0	600	Tour
Uintas	Beaver Creek Trail	EL-NTD-M	10.0	600	Tour

Midway	Snake Creek Canyon	NTD	-A	7.0	1800	Tour
Wasatch	Millcreek Road to Big Water	NTD	-M	8.0	1500	Road
Wasatch	Silver Fork from Lodge	NTD	-A	5.0	1280	Road

MOD RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE	RATING-*		MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT
Uintas	Weber Canyon Road	MOD	-M	16.0	600	Tour
Wasatch	Butler Fork to Overlook	MOD	-A	3.0	1500	
Wasatch	Brighton to Twin Lakes Pass	MOD	-A!	4.0	1300	
Wasatch	Grizzly Gulch to Twin Lakes Pass	MOD	-A!	4.0	1320	
Wasatch	Toms Hill	MOD	-A	4.0	1600	
Wasatch	Bills Hill	MOD	-A	3.4	1800	
Wasatch	Little Dell - Affleck Park - Big Mountain	MOD	-M	11.0	1320	Tour
Wasatch	Catherine Pass from Brighton	MOD	-A!	5.0	1500	
Wasatch	USA Bowl	MOD	-A	4.0	1800	
Wasatch	Powder Park (Near) (South)	MOD	-A	4.0	1800	
Uintas	Yellow Pine Trail	MOD	-M	7.0	2400	Tour
Daniels	Main Canyon Murdock Hollow Loop	MOD	-M	10.0	1400	Tour
Daniels	Strawberry Peak	MOD	-A	10.0	1700	Tour
Woodland	Little South Fork - Willow Hollow	MOD	-M	10.0	2000	Tour
Daniels	Clyde Creek - Mud Creek	MOD	-M	14.0	1000	Tour
Stansbury	Deseret Peak Bowl	MOD	-A	9.0	2800	Tour
Wasatch	Big Water via Dog Lake	MOD	-A	6.4	1400	
Wasatch	Alta to Brighton via Twin Lakes Pass	MOD	-A!	8.0	1320	
Uintas	Smith Morehouse Can to Erickson Basin	MOD	-A	15.0	1200	Tour
Uintas	Murdock Basin	MOD	-M	15.0	1400	Tour
Uintas	Upper Setting Road	MOD	-M	12.0	2300	Tour
Uintas	Norway Flats Road	MOD	-M	12.0	2530	Tour
Uintas	Red Pine Canyon to Mud Lake Flats	MOD	-A	14.0	2235	Tour
Wasatch	Lake Desolation	MOD	-A	8.0	1900	
Wasatch	Brighton to Alta via Catherine Pass	MOD	-A!	10.0	1500	
Wasatch	Red Pine Lake	MOD	-A	8.0	2000	
Uintas	Soapstone to North of Iron Mountain	MOD	-M	14.0	2240	Tour
Uintas	Shingle Creek	MOD	-M	14.0	2460	Tour
Wasatch	Greens Basin Peak	MOD	-A	6.0	2380	
Wasatch	Meadow Chutes	MOD	-A!	6.2	2380	
Wasatch	Reynolds Peak	MOD	-A	7.0	2100	
Wasatch	Little Water via Dog Lake	MOD	-A	7.4	2100	
Wasatch	Powder Park (Middle)	MOD	-A	7.0	2200	
Wasatch	Days Fork to Upper Cirque	MOD+	-A!	8.0	2000	
Wasatch	Bear Trap to Lookout	MOD+	-A	7.0	2400	
Wasatch	Powder Park (Far) (North)	MOD+	-A	8.0	2040	
Wasatch	Upper Red Pine Lake	MOD+	-A!	7.0	2400	
Wasatch	Montreal Hill	MOD+	-A!	7.0	2700	
Heber	Main Canyon (Wallsburg to Strawberry)	MOD+	-M	15.0	3650	Tour
Wasatch	White Pine Lake	MOD+	-A!	9.0	2400	
Uintas	Windy Ridge	MOD+	-A!	7.6	3200	
Wasatch	Alta - Brighton - Alta	MOD+	-A!	9.0	2800	

