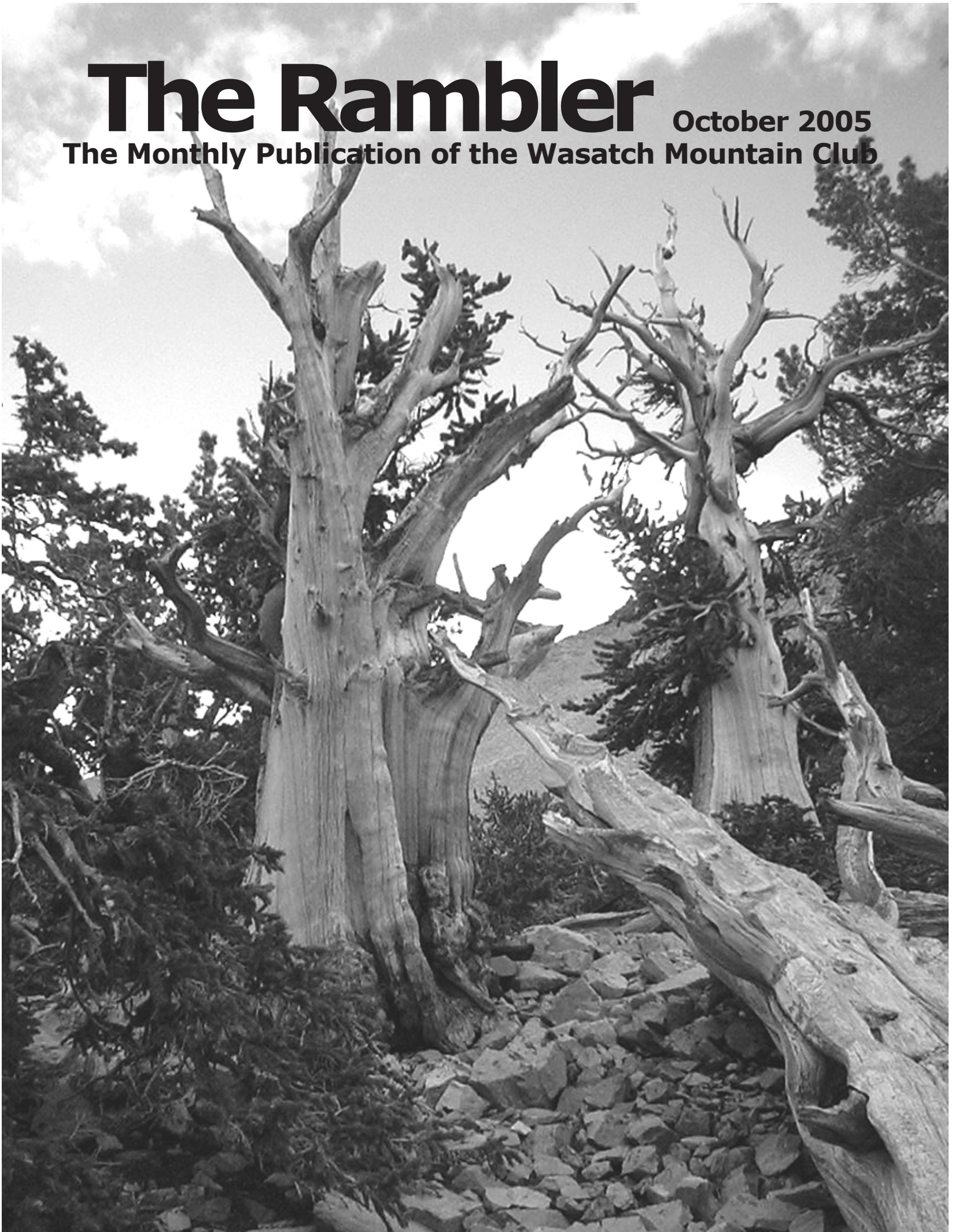


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- > Membership Applications
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From the President....by Michael Budig

At the September board meeting, we thoroughly discussed potential upgrades of the Wasatch Mountain Club website. Walt Haas and Heidi Schubert presented interesting and detailed ideas and proposals the board, which should result in major improvements to the website in the near future. The future will be here soon...



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As this presstime nears for this issue of the Rambler, board members (Patti O'Keefe, Robert Janzen, Donn Seeley and me) are busy arranging the Organizer's Party for early October. Invitations are sent to club members who have contributed to the club in the past year by organizing trips, helping out at the lodge, serving on the committees, etc.

I want to encourage members to attend the General Membership meeting in October which will feature a slideshow by Heidi Schubert. At the meeting, club members will also be asked to approve lifetime membership for four long-time WMC members and former members of the board: Janet Friend, Joanne Miller, Joan Proctor and Tom Silberstorf.

I also want to encourage members to attend the Halloween Party at the lodge later this month. This is traditionally the most festive, outlandish and fun event of the year. And, if you haven't seen it lately, the lodge has some great new improvements- including sharp looking shutters and a more effective fireplace insert. Come see..

At last, it is fall, my favorite time of the year....

WMC Purpose:

(Article II of the WMC Constitution)

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

Conservation Notes

October 2005

Will McCarvill

The WMC is still working on the Salt Lake County RS 2477 claims with Save Our Canyons and the Utah Chapter of the Sierra Club. The list of claims is still at 15 after the County Council and Mayor voted to delete the seven that mysteriously appeared after the original list was submitted to the state. The WMC has been involved in a project to obtain as much information as possible on each claim. Many do serve valid transportation needs, but there are already administrative processes to grant easements and the use of RS 2477 will delay and impede these processes. Some have not seen vehicle use in decades, were not constructed or maintained for public use, and serve no purpose. To see where we are at, go the Save Our Canyons web site www.saveourcanyons.org. From there click on RS 2477 shown on the menu on the left side. Once there go to the bottom of the orange box to a link: RS 2477 Claims in Salt Lake County. You will find a locator map for each claim. Right now, only the Mill D North Fork claim is complete. There will be a map of the claim, a short history, and you can see photos of the claim.

By the time you read this, a major effort will have taken place in building a better alternative to the new Lake Mary Trail. As you may remember, the trail sort of ran up behind the WMC Lodge in a riparian area. As traffic built over the years the wet lands were destroyed and the lower part of the trail was relocated in 2003 to a ski area road. That has proven less than desirable and the trail relocated to its final location. The record of decision and a map can be found at www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/projects/decisions. You can contact Sean Wetterberg at swetterberg@fs.fed.us.

Have you stopped visiting southern Utah as often because of the growing number of off-road vehicles (ORVs) in the area? When you visit southern Utah, do you avoid certain places due to the increased level of ORV use there? If you answered yes to either of these questions, or know someone else who feels displaced by Utah's ORV invasion, SUWA could use your help. SUWA is seeking to establish contact with anyone who can help us document that this sort of user conflict is occurring in Utah's backcountry. We know from first hand experience that displacement is happening, but it is a hard thing to document concretely. With your help we can address this growing problem and make some headway. Contact SUWA at franklin@suwa.org or call their Moab Field Office 435-259-4399.

The National Park Service has begun development of a backcountry management plan for Zion National Park. The majority of the backcountry in Zion National Park has been recommended to Congress for wilderness designation. Management of over 95% of the Park will be addressed through this planning process. The Park Service is considering among other things whether to allow commercial guiding in Zion's backcountry and whether to increase group size. You can submit comments at www.nps.gov/zion/activities/eascopingletter.doc.

Lastly, the Utah Wilderness Coalition is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year. The WMC has been one of its board members for all this time. In the last two decades, the UWC has completed the Citizen's Inventory of BLM wilderness quality land in Utah, brought the treasures of Utah into the national spotlight, found sponsors to introduce legislation in Washington DC and stopped a lot of bad things from happening. There will be a celebration October 20th, details will be coming soon.

Highway Cleanup by Kyle Williams



5th Avenue on State Route 190

Gourmet food defined the event. Glamour bagels and Mimosa (without the Champagne, DOH) fueled the effort. The Photo doesn't do justice to the chic ness of the participants. Except Cassie, of course, she always looks good. Al Winkleman and Gerrish Willis took the high road. Will McCarvill, Chris Winter, Cassie Badowsky, and Kerry Faigle took the low road, while Tom Hughes and I (Kyle Williams) played both ends against the middle. (not as kinky as it sounds. It was just litter cleanup, folks!) With the good help, we were done shortly, just as the phone rang. Yes, you guessed it, another club member calling to see if we were done and could we come out to play.? I would like to thank everyone who helped, it was a great day.

