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## From the President by Michael Budig

I want to thank our outgoing directors for there fine efforts on behalf of the Club over the the past year(s): Heidi Schubert, Tom Walsh, Carol Ann Langford, Brett Smith, Craig Homer and Clayton Rand. And I want to welcome our new incoming directors: Brian Taylor, Gretchen Siegler, Steve Duncan, Mark Bloomenthal, Jennifer Drake and David Rumbellow. We will face a challenging year- and the top priority will be correcting the winter waterline problem at the lodge.

The new board also welcomes a new position: Canyoneering Coordinator- who will serve under the direction of the Mountaineering Director. Canyoneering is a fast-growing sport and the board decided that we could better serve this demand by appointing a coordinator and I am happy to report that a friend (and co-worker), Rick Thompson has agreed to serve.

As I prepare to serve as President of the Mountain Club for my fourth and last year, I feel that the experience has given me some appreciation and sense of the club's history, identity and general priorities. I felt comfortable when I speak on behalf of the Club.

But at the same time, I always have some apprehension and self-doubt when preparing for major events, like General Membership meetings, the leader's Party, and especially the Awards Banquet. I feel somewhat the same way when pointing my cataraft into a big rapid- and I think it is good to have a healthy respect and wariness – and not to be too self-assured or relaxed when facing challenges of nature or life. I expect the coming year to present its share of challenges.

## 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

February 2006

Will McCarvill

I am a little behind in planning this year. On March 22, which is a Wednesday, I will hold a Conservation planning meeting at the WMC Office at 1390 S, 1100 E, #103. I will be prepared to discuss current issues, the position of the Club, and opportunities to help out.

In advance of this meeting, I do need some help with office type efforts. The conservation e-mail list is badly in need of updating. Our membership list needs to be cross checked with other organizations such as Sierra Club and SOC to see how much overlap we have and how not to fill peoples e-mail boxes with alerts etc from several organizations. I would like to be able to reach our members who are not informed through their membership in other organizations. So if you have some free time, give me a call.

The WMC will be involved with Trail Maintenance (through Chris Biltoft) and Adopt-a-Highway (through Kyle Williams) this year. I hope you can help these worthy efforts.

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### Conservation Planning Party

MAR 22 SERVICE: CONSERVATION PLANNING. At 7PM a Conservation planning meeting will be held at the club office. This will be our planning session for 2006. We plan on discussing what we will do about trail maintenance, trail access, administrative actions among other items. 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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## “Help Monitor Raptor Nests, Learn about birds, and have fun in the Wilderness”

**Raptor Inventory-Nest Survey (RINS)** is a non-profit organization associated with the BLM to monitor the activity and success of raptors nesting on BLM land. This info is used by the BLM to make wise, informed land-use decisions on Federal land. Please volunteer to help visit these nests during the spring and summer. We get assigned a plot of land, and make visits to known nests, explore for new ones, and record nesting activity. It so satisfying to watch the same nests throughout the season, and get to know the birds, watch them choose their mates, select their nest sites, raise their young, and watch them fly away when the time is right. It adds a whole new dimension to your wilderness ramblings. Don't just get out and hike just for the heck of it, get out and hike with a purpose, and help an important cause. The RINS project is one of a kind and the information we collect and record is vitally important to the birds of prey and their habitats. Studies such as this make contributions well into the future, and in particular studies that are conducted over long periods of time make a greater impact on the value of the data collected. For more info visit. [www.RINS.org](http://www.RINS.org) Or call Kyle Williams (801)486-2261

## Summer Sports Planning Parties - Join the fun early, volunteer and be a part of the process.



### Boating Planning Party

We'll be having the Scheduling Party on Tuesday March 7. This is when we make up the boating schedule for the year. Come and be the first to learn what trips are available.

#### THIS YEARS BOATING ACTIVITIES:

DATES	RIVER	CL	ORGANIZER	TELEPHONE	EMAIL
<u>MAR</u>					
7 / 1 day	Scheduling Party	I	Larry Gwin	435-647-3642	ljgpenuel@yahoo.com
<u>APR</u>					
8 / 8 day	Esclante		Rebecca Wallace	801-487-4160	rebeccawallace38.com
<u>MAY</u>					
19 / 3 day	Moab Daily	II	Larry Gwin	435-647-3642	ljgpenuel@yahoo.com
<u>JUN</u>					
15 / 10 day	Main Salmon	III	Dudley McIlhenny	801-733-7740	contextny@aol.com

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### Climbing Planning Party

APR 1 SAT CLIMBER'S PARTY AT THE LODGE All mountaineers, climbers, and anyone who wants to become one are invited to the beginning of the climbing season party to be held at the WMC lodge. It will start at 7:00 pm and go till 11:00 pm. 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 Peter Campbell @ 733-0313 or Email [wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com](mailto:wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com) if you have questions. Rating: Approach to lodge could be AI-1 to AI-3 depending on snow conditions and route taken.