MSD RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE	RATING-*	MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT
Wasatch	Pink Pine	MSD -A!	2.0	1000	Short Steep
Wasatch	Cardiff Pass	MSD -A!	2.0	1400	Short Steep
Wasatch	Flagstaff Mountain	MSD -A!	2.8	2000	Short Steep
Wasatch	Cardiff Pass to Big Cottonwood Canyon	MSD -A!	5.0	Traverse	1400 up 2800 down
Wasatch	Silver Fork via Brighton Twin Lakes	MSD -A!	6.0	Traverse	1460 up 2400 down
Wasatch	Days Fork to Big Cottonwood Canyon	MSD -A!	5.5	Traverse	2000 up 3200 down
Wasatch	Mary Ellen	MSD -A!	9.2	1820	
Wasatch	Soldier Fork	MSD -A	9.0	Traverse	1600 up 2800 down
Wasatch	Tuscarora - Wolverine	MSD -A!	8.0	2100	
Wasatch	Alexander Basin via Butler to Log Haven	MSD -A!	7.0	Traverse	2600 up 3100 down
Wasatch	Silver Fork Crest	MSD -A!	8.0	Traverse	2200 up 3400 down
Wasatch	Maybird Canyon	MSD -A!	6.5	Traverse	2440 up 3000 down
Wasatch	Porter Fork	MSD -A!	7.0	Traverse	2200 up 3400 down
Wasatch	Lake Blanche to Big Cottonwood Can.	MSD -A!	8.0	Traverse	2600 up 4600 down
Wasatch	Mineral Fork from Alta	MSD -A!	7.0	Traverse	2900 up 3500 down
Wasatch	Gobblers Knob via Butler	MSD -A!	7.0	3140	
Wasatch	Mt Raymond via Butler Fork	MSD -A!	7.0	3140	
Wasatch	Major Evans	MSD -A!	9.2	2700	
Wasatch	Wilson Fork	MSD -A!	11.0	Traverse	2600 up 3800 down
Wasatch	White Pine from Alta	MSD -A!	10.8	2700	
Stansbury	Victory Mountain	MSD -A!	10.0	3800	
Uintas	Hoyt Peak via Swifts Canyon	MSD -A	14.0	3530	
Uintas	Hoyt Peak via Hoyt Canyon	MSD -A	14.0	3601	
Stansbury	Deseret Peak from Guard Station	MSD -A!	12.0	4500	
Uintas	Norway Flats to Smith Morehouse Can	MSD+ -A	18.0	2680	Tour
Uintas	Weber River to Norway Flats Traverse	MSD+ -A	20.0	2800	Tour
Daniels	Currant Creek Peak	MSD+ -A	21.0	2800	Tour
Wasatch	Triple Traverse (Alta to Toll Canyon)	MSD+ -A!	16.0	Traverse	5700 up 7600 down
Uintas	Kings Peak (length !)	MSD+ -A	36.8	6800	Very Long

SKI-MTN RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE	RATING-*	MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT
Wasatch	Mt Superior	SKI-MTN-A!	6.0	2700	
Wasatch	Pfeifferhorn via White Pine Canyon	SKI-MTN-A!	10.0	3700	
Wasatch	Superior and Monte Cristo from Alta	SKI-MTN-A!	10.0	4810	
Wasatch	Twin Peaks via Broads Fork	SKI-MTN-A!	10.0	5100	
Wasatch	Box Elder Peak from Dry Fork	SKI-MTN-A!	12.0	5600	
Wasatch	Pfeifferhorn from Dry Creek	SKI-MTN-A!	12.0	5630	
Wasatch	Mt. Nebo from Mona	SKI-MTN-A!	14.0	6700	
Wasatch	Bells Canyon Supertour Traverse	SKI-MTN-A!	14.0	Traverse	3500 up 5700 down
Wasatch	Lone Peak via Supertour Route	SKI-MTN-A!	16.0	5854	
Wasatch	Timpanogos from Timpooneke	SKI-MTN-A!	22.0	6500	

