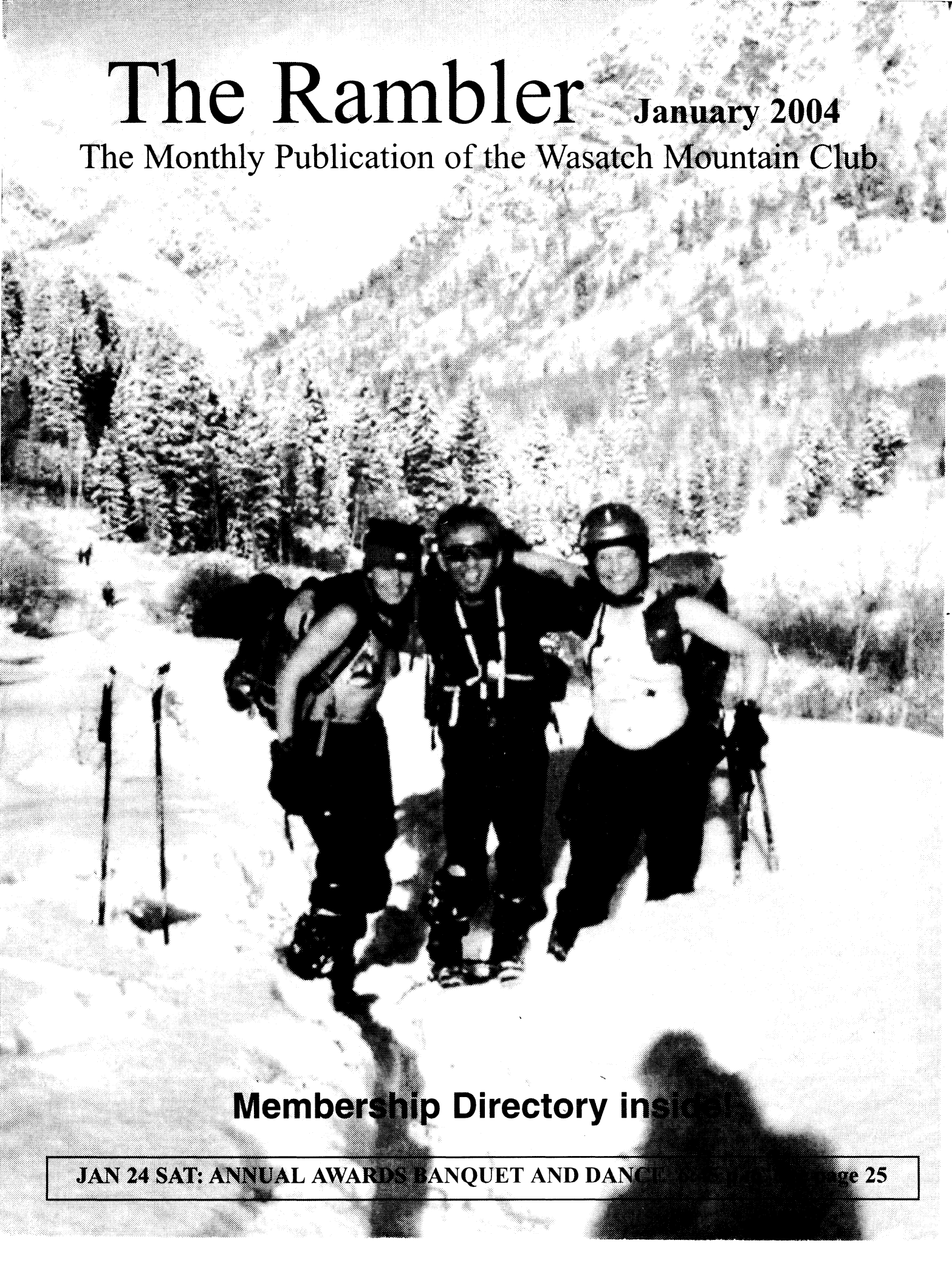


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(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

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

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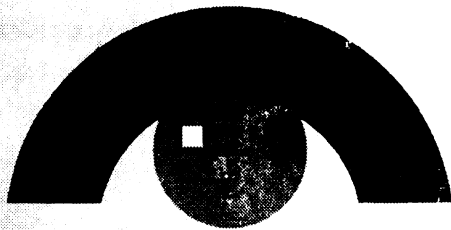
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2. Submit the trip talk, on a 3.5" disk, to the WMC office (1390 South 1100 East in Salt Lake City). Use Microsoft Word and Arial, 10 point for all submissions. Label the diskette with your name and identify which file(s) are submissions. Enclose a 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 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.

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## Conservation Notes

January 2003

Will McCarvill

The end of a year brings about a certain degree of introspection. Questions come to mind about the ups and downs, successes and failures and what could be done better the next time. The big "UP" for the year was working on a better relationship with the Salt Lake District of the Wasatch Cache National Forest. This was done by committing to and carrying out organized trail maintenance among other things. We can look forwards to accomplishing even more next year and showing our concern for the Wasatch by helping to keep our trails in good shape. The Club also worked closely with friends and allies to find out about and take action when threats appeared.

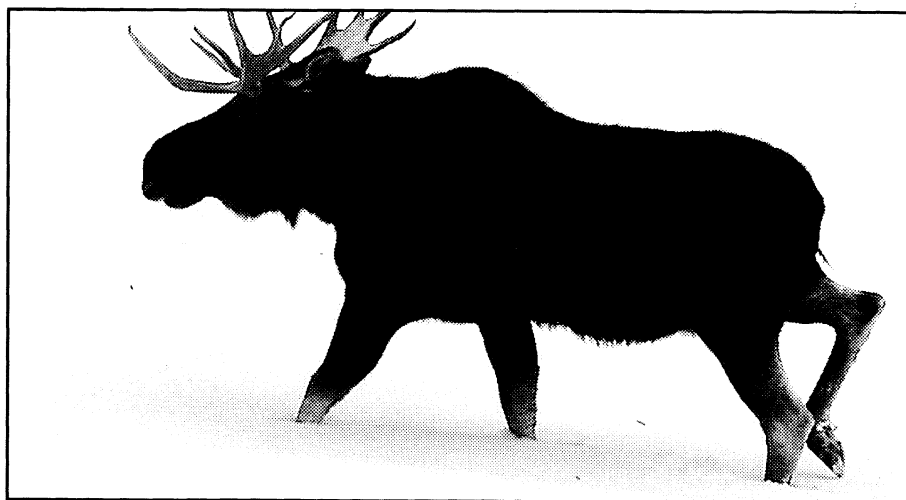
On one hand clear and imminent concerns and issues can stimulate us to take action. On the other hand the consistent development pressures that work to shrink the Wasatch and turn human powered ski runs and hiking trails into motorized playgrounds are much more difficult to keep energized about over a period of years. It is hard to keep informed about and also to understand what our local government is doing for the long term condition of those mountains above our heads. It is difficult to see how state wide and national policies flow down to help or hurt our national forest lands. A case in point is the highway claims in the Wasatch. The claims have the potential to forever alter the recreation patterns in the mountains we take for granted. The actual battle will not take place soon: it is years in the offing. But if steps are not taken now, if we do not align with kindred spirits, if we do not vote for sympathetic elected officials, we stand to loose much of what we now enjoy.

I have heard it said "Remember the good old days, they are now." In the years to come I hope we do not look back with some measure of sadness and sorrow over the incredible recreation opportunities we had. I hope we do not lament a diminished and limited Wasatch that once provided Club members with adventure. In addition to the highway claims, there is the issue about the private lands that are inholdings within the forest. These old mining claims will never provide any more mineral wealth. The owners do have the right to request that their lands do not suffer trespass by summer hikers and winter skiers. Many of the Club's activities have taken for granted access across these private lands. If the highways come to pass, many of our mountain valleys will be developed. The Wasatch will grow smaller and more heavily used.

We need to have a vision of what Club members will experience in 25 to 50 years. We should have the fortitude to pull together with others over the long haul to achieve this vision. We must understand the actions taken by the county and state governments and hold our elected representatives accountable for their actions.

I have learned much this past year: a lot of it involved a clearer understanding of the threats to our Wasatch Mountains. So how do we do better in anticipating these threats and dealing with them? I have to believe that we must ultimately be successful in preserving the small mountain range above us, not only for our Club, but also for us.

**JAN 14 SERVICE: CONSERVATION COMMITTEE.** You know you've always wanted to help with conservation. Break that old habit of inaction this year and come help out. At 7PM the Conservation Committee will meet at the club office. All are welcome, we have plenty to do. We need help in tending to the Wasatch Mountains. For more information, contact Will McCarvill 942-2921.



Moos at Dog Lake :Nice shot from James Naus

# Winter-sport Director`s message

## Running the Winter Sports Program, Part 3 of 3

***(This is part 3 of a 3-part series describing the operation of the WMC Winter Sports Program. Part 1 appeared in the November Rambler. Part 2 appeared in the December Rambler. The intent of the articles is to provide an outline for future winter sports directors to follow for efficient operation of the program)***

### Part 3: The Season

The Winter Sports Program 'season' (5 months) is defined as beginning from the 1<sup>st</sup> committee meeting in September through the March Rambler deadline (Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>). The director prepares for the 1<sup>st</sup> committee meeting by compiling the following documents:

- 1) 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting agenda; provide food/drinks
- 2) Winter Sports summary (previous season)
- 3) Winter Sports Policy (any changes indicated)
- 4) Wall calendar sheets from November to March
- 5) Organizer 'volunteer' list (printed from Club computer)
- 6) Organizer list with trips and day/date (previous season)
- 7) "Who's on the E-mail" print out: wmc-snowshoe & ski lists
- 8) Organizer phone-calling 'worksheets' (one-half page forms)
- 9) Assorted winter travel & avalanche maps and trail guides

A variety of formats and locations are possible for the committee meetings depending on the proclivities of the director, coordinators, and committee members. Generally, "serious" business can be wrapped up in about 90 minutes, or interspersed with activities of an evening party. The main business of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting usually involves a look at the 'state' of the program, review of program 'mission', yurt and other special event dates tentatively defined, and scheduling of 'heritage' trip- those which occur on annual basis by the same organizer(s) to a favorite destination. Also assignments for calling/emailing organizers need to be made. The actual calling or emails can begin in early October to meet the October 10<sup>th</sup> deadline (for the November Rambler). The organizer contacts may be assigned to the snowshoe and ski coordinators, other committee members, or the director depending on the knowledge and experience of the committee. The callers are provided a scheduling calendar, list of previous season trips, organizer 'volunteer' list, one-half page 'worksheets', and a membership directory.

In a typical season, at least several meetings take place. This is at the discretion of the director with input from the coordinators. Additional meetings can be set on a monthly basis or periodically, as needed (open to all- in Rambler, or by invite, etc.). The second meeting of the season usually involves finalizing the dates, times, and locations for the Frohboese Avalanche and Audrey Kelly Clinic. Also, at the second or third meeting of the season, a detailed look at a 'project' area often occurs, depending on the interest and energies of the committee, or by Board request (examples are revising winter sports policy, updating winter sports ratings, avalanche route studies, UTA bus options for trips, heli-skiing or snowmobile issues, etc.)

***Dates to keep in mind from the Club's 'Monthly To-do List'. These items are to be addressed by the director at the Club Board meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month and may require committee discussion prior to be presented: November- Set date for Robert Frohboese avalanche clinic and Audrey Kelly winter clinic; Publish both for Dec. Rambler; December- Publish in Jan. Rambler: A. Kelly clinic date; Winter Sports Tour ratings; January- Avalanche class follow-up; A Kelly class follow-up; February- Outgoing directors responsible for activities through March board meeting; Publish in March Rambler-New Board for upcoming year; March- New board directors orientation by outgoing directors.***

The calendar of trips with volunteer organizers is submitted to the Rambler committee each month in the form of a

document which meets certain formatting requirements set by the editor.