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### Bike Planning Party

MAR 12 SUN: BIKE PLANNING PARTY (NTD). As of this writing, it is 50°C outside so now is the time to think about BIKING! Let's meet on Sunday night, March 12, to plan out future biking trips. We'll schedule out both road and mountain bike rides from May until October. Please come to volunteer to lead a ride or to meet the people you will ride with later. Think about what weekend trips you want to organize whether it is in a different state such as Colorado or down in Moab. Please meet at the clubhouse at 5900 S Sultan (280 W) at 6 pm. Nibbles will be provided but please bring your own beverages. Try to park in the stalls marked guest (temp) parking or in front of the clubhouse. Questions, please call Audrey at 647-0756 or [audreyrin@juno.com](mailto:audreyrin@juno.com)

# From the Winter Sports Director and Ski Coordinator

## **Safe Backcountry Ski Travel Techniques: (Copied from the Utah Avalanche Center web site: [www.avalanche.org](http://www.avalanche.org))**

One at a time. There always needs to be someone left in a safe spot to do the rescue. Never put everyone on the slope at once. With large groups, split them in half and stay in visual and voice contact.

Have an escape route planned. Always think avalanche. What will you do if you trigger an avalanche? Have a plan first.

Use slope cuts. Keep your speed up and cut across the starting zone, so that if you do trigger an avalanche, your momentum can carry you off the moving slab into safer terrain. You can do this on skis, snowboards or on snowmobiles.

Watch out for cornices. They always break farther back than you think. Always give them a wide berth. NEVER, NEVER walk out to the edge of a drop-off without first checking it out. Many people have needlessly died this way.

What are the alternatives? Use terrain to your advantage. Follow ridges, thick trees and slopes with safer consequences. You can almost always go back the way you came. The route got you there, it will most likely get you back as well.

If there's no other choice, go underground. You can almost always weather out a bad storm or bad avalanche conditions by digging a snow cave in a protected area. You may be uncomfortable but you will be alive.

## **Introductory Avalanche Classes**

### **Exum Utah Mountain Adventures**

**(801) 550-EXUM (3986)** [www.exum.ofutah.com](http://www.exum.ofutah.com)

March 10-11, 2006: Basic Avalanche Awareness as above.

*Think snow*



Awards were presented by Linda Kosky, Tom-Walsh, Vince DeSimone, and Micheal Budig.

## The Annual Awards Dinner: January 21st 2006.

The annual awards dinner pays tribute to those people that make the Wasatch Mountain Club what it is: A fun group of people who get outside and enjoy the world. Without the volunteer help of the board members, the Lodge crew and the tireless leaders of activities, this club just would not function. Two special awards are given each year: the Alexis Kelner award for outstanding conservation efforts and the Pa Perry award for overall long term service to the club.



### **The 2006 Alexis Kelner Award went to Chris Biltott.**

Chris has been active in the club for years and has recently been our main organizer for the trail maintenance days co-sponsored with the National Forest Service and Save Our Canyons. Last year work was completed on the Mill D trail and the Lake Mary trail right near the Lodge. Each and everyone of us should make a promise to help out next year, we use these trails and they deserve our support and repair. Look for trail maintenance days every second Saturday during the summer.

### **The 2006 Pa Perry Award went to Cheryl Soshnik.**

Cheryl is a long time member and despite her extensive communications within the club was terribly surprised by this award at the banquet. When Tom Walsh was reciting the previous service of the yet undisclosed winner, Cheryl was heard to utter "He must have his dates wrong, *I* was winter sports director those years." In addition to several years on the board Cheryl built the office database of members, which has faithfully keep track of our membership for the last seven years.

The Awards Dinner marks the end of the year in office by the board and closes the nominations for the next year's board. Elections for the '06-'07 board were held on February 15th. I hope you were there to support our volunteers.

### **Thanks to outgoing board members:**

Tom Walsh - Hiking Director, Winter Sports  
Director and Trustee '02-'06  
Carol Ann Langford -  
Membership -co-director '04-'06  
Heidi Schubert - Biking Director '03-05;  
Rambler co-editor '05-'06,  
Brett Smith - Information Director - '04-'06  
Craig Homer - Climbing Director - '03-'06  
Clayton Rand - Lodge co-director - '05-'06

### **Special thanks to incoming directors:**

Brian Taylor - Lodge co-director  
Gretchen Siegler - Co-conservation director  
Mark Bloomenthal - Co-Hiking Director  
Steve Duncan - Co-Hiking Director  
David Rumbellow - Information Director.  
Jennifer Drake - Co-Rambler Editor.