Winter Sports Director's Message

Greg Libecchi

WMC YURT TRIPS: Attention Skiers and Snowshoers

Now is the time to make the call to book the yurt you want for this coming season. If you are a WMC member with organizer experience and you are interested in running a yurt trip these are some things to consider:

1. Choose one of the yurt systems in the area and call them to see if they have space on the weekend you are considering. There is lots of info available on the web and GOOGLE is a great way to dig up contact info. Systems in the area are TUNA (Uinta Mountain area), Tetons (Rendezvous Yurts), BRORA - out of Evanston, there are some yurts up Logan Canyon, there's one up Millcreek Canyon and there are yurts in the La Sals outside Moab.
2. Contact the operator and make necessary arrangements to book the time.
3. Sign up old and new friends and make sure to get a deposit so you recover the deposit money you laid out.
4. The WMC will list your trip in the Rambler if you need to fill the space.

Please call or e-mail Winter Sports Director Greg Libecchi (435-645-9699 or glibecchi@yahoo.com) for additional assistance. (Note: The WMC cannot guarantee the financial or logistical success of your trip).



Think snow

Come Boat With US!

THIS YEARS BOATING ACTIVITIES:

| DATES(#DAYS) | RIVER | CLASS | ORGANIZER | TELEPHONE | EMAIL |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| OCTOBER | | | | | |
| 01 / 2 days | Westwater | III | Janet Embry | 801-322-4326 | embry_janet@yahoo.com |
| 07 / 4 days | Cataract Canyon | III | Mike Budig | 801-328-4512 | MBudig@Blazemail.com |
| 8 / 1 day | End season work party | I | Bret Mathews | 801-273-0315 | bretmaverick999@yahoo.com |



Pink Flamingo Party, Photo by Gloria.

Trip Report: Boating the Payette, July 2-5, By Dave Stanley

The club's annual Independence Day pilgrimage to the Payette River north of Boise didn't start very auspiciously. Trip Organizer Bret Mathews had rented a 15-passenger van and borrowed Dennis Strong's trailer, so we were pretty heavily loaded (14 people and gear) by the time we pulled away from the boat shed. Outside of Brigham City, one of the rear tires threw its tread into the bushes, and the other one did the same near Mountain Home, Idaho. The second exploding tire also took out a coolant hose, and it required heroic mechanical work by Bret and Steve Suswein plus one highway patrolman, three tow trucks, a mechanic, and two new tires to put us on the road again. We got to Hot Springs Campground in time to greet the eight boaters who drove up separately and set up our tents in the dark.

The next day we inflated the boats—two paddleboats and a bunch of single and double duckies, along with an inflatable cataraft--and floated the Main Payette on a cool, perfectly clear day. A few of the duckies and one of the paddleboats tipped but without injury and not much insult. After lunch, we loaded the boats and ran the same stretch again. This time, just for fun, the duckies decided at Go Left Rapid to go right instead. Lots of swimming practice followed.

On Monday, we took on the North Fork of the Payette—larger and more challenging rapids, and much more remote, thankfully lacking the highway on the bank that we experienced the day before. The weather was again warm and sunny, perfect for boating. Lunch was on the river, and we took out in time to run the shuttle, load the boats, get back to camp, clean up, and enjoy Roger Upwall's grilled salmon.

Then it was off to Crouch, Idaho, population 165. On the Fourth of July, though, everyone in southwestern Idaho shows up for a parade, a barbeque, a dance, and a fireworks display. Between the kids shooting off their own fireworks right in

From your co-directors of entertainment:

Find out what's going on!

If you would like to hear about the future social activities we have in the works, be sure to sign up on the "NEW" social email list. Just access the WMC website and in the left hand column go to email lists. Follow that to the social list and the directions. That way you can mark your calendar and avoid missing the fun.

OCT 19 WED 7PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

OCT 29 SAT SOCIAL: HALLOWEEN PARTY, 6PM AT THE LODGE. It's that time again. The ghosts and goblins will be out

For further questions please call:

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Vicky McDaniel - 576-0160 or (mcdaniel@xmission.com)



Old-Timers & New-Comers Party '05, Photo by Alexis Kelner.

Trip Report (Cont'n)

the middle of town right by the gas station, the live country band that looked like they'd just ridden into town on their Harleys, the street dance and a certain amount of beer, it was a great way to celebrate the Fourth. The next day, we made it back to Salt Lake without further problems.

This is a great and convivial trip which doesn't require camping along the river or moving camp every day. The campsite is beautiful, set in a tall forest of ponderosas with lots of tables and benches for food prep, eating, and socializing. And we all took advantage of the natural hot springs across the road from the campground; there's a homemade hot tub and even a pipe sticking out of the hillside that spouts hot water and serves as a natural shower. With class III rapids and fine company, it's a great trip for rookies like me. Others on the trip: Larry Gwin, Vicki Martel, Ken and Rina Levine, Gloria Watson, Gene Dennis, Kevin Oaks, Dennis Strong, Frank Fullmer, Rick and Scott Thompson, Jeanine Kuhn, Barry Coker, Greg and Gou Bahn, Annette McMullin, Christina Fillipo, and Noel DeNevers.

The WMC Lodge

The WMC club lodge is located at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon. The lodge is used for a variety of WMC social functions, but can also be rented out for personal use (Full or half-day basis). Recent renovation to the lodge include the installation of flush toilets and shower. The two dormitory-style rooms on the second floor provide sleeping accommodation for about 20 people. The kitchen contains a stove and refrigerator, but is not stocked with utensils or culinary items. **All** users of the lodge are expected clean up the lodge after use. Contact Julie Mason at 278-2535 for reservations.

WMC Club Member Rates

October 1 - May 31 = \$250/24 hour period

June 1 - September 30 = \$300/24 hour period

Non WMC Member Rates

October 1 - May 31 = \$300/24 hour period

June 1 - September 30 = \$350/24 hour period

Weddings and/or Wedding Receptions

WMC members \$400/24 hour period

Non-WMC members \$500/24 hour period



**The
WMC
Wants
you!**



Check out Frank Truppe's great new winter shutters for the Lodge, and the old ones on the right were bright green. Thanks Frank.

The Lodge needs constant care and WMC members have come to the rescue since 1929. Do you share to keep this club tradition in working condition. Come use your carpentry skills, or just help clean. Call Clayton Rand at 288-0251 or David Rabiger 964-8190 or send email caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to volunteer. Ask for a list of very specific items that need your help and attention and the hand tools and equipment needed to get the job done. We look forward to seeing you at the Lodge!

Club members can earn a \$50 voucher by participating in lodge service projects.

Work Party Dates and Activities

Oct 1 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Winter preparation

Directions to The Lodge

Go up Big Cottonwood canyon, (up 7200 S) to Brighton, drive to the back of the BIG parking lot (near the Brighton Manor Motel). Walk up the hill past the boulders, bear left across the stream and up the trail through the trees (100 yards). Wear walking shoes, carry a flashlight for the hike down,

Lodge Email list.

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 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.

Free fire wood at the lodge from downed trees. This wood is for personal use only. This must be completed only by contacting the caretaker at caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to coordinate your cutting and pick-up of the wood.

The lodge is viewed as a private residence when no activities are listed. The lodge is not open to members unless you contact the caretaker at caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to coordinate your planned visit.

Please add to the “Marketplace” page:

Free fire wood at the lodge from downed trees. This wood is for personal use only. This must be completed only by contacting the caretaker at caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to coordinate your cutting and pick-up of the wood.

Trip Talk : Great basin National Park Trip

BY Gretchen Siegler
August 19th through
August 21st

Robert Turner organized a combined biking and hiking trip to Great Basin National Park open to both Bonneville Bike Club and Wasatch Mountain Club members. On Friday, August 19th, Robert, Trisha, and I met at Upper Lehman Campground, reserved a few spots, and waited for the full moon to appear. Then Trisha and Robert rode 23 miles from Baker to a few miles past Garrison and back. They said that it was gorgeous with a perfect temperature. Only four cars passed in about two hours, along with a few rabbits.