These trips must be submitted by the deadline set by the editor. Examples of formatting:

**DEC 23 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: REYNOLD'S GLADE OR SHANGRA LA (MOD).** Depending on conditions, leader (phone #), will ski the glades of Reynold's Peak, or maybe go in to Shangra La (north of Big Water). Beacon, shovel and skins. Meet at Butler El. at 9:00 am.

**JAN 15 SAT SNOWSHOE: NORTH OGDEN PASS CLIMBOUT- LEFT: CHILLY PEAK OR RIGHT: LEWIS PEAK (MOD+).** Sick and tired of the same old routes. This is it: the event no one in their right mind is waiting for (and very few show up for)! Straight up the mountain. Great views. High wind. Cold. "Brrrrrr". Meet at NW corner, Super Target parking lot, I-15 exit 322, at 9 am.

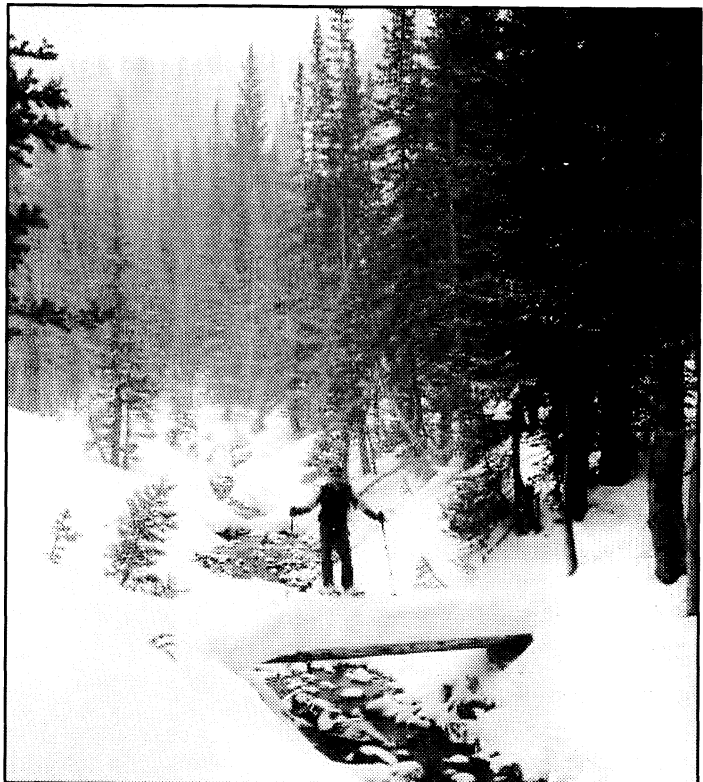
**FEB 27 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: DESERET PEAK (MSD).** Highest peak in the Stansbury Range, lots of good glade skiing. Long approach, early start (for safety). Call leader to register.

**MAR 16 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: NORWAY FLATS TO SMITH-MOREHOUSE (UINTAS) TRAVERSE (MOD).** The leader (phone #) has 21 miles and 2,200 vertical feet of varied terrain for you today. After the long climb to the ridge, enjoy untracked powder on north facing slopes and skate, or diagonal stride to the finish. Please call to register for the very early start and to plan for the long car shuttle. You will need sturdy boots, light metal-edged skis, and headlamp.

The process of setting up and conducting the Frohboese avalanche clinic and Audrey Kelly winter clinic is one of the highlights of the season. For the avalanche clinic talk, the steps are fairly straight forward: pick a date/time and reserve a meeting hall (eg. Mt. Olympus Pres. Church, 3900 S.), call UAC educational contact (Bruce Tremper and staff), and get the 'word' out about the event. A beacon field practice & tour is usually listed as an activity on one of the Saturday's following the talk. For the Audrey Kelly winter clinic- flexibility is the rule. Some years have involved a 'learn-to-ski' format in the Uintas or Mountain Dell; in other years it has been a 'learn-to-winterize' format at the Lodge complete with chili, cornbread, and hot chocolate. For the Lodge, contact the Lodge use person well ahead of time. Again, announce as soon as possible. Be sure to identify enough volunteers for each separate event to handle the tasks and the expected crowd. This will make for an enjoyable and low stress event for all involved!

As can be seen from this listing, the season's planning and activities peak in November and December, with a good momentum of trip listings taking the program into January and February. In fact, during each subsequent calling cycle of scheduling monthly trips, we usually extend the weekends filled each time by one in order 'push' the scheduling forward. To some extend, this is necessary to provide overlap between monthly Ramblers. Other times, organizers, simply request a later weekend when contacted to meet their schedule. Once the new year arrives, this is the time when typically the snow conditions are best, and can then be enjoyed by all (with less committee work to be done). Actually, by the time the January 10<sup>th</sup> deadline (February Rambler) passes, the schedule is fairly well set out right into March with the gradual winding down of the Winter Sports Program 'season'.

Regarding the development of a winter sports leadership program, **the current philosophy of the winter sports committee is the 'ten-to-one rule' (10/1). That is: leading one trip for every ten in which you participate, or providing other Club service...** snowshoe participants- you WILL be contacted based on this formula to lead a trip(s). This formula is based on empirical data of the typical number of WMC 'ers on any given Wasatch Range weekend hiking or snowshoe day trip, as well as the current limit for wilderness area entry. This will help provide for a self-sustaining program of activities. It seems to me that this unofficial 'rule' was put into effect by an (?) unknown director when I became active in the Club in the early '90's. It worked for me- to step into the 'organizer' aspect of the Club in order to meet that obligation. The newly introduced organizers into the system then can form the basis for a pool of experienced organizers, future committee members, coordinators, and winter sports directors in order



Rick Gamble at Maybird Bridge Photo by Alex Rudd

to continue the fine tradition of the WMC Winter Sports Program.

In closing the articles on the current status of the program, I would like to recognize members of the Club who have been winter sports directors, ski touring coordinators, and snowshoe coordinators since I have been in the Club: Brian Barkey, Cheryl Soshnik, Tom Walsh, Larry Nilssen, Edgar Webster, Joni Sweet, Liz Cordova, and Steve Pritchett. And if you, like many of us in the Club, originally moved to Utah for the winter sports opportunities, rewarding volunteer opportunities in the WMC Winter Sports Program await you! (Please call now to get on the committee. Its YOUR program!!! ===== ; )

Running the Winter Sports Program (3 part series),  
-Written by Michael Berry, Winter Sports Director

## WINTER SPORTS RATINGS

Here is the listing of snowshoe and ski tours and the ratings according to difficulty. All mile numbers are ROUND TRIP, from beginning to end. Unless otherwise noted, all trips are in the BACKCOUNTRY. These types of trips may be rated 'Not too difficult' (NTD), but more often are rated 'Moderate' (MOD), or 'Most difficult' (MSD). They more likely encounter avalanche paths, and generally cross areas with steeper terrain. Avalanche beacons and shovels are strongly recommended for these type of trips, and may be required by the trip organizer (see trip descriptions). Typical examples are Powder Park or Catherine's Pass. A trip labeled TOUR is one which mostly follows along a groomed trail, or above an un-groomed road surface and generally has a gentler grade, and less risk of encountering avalanche paths. These types of trips are often rated NTD, but occasionally are rated MOD, or even MSD to length. Avalanche beacons are recommended on a more selected basis. Typical examples are Beaver Creek, or Norway Flats. 'Ski mountaineering' (SKI-MTN) is a rating for difficult trips which, in addition to snow gear and avalanche 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.

**\* Avalanche knowledge is a prerequisite for winter travel. A new rating category for AVALANCHE AWARENESS has been compiled by the Winter Sports Committee to help you assess the relative risk for each trip. Legend- 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 and NTD RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT	RATING- *
Daniels	Telephone Hollow	EL-NTD M	3.0 300	Tour
Wasatch	Albion Basin Road	EL-NTD M	3.0 600	Tour
Wasatch	Mill Creek Road to Elbow Fork	EL-NTD M	3.0 680	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	Green's Basin from Spruces	NTD M	4.0 1000	
Wasatch	Lower Mineral Fork	NTD A	4.0 1000	
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
Uintas	Bench Creek	NTD M	7.0 600	Tour
Wasatch	Catherine's Lake	NTD A	4.4 1200	
Wasatch	Silver Fork from Lodge	NTD A	5.0 1280	Tour
Wasatch	Lower White Pine Canyon	NTD A	5.0 1400	
Wasatch	Catherine's Pass from Alta	NTD A	5.0 1500	



Wasatch	Dog Lake	NTD	A	6.0	1400	
Daniels	R Fork Little Hobbie Creek to Valle	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	
Uintas	Beaver Creek Trail	EL-NTD	M	10.0	600	Tour
Wasatch	Snake Creek Canyon	NTD+	A	7.0	1800	Tour
Wasatch	Mill Creek Road to Turn-Around	NTD+	M	10.0	1500	Tour

## MOD RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE MILES	VERTICAL		COMMENT		RATING- *
Uintas	Weber Canyon Road	MOD	M	16.0	600	Tour
Wasatch	Butler Fork to Overlook	MOD	A	3.0	1500	
Wasatch	Brighton to Twin Lake Pass	MOD	A!	4.0	1300	
Wasatch	Grizzley Gulch to Twin Lakes Pass	MOD	A!	4.0	1320	
Wasatch	Tom's Hill	MOD	A	4.0	1600	
Wasatch	Bill's Hill	MOD	A	3.4	1800	
N. Wasatch	Little Dell-Affleck Park-Big Mtn	MOD	M	11.0	1320	Tour
Wasatch	Catherine's 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	
Daniels	Main Canyon -Murdock Hollow	MOD	M	10.0	1400	Tour
Daniels	Strawberry Peak	MOD	A	10.0	1700	Tour
Uintas	Little S. Fork-Willow Hollow Loop	MOD	M	10.0	2000	
Daniels	Clyde Creek- Mud Creek Loop	MOD	M	14.0	1000	
Stansbury	Deseret Peak Bowl	MOD	A	9.0	2800	
Wasatch	Big Water via Dog Lake	MOD	A	6.4	1400	
Wasatch	Alta to Brighton via Twin Lakes P	MOD	A!	8.0	1320	
Uintas	Smith Morehouse C. to Erickson B.	MOD	A	15.0	1200	
Uintas	Murdock Basin	MOD	M	15.0	1400	
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 Flat	MOD	A	14.0	2235	
Wasatch	Lake Desolation	MOD	A	8.0	1900	
Wasatch	Brighton to Alta via Catherine's P	MOD	A!	10.0		
Wasatch	Red Pine Lake	MOD	A	8.0	2000	
Uintas	Soapstone to N. of Iron Mine Mtn	MOD	M	14.0	2240	
Uintas	Shingle Creek	MOD	M	14.0	2460	
Wasatch	Green's Basin Peak	MOD	A	6.0	2380	
Wasatch	Meadow's Chutes	MOD	A!	6.2	2380	
Wasatch	Reynold's 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	Day's 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 Strawb)	MOD+	M	15.0	3650	
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 MILES	VERTICAL		COMMENT		RATING- *
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 C.	MSD	A!	5.0	Traverse	1400 u 2800 d
Wasatch	Silver Fork via Brighton Twin Lakes	MSD	A!	6.0	Traverse	1460 u 2400 d
Wasatch	Day's Fork to Big Cottonwood C.	MSD	A!	5.5	Traverse	2000 u 3200 d
Wasatch	Mary Ellen	MSD	A!	9.2	1820	
Wasatch	Soldier Fork	MSD	A	9.0	Traverse	1600 u 2800 d
Wasatch	Tuscarora- Wolverine	MSD	A!	8.0	2100	
Wasatch	Alexander Basin via Butler to Log H	MSD	A!	7.0	Traverse	2600 u 3100 d
Wasatch	Silver Fork Crest	MSD	A!	8.0	Traverse	2200 u 3400 d
Wasatch	Maybird Canyon	MSD	A!	6.5	Traverse	2440 u 3000 d
Wasatch	Porter Fork	MSD	A!	7.0	Traverse	2200 u 3400 d
Wasatch	Lake Blanche to Bif Cottonwood C	MSD	A!	8.0	Traverse	2600 u 4600 d
Wasatch	Mineral Fork from Alta	MSD	A!	7.0	Traverse	2900 u 3500 d
Wasatch	Gobbler's 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 u 3800 d
Wasatch	White Pine from Alta	MSD	A!	10.8	2700	
Stansbury	Victory Mountain	MSD	A!	10.0	3800	
Uintas	Hoyt Peak via Swift's Canyon	MSD	A	14.0	3530	
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Stansbury	Deseret Peak from Guard Station	MSD	A!	12.0	4500	
Uintas	Norway Flats to Smith Morehouse	MSD+	A	18.0	2680	
Uintas	Weber River to Norway Flats	MSD+	A	20.0	2800	
Daniels	Currant Creek Peak	MSD+	A	21.0	2800	
Wasatch	Triple Traverse- Alta to Toll Canyon	MSD+	A!	16.0	Traverse	5700 u 7600 d
Uintas	King's Peak (length!)	MSD+	A	36.0	6800	Very long