## International Group Promotes Climber's Contributions

Lead by an all-star Board of Directors including members from five countries The Mountain Fund ([www.mountainfund.org](http://www.mountainfund.org)) is out to change public perceptions about climbers. According to Executive Director, Scott MacLennan, climbers and other adventure travelers often get a bad rap in the press as selfish, thrill-seekers. The mainstream press is always reporting tragedies on mountains around the world and even showing them on six-story IMAX screens. What's never reported are the untold acts of caring and unselfish service happening everyday in countries that host our explorations. Climbers and trekkers tend to be more concerned than the average person about the well being of the people who live in the world's mountainous regions. Just look at how many nonprofit organizations were started by climbers, hikers and trekkers who visited the far corners of the planet and were touched, moved and inspired to help the people of the lands they visited.

The Mountain Fund is a coalition of grassroots nonprofits supporting mountain communities and environments around the globe. The Mountain Fund is the voice of those giving back and they intend to be heard. Twenty-six organizations have joined the Mountain Fund's vision of a united front working to alleviate problems of lack of healthcare, lack of

education, at-risk youth, porters' rights and environmental concerns around the world. MacLennan says he hopes the climbing community will get behind this initiative and make a strong statement that this is truly who we are; this is what we are doing.

Among the supporters of The Mountain Fund are Climbing Magazine, Rock and Ice, Alpinist, Everestnews, SummitClimb and Suntoucher Mountain Guides.

Board Members are Greg Crouch, Scott Barylski, Martin Berka, Dan Mazur, Gyanendra Ghale, George Martin, Carolyn Parker, Bob Doak, Dorothy Kammerer-Doak, Garth Willis, Teri TeKautz, Denis Urubko, Chad Kellogg, Kevin Cooney, Tom Reid, JP Parsons, Yure Chavez, Thibaut George, Stephen Graepel, Stan Hickory and Jake Norton. Climber/Writer Molly Loomis is a promoter for the Mountain Fund.

Please visit the Mountain Fund on the web at [www.mountainfund.org](http://www.mountainfund.org). To sign up for the Mountain Fund's monthly e-newsletter or request more information please email [david@mountainfund.org](mailto:david@mountainfund.org).



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**New MSR snowshoes** \$95. [vincedesimone@yahoo.com](mailto:vincedesimone@yahoo.com) or call 435 649 6805.

**COLEMAN LANTERN** : 2 mantle, fuel type. Excellent conditon. \$15. New price was \$45.  
Roger Upwall 466-0219

**KELTY ULTRALIGHT ILLUSION** internal frame backpack designed for women. Weight: 3# 6 ozs. Capacity: 3500 cu in. Used only once. Retails at \$170. Your price: \$85. If interested, please contact Gloria at 942-0365

Lots of Stuff from Jaynee Levy

I will bring to SLC if interested: Jaynee Levy, 435-636-3620,  
435-637-1049, [jlevy@blm.gov](mailto:jlevy@blm.gov) or [jarole@sisna.com](mailto:jarole@sisna.com))

**Ski gear:**

- > \$250 - K2 Impulse, 158 cm, excellent condition with full tune, with Marker Logic 123 bindings, used total 10 days (shaped skis, intermediate to advanced)
- > \$50 - 7.8 K2 Kevlar Performance, 170 cm, with TwinCam M38 Marker bindings, slightly shaped skis. Very good condition.
- > Colt 120 alpine ski poles - \$5
- > Scarpa T1 Telemark Boots, Black, Mens size 6-7, for Resort use/backcountry; used only 3 times, \$250 or best offer (I also have Diamond Resolution 160 cm shaped skis and cable bindings, if interested in buying package). Almost new.

**Camping gear:**

- > \$20 – Therma-rest, dark orange, self-inflating, dimensions 6 feet x 21 inches

**Sleeping bags:**

- > \$25 – Down bag, Green Nylon outside, yellow cotton inside; mummy with full plastic zipper (zipper missing two teeth)
- > \$20 – Down, Gray cotton inside and outside; half-way metal zipper
- > \$15 – Nylon yellow bag, best for car camping

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# 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

**Notice:** Non-member rates will rise by \$50/day for reservations after June 1st.



**It's winter again - Look for emails asking for help shoveling snow off the lodge roof.**



**The  
WMC  
Wants  
you!**

**Look for emails regarding Lodge Work Parties -  
We need your help with the Lodge so we all can use it in the future..**

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](mailto: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.**

## 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@wasatchmountainclub.org](mailto:majordomo@wasatchmountainclub.org) 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.