The three of us, along with two bike club members, John and Anaya, who had pulled into camp late, met for breakfast on a clear Saturday morning. Then I left the others to explore some pictographs and hike up Pole Canyon. Even though it is in an accessible part of the park, the trail was barely discernible at times. It was just lovely. With time to spare, I then headed down Osceola trail to check out and follow the remains of a flume that took water to an historic gold mining town in the valley. The others rode their bikes 31 miles from Baker to Sacramento Pass (heading west toward Ely) and back. They said that it was pretty nice, not very steep up to the pass, with some nice views of the mountains. That afternoon Trisha, not having toured the Lehman Caves before, took a few hours to do so while the rest of us cooled out in camp. We all met that evening for a hike to the bristlecone pine grove, with a nature walk loop at the end telling us about the trees. We learned that they don't decay but erode, some are over 3000 years old, and a few were alive when the Egyptians were building pyramids about 4000 years ago. And yes, we learned that great story about the stupid scientist (a graduate student, actually) who cut one down to find out how old it was. It turned out to be about 5,000 years old—the oldest living thing on the planet. Those trees are very cool and received more than a few hugs from us. That night late, we had some great grilled salmon and Robert's chicken stew dinner cooked in the official dutch oven way.



On Sunday morning we headed out early to climb Wheeler Peak before the development of afternoon thunderstorms. While it may be one of the easier 13,000 footers because of a high start, the last push to the top proved to be tough. It was hard to leave the panoramic views, but some of us felt some rain and headed down. Apparently that moisture translated into hail where the others stood higher up.

Great Basin National Park is a great place to visit. It is actually free with very few visitors and fewer hikers. Camping is still cheap (\$12 per site), available on weekends, and suitable for something other than RVs. This is a pleasant surprise since, like most of our public campgrounds, it has been handed over to a commercial enterprise.

California Volcano Backpack (August 27- September 2)... By Michael Budig

And Trip Pictures... By Donn Seeley



Mike Budig and Bob Myers cross the summit icefield on Mt. Shasta

While attending college in Chico, California, I often gazed longingly at Mt Lassen and Mt Shasta on clear days- and often wondered whether I would ever get the chance to scale Shasta, a 14000+ ft peak which dominates the northern California skyline.

This year, Donn Seeley and I agreed to try to schedule this trip... and so we went -along with his sister-in-law Susan Allen and her husband, Bob Myers. We began our adventure with a short, but enjoyable hike up Mt Lassen, a 10200 ft volcano with some interesting history. Lassen had a major eruption in the period of about 1915-17, making it the most recent major eruption in the lower 48 states prior to Mt St Helens, and gaining designation as a National Park soon after the eruption. Lassen is a beautiful hike- with some interesting geological features, especially at and near the top.

Next on the agenda was a five-day backpack through Lassen Volcanic National Park. The four of us were a comfortable, compatible and flexible group as we traveled and adjusted our itinerary while we moved down the trail. The trails were very dusty due to recent drought conditions, but the weather was ideal and the scenery interesting and varied. We ended up paring the planned 60-mile backpack down to about 45 miles, allowing us to focus attention on a couple of cinder cones we hiked up (with spectacular views) and a geothermal area we noticed on our maps.

We used the backpack followed by a day of rest and preparation (and a tour of a nearly vineyard) to prepare to hike up MT Shasta, a very challenging hike of 6 miles with a 7500 foot elevation gain. For Donn and I, it would be our first experience using crampons and I certainly had my doubts about my chances of making the summit.

We began the Shasta summit day by hitting the trail with our headlamps on at 5:15 AM (the guidebooks actually recommended starting at the ghastly hour of 3:30 AM). And the weather stayed quite cool as we moved our way up in the predawn hour. When we finally reached the snowfield, I was too cold to have much use of my hands as I clumsily tried to put the crampon over my boots. But the crampons worked well and gripped the hardened snow like velcro, making this part of the hike rather routine. After the snowfield, we scrambled up the steep rocks (in some places trying to avoid the ballbearing-like pebbles which were like grease on ice). The three of us summited around 1:00 PM, with Donn about 20 minutes ahead of Bob and me (Susan chose to do a dayhike instead). The view from the top was the grandest of any in northern California and we stayed and enjoyed it awhile and signed the register. By the time we started down, the snow had softened, allowing us to glissade down the same snowfield we had used crampons in the morning. Further down we were able to actually see what we had missed while hiking up in the dark that morning. We finished the hike at 5:30 PM/

Northern California was good to us and as on most trips, we found more reasons to come back .. and more potential future trips. But for me Shasta was a major goal I hoped to achieve someday and it was a wonderful experience.



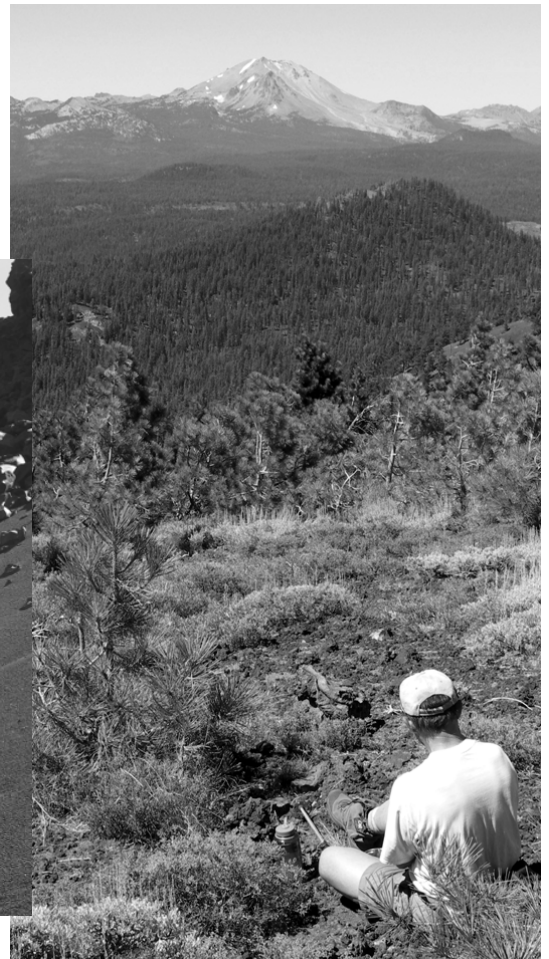
Mike Budig and Bob Myers descending Misery Hill on Mt. Shasta.



Mike Budig crossing a glacier headwall on Mt. Shasta.



Cinder Cone, Mt. Lassen National Park



Bob Myers contemplates Mt. Lassen from Red Cinder.

Descending the Red Ledges on Mt. Shasta.



King Creek Falls in Mt. Lassen National Park.

Trip Talk:

Wind Rivers Backpack By Steve Glaser

Trip Photos by Frederick Gabriel

In early August a group of eight of us started off on the Highline trail through the Wind River mountains, beginning at Upper Green River Lakes with a destination of Big Sandy, 75 miles away. We had driven up with an eclectic but utilitarian collection of vehicles: Walt's pickup, carrying our backpacks, and Brent's Cadillac, carrying most of the people. Half of us were in our 60s, showing that passing through six decades does not necessarily mean that that long backpacks are no longer physically possible. However, three of these gentlemen carried backpacks with weight to match their age, leaving open the question of whether mental deterioration should rule out such endeavors.



Fred (our leader) had us up at 6:00 every morning with the goal of getting us walking by 8:00. It was a valiant effort, but a few of us did our best to resist his prodding. Given the storm clouds that moved in during the late afternoon every day, the early starts were the smart thing to do. Fortunately, the clouds only turned into a storm on one occasion.

**Wind Rivers Trip Participants Front L-R Steve and Signe
Back L-R Russell, Walt, Mohamed, Brent and Tracy.**

Every evening we had story time, with Signe reading us "The Mad Trapper on the Rat River." The book was about a trapper (naturally) in the Yukon in the 1930s who eluded capture for over a month after shooting a Canadian Mountie. The remarkable fact about the case was that this was in January and February when temperatures frequently sunk below -50o. He was constantly on the run, not building a fire or shooting game to avoid giving away his location. He was able to move almost as fast on snowshoes as the Mounties did with dogsleds. He survived two firefights against several Mounties, including an initial one where they dynamited the cabin he was staying in. Finally he was gunned down with the help of air support. Listening to stories around a fire. Not a bad way to spend the evenings.



Cirque of the towers

Fred had been up in the Winds two weeks prior and had warned us to bring head nets. Fortunately, the mosquitoes decided that July was going to be the month for their grand gathering this year, and they were generally just a minor nuisance to us. Still, Russ brought his head net out most evenings. I think he mostly felt that since he had it along, he might as well use it. I've always felt that the big weakness of a head net is that I had to take it off while eating. Russ proved me wrong, lifting the netting just long enough to get a spoonful of food into his mouth and then immediately lowering it back into place. It was a very practiced motion.