## SKI-MTN RATINGS

LOCATION	ROUTE MILES	VERTICAL	COMMENT	RATING- *
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 Carlo from Alta	SKI-MTN A!	10.0	4810
Wasatch	Twin Peaks via Broad's 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 u 5700 d
Wasatch	Lone Peak via Supertour Route	SKI-MTN A!	16.0	5854
Wasatch	Timpanogos from Timpooneke	Ski-MTN A!	22.0	6500

Editorial Note: Snowshoe and 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's 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:*

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

Localized trail conditions may vary throughout the season and affect the actual difficulty on any given day (e.g. trail breaking, icy, bare spots, wind, warm, cold).

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### WMC Club Member Rates

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June 1-Sept 30-----\$300/24 hour period

### Non Member Rates

October 1-May 31---\$300/24 hour period  
June 1-Sept 30-----\$350/24 hour period

### Weddings or Wedding Receptions

WMC members \$400 per 24 hour period      Non members \$500 per 24 hour period

**Club members can earn a \$50 voucher by participating in lodge service projects. There will be a lodge work party every month so please check the activity schedule for details**  
Contact Julie Mason at 278-2535

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There is a new club email list, wmc-lodge, for use of the lodge committee and anyone interested in supporting the WMC lodge. To join this list, send an email to: [majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com](mailto:majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com) containing the text subscribe wmc-lodge  
You will receive a message asking for confirmation, which you must reply to before you are on the list.

**DO you love the lodge? Prove it!. Get involved to help promote and maintain it!**

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**JAN 14 SERVICE: CONSERVATION COMMITTEE.** You know you've always wanted to help with conservation. Break that old habit of inaction this year and come help out. At 7PM the Conservation Committee will meet at the club office. All are welcome, we have plenty to do. We need help in tending to the Wasatch Mountains. For more information, contact Will McCarvill 942-2921.

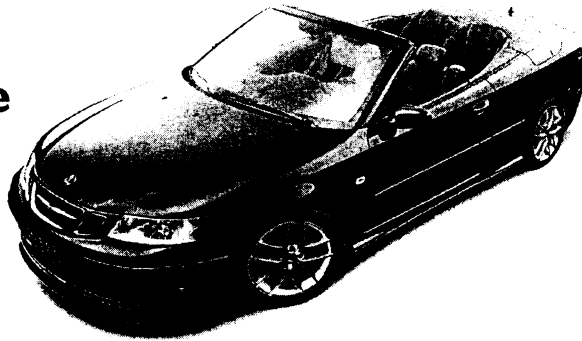
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How to submit an add to the Marketplace: Email ads to: [wmc@xmission.com](mailto:wmc@xmission.com) Use the subject line "marketplace". Adds are due the 10th of each month. Contact the Editor, Kyle Williams, at [wmc@xmission.com](mailto:wmc@xmission.com) if you have questions. \$5.00 up to 20 words, \$.20 per additional word.

No charge for : WMC members placing ads for used recreational gear  
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## WMC history book "ONWARD AND UPWARD"

### AVAILABLE FREE at the WMC office

The Board has approved making a copy of "Onward and Upward", by Mike and Treshow and Jean Frances, available to WMC members at no charge. This is a wonderful history of the Club commissioned on the WMC 75th anniversary. New members and old timers will find this an excellent way to learn more about the Club and get more involved. Please swing by the WMC office any time during business hours and pick one up!(No copies will be mailed due to the cost.)

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Reynolds Peak snowshow hiker.

## Trip Talks

THAILAND ADVENTURE by Roberta Glidden November 6-24, 2003

Sixteen Mountain Club members led by Vince Desimone braved the long flight to Bangkok on Nov. 9. We turned the clock back by crossing the dateline and also by leaving winter behind and returning to summer. Or at least a balmy tropical equatorial version of winter. Palm trees and orchids and large ceramic pots of blooming lotus greeted us. Our goal was to see and learn as much about Thailand as we could in 16 days. Also to relax and be silly, as it turned out. Both were easily accomplished thanks to our energetic, knowledgeable Thai guide Tim. She quickly realized that as Mt. Club members we are willing to get up early, walk miles and try anything including some pretty interesting "food" items like BBQ rat, deep fried worms and live jumping shrimp. Delicious.

Bangkok is a huge, noisy city at first glance but has hidden treasures like an intricate canal system off the main Chao Phraya River. One day we boated to a lovely riverfront home for a lesson in Thai cooking. Most loved the native cuisine. After visiting food and flower markets and the first of many Wat or Buddhist temples we found ourselves dazzled by the sheer abundance of sights, sounds, smells. The constant motion of the busy Thai people as they weave their way through crowded markets and daunting traffic amazed us. They are small graceful people who are patient and accommodating, always ready to smile and help you with anything. In spite of the tangle of cars and the ubiquitous motor cycles (carrying whole families) we never saw even a fender-bender. Nor did we see aggression of any type. The country is 98% Buddhist, a religion which emphasizes the present and encourages one to make the most of immediate circumstances, to focus on the blessings of the moment. The Thais are serious about the "precepts" of their faith which describe guidelines and practices leading to right living. We learned a lot about the life of Buddha, meditation technique and how all the parts of a temple function. One can't go far without encountering a group of monks with shaved heads in their orange robes. Most Thai men serve at least three months as a monk at some stage in their life. We got up very early one morning to place food in the monks' bowls for which we received a blessing. The temples are simply gorgeous with their glittery surfaces, gardens and huge gold Buddhist figures.

As we headed north into the country, we made stops at small farms to see how salt is collected, coconut syrup is made, tapioca is grown, how rice is harvested and processed, how pineapple is cultivated and how tea is harvested and processed. So much is still done by hand. We visited workshops for silver, gemstones, indigo batik dyeing, silk production and weaving, wood carving, laquer and even a parasol factory where we saw how paper is made from mulberry leaves. We were eager to purchase many examples of Thai art. Our favorite venue was the wonderful maze-like night market at Chiang Mai. It was like a big party every night.

Near Kanchanaburi we walked across the infamous Bridge over the River Kwai and through the Hellfire Cut that WWII POW's were forced to build so the Japanese could have a rail line through the jungle. Some of us felt the ghosts of all the young British, American, Australian and Asian men who were buried in the large beautifully kept Memorial Park nearby.

In addition to the war museums we spent a day at the site of the ancient city of Sukhothai, or "Dawn of Happiness" which was constructed in 1238 when the Thais drove the Khmer army out. There are many Hindu and Ceylonese elements in the elegant ruins along with some timeless Buddha smiles in stone.

A favorite part of the trip was close-up experiences with animals usually viewed from a distance at zoos. We visited the "Monkey Temple" where we were surrounded by hungry monkeys demanding more bananas. Even more bananas were a mere snack for the elephants. It was thrilling to put the food directly in their mouths and feel their soft wet tongues, to pet them all over. We went on an hour-long elephant ride down the Mae Ping river and up the other side. The "mahoot" sat on the beast's head and steered with his feet on the huge ears. As volunteers at the elephant show, two of us got an elephant massage-by-trunk and foot. We also rode a bamboo raft. From a safer distance, we got to feed some huge crocodiles whole chickens. They didn't seem as sociable and sensitive as the elephants.

We stopped at a school in the country (Thailand is about the size of Texas) near Phrae where we were invited in to meet the children and to help them with their English lessons. They were quite shy at first but excited by the large, light skinned "farang" (foreigners). The little ones won our hearts performing the elephant song which we tried to learn in Thai. We gave them gifts of school supplies which we had brought from home. We also had the opportunity to visit many homes. The typical Thai home is on stilts with very few walls. It has a thatched or teakwood roof and wood floors. There are many hill tribes such as the Hmong, Akta, Karen, Yao and Lahu in the north. Their dwellings are even simpler and more remote. We visited them via tractor-cart up steep narrow earth roads. They were eager to sell us their beautiful craft items and to welcome us to their little villages in the lush mountains.

From Chiang Rai, we crossed the border into Thailand's unruly neighbor Myanmar (Burma). It felt exciting to cross the border and discover a very different place, a sort of roughness. But the people were as friendly as the Thais and eager to show us their beautiful temples with sweet, almost effeminate Buddha figures. We were transported by bicycle taxis to steep temples and back street dwellings which were more primitive than the hill tribes, being in an urban setting. The region is famous for jade and onyx jewelry. At one point, Vince decided to take over the biking and gave his driver a ride. It took a while for him to find the brakes.

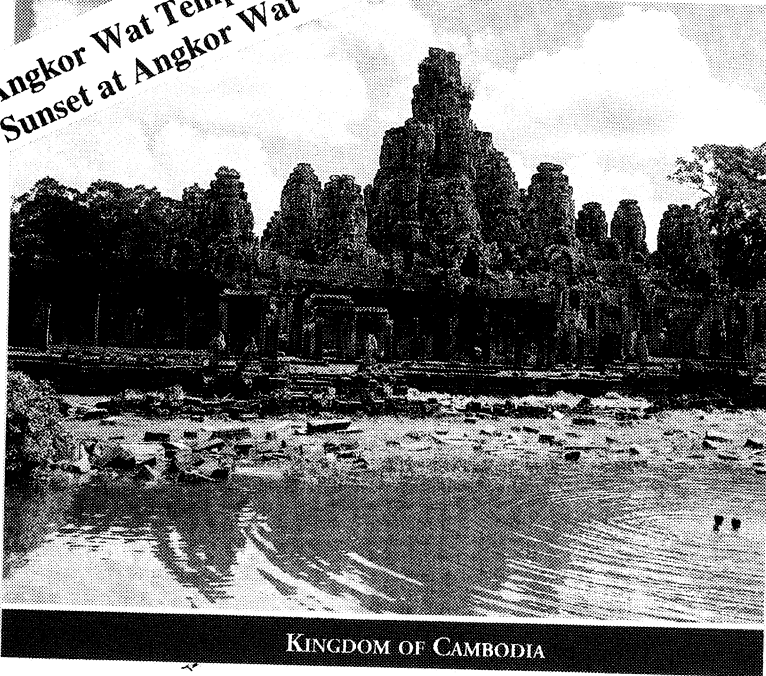
We then explored the infamous Golden Triangle where two rivers which form the borders of Thailand, Burma and Laos come together to make the famous Mae Kong River. This is the historic site of the poppy trade, among other contraband items. We went to the Opium Museum which explained it all; it had a fabulous collection. The Thai government works hard to discourage poppy cultivation. Our energetic young guide enjoyed our group because we are all healthy and fit. We were willing to get up early, always ready for an adventure off the main tourist itinerary. We developed a genuine interest in Thai culture-its history, religion and quirky superstitions-and a strong affection for the cheerful people. The food was always interesting, sometimes challenging and often beyond excellent. Our accommodations were always clean and comfortable and we got personally attached to our big red bus and heroic driver. Returning to Bangkok from Chiang Mai, we were treated to an overnight train ride. The resort in Chiang Rai was our hands-down favorite with the remote setting, beautiful gardens, big pool, singing and dancing. It was especially good to be able to share such a wonderful trip with other Mt. Club members.