# 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.

**To subscribe : WMC club email lists:** Send an email to: majordomo@wasatchmountainclub.org with the text (not in the header section):

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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.

**\*\*\*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!!!!**

## 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  
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.**

# Activities Listings :

## ICELAND - 7/05/-7/17,2006

Come and join me on another adventure, this time to Iceland. We will be hiking from Mount Hekla to the Ocean with an extension to the Westman Islands. We will also spent 2 days in Reykjavik before our 10 days trekking. We will do some sightseeing, enjoying Thermal Pools and a 3 hour sunset kayaking, etc. The price for the 10 day land package is \$2115.00. Extra days and airfare are additional. Please call Christel if you are interested at 801-943-0316. Space is limited.

NOTE:It makes no sense to simultaneously organize 2 WMC trips to Iceland (as printed in the Febuary Rambler. As a result, Dudley is canceling his plans and suggests that anyone interested in visiting Iceland contact Crystal who is a professional travel agent and in an ideal position to coordinate an outstanding trip for all. Sorry for the duplication and possible confusion.



**A ride to remember!** Join Bob Norris in mid-April 2006 for the ultimate bike ride. This top of the world adventure features a 1000k ride from **Lahsa, Tibet to Kathmandu, Nepal**. We will include a visit to the Everest Base camp. Both camping and hotel stays are involved, and we will be fully supported by two four wheel drive vehicles. For more information and a day by day description, contact Bob Norris 801-943-6039 or e-mail [bobnepal@msn.com](mailto:bobnepal@msn.com)



**MAR 2 THU SNOWSHOE: THE COTTONWOODS** (NTD – MOD). Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 4 SAT SNOWSHOE: MILL CREEK CANYON** (NTD-TURTLE). Joan Proctor (474-0275) is leading today’s NTD trip. “Turtle” means that the pace WILL be nice and slow, but slow doesn’t mean short distance. Often turtle hikes go farther up the trail than a normal NTD trips. Meet at Skyline High Parking lot at 9:30 AM.

**MAR 4 SAT SNOWSHOE: LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYON ORGANIZER’S CHOICE** (MOD). Judy Elizondo and Andy Beard (824-9440) will do an ‘organizer’s choice’ in Little Cottonwood Canyon today, depending on the snow conditions and weather. They are hoping for Grizzly Gulch if the conditions permit. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 4 SAT SNOWSHOE: RIDGE RUN FROM**



Ridgeline views above Honeycomb Canyon on a Steve Pritchett Tour. Photo by Tim Bardsley.

**SCOTTS PASS TO WILLOW** (MOD+). Mohamed Abdallah. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 4 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: GRIZZLY GLUTCH & BITTBC** (NTD+). Come and ski with Leslie on a continuation of the Break into the Backcountry ski tours. The plan is to get in more ski time (mostly yo-yo) and put the previous instruction to use. All at an NTD pace. An advanced “mentor” will join the group for support as needed. Bring transceiver, shovel, skins, 10 E’s as required for backcountry travel (consider practice time too). Call or email Leslie Masters @ 424-2079 or [mountaintandem@juno.com](mailto:mountaintandem@juno.com) to register

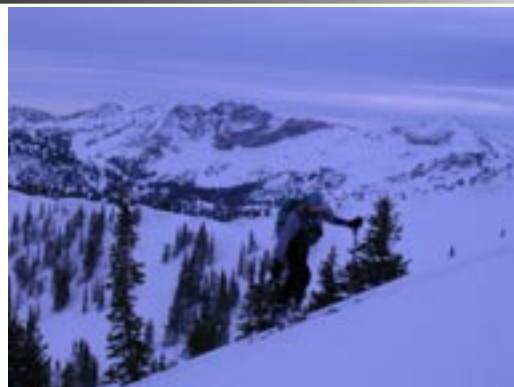


\*\*\*Participation in any WMC activity can be dangerous. It is your responsibility to evaluate your own preparedness and ability to safely participate in any activity. Please be sure to read and re-read the release forms in the back of this publication, as well as on the sign-up sheets at the beginning of each activity!!!!

**MAR 4 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: LCC TO BCC (MOD+).** Join Cheryl Krusko for a full day of skiing, approx 5k vertical with a cross canyon route, mountain and weather conditions allowing. Bring your transceiver, shovel, 10 Es, probe and avalanche skills. Plan on 1 or 2 bus fares (\$3 each) and an early start to catch the bus to Alta. Registration required so call Cheryl 474-3759 or e-mail CKRUSKO@peoplepc.com.