Note: Ski ratings above are listed in order of difficulty, according to this algorithm:

Difficulty = $(M) + (3K)$. M is the round trip miles including tenths, if any. K is the thousands of feet of altitude gain including tenths, if any. For example: Catherine Lake at 4.4 miles round trip and 1200 feet of altitude gain.

$$\begin{aligned} & (M) + (3 \times K) \\ & (4.4) + (3 \times 1.2) \\ & (4.4) + (3.6) = 8.0 \end{aligned}$$

If the outing is labeled as a TOUR, factor the Difficulty answer by (0.6) . Example: Foreman Trail at 4 miles length and an altitude gain of 900 feet calculates as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((M) + (3K)) \times (0.6) \\ & (4) + (3 \times .9) = 6.7 \\ & (6.7) \times (0.6) = 4 \end{aligned}$$

CARPOOL PARKING LOTS FOR SKIING AND SNOWSHOEING:

Butler Elementary School: Access the parking lot from 2700 East just south of 7000 South (Fort Union Blvd.). We do not have a guarantee that cars won't be towed from here in the event of snow.

FORT UNION COUNTY PARKING LOTS: The numbers are for the WMC. Don't expect to see any numbered signs; these are basically wide pullouts on the north side of Fort Union Blvd. County time restrictions are to be followed. NO PARKING FROM 10 p.m. TO 8 a.m.

Lot 1: 3220 East Fort Union Blvd. (7000 South). This lot will hold an estimated five cars.

Lot 2: 3360 East Fort Union Blvd. (7090 South). This lot will hold an estimated 10-15 cars.

Lot 3: 3420 East Fort Union Blvd. (7140 South). This lot will hold an estimated seven cars.

Lot 4: 3600 East Fort Union Blvd (7225 South). This lot will hold an estimated 10-15 cars.

Message from the Lodge Director:

LODGE CONSTRUCTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER:

As you may recall, the water and sewer lines were installed and excavation for the addition was completed in August. During September, the footings, then the foundation walls were poured and the plumbing that runs below ground was installed. The old water line from the stream was removed from the kitchen.

LODGE CONSTRUCTION REPORT FOR OCTOBER:

All of the lines were run to the kitchen. These include the cold and hot water lines, drain line and heating system supply and return lines. The supply bypass line was run along with these and continued around the kitchen to the old drain line on the east side. Remember to pour a little antifreeze in both drains before you leave the lodge if you use the sink. The foundation was back-filled and the monument rock is again secure. The below ground plumbing was finished, then the floor heating system was installed. This consisted of an insulating pad and several hundred feet of tubing snaking all over it. With this done, the concrete floor was poured. The last work was to cover the slab with plastic and straw to protect the slab from freezing until enough snow covers it.

While construction is on hold for the winter, the construction committee is still at work, getting ready for next year. Rob is gathering names of volunteers to be involved in some of the work, such as insulating, sheet rocking, painting and staining, which will help reduce the project cost. We can also supply some of the plumbing and electrical material to further reduce costs. I can get some material free from Wisconsin, but need to figure out a cheap way to get it here. Volunteers and transportation ideas will be greatly appreciated. It is surprising to look at the amount of time and effort the construction committee has contributed to this project so far. By my estimate, it is up to 500 hours and 40 trips to the lodge.