Club members on the trip included: Jeanette Arnold, Earl Cook and Edmonda Shuli, Barbara Green, Catherine Smith, Barbara Svee, Roberta Glidden, Carol Miliken, Russell and Phyllis Patterson, Michael Roundy, Janice Schumann, Dennis Stong, Leslie Woods, Vince Desimone and Linda Wilcox. Thailand report submitted by PiRuk (Roberta Glidden)



*8 W.M.C. members  
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Sunset at Angkor Wat*

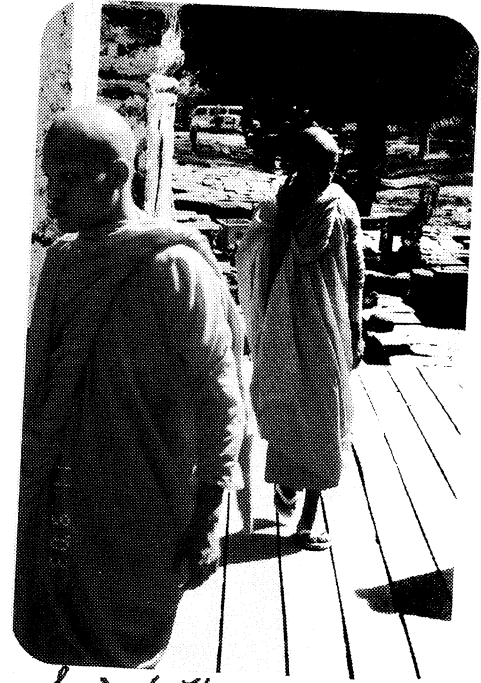


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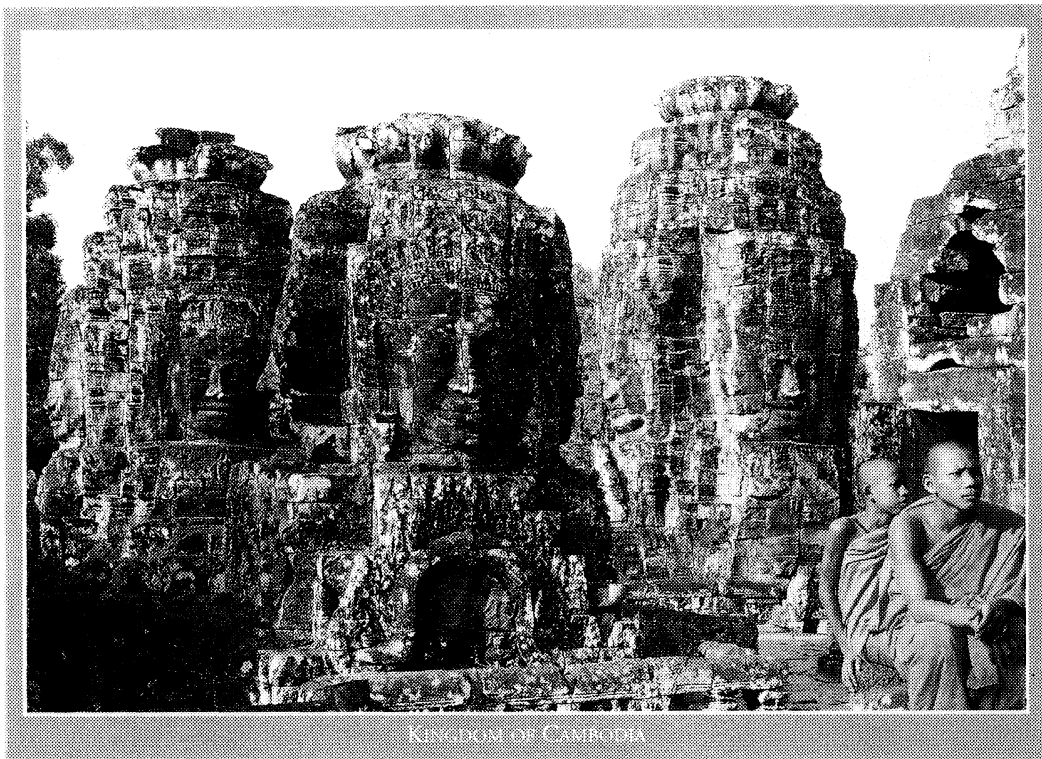
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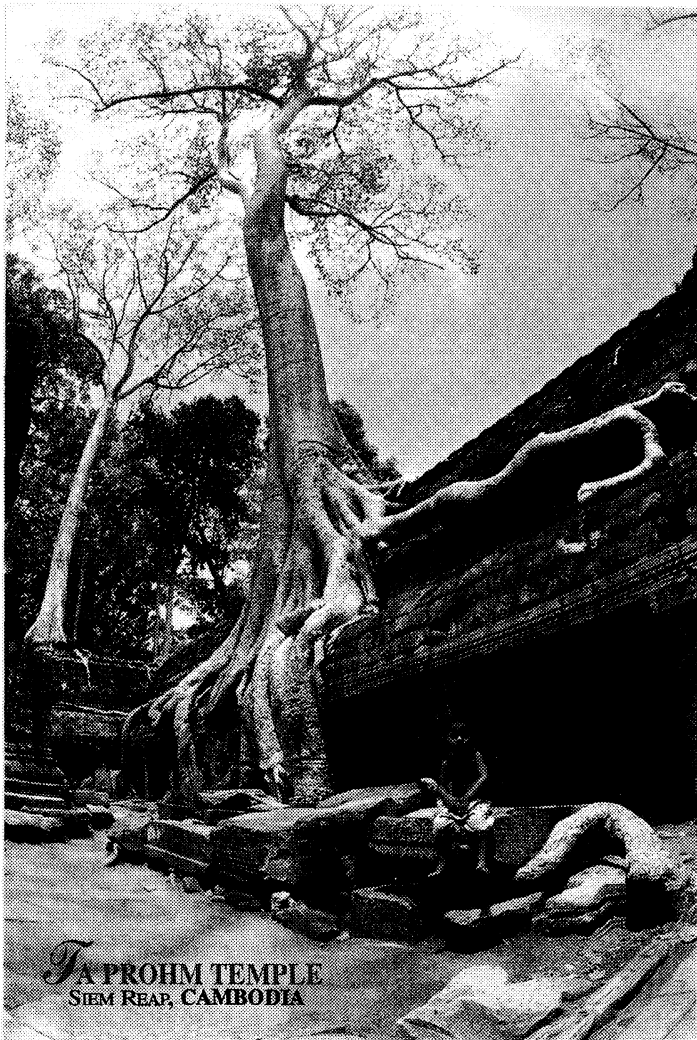
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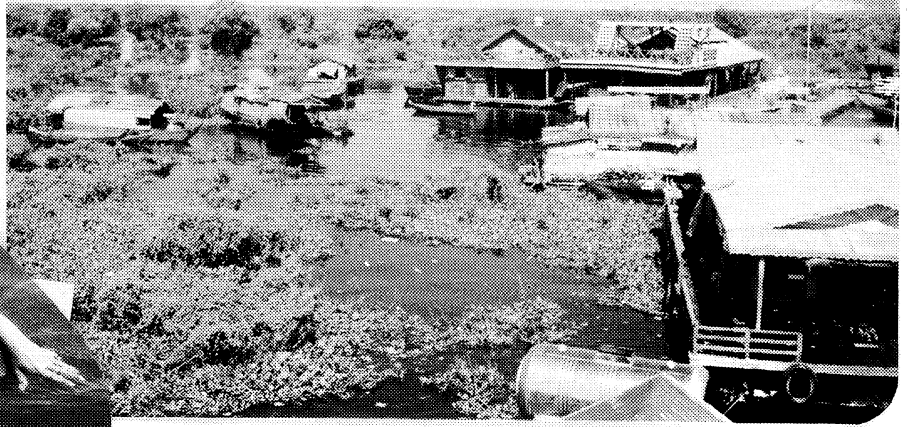
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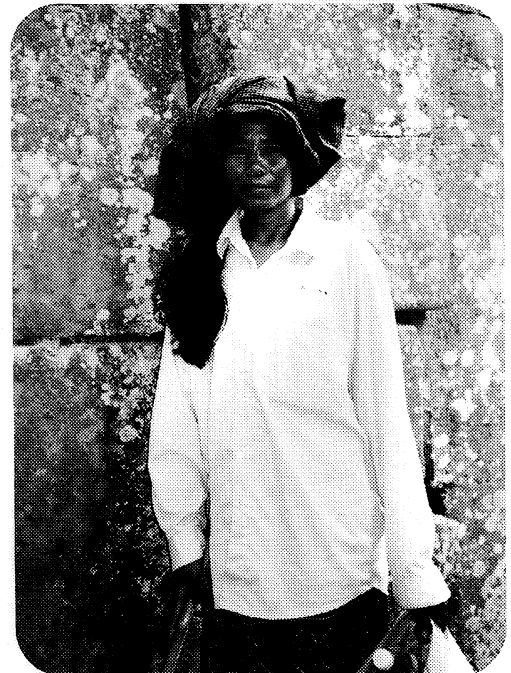
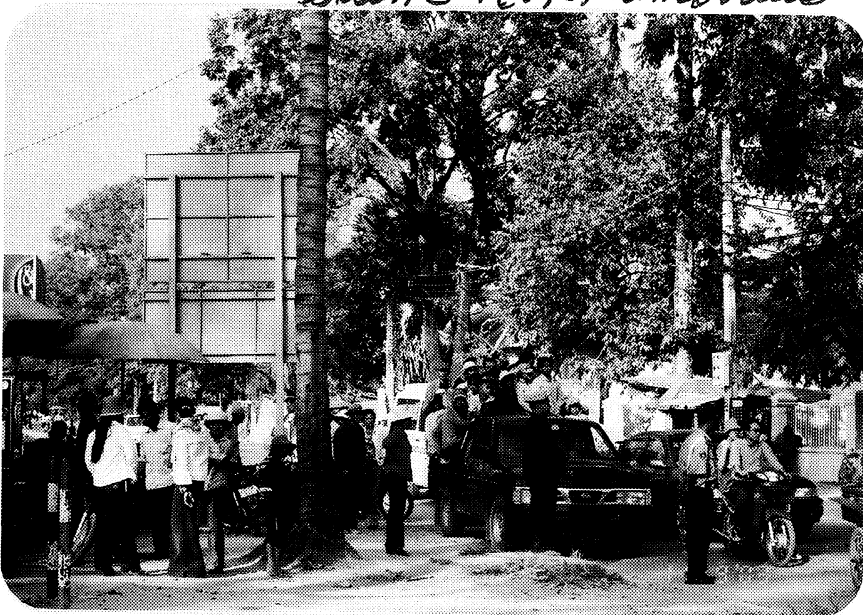


**Boat on Tonle Sap Lake  
Village and School Visit  
Killing Fields Memorial Temple**



*Jeanette Arnold & Barbara Spee photos  
Collage by Barbara Green*

*Siem Reap, Cambodia*





## Meet Todd Nerney: WMC lodge caretaker

Todd Nerney, 35, wears two hats. He's the Building Maintenance Supervisor at Brighton ski area where he supervises a crew of 35. He's also the live-in caretaker of the WMC lodge.