Steve was most notable for missing the mountain scenery, as he kept his head down looking for flowers and berries. While the group was already savvy to raspberries, he accrued some minor credit for introducing the rest of the group to wild blueberries and strawberries.

Wildlife was scarce. A deer wandered into our first three campsites, and Tracy spotted an elk the fourth night with

his binoculars. Tracy was our official wildlife sentry. Nothing larger than a squirrel was spotted the rest of the way though.

Domestic animals were another matter altogether. The sheep were copious the last couple of days of the trip. Mohammed figured that if we pooled together forty or fifty bucks we could hunt down the shepherd and have lamb for dinner. Alas, he was unable to muster a quorum to pursue the idea.

Then there were the pack goats. They cruised through on day 4 while we were having lunch. I knew from prior experience that it is important to guard one's food and pack, as there will inevitably be one or two ill-behaved (albeit cute) opportunists in the bunch. This time I only had to defend my garbage sack. Perhaps I should have let the goat have its way and lightened my pack. Fred managed to offend the woman commandeering the pack, asking her what she was having for dinner that night. "They're my pets!" came the reply. Fred claimed he only meant that with the goats she could plan her meals without considering weight. We didn't defend him though.

In fact, we never defended our leader. A ranger accosted us one evening when we made camp in sight of the trail, in violation of park rules. Fred happened to be elsewhere at the time, but we made it known that he was our leader and needed lecturing. We tried to incite the ranger into writing Fred a ticket, but he ignored our heckling.

Scenery is best seen rather than described. Talking about the spectacular mountains, the quiet little streams, or the expansive meadows of wildflowers just sounds like platitudes after awhile. I will say that the best scenery was on a day hike we took at the end of the trip. We finished up the backpack with a day to spare, so we went up to the Cirque of the Towers. Everyone felt light-footed without their backpacks, and the 15 mile trip was just a moderate day hike. Only Russ had been there before. That surprised me. I would have thought that at least a few of us would have previously ventured to this well-known area. The experience would not have been diminished if it had been our second time though. Being surrounded by the enormous sheer cliffs with a little lake tucked away in the distance was breathtaking. Even with a cold wind whipping through our pass, we drank in the scenery for a good half hour.

Those on the trip included (arranged in order of descending age) Brent Waddoups, Mohammed Abdallah, Russ Patterson, Walt Haas, Fred Gabriel, Steve Glaser, Signe Gines, and Tracy Taggart.



Squaretop Mountain

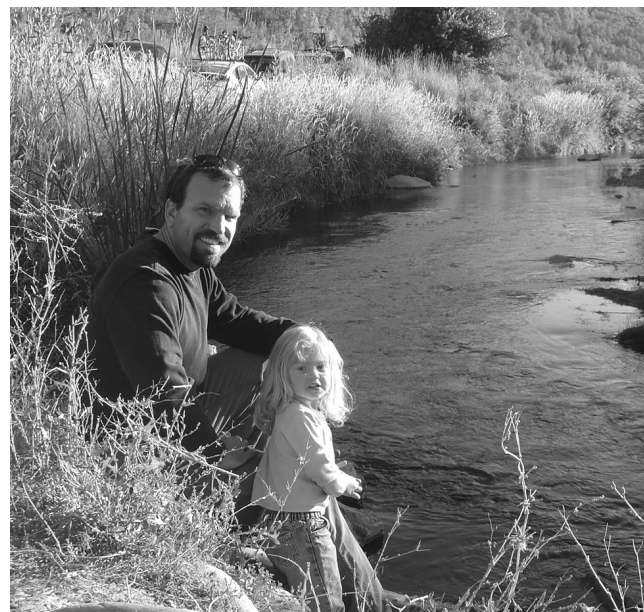
Annual Mormon Trail Mountain Bike Ride and BBQ

By Greg Libecchi



Group shot, Photo by Greg

The 4th annual BBQ ride was well attended and the weather, contrary to the forecast, was perfect! More than 30 people participated in a BBQ at the Mormon Flat Camp Site immediately following the various rides that took place. There were at least half a dozen new folks who left saying, to their pleasant surprise, “these WMC bikers aren’t half as bad as we had heard”. While most people were ready for the ride there was one rider who pulled the bike from the trunk only to discover a flat tire. Tom Hughes, the last minute “organizer by appointment” of the MOD ride, graciously attended to the flat fix needs of our new friend while Vince DeSimone led the charge up the hill. Radio contact kept the front and rear apprised of progress. The MOD ++ ride went smoothly all the way till the last 1000’ foot descent spot just 15 minutes from the cars, the only place where one could make a wrong turn! Well, Cheryl Krusko, distracted by a radio call, went left instead of right and ended up doing a little bush whacking. Thanks to radio contact, we were assured she was making headway toward the cars and she arrived just after the rest of the group with a big smile on her face. That’s our Cheryl! Right at 5 PM, almost magically, all riders arrived back from their various rides and the party started. The Mormon Flat Camp Site is an ideal spot for large groups to assemble. It sits right along the bending East Canyon Creek nestled in a quite valley with no neighboring sites. As the sun reached the horizon the lighting was just right so Nick Calas organized a group picture. With the sun down and temperatures immediately dropping 15 degrees Clare Meysenburg, who now needs to keep things warm enough for two, decisively started a big fire in the fire ring. Marshmallows were toasted and buns were warmed as we watched the moon rise over the southern hills. We couldn’t have asked for anything more from this great day. Don’t miss next years September BBQ ride!



Tim and Audrey, Photo by Greg

Last Scheduled Evening Hike

By Vivien Lee



Sept 15, Robert Turner led the last pm hike for the season, a little hike but plenty of goodlies.... It is a previous WMC traditon that Robert decided to revive for us.

Robert Said, "Hike a few miles and Party"
And so we did!



John, "whoever missed the hike missed a good time"



Knick, "thanks Robert for a great hike."



Brad had no comment!



Tom, "you know what Tom always says"



Kerry, "A long way to walk for a margarita "



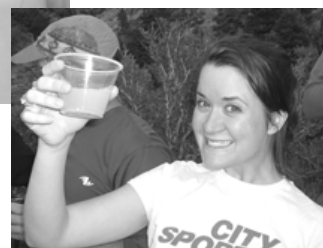
Leslie, "It's terrific"



Jen, "Oh boy, don't they party!"



Heidi & Kelvin, "Hate to see the season end!"



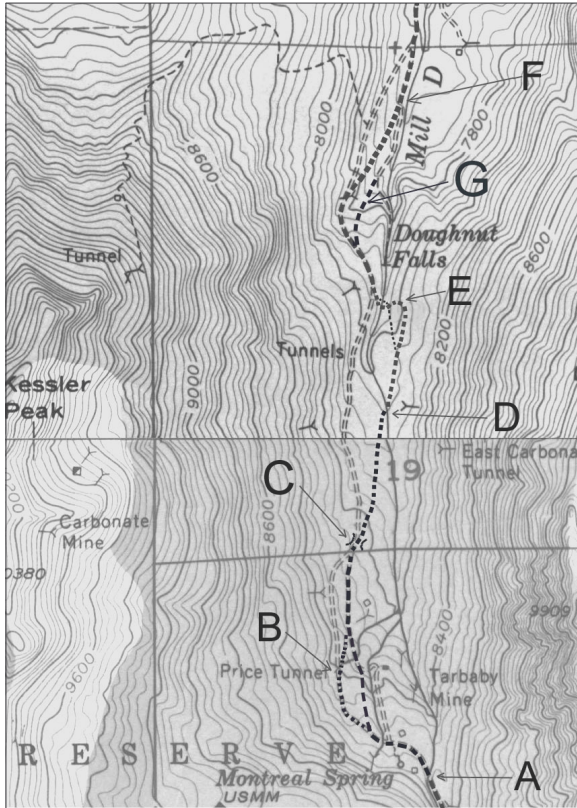
Jen, "This is good"

FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

5a. Cardiff Fork Road -- Part I Revisited

In the fourth episode of this series the book The Historian as Detective was mentioned with the explanation that, as with the detective work, the historian must sometimes synthesize part of the story to fit the facts at hand. This is not always successful, as evidenced by reports of incarcerated “felons” being exonerated after years in prison because of new evidence refuting the earlier synthesized scenario.