Message from the Membership Director:

How to Join the Wasatch Mountain Club:

To join the Wasatch Mountain Club, an outdoor adventure group located in the Wasatch front, you are first required to participate in two club activities. Tear out the new member application form from the back of the Rambler, our monthly newsletter, or download it from the web. Take it with you on two WMC outings/activities and have the activity organizer sign off that you participated. Then, fill out the application carefully, remembering to initial and sign the back page. We need to have signed, release forms on file. The cost to join is \$35 for a single person and \$50 for couples and partners. Thereafter, annual dues are paid in the month you joined at \$35 single, \$45 couple or partner.

If you would like the Rambler to be delivered on a trial basis to your residence while you are finding activities to participate in, send a \$5 check to the Wasatch Mountain Club, Membership Director, at 1390 South 1100 East, #103, Salt Lake City, UT 84104-2443. We will mail the newsletter to you for two months. Or, pick up the Rambler outside our office door, at REI, or at Kirkham's. Or, look us up on the web at www.wasatchmountainclub.org.

Message from the Winter Sports Director:

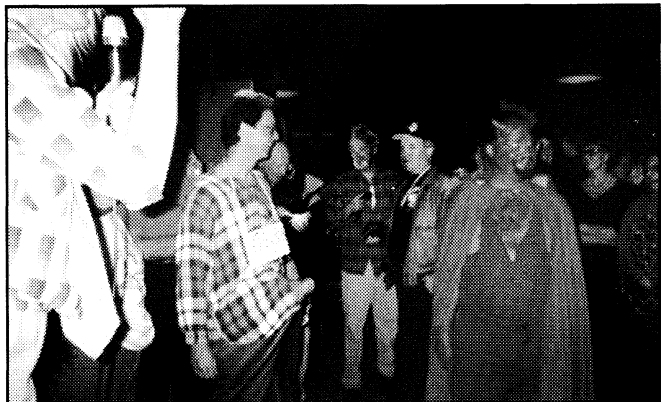
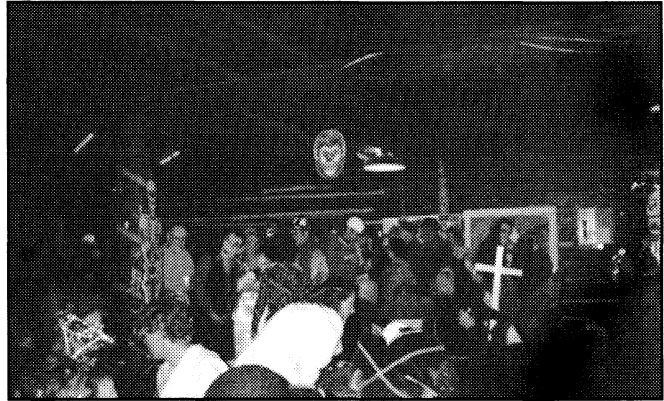
A little history: The modern telemark nordic technique was really rediscovered by American skiers after having been nearly forgotten, or at least relegated to the status of an antique, in the Scandinavian countries of its origin. This rediscovery reportedly started at Crested Butte, Colorado in the late 1970's (and continued by some of us at Steamboat Springs in the early 1980's) by a handful of ski bums bored with alpine skiing and looking for a new challenge. They used nordic cross-country skis first, then hybrid gear with stiff, single leather boots and a light metal-edged ski with a slight sidecut of 10mm. This gear was used at the resorts and eventually into the backcountry.

Skiing in the backcountry is now going "full-circle" back towards Alpine skiing. The age of specialization has arrived. Big telemark gear with alpine-width skis and plastic boots is the skiing equivalent of a "sport-utility setup"—good in rugged

terrain, but not great on open country. Lighter and hybrid gear is being abandoned. Certainly, many people new to telemarking are skiing very well these days. Is the retail ski industry happy about this? Do they have something to do with this trend? Both cross-country and telemark skiing are great fun. However, the mainstream, backcountry telemark skier covers less distances in a day of touring as the press for the steep and deep is on. Big gear makes some terrain boring. Sound familiar?