"My presence at the WMC lodge is to protect the integrity of the building," he says. And he takes the job seriously. Living at the lodge allows him to be vigilant and protective of the charming but aging structure. In addition, he shovels snow and clears the walks. However, lodge guests are sometimes surprised to find that he lives there. He has a room on the second floor.

"I'm happy to be part of the community," Nerney says.

As background, Nerney grew up in southern California, and he learned to snowboard. After high school, he worked in the rental shop at Mount Baldy, one of the closest ski areas to Los Angeles.

In 1995, a friend helped him get a job at Brighton, and he took on light maintenance of the Alpine Rose lodge and cafeteria. It wasn't long before he was recognized as a dedicated employee, and from there his responsibilities grew. If you ski or ride at Brighton, you'll recognize Nerney's work even if you haven't met him. He polishes the slate floors, keeps the locker room carpet clean, and renovates the lockers. In addition, he has a zillion other behind-the-scenes responsibilities: inventory, basic repairs, daily janitorial, snow removal, and supervising his large crew of workers.

When he has time, he enjoys boarding, snowshoeing, mountain biking, and hiking. "I love being in the mountains," he says.

As lodge caretaker, he reminds members to leave the lodge clean.

Please welcome Todd Nerney.

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## FROM THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The WMC Governing Board consists of a set of directors and five trustees; all are volunteers who serve for a specified period of time. This is a working board, not just a policy setting body and we have a GOOD time. The board has the following openings for the term of March 1, 2004 to February 28, 2005.

Incumbents and new nominees for 2004- 2005

President	Mike Budig
Secretary	Adrienne Boudreaux
Treasurer	Craig Riggensberg
Membership	<b>Nominee: Jennifer Edgar</b>
Hiking	Donn Seeley
Boating	<b>Nominee: Larry Gwin</b>
Conservation	Will McCarvill
Entertainment	Jeanine Kuhn
	<b>Nominee: Julie Oldroyd</b>
Lodge	Dave Trask
Mountaineering	Craig Homer
Publications	<b>Nominee: Cristina Amat di San Filippo</b>
Winter Sports	Michael Berry
Bicycling	Heidi Schubert
Information	Heidi DeMartis
	<b>Nominee: Chris Carroll</b>
Trustee	<b>Nominee: Alexis kelner</b>
	Tom Walsh
	Linda Kosky
	John Veranth
	Leslie Woods
Historian	Mike Treshow

We would like to thank all the incumbent board members for volunteering their time and energies to serve once again, and extend a huge thanks and welcome to the nominees who are willing to leap into the fray. When you see these folks, be sure to thank them for all they do. Without them, this club would grind to a screeching halt! If you would like to run for any of the open positions, please contact one of the nominations committee members listed below, or contact the current director (see inside cover of Rambler) to find out about the position.

Nominations committee: Mike Berry 583-4721 Kyle Williams 486-2261

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# 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.

**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.

**Notice to Non-Members:** Most WMC activities are open to prospective members except when specifically stated in the activity description.

## Find out about "Unlisted" WMC activities on our email

**lists.** A lot of activities are planned on the spur of the moment because of a good dump of snow! Don't be left out of the cold! Get on a list! NOTE: Activities formed with these lists are for members only. Lists are to be used **only** for the scheduling of WMC activities. Any use of this service for any other purpose, such as advertising, SPAM, jokes, etc, will result in the loss of privilege.

### **Getting on WMC club email lists.**

Send an email to: [majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com](mailto:majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com) with the text (not in the header section):

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**Boating List:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wmcboaters/> and put yourself on the list.

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### **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

**WHAT ARE 10Es?** The 10 Essentials are:

**Map/compass, flashlight, pocketknife, matches/ firestarter, sunscreen/bugspray, sunglasses, candle, first aid kit ,extra clothes, food and water.**

**DIRECTIONS TO COMMON MEETING PLACES FOR WINTER SPORTS ACTIVITIES**

**Skyline High east parking lot:** about 3330 E. 3800 South – from the intersection of Wasatch Boulevard and the Mill Creek road (3800 South), go west under I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Drive (3330 East).

**Mill Creek Canyon Park and Ride lot:** between 3800 S. and 3900 S. on Wasatch Blvd. (3555 E.), between the I-215 freeway and Wasatch Blvd. It is on the northwest corner of the intersection. You can ONLY enter it from the west-bound lanes of 3900 South.

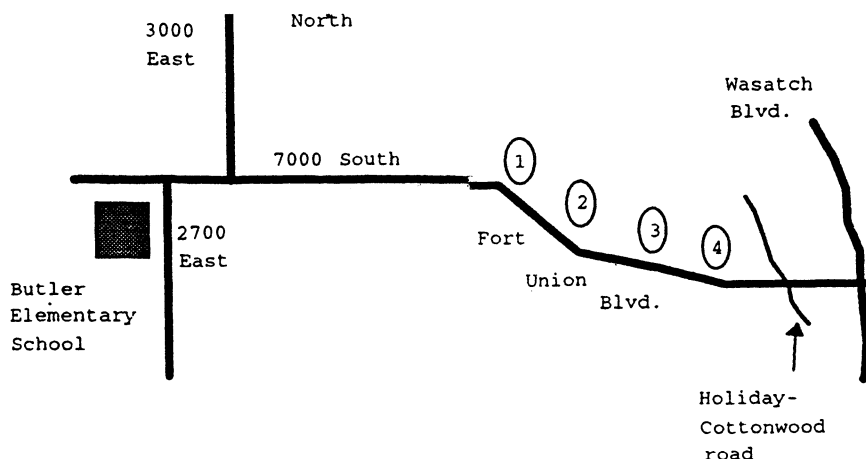
**Big Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride lot:** at the northeast corner of the Big Cottonwood Canyon Road and Wasatch Blvd. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon.

**Cottonwood Park and Ride lot:** 6450 S. Wasatch Blvd. -- go two lights east and south on 6200 S. from the I-215 overpass and turn east (left) onto Wasatch Blvd.; the lot is immediately on your left. Sometimes used as an overflow lot for Big Cottonwood.

**Little Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride lot:** 4323 E. Little Cottonwood Canyon Road -- on the north side of the intersection of Little Cottonwood Canyon Road and Quarry Road at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

**Utah Travel Council lot:** about about 120 E. 300 North -- go east from the intersection of State St. and 300 North and turn south (right) into the first parking lot.

**Parleys Way Kmart lot:** 2705 Parleys Way -- from Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foothill Drive, turn west on Stringham Ave. (2295 South) and then south into the lot.

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**Fort Union County Parking lots**

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**Lot #1**

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**Lot #3**

3420 East Fort Union Blvd. (7140 South)  
This lot will hold an estimated 7 cars.

**Lot #4**

3600 East Fort Union Blvd. (7225 South)  
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## LIMITS ON GROUP SIZES IN WILDERNESS

Some National Forest ranger districts have policies limiting the sizes of groups hiking in wilderness areas. For hikes where we understand that there are wilderness group size limits, we have appended the hike listing with a 'Limit' note indicating the maximum number of participants (not including the organizer). Please help out our organizers on hikes with group size limits by arriving promptly and behaving nicely if you can't be accommodated on the hike because of a limit.

\*\*\*\*\* **Trip Organizers-I need your help!**\*\*\*\*\*

**Please make sure you send in the sign up sheet after the trip. It will be filed at the office. If the trip was cancelled, send the form in with "cancelled" written on it.**

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JAN - MAR SKI TOUR: UINTA SKI NETWORK. These ski tours use lightweight skis (classic, skate, and light backcountry) and will be announced on an email list. Outings will be posted for Mountain Dell, White Pine, Solitude and Sundance Nordic Centers, and the backcountry of the Uintas, Northern Wasatch, Daniel's Summit, and SW Wyoming. To subscribe to the 'UINTA' list (Users of Intermountain Nordic Trails), send a message to: [mberry@attglobal.net](mailto:mberry@attglobal.net).

JAN - MAR SKI TOUR: SKI STARTERS (NTD+/MOD-). Have you ever wanted to try some tele skiing, but you don't feel ready to go out with the "big boys"? Then our new NTD+/MOD- tele group is just right for you. We won't be listing our trips ahead of time; due to our novice skill-level we want to hand-pick those days when the powder is terrific and avalanche danger is low. So we're creating an email contact list: we'll exchange phones and email addresses, and when conditions look good, we'll contact each other to arrange a spur-of-the-moment trip to some gentle tele practice area. If you want to be included on this list, contact Carrie Clark at [carolyn.clark@slcc.edu](mailto:carolyn.clark@slcc.edu) or 519-9257.

JAN 1 THU SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ORGANIZERS CHOICE (MOD). Join split-boarder Lisa Verzella for a New Year's day tour. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins, etc. Meet Lisa at 9:00 AM at Butler Elementary School and call 583-2432 or email @ [lisaverzella@hotmail.com](mailto:lisaverzella@hotmail.com) for other details.

JAN 1 THU SNOWSHOE: MID-MORNING 'SHOO (MOD). Start the new year right! Let your party-weary body sleep until a decent hour of the morning, then get to Butler Elementary School for a prompt 10:00 am departure for an invigorating New Year's workout. Phone Rick Kirkland (486-0909) to get more information. Bring your winter safety gear, 10 E's. Beacons advised.

JAN 3 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TOM'S HILL/REYNOLDS PEAK (MOD). Cheryl Krusko will be going to Tom's Hill or Reynolds Peak or maybe both. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9AM. Call Cheryl to register or for any details at 474-3759 or email @ [ckrusko@peoplepc.com](mailto:ckrusko@peoplepc.com).

**JAN 3 SAT AUDREY KELLY MEMORIAL WINTER SPORTS CLINIC (EL).** The winter sports committee will host this annual instructional clinic for entry level snowshoers and skiers. This year we are going to the WMC Lodge at Brighton for an expanded format of learn to: 'winterize', 'snowshoe', and 'ski'. In addition, an inaugural "gear swap" is being planned. And in the true Audrey Kelly tradition, lunch will be provided. The menu will include chili, cornbread with honey butter, and coffee/tea/hot chocolate. Bring gear of choice (snowshoes or track/skate skis) and warm clothes. To plan for food and volunteers, we are asking participants to PRE-REGISTER for the clinic by contacting Mike Berry (583-4721, mberry@attglobal.net). Meet at Butler Elementary School (2700 E and Ft. Union Boulevard) at 9:00 am to carpool (UTA ski bus back down is an option, ~\$1.50), or meet at the Lodge by 10:00 am for the start of festivities. The clinic will run from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The cost of the clinic is \$5.00 for club members and \$10.00 for prospective members (you can join at the clinic if you desire) which maintains the Audrey Kelly Memorial Fund, and provides a donation to the Utah Avalanche Center. Any of this season's (2003- 2004) winter sports trip organizers will receive a voucher for free entry. *Also, for organizers, we are looking for volunteers and instructors for the clinic- call Mike Berry to sign up. If interested in the gear swap, contact Liz Cordova (486-0909, emcord25@hotmail.com).* See you all there!

**JAN 3 SAT SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD).** Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 10:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

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**JAN 4 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ORGANIZERS CHOICE (MOD).** Dale Woodward will be leading Dale's surprise mod tour today. It wouldn't hurt to remind Dale before today too, if you want to go. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins, etc. Meet Dale at 9:00 AM at Butler Elementary School and call (435)-615-8479 for other details.

**JAN 4 SUN SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD).** Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 10:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

**JAN 4 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD).** Andrew Beard (955-6280) will be hiking in the BCC or LCC, but he'll see what the conditions for the trail choice. Bring safety gear, lunch, water, and the 10 E's. Beacons recommended. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.



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**JAN 4 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (AFTERNOON)(NTD).** Meet Robert Turner (r46turner@mail.uofu.net) at Skyline at noon for an afternoon trek in Millcreek or surrounding area.