Unfortunately the author of the Faint Trails series has been caught in such a trap. In this case the evidence was not strong enough to warrant a conviction in the legal arena for there existed reasonable doubt. However a best guess was made. Evidence discovered after the last episode went to press has shown that guess to be wrong. Since it does answer nagging questions that remained and affects several future episodes, it is necessary to correct the unintended error. With the author’s apologies, here is Cardiff Fork Road – Part I Revisited.



1. The original Reed and Benson road is shown as a dashed line on this portion of the Dromedary Peak and Mount Aire USGS maps of 1955.

collapsed tunnel. The bypass road dropped below today’s road about ninety feet above the tunnel site. The remains of that road can be seen if one is especially observant. Of course this was long before the tunnel was started, so the road simply dropped down the slope to joined the original road on the flat. At point C today’s road goes through a short cut that is six or eight feet deep. The original road went over the top of this rise, then dropped through the wooded area below today’s road. It emerged at another long flat, dropping slowly as it converged with the stream. At point D it crossed the stream on a bridge whose abutments can still be seen. It then climbed over a small rise before descending a steep grade to the stream. This steep portion of the road, shown by a narrow dotted line on the map, was later abandoned in favor of a slightly longer, but less steep grade which ended in a pair of sharp turns at point E before fording the steam. It then climbed to meet the present road as the latter enters the woods. At this junction there is a large tree

In the second article in this series the Reed and Benson trail and road was described from the mine down to the point where it converges with today’s road a short distance above the stream crossing, where the ascending road fords the stream to the east side. This article attempts to reconstruct that original road the rest of the way down the canyon. The map shown in figure 1 at the left is a portion of the 1955 *Dromedary Peak, Utah 7.5 minute map* with the original road and several of its mutations superimposed.

Point A is the stream crossing cited above. The road followed today’s road, or vice versa, until it crossed the outflow of the as yet unnamed Montreal Spring where it turned down canyon, descending the steep slope on the west side of the stream until it reached the flat below. There it followed a gentle descending grade to point C on the map, where it merges with today’s road. In the years that followed the steep section of the road was bypassed by one that followed today’s road to point B. This is just above the Price Tunnel, seen today as a large dump below the road with a considerable amount of water flowing from the



2. The old bypass road can be seen on the right, dropping below the present road as it heads down to join the original Reed and Benson road on the flat below. The Price tunnel is below the road behind the trees. This is at point B on the map.

at the roadside that has its trunk almost completely rotted out, an obvious landmark.

North of point E the road stayed well above the stream gorge. If one were to stroll to the edge of the gorge and survey the terrain, it would be easy to understand why no attempt was made to follow the stream. Instead the road stayed high in the forest a short distance before dropping below the present road, going down a fairly steep grade through the forest until it was nearly at the stream level. This section, shown as G on the map, is very faint today, but can be followed until it reaches the ever popular Doughnut Falls trail at the point where the latter transitions from a fairly wide trail to a narrower trail that turns toward the stream. The Doughnut Falls trail below this point is on the original Reed and Benson road.

In 1910 this section was abandoned in favor of a less steep route built by the Cardiff and Reeds Peak companies. The new road followed the present road until it reached the site of the Reeds Peak tunnel, which is seen today as a large dump immediately below the road and almost directly above Doughnut Falls. On the down-canyon side of this dump the road descends below the present road until it meets the very wide portion of the Doughnut Falls trail just above the foot bridge stream crossing, point F on the map. (Salt Lake Mining Review, 30 June 1910; Engineering & Mining Journal, 16 July 1910) From this point the Reed and Benson road followed the route of the present road, crossing to the east side of the stream at the Doughnut Falls parking area.

Most of the road as described can be followed without much difficulty. One must be cautioned, however, that during the nearly fifty years of the four-wheelers' use of Cardiff Fork numerous side roads and alternate trails were formed. One must be careful not to be led astray by them. Also, remember that while the Reed and Benson people may have built the original road, it was immediately embraced by the mining community at large and was used by many more people than the builders. During the years that followed the road suffered numerous alterations and revisions, such that what we can follow today may not be exactly what was built in 1871. But it is close, and it continued to be used for nearly fifty years before being replaced by a road with more gentle grades.

There are several points of interest along this old road. Where it crosses the meadow above point C on the map there is a steel post on the east side of the road, the remnants of a gate installed by persons unknown for reasons unknown. Also, about halfway between points C and B, on the west side of the road is the site of the lower terminal of the Carbonate tramway, installed in 1908 by Alma Nielsen and associates who at that time held a lease on the Carbonate mine. This will be discussed further in a future article.

In 1915 the Utah Power and Light Company installed a power line from the Utah Coalitions mine at Lake Solitude to the Cardiff mine in the South Fork. (Salt Lake Tribune, 14 Nov.1915) Once in the South Fork the power line generally followed the road. Remnants of this line can be seen several places where the power poles are on the ground, or stubs of poles still stand where the poles once stood. After the line was abandoned many poles were cut just above the ground. About half way between D and C on the map, where road is surrounded by trees, the remains of a double pole can be seen, probably installed to support a transformer. Also, where the road crossed the stream at the ford, point D on the map, a faint trail can be followed down canyon on the east side of the stream. It continues to an overlook point directly above Doughnut Falls where the stub of another power pole remains. As a matter of interest, in October 1917 the power line was extended over Cardiff Pass to Alta to supplement the electrical power sources at that location. (Salt Lake Tribune, 31 Oct.1917) The line was also extended to many other mines in the South Fork, including the Monte Cristo mine in the far southwest extremity of the fork.



3. The ford where the road crossed the South Fork stream. The old Reed and Benson road went down through the vegetation on the left, dropping to its ford. A newer road was built on a lesser grade to cross a ford on the right, above the old one, which has washed out badly since it was first used. This is at point E on the map.

. Faint Trails



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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC director. can be listed in The Rambler. Direct submissions to the Editor are NOT accepted. To submit my activity to the club, send your proposed activity for approval to the appropriate director for inclusion in their activity schedule. The deadline is 6:00 p.m. on the 10th of the month.

Rules and regulations:

1. **Dogs and children** are not allowed on WMC activities, except when specifically stated in the activity description.
- 2 **Car pool rates:** Gas plus \$0.15/mile, shared by everyone in the vehicle (including the driver) on 2WD roads, OR gas plus \$0.25/mile on 4WD roads.

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

Find out about unofficial 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 outdoor activities. Any use of this service for any other purpose, such as advertising, SPAM, jokes, etc, will result in the loss of privilege.

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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.

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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.

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
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The 10 Essentials are: :Map/compass, flashlight, pocketknife, matches/ firestarter, sunscreen/bugspray, sunglasses, candle, first aid kit ,extra clothes, food and water.

Activities Listings :



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Explore North and South Islands of New Zealand on this 23 day WMC trip. Included is air transport, lodging, local transport by bus with a guide/facilitator to help us experience the highlights of New Zealand. A detailed trip itinerary and trip description will be sent to anyone requesting one. Those wishing to be on the reservation list should send a \$300 check made out to Vince DeSimone to POBox 680111, Park City, UT 84068-0111. The check will not be cashed until you have had a chance to review trip details. vincedesimone@yahoo.com or 435 649 6805. The trip will fill up. Fourteen people have sent a deposit. If you are interested act quickly to reserve one of the few remaining spaces.

March 2006 - Kilimanjaro Climb/Safari

If you have never climbed the highest mountain in Africa - 19,340ft-, now is the time to do it. We will take the Machame/Western Breach route in 8 days. Then we will do a short Safari in Tanzania- 4 nights/5days-. The new dates are 2/27/06 thru 3/14/06 and the price for the land arrangements are \$2443.00 (climb only \$1548.00, Safari \$895.00 for 4 plus travelers), a total of 17 days (2005 prices). If you do not want to do the Safari, and or spend an extra day in Arusha before the climb, we can work that one out too. Be a part of this great trip and then contact Christel Sysak at 801-943-0316 or Christel@vacation.com



WMC members on the WCT
Photo By Chris Winter

OCT 1 SAT LODGE WORK PARTY: We need your help with painting and general maintenance at the lodge. Please bring your skills, work gloves and your great positive attitude. **Firewood** is available for personal use only. Bring your chain saw and truck to help clean up some down trees. For all of that I will have lunch for you if you RSP Clayton by Sept 9 at 288-0251 or claytonrand@networld.com. Time is from 10AM to 4 PM. See you at the lodge.