**MAR 5 SUN SNOWSHOE: PIPELINE TRAIL MILL-CREEK CANYON (NTD-TURTLE).** Carol Anderson (485-0877) is organizing today's slow and easy trip this morning. All members and prospective members are invited to join us today on this 'nobody left behind' activity. We'll leave from Skyline High School at 9:30 AM.

**MAR 5 SUN SNOWSHOE: NEFF'S CANYON TO THE MEADOW (MOD).** Barb Hanson (485-0132) is repeating the new tour she began last year that gains almost 2,500' in 3 miles. This is one of her favorite trips, to a bowl of jagged limestone cliffs with a great view of the Salt Lake Valley below. This trip begins at lower elevations, so



Steve Pritchett Climbing out of Silver Fork. Photo by Tim Bardsley.

hopefully there will be enough snow. This tour is in the Mt. Olympus Wilderness Area, so there is a limit of 10 in a group. Above 10, we would need to split out a second group and ask for a volunteer to be an organizer on another trip. Arrive early to assure you don't get bumped from the tour. Meet Barb at the Skyline High School parking lot at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 5 SUN SNOWSHOE: COTTONWOODS ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD).** Join Roger Young (943-6673), a first-time snowshoe organizer, on today's trip in the Cottonwood Canyons. Roger will choose a location and destination appropriate for today's conditions. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 5 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: REDBIRD / LCC (MOD).** Join Steve Pritchett for a ski between Maybird and Redpine and with options for either along with possible a Tanners exit. Bring your transceiver, shovel, 10 Es, probe and avalanche skills. Plan on a longer day if conditions are good! Registration required so call or e-mail Steve at 415-9857 or Friday by mid-day at spritchett@moxtek.com

**MAR 6 MON SKI BACKCOUNTRY: HELI-FREE MONDAYS (MSD+).** Join Robert Athey, the legendary 'Wizard of the Wasatch', as he explores multiple drainages in the tri-canyons without interference from helicopters. Tour is dependant on mountain and weather conditions. Plan on a long day with an early start. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear including transceiver and prior avalanche search training required. Group size will be limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Robert at wizowash@yahoo.com.

**Mar 7 TUE BOATING: SCHEDULING PARTY.** The Scheduling Party will be held at the Mt Olympus Church, (3280 East 3900 South) at 6:30 pm on

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**MAR 7 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD – MSD).** Vince DeSimone will organize a “Tuesday Group” again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 7 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+ to MSD).** Call or e-mail Chris Proctor to verify conditions and for details (485-1543) ([Proctorgtr@aol.com](mailto:Proctorgtr@aol.com)). Moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually but not always in the tri-canyons, with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear, snow safety and avalanche search training, and safe winter travel skills are essential. Transceivers are required for this trip.

**MAR 8 WED SKI BACKCOUNTRY: WEDNESDAY NOONER SKI TOURS (MOD- to MOD).** Wednesday nooners with Brian Barkey (801-394-6047, [brian\\_and\\_gerry@juno.com](mailto:brian_and_gerry@juno.com)) Please call to register and get meeting place. Enjoy the leisure life with Brian as he goes on a laid back tour into the local backcountry. Start time, about

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noonish, maybe earlier if the snow conditions are good enough. Destination and length of tour depends on participants. Transceivers, shovels, skins required.

**MAR 9 THU SNOWSHOE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (i.e., in case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 9 THU - MAR 12 SUN WINTER CAMPING: SNAKE RIVER HOT SPRINGS IN YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK.** Celebrate the spring month by skiing into a backcountry site for 2 nights near the remote Snake

River Hot Springs group. The hot springs soaking will take the chill out of the crisp winter air. The plan is to drive up to Jackson on Thursday morning, stay at a motel that night, and get a hearty breakfast and then pick up the permit the next morning, and start the ski from the Flag Ranch Bridge to cross the Snake River. Contact Mike Berry ([mberryxc@earthlink.net](mailto:mberryxc@earthlink.net), 583-4721) to register and for more information.