**JAN 6 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+).** These are relatively brisk half-day outings with 8:00 am starts and early finishes so you can work a bit in the afternoon if needed. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. First timers to this group should call Chris Proctor at 466-1905 or email @ Proctorgtr@aol.com to register. The meeting place will be the 39<sup>th</sup> South & Wasatch Blvd. Park-n-Ride.


**JAN 6 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD).** Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at [vincedesimone@yahoo.com](mailto:vincedesimone@yahoo.com) or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

**JAN 9 FRI BACKCOUNTRY SKI: FREE HEEL FRIDAYS (MOD+).** Location and length of tour both depend on snow conditions, weather forecast and avalanche hazard, but we'll probably be skiing in either BCC or LCC. In addition to the 10 E's, you must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. Call Dave Moser at 580-5865 or



e-mail dfmoser@hotmail.com.

JAN 10 SAT BACKCOUNTRY SKI: DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY RAMBLER. For February Rambler, scheduling snowshoe activities for February 14- March 14, 2004. All proposed ski activities must be sent to Steve Pritchett, ski coordinator (sprtc1041@aol.com, 523-9243) BY THIS DATE. *No late entries- No exceptions.*

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JAN 10 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: BCC TO MILLCREEK CANYON (MOD+). Call Steve Pritchett 523-9243 to register for a canyon to canyon tour using the ski bus ride up BCC. Plan to ski Reynolds, then on to Big Water, Soldier fork or Wilson Glades (one or more) before exiting into Millcreek. Meet at the Park-N-Ride at

Wasatch Blvd and 39<sup>th</sup> south to catch the bus, \$2.50 bus fare. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, skins and 10 E's. A volunteer to put in a car shuttle will be needed as well.

JAN 10 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: POWDER PARK AREA (MOD). It's always a great day when you ski the Park of Powder. Larry Larkin (486-9060) is the organizer today if you have any questions. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am with your snow and avalanche equipment (beacon, shovel, and skins).

JAN 10 SAT SNOWSHOE: MAYBIRD GULCH (MOD). Maybird is more a state of mind than a place. It looks different each time, because the trail there is ambiguous. In fact, there is no real trail. It provides a spectacular view of a cirque with the Pfeifferhorn in the background and is one of WMC Snowshoeing veteran Larry Nilssen's (572-3964, <larrynilssen@comcast.net >) favorite destinations. As usual, bring all the essentials, including food, water, and a beacon. Meet Larry at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

JAN 10 SAT SNOWSHOE: MINERAL FORK (NTD)(TURTLE). Janet Friend (268-4102) will host a true NTD and will go as far as the group decides. Meet Janet at 10:00 am at Butler Elementary.

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JAN 11 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY/TOUR: DAY'S FORK (MOD-). Just a turn up as far as seems safe that day. Bring 10E's, beacon, and shovel. Meet at Butler Elementary School at 10:00 am. Call Bob Cady (274-0250 or rcady@xmission.com) for information.

JAN 11 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: MAYBIRD GULCH (MOD/MOD+). Call Walt to register for this trip and find out the time and meeting place. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. Email Walt Haas, haas@xmission.com or call 534-1262 for details.

JAN 11 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: EXPLORATORY GRANDVIEW OR LOOKOUT PEAK (MSD). Dmitry wants go up Freeze Creek or up though upper City Creek to get to the peak of choice today. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. Meeting time is 8:00 AM at Parleys Way K-Mart Call Dmitry Pruss at 944-7755 or email dpruss@myriad.com to register or for details.

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**JAN 11 SUN SKI TOUR: UPPER SETTING ROAD (UINTAS)(NTD+).** Jerry Hatch (583-8047) has waited for the snow to settle in the Uintas, so it should be prime for touring by now. At a maximum the route can go 12 miles round trip and gain 2,300 feet, however, Jerry says he will keep it below a MOD level. Meet Jerry at the K Mart on Parley's Way at 8:45 am. Metal-edged skis would be suitable for this trip. Skins are definitely OK too. Call Jerry or more information or for a Park City meeting place. Carpool rate is .15 per mile per vehicle plus gas. F.S. fee is \$3.00.

**JAN 11 SUN SNOWSHOE: MILL D TO RAYMOND AND OUT MILL B (MOD).** Mohamed Abdallah leads again on this DogBut(?) loop. You can call him at 466-9310 or just meet him at Bulter 9am. Beacons advised, of course.



Grizzley Gulch hike. By Gary Aoki

**JAN 11 SUN SNOWSHOE: WHITE FIR PASS (NTD).** Join Victoria Saldana (really) for this walk in the woods. Call her at 546-4767 or meet at Skyline at 9am.

**JAN 11 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE(MOD).** Vickie Ashby (750-0105, vashby@ci.taylorsville.ut.us) will wait to check the current conditions and then decide if it will be the Uintas, Park City, Mill Creek, or the Cottonwoods. Therefore, call Vickie ahead to register. She will tell you the meeting time, and if the meeting place is Parley's Way K Mart, Skyline High, 6450 South Wasatch Blvd, or Butler Elementary. The UAC forecast number is 364-1581. Winter equipment guidelines are per WMC Policies. Winter sports safety gear and the 10 E's recommended.

**JAN 13 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+).** These are relatively brisk half-day outings with 8:00 am starts and early finishes so you can work a bit in the afternoon if needed. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. First timers to this group should call Chris Proctor at 466-1905 or email @ Proctorgrtr@aol.com to register. The meeting place will be the 39<sup>th</sup> South & Wasatch Blvd. Park-n-

Ride.

JAN 13 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD). Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at [vincedesimone@yahoo.com](mailto:vincedesimone@yahoo.com) or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

**JAN 14 SERVICE: CONSERVATION COMMITTEE. You know you've always wanted to help with conservation. Break that old habit of inaction this year and come help out. At 7PM the Conservation Committee will meet at the club office. All are welcome, we have plenty to do. We need help in tending to the Wasatch Mountains. For more information, contact Will McCarvill 942-2921.**

JAN 16 FRI BACKCOUNTRY SKI: FREE HEEL FRIDAYS (MOD+). Location and length of tour both depend on snow conditions, weather forecast and avalanche hazard, but we'll probably be skiing in either BCC or LCC. In addition to the 10 E's, you must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. Call Dave Moser at 580-5865 or e-mail [dfmoser@hotmail.com](mailto:dfmoser@hotmail.com).

JAN 17 SAT SKI TOUR: SOLDIER HOLLOW (NTD-MOD). Cruise Soldier Hollow's eight new easy trails or challenge yourself on Olympic courses. Rental equipment is available at the lodge. If you clipped and saved the FREE ski coupons from the *Sports Guide* (November 'All-snow' issue), its time to put them to use, otherwise bring cash for the trail fee. A stop in Park City for Apres ski beverages is a definite possibility. Call Mike Berry (583-4721) for more information, and to arrange carpools.

JAN 17 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ON-LINE OUTINGS- EMAIL LISTS. Activities planned on short notice based on snow conditions. NOTE: Activities of these lists are for Members only. To get on the WMC Club ski email list, send an email to: [majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com](mailto:majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com) with the text (not in the header section): Subscribe wmc-ski.

JAN 17 SAT SNOWSHOE: DAY'S FORK (NTD-TURTLE). Nancy Phillips (942-8953) plans to take a leisurely-paced trip from the Spruces into this often overlooked hanging canyon. Bring snacks and drinks for an on-the-snow picnic. Meet Nancy at Butler Elementary at 9:30 am.

JAN 17 SAT SNOWSHOE: BUTLER FORK (MOD). Judy Elizondo (571-4090) leads this tour up Butler Fork, which is a fairly narrow, steep-sided canyon, but it soon widens. The fork rises 1,700 feet in about 2.3 miles, where it ends at the ridge overlooking Millcreek Canyon just north of Reynolds Peak. The trip is rated 'A' for crossing known avalanche path (see Winter Sports Ratings elsewhere in this Rambler). Bring winter safety gear (beacons recommended). The UAFC forecast number is 364-1581. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am. .

JAN 18 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: DAYS FORK (MSD). Call Walt to register for this trip to Days Fork and starting from Alta are of LCC. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. You will need to find out the time and meeting place. Email Walt Haas, [haas@xmission.com](mailto:haas@xmission.com) or call 534-1262 for details.

JAN 18 SUN SNOWSHOE: BIG WATER PEAK (MOD). Depending on snow conditions, Knick Knickerbocker (272-2485) is planning on doing this loop snowshoe tour today. Meet Knick at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am. Come prepared with gear and ready for some fun.

JAN 18 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (NTD). Norm Pobanz (266-3703) leads. Come prepared for conditions. Meet at Butler Elementary at adjusted (later) time of 10:00 am.

JAN 18 SUN SNOWSHOE: BROAD'S FORK (AFTERNOON)(MOD). Cassie Badowsky (278-5153) leads (upper meadow). Beacon and shovel advised. Meet at Butler Elementary at 1:30 pm.

JAN 19 MON SKI TOUR: RED PINE CANYON TO MUD LAKE FLATS (UINTAS)(MOD). This tour begins at the Thousand Peaks Ranch gate with the Smith and Morehouse road 'skate' southbound and then turns southwest to climb along the narrow and steep Red Pine Canyon. Eventually it loops clockwise to Mud Lake Flats. The distance is 14 miles round trip with 2,200 foot elevation gain. Pieps and shovel required. Light backcountry gear (double-cambered, metal-edged) works best in the Uintas. Call Mike Berry (583-4721) to register and for meeting place/time. Carpool rate is .15 per mile per vehicle plus gas.

JAN 19 MON SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD/MOD). Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 9:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination, and split into NTD and MOD groups if you wish. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

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JAN 20 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+). These are relatively brisk half-day outings with 8:00 am starts and early finishes so you can work a bit in the afternoon if needed. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. First timers to this group should call Chris Proctor at 466-1905 or email @ Proctorgtr@aol.com to register. The meeting place will be the 39<sup>th</sup> South & Wasatch Blvd. Park-n-Ride.

JAN 20 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD). Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at vinnedesimone@yahoo.com or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

JAN 23 FRI BACKCOUNTRY SKI: FREE HEEL FRIDAYS (MOD+). Location and length of tour both depend on snow conditions, weather forecast and avalanche hazard, but we'll probably be skiing in either BCC or LCC. In addition to the 10 E's, you must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. Call Dave Moser at 580-5865 or e-mail dfmoser@hotmail.com.

JAN 24 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: BEARTRAP (MOD). Meet Brad Yates for a trip to beartrap today. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9AM. Call Brad 521-4185 or email bnyslc@earthlink.net for other details.

JAN 24 SAT SNOWSHOE: BROAD'S FORK TO THE MEADOW (NTD+). Carol Ann Langford (255-4713) leads to the meadow. Bring winter safety gear. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

JAN 24 SAT SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD). Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) leads. Come prepared for conditions. Beacons advised. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

**JAN 24 SAT SOCIAL: ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AND DANCE 6:45 p.m.**  
**Once again the Awards Banquet will be held at the Jewish Community Center (2 North Medical Drive) in their spectacular ballroom with beautiful views of the City. Bring your own beverage BYOB (ice and soft drinks will be available) for the 6:45 - 7:15 socializing, then an elegant catered dinner, followed by awards presentation and dancing to the live rock music of the Disgusting Brothers. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Please mail reservation/check along with name(s) to: Jeanine Kuhn @ 516 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah 84103 by January 17<sup>th</sup>. Questions call Jeanine @ 364-1873 or Vicki @ 599-0281.**

JAN 25 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: PFEIFFERHORN (MSD). Call Walt to register for this ski mountaineering trip and find out the time and meeting place. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. Email Walt Haas, haas@xmission.com or call 534-1262 for details.

JAN 25 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 ft. elevation gain) ski. General touring or light, metal-edged backcountry skis are recommended. Wax for conditions or skins. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot (SE Corner) on Parley's Way at 8:30 am. Park City folks: please call ahead for details. Michael Berry (583-4721) organizes this car shuttle trip.