OCT 1 SAT BIKE MOUNTAIN: DIAMOND FORK HOT SPRINGS (MOD+). Join Nick Calas for an all day bike ride followed by a soak in the infamous hot

springs. Nick will be making this ride into a loop so expect to be out all day. For carpooling, meet at the I-15/7200 S. park'n ride (on SE corner, just west of the McDonalds) at 8:00 a.m. For questions, contact Nick at 1-435-649-3544.

OCT 1 SAT IMPORTANT: BACKCOUNTRY SKI TRIP AND SNOWSHOE ORGANIZERS FOR '05 - '06 SEASON REGISTRATION. If you are considering organizing any backcountry trips please e-mail Greg Libecci, Winter Sports Director, so you can be included in the proper e-mail list. We had a planning meeting on Friday Sept. 9th and some good ideas emerged that I would like to communicate to you. Also consider signing up for the Wilderness First Aid course coming up Oct. 22nd and 23rd. Thanks for your participation. Greg Libecci e-mail: glibecci@yahoo.com or call 435-645-9699.

OCT 2 SUN BIKE MOUNTAIN: PARK CITY TRAILS (NTD+/MOD-). Welcome Irene as a new NTD ride organizer. Let's take an NTD-paced ride at Park City Mountain Resort. We'll ride up Sweeny's, then on to Crescent Mine Grade and Mid Mountain. It's just a bit of climbing at the beginning (thus MOD), but not too tough at an NTD pace. The rest will be a nice level ride and a fun downhill on Spiro. Total time will be ~2 - 2.5 hr. Meet at the parking lot of the Park City Mountain Resort at 9:45 AM. To carpool from



**Devil's Castle Peak
Photo By
Knick Knickerbocker**

SLC, meet at the Parley's K-mart by 9:00 AM. For questions or directions, please contact Irene Ota at 801 582-0946 or irenemota@aol.com.

OCT 4 TUE BIKE MOUNTAIN: PARK CITY TRAILS (MOD). Join Nick Calas for some more Park City rides. Bring lights and a radio if you have them. Meet at 5:30 in the El Chasbaso parking lot or to carpool from SLC, meet at the Parley's K-mart by 5:00 PM. El Chasbaso is located in the Park City plaza off of Prospector Drive. For questions, contact Nick at 1-435-649-3544.

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OCT 7 FRI - 9 SUN MOUNTAIN BIKE: GOOSEBERRY MESA & LITTLE CREEK MTN (MOD+). We will stay in Hurricane Motels

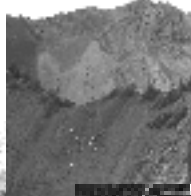
Friday night and Saturday. Rides are advanced for technical and energy requirements. It may be possible to switch the ride to Oct 15, 16 & 17 if weather requires or if a large number of people request it. Contact vincedesimone@yahoo.com or call 1-435-649-6805 to express interest and to receive details.

OCT 7 FRI -11 TUE CATERACT CANYON (III): Michael Budig (328-4512) was able to reschedule this trip from May - and even though it should be running less than 70,000 CFS this time, it should still be fun. Email MBudig@Blazemail.com for information or to register. (There is a good chance this trip may be cancelled due to a lack of interest.)

OCT 7 FRI - 10 MON BACKPACK: DEATH HOLLOW. Russell Patterson (973-6427) plans to visit Escalante National Monument. On Saturday morning we will shuttle cars and start our backpack at Calf Creek and back pack about 9 miles up the Escalante River and camp near the junction of the Escalante and Death Hollow. Along the way we will take a day hike up Sand Creek. On Sunday we will day hike up Death Hollow and swim in the many swim holes in this canyon. On Monday we will backpack up the Escalante River to the town of Escalante. We will see alcoves, seeps, waterfalls, lush vegetation and arches. For those that can leave a day early, on Friday we will start at Calf Creek and hike down the Escalante and explore Boulder Creek Canyon. Contact Russell to register and get more details.

OCT 7 FRI - 8 SAT FAMILY CAR CAMP: CRICKET MOUNTAINS. Organizer Randy Long (943-0244) says that this range of mountains is located about 30 - 35 miles south of Delta off of State Route 257 in Millard County. SUWA has asked the organizer to do photo documentation work there. The organizer must return home late Saturday, ending the Club activity, but anybody else is more than welcome to stay longer on their own. This is an exploratory activity. Call Randy to register and get details. Children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer.

OCT 7 FRI - 9 SUN FAMILY CAR CAMP: SAN RAFAEL RIVER. Cal Osburn (944-4574) plans to camp at the San Rafael Campground and hike along the river. Call Cal to register and get details.



**Knick's ridge hike to
Flagstaff
Photos by Knick**



**Three mountain goats on Flagstaff
Photo by Knick**

Children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer.

OCT 7 FRI - 9 SUN CLIMBING: INDIAN CREEK. This is what has become our annual trip to the world's premiere crack climbing area. With classics like Super Crack of the Desert and Incredible Hand Crack you can't miss this opportunity. With all those splitter cracks to try you'd better practice up on your hand jamming and hand taping technique. This trip is scheduled for 3 days because of the length of the drive and the abundance of great crack climbing. Call Louis Arevalo (884-3905 or Email (arevalolouis@yahoo.com)) to register. **HELMETS ARE RECOMMENDED.** Rating: 5.9 and up

OCT 8 SAT SERVICE: ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEAN UP. Well, you only have one last chance this season to feel good about yourself, and the space you take up on this planet. A person is never so tall as when they stoop to pick up a piece of trash left by another. Join us for only a few hours of community serviced to make up for all those stop signs you "oozed" through without stopping, those grapes you grazed on at the store you never paid for, those magazines you read at the newsstand and never bought, those hearts you broke and never apologized to..... (boy, is it just me, or do we all have a lot to atone for?) Meet at the Big Cottonwood Parking lot at 9AM; bring gloves. Bagels and juice will be provided, call Kyle 486-2261 to reserve your spot. Seating is limited, so call early. (just kidding, you don't need reservations)

OCT 8 SAT BOAT Shed Clean Up Party: The season is at an end and all the fun is now just a memory. Come and help us get ready for next season by taking care of our gear. It's at 9:00 am on Saturday Oct. 8 at the boat shed, located by 4500 South and 300 West just north of ZIM's. Bret Mathews 801-273-0315 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

OCT 8 SAT - 9 SUN BACKPACK: LOWER PLEASANT CREEK IN CAPITOL REEF NATIONAL PARK. Aaron Jones (467-3532 or ajonesmvp@msn.com) will lead the third in a series of backpacks into Utah's national parks. The backpack is a nine mile round trip, but we will

also have the opportunity to explore numerous side canyons in the Waterpocket Fold. Additional hiking and exploring is possible on Sunday and the fall foliage should be on full display. Contact Aaron to register and get more details.



**Heidi found a little friend (Horny Toad) on Mt Aire
Photo By Vivien**

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OCT 8 SAT DAY HIKE: ASPEN GROVE TO BIG PROVO HOLE CIRQUE TO ASPEN GROVE LOOP (MSD). This seldom visited cirque on the back side of Timp is a rugged glacial feature surrounded by majestic peaks. Tim Seeley (1-801-544-7928) has hiked up into the cirque and has done the Southwest, Southeast and Second summits from the Alpine trail. Tim will make a loop out of it by going up to the saddle/pass at the headwall to catch three peaks before heading down the glacier. There is no water in the cirque and the first water source will be Emerald Lake. This will be a long day and is considered exploratory. Call Tim to register and get more details.

OCT 11 TUE BIKE MOUNTAIN: PARK CITY TRAILS (MOD). Join Nick Calas for some more Park City rides. Bring lights and a radio if you have them. Meet at 5:30 in the El Chasbaso parking lot or to carpool from SLC, meet at the Parley's K-mart by 5:00 PM. El Chasbaso is located in the Park City plaza off of Prospector Drive. For questions, contact Nick at 1-435-649-3544.

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OCT 14 FRI - 16 SUN FAMILY CAR CAMP:

MOAB. Loren Greenway (250-3591) has several interesting places in mind. Call Loren to register and get more details. Children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer.


OCT 14 FRI – 16 SUN: ANNUAL BRUNEAU DUNES SAND SKIING TRIP. It's time for the annual trip to south central Idaho for the ski season primer. The outing is a rather disorganized affair, arrive on your own time line, ski as long as you like or as little. We will car camp at Bruneau Dunes State Park, which includes solar showers to get the grit off. It is recommended that for Sat evening bring food to share for a camping potluck. Free heel telemark style skis are recommended but others will do including snowboards. For more info contact Brad Yates 521-4185 or bnyslc@earthlink.net.