**MAR 10 FRI SOCIAL: SING-ALONG.** Bring musical instrument, or just your voice, and a munchie. Join with us for a good time social. Just a bunch of WMC’s playing and singing their hearts out. 5904 S. Tolcate Woods Lane (2930 E). La Rae and Bart 801-277-4093



Sigi Verhalen, Dave Rombello, Donna and Ralph Fisher, and trip organizer Vince Desimone. Photo by Cheryl Soshnik





Rick Gamble photo by Pete Mimmack

**MAR 11 SAT SNOWSHOE: DAYS FORK (NTD).** Tony Barron (272-8927) is celebrating his birthday in style today, with one of his famous 'stop to smell the snowflakes' trips. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**MAR 11 SAT SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD).** Join Gloria Watson (942-0365) today as she selects an appropriate location in the Cottonwood Canyons for a moderate paced snowshoe today. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 11 SAT SNOWSHOE: COTTONWOOD CANYONS (MOD).** Larry Nielssen destination to be decided. The "ethos of the wilderness" applies: if you lag, or are unprepared, or incapable, you will be abandoned to be torn apart by wolves (or by starving baby ducks), to ensure the survival of the main party, of course! Sorry, I don't write the rules. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends

you wear a transceiver.

[bartbartholoma@netscape.net](mailto:bartbartholoma@netscape.net).

**MAR 10 FRI SNOWSHOE: LAMBS CANYON IN THE MOONLIGHT (NTD).** Join Eric Johnson for an easy paced trek up Lambs Canyon Pass. Destination depends on weather and trail conditions. Eric will leave the 6200 South Wasatch Park & Ride lot at 6:00 pm or meet at the mouth of Lambs Canyon at 6:15 pm to carpool. If the weather is too bad we'll head to Cotton Bottom for burgers and beer. Contact Eric at 263-3858 or [ezjohnson@msn.com](mailto:ezjohnson@msn.com). The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 11 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: WILSON GLADE, BCC TO MILLCREEK (MOD+).** Join Steve Pritchett for a full day of skiing with a cross canyon route, mountain and weather conditions allowing. Bring your transceiver, shovel, 10 Es, probe and avalanche skills. Plan on 1 or 2 bus fares (\$3 each) and an early start to catch the bus. Help with car shuttle requested. Registration required so call or e-mail Steve at 415-9857 or Friday by mid-day at [spritchett@moxtek.com](mailto:spritchett@moxtek.com)

**MAR11 SAT LODGE WORK PARTY: 9:00AM TO 2:00P.**

We need your help with the lodge maintenance. We will be doing some snow shoveling and general clean up. This is a good way to meet your fellow members. Bring work gloves and a water bottle. Lunch will be provided. For food planning, a RSVP would be helpful. Dave Rabiger, 964 8190 or [drabiger@utah.gov](mailto:drabiger@utah.gov).

**MAR 12 SUN: BIKE PLANNING PARTY (NTD).** As of this writing, it is 50°F outside so now is the time to think about

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**BIKING!** Let's meet on Sunday night, March 12, to plan out future biking trips. We'll schedule out both road and mountain bike rides from May until October. Please come to volunteer to lead a ride or to meet the people you will ride with later. Think about what weekend trips you want to organize whether it is in a different state such as Colorado or down in Moab. Please meet at the clubhouse at 5900 S Sultan (280 W) at 6 pm. To boost attendance, food will be provided but not beverages nor hot tub. Try to park in the stalls marked guest (temp) parking or in front of the clubhouse. Questions, please call Audrey at 647-0756 or [audreyrin@juno.com](mailto:audreyrin@juno.com)

**MAR 12 SUN DAY HIKE: WEST DESERT (MOD).** Donn Seeley (706-0815 or [donn@xmission.com](mailto:donn@xmission.com)) will pick an appropriate hike for the conditions in the desert mountains west of Salt Lake. Expect steep, off-trail, exploratory hiking and scrambling; bring sturdy boots. Meet Donn at the Utah Travel Council lot at 9 AM.

**MAR 12 SUN SNOWSHOE: DOG LAKE (NTD).** Jim Piani (733-0627) organizes today's easy paced activity in Big Cottonwood Canyon. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**MAR 12 SUN SNOWSHOE: NORTH OR SOUTH WILLOW LAKE, STANSBURY RANGE (MOD).** Join Cathy Hunn (435-882-6529) today for a long but not too steep snowshoe tour in the Stansbury Mountains. She will go to either North or South Willow Lake. This will be a long day, as we'll have to hike the extra 3 miles from the locked gate. Meet at 8:30 AM at the Maverick Store on Hwy 36 in Stansbury Park. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 12 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZERS CHOICE (MOD).** Join Knick Knickerbocker (272-2485) for this pleasant snowshoe tour in the Wasatch today, weather and avalanche conditions permitting. Knick plans on a pleasant relaxed pace (not a race) to a nice destination in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Come prepared, avalanche beacon recommended. Meet at Butler Elementary, which is located on 2700 East about 7000 South, at 9:00 AM.