For me, some of the greatest joys in skiing are found in the middle range of the spectrum between cross-country and telemark/alpine. Skis light enough to travel where few others venture in winter, but sturdy enough to break trail, and cut turns. So, what about simply skiing uphill, downhill, through meadows, and into bowls (e.g. Rabbit Ear's Pass, Colorado, Medicine Bow Range, Wyoming, or Erickson Basin, Utah)? Check out those skis swaps or garage sales, and armed with gear that emphasizes lightness over power, some skins and kickwax (God forbid!), a good bag of tricks, and a large sense of humor, can open up many more possibilities of distance and terrain. "Light backcountry" is an accessible, affordable way to get a lot of fun out of winter. This "retro" form of skiing demands all elements of nordic technique to be used, and crashes and laughter are common, but after all, why do we do this ski thing anyway?

If you are new or considering returning to the sport and you are interested, check out the Audrey Kelly Learn-to-Ski Clinic on January 6th, or the Telemark Clinic at Alta on December 9th.



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)

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check phone number to print in *The Rambler* membership list:

Residence: _____

Work: _____

email: _____

Other Options: Do not print my name/phone in membership list.
Do not list my name in lists given to board-approved conservation/wilderness organizations.

I am applying for: (check one)

_____ New Membership	_____ Single	Birth date(s) _____
(Please complete the activities section)		
_____ Reinstatement	_____ Couple	_____
	_____ Student (30 years or younger)	

Remit: \$35.00 for single membership (\$30.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)

\$50.00 for couple membership (\$45.00 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 and application fee. **Checks and money orders only.** Make checks payable to **Wasatch Mountain Club.** Do you wish to receive *The Rambler* (the club publication)? ____ Yes ____ No
(Subscription price is NOT deductible from the dues.)

Activity Section

You must complete **two club activities** (other than socials) to be considered for membership. The activity dates must have been within one year of the application.

Qualifying Activity

Date

Signature of Recommending Leader

I found out about the Wasatch Mountain Club from:

Mail application and check/money order to: Membership Director, Wasatch Mountain Club, 1390 South 1100 East, #103, Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

-----LEAVE BLANK; FOR OFFICE USE ONLY-----

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

Board Approval Date _____

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)**Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgment of Risk, and Release from Liability**

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in any WMC activity is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware that WMC activities involve risks, and could result in injury, illness, death, and damage or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited to: the hazards of traveling in remote areas without medical services or care, the forces of nature, the inherent dangers involved in participation in sports, wilderness travel, and social activities, and the negligent actions of other persons or agencies. I understand that all activities should be considered "exploratory," with the possibility of unexpected conditions and route variations. The WMC is not, nor does it provide, a professional guiding service. In order to partake in the enjoyment and excitement of WMC activities, I am willing to accept the risk and uncertainty involved as being an integral part of the activity. I acknowledge this risk, and assume full responsibility for any and all risks of injury, illness, death, or damage and loss to my property.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here: _____

PREPARATION: I understand that it is my responsibility to evaluate the difficulty of any activity I participate in, and decide whether I am prepared by having the experience, skill, knowledge, equipment, and the physical and emotional stamina to safely participate.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, and personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the Wasatch Mountain Club, its leaders, directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death, or damage and loss to property resulting from my participation in any WMC activity even if they negligently caused the injury or damage.

LEGAL FEES: Should it become necessary for WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney's fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I certify that I have sufficient insurance to cover any bodily injury or property damage that I may incur while participating in any WMC activity. If I have no such insurance, I certify that I am capable of paying for all such expenses and liabilities.

My signature below indicates that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand that it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. I am at least 18 years old.

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

WITNESS: I certify that _____ has alleged to me that he/she has read and understands this document.

Witness signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

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
 ☐ backpack
- 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 & water quality issues ☐ telephone tree ☐ trail clearing ☐ trailhead access
 ☐ wilderness
- 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 that you would like to lead?

What phone numbers can we use to reach you?

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