JAN 25 SUN SKI TOUR: PINE VALLEY TO SOAPSTONE BENCH (UINTAS)(MOD). This year I will make it up to the bench. MOD because of the length; route is actually fairly gentle and safe. Sorry Rob, I checked the maps and can't find a better place to start. Meet at Parley's Way K Mart Parking Lot (SE Corner) at 9:00 am. Call Bob Cady (274-0250 or [rcady@xmission.com](mailto:rcady@xmission.com)) for info.

JAN 25 SUN SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (MOD). Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 9:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

JAN 25 SUN SNOWSHOE: UPPER WILLOW LAKE (NTD/NTD+). Clayton Rand (288-0251) is heading for Upper Willow Lake. Bring lunch and a warm beverage for this leisurely snowshoe. As usual 10 E's are a must! Meet at Butler Elementary at the adjusted (later) time of 10:00 am.

JAN 25 SUN SNOWSHOE: GRIZZLEY GULCH (AFTERNOON)(MOD). Cassie Badowsky (278-5153) leads from Alta's main gate. This will be an invigorating hike through the wintry scene in Little Cottonwood Canyon. Beacon and shovel advised. Meet at Butler Elementary at 1:30 pm.

JAN 27 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+). These are relatively brisk half-day outings with 8:00 am starts and early finishes so you can work a bit in the afternoon if needed. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. First timers to this group should call Chris Proctor at 466-1905 or email @ [Proctorgtr@aol.com](mailto:Proctorgtr@aol.com) to register. The meeting place will be the 39<sup>th</sup> South & Wasatch Blvd. Park-n-Ride.

JAN 27 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD). Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at [vincedesimone@yahoo.com](mailto:vincedesimone@yahoo.com) or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

JAN 30 FRI BACKCOUNTRY SKI: FREE HEEL FRIDAYS (MOD+). Location and length of tour both depend on snow conditions, weather forecast and avalanche hazard, but we'll probably be skiing in either BCC or LCC. In addition to the 10 E's, you must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. Call Dave Moser at 580-5865 or e-mail [dfmoser@hotmail.com](mailto:dfmoser@hotmail.com).

JAN 31 SAT SOCIAL: SING-ALONG. 7 pm, definitely NTD. Shake the winter blahs and blues with some rockin' folk/gospel/c&w....whatever turns you on! Warm up your vocal chords and join your crooning buddies at Patti O-Keefe's house, 1724 E. Bunkerhill Rd. (from Murray-Holladay Blvd., turn So. onto King's Row Road -- approx. 1600 E.-- then left onto Bunkerhill; it's a cul-de-sac). Bring a drink or snack to share and plan to mingle before the singing starts. Acoustic players & singers of all persuasions welcome! Questions?? Call Patti at 424-9215.

JAN 31 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ON-LINE OUTINGS- EMAIL LISTS. Activities planned on short notice based on snow conditions. NOTE: Activities of these lists are for Members only. To get on the WMC Club ski email list, send an email to: [majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com](mailto:majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com) with the text (not in the header section): Subscribe wmc-ski.

JAN 31 SAT SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD). Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 10:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

JAN 31 SAT SNOWSHOE: BEARTRAP AND BEYOND (MOD+). Snowshoe up the Beartrap drainage to the ridge and environs all day, until the sun goes down or we run out of energy. (None of this going home at 2 pm nonsense to do housework!). Beacon and shovel advised. Any questions, call Cassie Badowsky at 278-5153. Meet at 9:00 am at Butler Elementary.

JAN 31 SAT SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD). Kathy Craig (302-9155) leads. Be prepared for conditions. Beacons highly recommended. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

FEB 1 SUN SOCIAL: 17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER Vincenzo DeSimone invites you to an evening of Italian cuisine and fellowship by the fire. Cost \$5 for food and hot drinks (bring other beverages of choice). Time: 6 PM (please no early arrivals) Directions: I-80 to Park City exit Hwy 224 toward Park City, turn left on Meadows Dr. just past the large white barn on the right. Turn left on Mountain Top Lane, go to Mountain Top Drive, the T at the top and turn right to the sounds of fun. No pets or children, please. Questions: [vincedesimone@yahoo.com](mailto:vincedesimone@yahoo.com) or 435 649 6805.

FEB 1 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ORGANIZERS CHOICE (MOD). Pete Mimmack will be leading the relaxed start mod tour today. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins, etc. Meet Pete at 9:30 AM at Butler Elementary School and call (801)-377-2330 for other details.

FEB 1 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: SMITH MOREHOUSE TO HELLS KITCHEN DIVIDE (MSD). Dmitry will be doing a longer tour in the Uintas today. Plan to bring your 457 kHz beacon, skins, avalanche shovel, food, water, and 10 E's. You may want to discuss best gear with Dmitry too. Meeting time is 8:00 AM at Parleys Way K-Mart Call Dmitry Pruss at 944-7755 or email [dpruss@myriad.com](mailto:dpruss@myriad.com) to register or for details.

FEB 1 SUN SKI TOUR: TELEMAR HILL (DANIEL'S)(NTD+). This tour begins at the Daniel's Summit Lodge amidst the snowmobilers. A 2.5 mile kick and glide (1,000 ft. el.) trail takes you through the woods and past the noise to the top of Telemar Hill for some token tele-turns on your light backcountry gear (double-cambered, metal-edged recommended). Bring your pieps for practice if we have additional time to burn. Before the hypnotic alpenglow settles in you will be thinking about changing clothes and getting refreshed at a Park City establishment before making Vince's Spaghetti Dinner (6:00 pm). The plan would be to meet in the valley mid-morning, but call Mike Berry (583-4721) for more info and to register.

FEB 1 SUN SNOWSHOE: LAMB'S CANYON (NTD). Barb Hansen (485-0132) will lead this tour up Parley's Canyon. Bring safety gear. Meet Barb at the Mill Creek Canyon Park and Ride lot at 9:30 am. The Park and Ride is at 3900 S. and Wasatch Boulevard (3555 E.). It is on the NW corner of the intersection. You can only enter it from the west-bound lanes of 3900 South. After your hike is over, and you're feeling relaxed, plan to head all the way up Parley's Canyon later in the afternoon for Vince's Spaghetti Dinner in Park City (6:00 PM). It's then time to enjoy some food and beverages, and exchange tales of the day's adventures with your fellow WMC 'ers.

FEB 1 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD). Steve Spowles (435-647-0270) leads a mid-winter trek to an appropriate destination depending on snow and avalanche conditions. The UAC forecast number is 364-1581. Winter equipment guidelines are per WMC Policies. Winter sports safety gear and the 10 E's recommended. Meet Steve at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

FEB 1 SUN SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (PARK CITY)(NTD/MOD). Tonight is Vince's Spaghetti dinner in Park City, so we want to offer lots of snowshoe options. Meet at 2:00 pm at the north side parking lot of the Radisson Hotel, located at the corner of Pay day Drive and Highway 224 in Park City. The destination is usually Iron Canyon Saddle (NTD) or the top of Iron Mountain (MOD). Drive west on Payday Drive, then turn east on Iron Canyon Dr., then turn on to Iron Mountain Dr, then on to Iron Canyon Ct, and look for the pullout on the right side near the top of the hill. The trail starts at the end of the paved road just up the hill (dead end). Note: Afterwards, relax in Park City and get ready for Vince's spaghetti dinner. Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only.

**\*\*\*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. Please be sure to read and re-read the release forms in the back of this publication, as well as on the sign-up sheets at the beginning of each activity!!!!**

FEB 3 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+). These are relatively brisk half-day outings with 8:00 am starts and early finishes so you can work a bit in the afternoon if needed. You must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. First timers to this group should call Chris Proctor at 466-1905 or email [@Proctorgtr@aol.com](mailto:@Proctorgtr@aol.com) to register. The meeting place will be the 39<sup>th</sup> South & Wasatch Blvd. Park-n-Ride.

FEB 3 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD). Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at

vincedesimone@yahoo.com or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

**FEB 6 FRI BACKCOUNTRY SKI: FREE HEEL FRIDAYS (MOD+).** Location and length of tour both depend on snow conditions, weather forecast and avalanche hazard, but we'll probably be skiing in either BCC or LCC. In addition to the 10 E's, you must have an avalanche beacon with a working knowledge of its use, a shovel, and skins. Call Dave Moser at 580-5865 or e-mail dfmoser@hotmail.com.

**FEB 6 FRI SKI TOUR: ALBION BASIN (FULL MOON)(NTD).** Weather permitting (clear skies only) we will take a turn around Albion Basin by the moonlight. Extensions are possible if the group is strong enough. Meet at the Little Cottonwood Park and Ride at 8:00 PM. Call Bob Cady (274-0250 or rcady@xmission.com) for info.

**FEB 7 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: ON-LINE OUTINGS- EMAIL LISTS.** Activities planned on short notice based on snow conditions. NOTE: Activities of these lists are for Members only. To get on the WMC Club ski email list, send an email to: majordomo@haas.dsl.xmission.com with the text (not in the header section): Subscribe wmc-ski.

**FEB 7 SAT SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD).** Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 10:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

**FEB 7 SAT SNOWSHOE: SALT LAKE OVERLOOK (NTD-TURTLE).** Nancy Phillips (942-8953) leads. Meet Nancy at Skyline High at 9:30 am. (See February Rambler for further details).

**FEB 7 SAT SNOWSHOE: WASATCH CREST 'RIDGE RUN' (MOD).** In Willow Creek at 7,880 feet, the 10,006 'Silver' mountain will seem 2,126 feet above you, and it is. Ascend the Crest, take in the views, and sweep down into Beartrap Fork with Larry Nilssen (572-3964, <larrynilssen@comcast.net>). As usual, bring all the essentials, including food, water, and a beacon. Meet Larry at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am.

**FEB 8 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY/TOUR: DESO-POWDER LOOP (MOD).** Ski up Mill D North to Lake Desolation, up to the ridge above it, run along the ridge to the Powder Park drainage, then take some low angle turns through the trees back to complete the loop. Bring 10E's, beacon and shovel. Meet at Butler Elementary School at 10:00 am. Call Bob Cady (274-0250 or rcady@xmission.com) for information.

**FEB 8 SUN SNOWSHOE: SHOW AND GO (NTD/MOD).** Note: Show and Go activities are for WMC members only. Meet your companions at 9:00 am at Butler Elementary prepared for the conditions of the day. Decide on the day's activity and destination, and split into NTD and MOD groups if you wish. Bring the ten essentials. When appropriate, be aware of avalanche danger.

**FEB 10 TUE BACKCOUNTRY SKI: DEADLINE FOR MARCH RAMBLER.** For March Rambler, scheduling snowshoe activities for March 13- April 15, 2004. All proposed ski activities must be sent to Steve Pritchett, ski coordinator spritc1041@aol.com, 523-9243) BY THIS DATE. *No late entries- No exceptions.*

**FEB 10 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD-MSD).** Vince DeSimone will lead a "Tuesday Group" again this year at 10:00 am. They go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace at vincedesimone@yahoo.com or you can call him at 435-649-6805.

**FEB 10 TUE SNOWSHOE: DEADLINE FOR MARCH RAMBLER.** For March Rambler, scheduling snowshoe activities for March 13- March 27, 2004. All proposed snowshoe activities must be sent to Liz Cordova, snowshoe coordinator (emcord25@hotmail.com, 486-0909) BY THIS DATE. *No late entries- No exceptions.*

**FEB 11 WED: GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7 pm at the MOUNT OLYMPUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 3280 East 3900 South. General Club business will be conducted including the election of the 2004 WMC Board Members. See February Rambler for details or call Jeanine at 364-1873 or Vicki at 599-0281.**

**FEB 13 FRI - 17 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TETON RANGE YURT (MSD).** Spend the long weekend at Plummer Canyon Yurt on the west side of the Tetons and trim turns on the mountain. Drive up Friday evening, spend Friday night in a motel, ski in Saturday morning and spend three nights at the yurt, then return on Tuesday. A non-refundable \$92.50 deposit will be necessary to reserve your place. If you are interested in this trip, email Carol Masheter: carol\_masheter@hotmail.com or call



her at 466-5729.