**MAR 12 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: BEAR TRAP (MOD):** A MOD trip at a moderate pace. Meet at Butler

Elementary at 9am to repeat the trip that didn't happen last month. Bring your lunch, 10 Es, transceiver and knowledge of safe backcountry travel. Expect to be in the backcountry till 4pm. For details contact Heidi at [heidi@biochem.utah.edu](mailto:heidi@biochem.utah.edu) or 792-7765.

**MAR 13 MON SKI BACKCOUNTRY: HELI-FREE MONDAYS (MSD+).** Join Robert Athey, the legendary 'Wizard of the Wasatch', as he explores multiple drainages in the tri-canyons without interference from helicopters. Tour is dependant on mountain and weather conditions. Plan on a long day with an early start. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear including transceiver and prior avalanche search training required. Group size will be limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Robert at [wizowash@yahoo.com](mailto:wizowash@yahoo.com).

**MAR 14 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD – MSD).** Vince DeSimone will organize a "Tuesday Group" again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 14 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+ to MSD).** Call or e-mail Chris Proctor to verify conditions and for details (485-1543) ([Proctorgtr@aol.com](mailto:Proctorgtr@aol.com)). Moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually but not always in the tri-canyons, with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear, snow safety and avalanche search training, and safe winter travel skills are essential. Transceivers are required for this trip.



Outgoing Climbing Director Craig Homer skipped the Awards dinner to ice climb in Colorado - See what happens when you combine ice and sharp objects.





Views from Grandeur and Beartrap  
Photos by John Blodgett.



tlfitzsimmons@yahoo.com. For further questions you can reach Beverly Emrick – 599-8744 or (bemrick@networld.com) or Vicky McDaniel - 576-0160 or (mcdaniel@xmission.com).

**MAR 15 WED SKI BACKCOUNTRY: WEDNESDAY NOONER SKI TOURS (MOD- to MOD).** Wednesday nooners with Brian Barkey (801-394-6047, brian\_and\_gerry@juno.com) Please call to register and get meeting place. Enjoy the leisure life with Brian as he goes on a laid back tour into the local backcountry. Start time, about noonish, maybe earlier if the snow conditions are good enough. Destination and length of tour

**MAR 15 WED SOCIAL: ST PATRICK'S DAY SOCIAL 6PM** - We love to eat! Come join in the fun as we celebrate St. Paddy's Day just a wee bit early. This month we're meeting at MacCool's Public House. They feature both American and traditional Irish fare. It's located at the south end of Foothill Village shopping area on the first floor (street level), which is 1400 South Foothill Drive. It's at the east end of the southern portion of the strip mall. See you there!! Hosted by Terri Fitzsimmons -

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Knick's Snowshoe at Willow Heights.

depends on participants. Transceivers, shovels, skins required.

**MAR 16 THU SNOWSHOE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 18 SAT SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER’S CHOICE THE COTTONWOODS (NTD).** Christine Allred (424-0096) promises to take it slow and easy today, as she’s recovering from a foot injury. This will be a fun, nobody-left-behind trip, and she’ll choose the destination based on snow and weather conditions. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**MAR 18 SAT SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER’S CHOICE (MOD).** Liz Cordova (486-0909) will choose an appropriate location for today’s snowshoe, depending on the sun and snow conditions. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 18 SAT SNOWSHOE: COTTONWOOD CANYONS RIDGE RUN (MOD+/MSD-).** Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) will lead this energetic and brisk-paced activity today, choosing a ridge destination depending on the conditions and weather. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recom-

mends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 18 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: GRIZZLY GLUTCH & BITTBC (NTD+).** Come and ski with Tomi on a continuation of the Break into the Backcountry ski tours. The plan is to get in more ski time (mostly yo-yo) on Patsy Marley and put the previous instruction to use. All at an NTD pace. An advanced “mentor” (Chris) will join the group for support as needed. Bring transceiver, shovel, skins, 10 E’s as required for backcountry travel (consider practice time too). Call or email Tomi Ossana (or Chris) @ 485-1543, tjossana@xmission.com to register.