OCT 15 SAT DAY HIKE: CEDAR MOUNTAINS (MOD+). Come visit the Cedar Mountains, proposed for Wilderness by our own Representative Bishop, and also celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Utah Wilderness Coalition. The Cedars form the eastern border of the Salt Flats south of I-80. Be prepared to be out all day, with cross-country travel on steep terrain and possibly some scrambling and exploration. Meet Donn Seeley (706-0815) at the Utah Travel Council lot at 9 AM.

OCT 16 SUN DAY HIKE: MAYBIRD LAKES (MOD). The Pfeifferhorn looms over these pretty little lakes. Tony Barron (272-8927) will hike at a relaxed pace. Meet Tony at the Little Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride lot at 9 AM.

OCT 19 WED 7PM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. Mark your calendars now so you won't forget the 7:00 pm general membership meeting at Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church at 3280 East 3900 South. You'll get update of the club's

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current status, an opportunity to give your input on issues the club needs to make decisions about, **and** you will get refreshments and entertainment. Heidi Schubert will provide stirring, stimulating, scintillating sights of her trip to Nepal. For further questions please call: Beverly Emrick – 599-8744 or bemrick@networld.com) or Vicky McDaniel - 576-0160 or (mcdaniel@xmission.com

OCT 21 FRI BIKE ROAD: PARK CITY AREA (MOD). Rides will mostly be in Summit, Wasatch and Morgan Counties. The weekly ride description, meeting place and time will be mailed to the WMC-BIKE list a few days prior to the ride, keeping an eye on the weather. Helmets are required.

OCT 22 SAT FAMILY DAY HIKE: CITY CREEK TWIN PEAKS (NTD). Randy Long (943-0244) will hike to this great lookout over the city. Meet Randy at the Pioneer Trail State Park exit at 10 AM. Children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer.

OCT 28 FRI BIKE ROAD: PARK CITY AREA (MOD). Rides will mostly be in Summit, Wasatch and Morgan Counties. The weekly ride description, meeting place and time will be mailed to the WMC-BIKE list a few days prior to the ride, keeping an eye on the weather. Helmets are required.

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us experience the highlights of New Zealand. A detailed trip itinerary and trip description will be sent on request. Contact Vince Desimone vincede@simone@yahoo.com 435 649 6805. . The trip will fill up. Fourteen people have sent a deposit. If you are interested act quickly to reserve one of the few remaining spaces.

OCT 29 SAT DAY HIKE: NOTCH PEAK (MOD+). It's time once again for the Carl Bauer-Wick Miller Memorial Hike to Notch Peak in the desert west of Delta. The enormous vertical north face of Notch Peak is always impressive, but two years ago we took

the south ridge route down and the view of the west face was just as amazing, so we'll do the loop again this year (assuming that we don't have 6 inches of snow like we did last year!). Be prepared for cross country travel with route finding and a bit of scrambling. Meet Jerry Hatch (583-8047) at 6 AM at the Flying

J station at the 12300 South and I-15 interchange. (From Exit 294/295 on I-15, go east on 12300 South and turn north (left) at the Flying J onto Factory Outlet Dr., then left into the Flying J lot.)

OCT 29 SAT SOCIAL: HALLOWEEN PARTY, 6PM AT THE LODGE. It's that time again. The ghosts and goblins will be out, and we'll be holding our annual Halloween Costume Party. Dress up to the hilt; bring a potluck dish to share and your beverage of choice. There will be music and dancing, so come on up to the lodge and have a really good time!! For further questions please call: Beverly Emrick – 599-8744 or (bemrick@networld.com) or

Helpful Websites For Your Reference

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| <p>1) Outdoor activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wasatchmountainclub.org • outkionutah.com <p>2) State Parks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stateparks.utah.gov <p>3) National Parks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nps.gov/parks.html <p>4) Utah Division of Wildlife Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wildlife.utah.gov <p>5) Winter Safety: 364 1581</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • avalanche.org | <p>6) Camping Reservations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reservations.com <p>7) River Info:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whitewaterutah.com <p>8) Bicycling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wasatchmountainclub.org • bicycleutah.com <p>9) Real Estate Info:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • knick.utahrealestate.com (to search current active listings) • http://www.gmacrealestate.com/knick |
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Knick Knickerbocker, GRI
Email: knickni@vfnmfs.com
Cell: 801-7669
7050 S. Union Park Ave. #140
Midvale, UT 84047

Vicky McDaniel - 576-0160 or
(mcdaniel@xmission.com).

NOV 12 SAT CLIMBER'S PARTY AT THE LODGE All mountaineers, climbers, and anyone who wants to become one are invited to the end of the climbing season party to be held at the WMC lodge. It will start at 7:00 pm and go till who knows when. (Staying the night at the lodge is an option if you are not up to the post party downclimb in the dark.) Bring your slides, pictures, and stories for us all to enjoy (or endure). BYOB and a pot luck dish to share. Lodge use fees are \$3 per person for WMC members and \$5 per person for others. Call Craig Homer @ 201-0813 or Email sail2mountains@earthlink.net if you have questions. Rating: Approach to lodge could be AI-1 to AI-3 depending on snow conditions and route taken

NOV 21 MON - 26 SAT BACKPACK: KANAB CREEK IN THE GRAND CANYON. Russell Patterson (973-6427) has Park Service permits for

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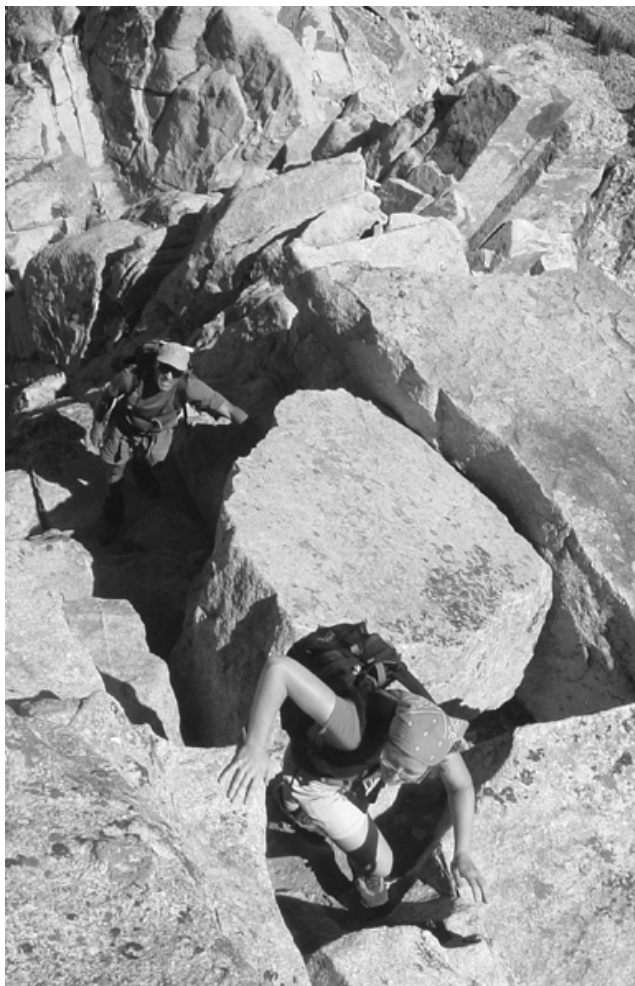
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Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Cell. (801)694-0804

six people. Kanab Creek is the largest tributary on the north side of Grand Canyon. We will hike from Willow Spring in Hack Canyon to the junction with Kanab Creek and hike down Kanab Creek to the Colorado River in Grand Canyon. Kanab Creek is a scenic, remote and very deep narrow canyon in a pristine wilderness. Along the way we will explore side canyons and possible fish for trout.. Call Russell to register and get more details.