FEB 14 SAT SNOWSHOE: PORTER'S FORK (NTD-TURTLE). Joan Proctor (474-0275) leads. Meet Joan at Skyline High at 9:00 am. (See February Rambler for further details).

FEB 14 SAT SNOWSHOE: DESO TO BEARTRAP (MOD). Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) leads. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am (see February Rambler for further details).

FEB 14 SAT SNOWSHOE: MAYBIRD GULCH (MOD+). Cassie Badowsky (278-5153) leads this hike up Maybird Gulch towards the top of the drainage, conditions permitting. Beacon and shovel advised. Meet at Butler Elementary at 9:00 am (see February Rambler for further details).

FEB 16 MON SNOWSHOE: WILLOWS TO BEARTRAP (MOD). Snowshoe up the Willow drainage. Cassie Badowsky (278-5153) (see February Rambler for further details).

FEB 19 THU - 23 SUN Annual Death Valley Bike Trip: If you would like to escape from the wintertime chills and have a great time too, come on the 10th annual Death Valley Days bike trip with the old ranger, Bob Wright. There will be road biking, mountain biking, swimming, hiking and relaxing. We will again stay at the Furnace Creek campground. It is usually 75-85 degrees during the day and 50 degrees at night. We will visit Scotty's Castle, Ubehebe Crater, Titus Canyon, Stovepipe Wells, Mosaic Canyon, Badwater, and Artists Loop. If you can't come the entire time, come when you can. It is a day's drive each way, 545 miles and we will carpool. We will do group cooking. Estimated cost is \$45.00 per person for food and camping, excluding transportation and park entry fees. There will be a planning meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 28 at 7:00 PM at Bob and Denna Wright's house, 1832 Meadow Moor Rd. (5000 South) Call Bob at 801-274-0756 or E Mail bobanddenna@msn.com to register.

FEB 20 FRI SOCIAL: SING-A-LONG. Bring your guitar, fiddle, keyboard, drum, pot, pan and your voice, but more important bring YOURSELF and a finger food to: The February social sing-a-long. Enjoy a great evening with friends and friends-to-be at Bart & La Rae's. 5904 S Tolcate Woods Lane (2930 E). Take 5800 S off Holladay Blvd. 801-277-4093 bartbartholoma@netscape.net

FEB 22 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY/TOUR: MILL D-MILL CREEK BASIN (LOOP)(MOD). We will ski up Mill D North to Lake Desolation, climb up to the ridge from there, then run north along the ridge to the low pass at the northeast corner of Mill Creek Basin. We will then descend the basin and canyon down to the Mill Creek Canyon Road. Meet at the 39th south and Wasatch Blvd Park and Ride at 8:30 am to catch the bus up to Spruces. (Bring \$2.50 for bus fare and plan to contribute for the \$2.25 Mill Creek Canyon toll). Help at 8:00 am spotting a car or two at the top of Mill Creek Canyon road will be appreciated. Call Bob Cady (274-0250 or rcady@xmission.com) for information.

FEB 22 SUN SNOWSHOE: DAY'S FORK TO THE 1<sup>ST</sup> MEADOW (NTD). Carol Anderson (485-0877) leads (see February Rambler for further details).

FEB 28 SAT - MAR 1 MON SKI TOUR: LEAP YEAR YURT LARK (UINTAS). Celebrate the leap year and tour on a well-groomed and signed trail system or ski the backcountry of the North Slope south of Evanston, WY. What better way to spend that 'extra' day (29th) in your life than to breath in that crisp winter air, feel the wind blowing through the pines, and watch the alpenglow on the high peaks. Stay in a deluxe BRORA yurt equipped with bunks, a stove, and plenty of firewood to ward off the cold. 'Working dogs' are welcome. Contact Michael Berry (583-4721, mberry@attglobal.net) to get on the waiting list. THE TRIP IS CURRENTLY FULL.

MAR 6 SAT SNOWSHOE: GREEN'S BASIN (NTD-TURTLE). Nancy Phillips (942-8953) leads. Meet Nancy at Butler Elementary at 9:30 am. (See February Rambler for further details).

MAR 7 SUN SNOWSHOE: STANSBURY MTNS (MOD) Cathy Hunn (435-882-6529) plans to go to the Stansbury Mountains (See February and March Ramblers for further details).

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

MAR 20 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: KING'S PEAK (MSD). *(Tentative date)*. Late March is the big event of the ski season. The King's Peak ski tour, hosted for the 29th (or so) year by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night at the Henry's Fork parking area and get underway very early on Saturday morning (See February and March Rambler for details).

## NON-WMC ACTIVITIES

**JAN 17 SAT SOCIAL: CONTRA DANCE** at the Columbus Center in South Salt Lake (NOTE NEW VENUE) 2531 South 400 East, South Salt Lake, Utah. No Dancing experience needed, all dances will be taught and prompted. Dance to the Live Traditional Celtic-American Music by Inish and Idyllwild. Beginners workshop at 7:30, dance from 8-11 p.m. \$5 donation. More info at [brendadance@yahoo.com](mailto:brendadance@yahoo.com) or Brenda at 363-7442.

**JAN 24 SAT WOMEN'S TELEMARCK DAY: THE CANYONS SKI AREA.** In response to the enthusiastic participation of previous seasons, the Wasatch Telemark Association ([www.wasatchtelemark.org](http://www.wasatchtelemark.org)) is doing it again. There will be two full days of clinics, workshops, and apres ski fun at two of Utah's premier resorts. Alta will host on December 14<sup>th</sup>, and The Canyons will host on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Check the website for on-line registration and information. For additional questions, contact: [chris@ustsa.org](mailto:chris@ustsa.org).

**JAN 24 SAT SURVIVAL: 27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WASATCH OVERLAND.** Cross-country skiers, telemark skiers, 'shoers, boarders, and ski bikers: The oldest and craziest 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 stype 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 min., 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 10<sup>th</sup>. No cars are to be left at Brighton. Take the bus or drive/shuttle to Park City!

JAN 2003 -MAR 2004

### CROSS COUNTRY SKI RACES

DATE	RACE	TECHNIQUE	LOCATION/START
Sat., Jan 3	Wasatch Cit.Ser./UW Games	free (15)	White Pine 10:00
Sat., Jan 10	Wasatch Citizens Series	class (10)	Sundance Nordic 10:00
Tue., Jan 13	Wild Rose Fun Race	any (5)	Mountain Dell 4:30
Sat., Jan 17/18	JO Qualifier		Soldier Hollow TBD
Tue., Jan 20	Wild Rose Fun Race	any (5)	Mountain Dell 4:30
Fri., Jan 23	U of U Invitational		Soldier Hollow TBD
Sat., Jan 24	Wasatch Overland	survival (12)	Brighton>Park City 9:00
Sat., Jan 24	Potato Cup	free (5/15)	Mink Creek, ID 11:00
Tue., Jan 27	Wild Rose Fun Race	any (5)	Mountain Dell 4:30
Sat., Jan 31	Wasatch Citizens Series	free (10)	Mountain Dell 10:00
Sat., Jan 31	U of U Intramurals	any (5/10)	Mountain Dell 2:00
Tue., Feb 3	Wild Rose Fun Race	any (5)	Mountain Dell 4:30
Sat., Feb 7	Boulder Mountain Tour	free (30)	Sun Valley 10:00
Tue., Feb 10	Wild Rose Fun Race	any (5)	Mountain Dell 4:30
Wed., Feb 11/15	Under-23 World Championship		Soldier Hollow TBD
Sat., Feb 21	White Pine/TUNA Relay both (3x5)		White Pine 10:00

Schedule provided by The Utah Nordic Alliance (TUNA). For more up-to-date information, call the TUNA Cross Country St Hotline 461-9000 or check the TUNA web page: [www.utahnordic.com](http://www.utahnordic.com)

### REI FREE CLINCS

**SALT LAKE CITY** - The following presentations are offered free of charge to the public at the SLCity REI store, located at 3285 East & 3300 South. For more information, please call 486-2100.

#### SNOWSHOEING 101

Tuesday, January 6th, 7pm

Join Dave Fulghum of the REI staff as he puts on another of our famous "how to" clinics on the basics of snowshoeing. He will focus on the appropriate selection of gear and the initial skills needed to get you outside and on the trails. If you have ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport!

#### GPS 101

Tuesday, January 13th, 7pm

Join REI Camping Department Specialist Kirk Myers as he unveils the mysteries of Global Positioning Systems. This presentation will cover basic GPS functions such as determining latitude and longitude, programming routes, and recording travel. Also, come get the scoop on Navigation Day, a hands on, in the field course taking place January 17th.

#### SKI/SNOWBOARD WAXING & TUNING

Tuesday, January 20th, 7pm

Join REI Shop Master Tech Jon Hulse this evening for some expert instruction on base preparation: structure, major and minor repair and stone grinding.

#### EVEREST OF THE MIND

Tuesday, January 27th, 7pm

Mountaineer and adventurer Gary Scott will share stories, slides and lessons learned from over 30 trips to the Himalayas, including two attempts on Mt. Everest without supplemental oxygen. His strategies can help anyone from armchair mountaineers to hikers to adventure travelers and climbers of all levels discover and realize their goals and dreams by moving past their self-imposed limitations such as doubt and fear, and help them achieve peak performance in all areas of their lives.

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**SANDY** - The following presentations are offered free of charge to the public at the Sandy REI store, located at 10600 South & 230 West Suite 1700 in the South Towne Mall. For more information, please call (801) 501-0850.

#### SNOWSHOEING 101

Thursday, January 8th, 7pm

Join Dave Fulghum of the REI staff as he puts on another of our famous "how to" clinics on the basics of snowshoeing. He will also focus on the appropriate selection of gear and the initial skills needed to get you outside and on the trails. If you have ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport!

#### GPS 101

Thursday, January 15th, 7pm

Join REI Camping Department Specialist Taylor Sandstrom as he unveils the mysteries of Global Positioning Systems. This presentation will cover basic GPS functions such as determining latitude and longitude, programming routes, and recording travel. Also, come get the scoop on Navigation Day, a hands-on, in the field course taking place January 17th. Please see inside flyer for details.

#### SNOWSHOER CATHY SASSIN

Thursday, January 15th, 7pm

REI welcomes Cathy Sassin, a world renowned adventure racer and one of the top 100 female athletes of the year as chosen by the Women's Sports Foundation in 2003. Cathy will share her passion for snowshoeing through an inspirational short film and snowshoeing workshop. All clinic participants joining us for this great evening will receive a free gift bag.

#### LESLIE ROSS'S BACKCOUNTRY TIPS

Thursday, January 22nd, 7pm

Join us for an evening presentation covering the basics of backcountry skiing. The slide show will be an overview from how to get involved, what gear you will need and what things to consider when traveling in the winter backcountry. Topics will include gear selection, nutritional choices and avalanche and backcountry safety tips. Leslie Ross, founder of Babes in the Backcountry, has been working in the outdoor education field for 12 years.

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION****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: **Please complete liability waiver on reverse page**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Check phone number to print in The Rambler membership list:

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I am applying for: (check one)

\_\_\_ New Membership    \_\_\_ Single    \_\_\_ Couple    Birth date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Remit: \$40.00 for single membership (\$35.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)

\$55.00 for couple membership (\$50.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee)

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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.)

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

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**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 I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ACTIVITY SURVEY

**Other outings:** \_\_\_\_\_ snowshoe tour      \_\_\_\_\_ caving      \_\_\_\_\_ other

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