**CONGRATULATIONS!! To Andy & Jude,
may they have many happy years together....
Photos by Vivien**



**Mohamed and Diedre on the
knife edge of Lone Peak.
Photo By Vivien**

NON-WMC EVENTS

OCT SKI SWAP The Utah Nordic Alliance (TUNA) sponsors a great ski swap each fall that takes place at the SL Expo Mart, 230 West, 200 South. No date was available at press time so call for info. 801-575-2170 www.utahnordic.com

OCT SKI SWAP: SNOWBIRD SKI TEAM. Call 801-943-4889

OCT 6 THU, 7 FRI, 8 SAT SKI SWAP: SPORTS DEN. 1350 So. Foothill Dr. Call 801-582-5611

OCT 15 SAT BIKE ROAD/MTN:

JOSIE JOHNSON MEMORIAL RIDE (ALL). Join a bunch of bikers for the 2nd annual Josie Johnson Memorial Ride. Meet at Sugarhouse Park at 12 noon. There will be an address from Mayor Anderson, and Dave Zabriskie at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 1:30-2:30pm.

OCT 19 WED GEAR SWAP BLACK DIAMOND. 2092 East 3900 South. 801-278-0233

OCT 28 FRI SKI SWAP: ROWMARK SKI ACADEMY. www.rowmark.org 801-355-7494

NOV PARK CITY SKI SWAP. Call 435-649-8749

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR
ANNOUNCEMENT

SANDY CITY -

CANOEING THE NORTH WOODS
Thursday, October 6th, 7pm



**Brett and Steve on top of Lone Peak via Big Willow
Photo By Vivien**

***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!!!!

**Many Congratulations to
Hardy and Holly
Married on Clayton Peak, Sept 17th 2005**



**The reception was held in the Lodge, chocolate
fondu as their wedding cake.
Photos By Vivien**

BECOMING A GEAR TESTER

Thursday, October 13th, 7pm

packing world. Tests are conducted for 4 months with gear provided straight from the manufacturer. During this period 3 reports are required from the testers

GPS 101

Thursday, October 20th, 7pm

RUNNING THE SAN JUAN

Thursday, October 27th, 7pm

SALT LAKE CITY -

CANOEING THE NORTH WOODS

Tuesday, October 4th, 7pm

d slew of Rob's personal and humorous anecdotes.

BECOMING A GEAR TESTER

Tuesday, October 11th, 7pm

PINION PINE AND PEOPLE

Friday, October 14th, 7pm

CARVING GRAND CANYON

Tuesday, October 18th, 7pm

**EXPLORING THE COLORADO PLATEAU BE-
FORE THE AUTOMOBILE**

Tuesday, October 25th, 7pm

MARKETPLACE

This area is free for members placing ads for used, recreational gear or for private and non-commercial and not-for-profit activities. To submit an add to the Marketplace email ads to wmc@xmission.com by the 10th of the month before publication. Non WMC members \$5.00 up to 20 words, \$.20 per additional word.

FOUND ITEM

A pair of glasses in a black quilted case, found on Sat, 8/20, in the Big Cottonwood Park and Ride. At least 3 Mountain Club Groups were meeting there that morning as well as a SOC group. My phone is 474-0275. Thanks, Joan Proctor

The University of Utah's Outdoor Recreation Program's Used Equipment Sale will be held October 12 & 13, 2005. A list of the items available will be ready October 5th. www.utah.edu/campusrec

Announcement

Lutheran Social Service of Utah is accepting resumes for the position of Early Childhood (K-8th) Program Director. Initially, this position will focus on developing our collaboration with Edison Elementary school (lowest income neighborhood in Salt Lake County) on behalf of 90+ children whose first language is other than English. This position is immediately open and completes the first week in June each year. The position is 13 hours per week at \$10.00 per hour -- no overtime hours.

This position is perfect for a retired professional who is considering community service and would enjoy a little stipend along with making a huge difference!

Faithfulness, loyalty and commitment; relational diplomacy and constructivism; ability to create own structures; independent with high initiative; multi-cultural awareness; skill, sensitivity; and joy from working with children a must!

Please no telephone calls!

If interested email resume to: lssutah@yahoo.com or mail to: Leslie Whited Vance, LSS of Utah, Jubilee Center, 309 East 100 South, SLC, Utah 84111.

Free fire wood at the lodge from downed trees. This wood is for personal use only. This must be completed only by contacting the caretaker at caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to coordinate your cutting and pick-up of the wood.

The lodge is viewed as a private residence when no activities are listed. The lodge is not open to members unless you contact the caretaker at caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to coordinate your planned visit.

Please add to the "Marketplace" page:

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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please read carefully and fill out all three (3) pages completely.
I am applying for a

☐ New Membership
☐ Single ☐ Couple

☐ Reinstatement (please do not use this form for yearly membership renewal)

Name of applicant (1) _____ Birth date _____

Name of applicant (2) _____ Birth date _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Rambler Phone (1) _____ Work Phone(1) _____ Email(1): _____

Rambler Phone (2) _____ Work Phone(2) _____ Email(2): _____

How did you learn about the WMC? _____

Privacy Information: The WMC publishes member's names, address and phone numbers in the The Rambler, twice a year to facilitate membership communication. We also occasionally release our address list to WMC-board approved wilderness and/or conservation organizations for one-off mailings under the stipulation that they do not continue to use the list or provide it to others. Please select from the following:

☐ Please publish my address in The Rambler and provide to board approved organizations.

☐ Please publish my address in The Rambler but do not provide to other organizations.

☐ Please do not publish my address in The Rambler, and do not provide to other organizations.

Do you wish to receive The Rambler (club publication) ☐ yes ☐ no.

Membership dues:

\$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)

\$25.00 for student membership (\$20.00 dues, plus \$5.00 application fee; must be full-time student, age 30 and under)

Enclosed is \$_____ for application fee and first year's dues. Check and money orders only. Make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director

Wasatch Mountain Club

1390 South, 1100 East

Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

Leave blank for office use:

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

Board Approval Date _____

Membership application (Page 1 of 3)

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO PARTICIPATE?

The Wasatch Mountain Club is a volunteer run organization. Events are published monthly in the Rambler, providing contact details, meeting times and places as well as a guide to the difficulties of the activity. Members can join other in a variety of activities, or lead an activity of their own by contacting the director in charge of the particular kind of event. Directors' contact information can be found in the front of the Rambler. Members can also subscribe to a series of email lists found on our web page, www.wasatchmountainclub.org. These lists provide more spontaneous communication between members heading into the backcountry.

What kinds of activities are you interested in?

Hiking: ☐ easy hike, ☐ moderate hike, ☐ challenging hike, ☐ car camp, ☐ backpack, ☐ family hikes

Boating: ☐ rafting, ☐ kayaking, ☐ canoeing,
☐ trip leader, ☐ instruction, ☐ equipment, ☐ sailing

Biking: ☐ mountain biking, ☐ road biking, ☐ camping tour

Winter Sports: Snowshoeing: ☐ easy tour, ☐ moderate tour, ☐ challenging tour

 Skiing: ☐ easy, ☐ moderate, or ☐ challenging x-country ski

☐ easy, ☐ moderate or ☐ challenging backcountry ski

☐ yurt trips

Climbing: ☐ wasatch Climb, ☐ out-of-town trip, ☐ winter mountaineering

Other: ☐ caving, ☐ rollerblading, ☐ scuba, ☐ canyoneering, ☐ other: _____

The Wasatch Mountain Club needs you!

In addition to the outdoor activities the club also depends on volunteers for the rest of its work. Directors for each of the activity areas, as well as a President, V.P., secretary and four trustees are elected to the board on a yearly basis at the annual membership meeting in February. In addition, committees are often formed to share the work load. It's easy to get involved.

Conservation: ☐ Air & Water Issues, ☐ Telephone tree, ☐ Trail clearing,
 ☐ Trailhead access, ☐ Wilderness

WMC Lodge @ Brighton: ☐ General Repair, ☐ Skilled Labor

Information: ☐ Public relations, ☐ Instruction, ☐ Web site

Social: ☐ Social host, ☐ Party assistance, ☐ Lodge host

Rambler: ☐ Word processing, ☐ Mailing, ☐ Advertising, ☐ Computer support

Membership: ☐ Help, ☐ Recruiting

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

Is there a special trip you would like to lead? _____

Membership application (Page 2 of 3)

Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC)

Applicant Agreement, Acknowledge of Risk and Release from Liability

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

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I am aware the WMC activities involve risks, and could result in injury, illness, death and damage or loss of property. These dangers include but are not limited too: the hazards of traveling in remote wilderness 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. 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 responsibilities 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 difficulties of any activity I participate in, and decide whether I am prepared by having the experience, skill, knowledge 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 and 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 or directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death or damage and loss of 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 the WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay the WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I certify that I have sufficient insurance to cover and 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: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

Witness:

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

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

Check the Web at
www.wasatchmountain club.org

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