**MAR 19 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER’S CHOICE (NTD).** Tom Walsh (487-1336) is organizing today’s slower paced excursion today. If you haven’t tried snowshoeing yet, this is your chance, the winter is winding down! Tom promises to not leave anybody behind, but in exchange, he wants licorice; Lots of it, strong and black. (But I bet he won’t eject you from the trip if you forget to bring it....) We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**MAR 19 SUN SNOWSHOE: SCOTTS PASS TO WILLOW RIDGE RUN (MOD).** Carrie Clark and Rick Gamble (519-9257) are organizing this Ridge Run in Big Cottonwood Canyon today. It will be a good moderate workout – ridge runs are usually longer days but not super-extreme elevation changes; and you’ll see great scenery with your fun outdoor enthusiastic host and hostess. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 19 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZERS CHOICE ABOVE BOUNTIFUL (MOD+)** Join Zig Sondelski and



Sig and Vince at Summit Park on Feb 7th. Photo by Cheryl Soshnik.





Troy Crawford and Lori Lee up Porter Fork.

enjoy some new trails and scenery in the Wasatch. Ever been up North Canyon, Sessions Ridge, Mueller Canyon, Grandview Ridge, City Creek West Ridge, Holbrook Ridge or Parrish Creek to name a few? Expect great views of the valley and lake, all points west and frequently moose. Most trails connect with the Great Western Trail with views to the east as well. Bring the appropriate 10-E's for snowshoeing. Departure time will be at 9:00 AM and the meeting location will depend on the trail chosen so contact Zig for more details at 292-8332 (H), 299-6623 (W) or [zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com](mailto:zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com)

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**MAR 19 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: WHITEPINE SKI (MOD).** Join Greg Libecchi for a fun long day in the Wasatch. Remember to bring your 10E's, transceiver, shovel, skins and a team spirit. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and knowledge of beacon use required. Prior snow and avalanche safety training suggested. Email or call Greg to register [glibecchi@yahoo.com](mailto:glibecchi@yahoo.com) or (435) 645-9699.

**MAR 20 MON SKI BACKCOUNTRY: HELI-FREE MONDAYS (MSD+).** Join Robert Athey, the legendary 'Wizard of the Wasatch', as he explores multiple drainages in the tri-canyons without interference from helicopters. Tour is dependant on mountain and weather conditions. Plan on a long day with an early start. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear including transceiver and prior avalanche search training required. Group size will be limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Robert at [wizowash@yahoo.com](mailto:wizowash@yahoo.com).

**MAR 21 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD – MSD).** Vince DeSimone will organize a "Tuesday Group" again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

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**MAR 22 SERVICE: CONSERVATION PLANNING.** At 7PM a Conservation planning meeting will be held at the club office. This will be our planning session for 2006. We plan on discussing what we will do about trail maintenance, trail access, administrative actions among

other items. 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.

**MAR 22 WED SKI BACK-COUNTRY: WEDNESDAY NOONER SKI TOURS (MOD-to MOD).** Wednesday nooners with Brian Barkey (801-394-6047, brian\_and\_gerry@juno.com) Please call to register and get meeting place. Enjoy the leisure life with Brian as he goes on a laid back tour into the local backcountry. Start time, about noonish, maybe earlier if the snow conditions are good enough. Destination and length of tour depends on participants. Transceivers, shovels, skins required.

**MAR 23 THU SNOWSHOE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (i.e. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 24 FRI - 25 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: KING’S PEAK (MSD).** The historic Kings Peak ski tour, hosted

by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (NOTE THE DATE! March 24th) at the Henry’s Fork Snow-Parking area and get under way very early

on Saturday morning. More detail will be published in the March Rambler. We will start out no matter what the weather and assess the summit from the basin or Gunsight. Please mark your calendar. For additional information call Steve at 272-5750 or Larry at 583-4043. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 25 SAT SNOWSHOE: GOURMET POTLUCK WIL-**

**LOW LAKE (NTD=FUN!).** This is it, the annual gourmet snowshoe trip. It’s time to dig out your favorite gourmet recipes as well as your most festive and creative costumes to celebrate nearing the end of the winter season and welcome the advent of SPRING! Wine tasting included – bring your reds and whites. Skiers are welcome also, and bring along all your friends to introduce them to the club... the more the merrier today! Holly Smith (272-5358) and Mark Jones (486-5354) are once again organizing this annual event. . We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 10:00 AM.

**MAR 25 SAT SNOWSHOE: RIDGE RUN TO THE GOURMET POTLUCK (MOD+/MSD).** Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) promises NOT to get lost like last year. He will lead this energetic and brisk-paced activity today, choosing a ridge run depending on the conditions and weather, and WILL get to the gourmet food before everyone else has gone home. Afterwards, we WILL take the right turn to go back. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 8:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 25 SAT SKI BACKCOUNTRY: BEN LOMOND PEAK (MSD).** Join Don Hatch, an Ogden local, to experience the untracked beauty of Ben Lomond Peak. Plan on an early start and a long day of at least 5,000 vertical feet. Good conditioning, dependable gear, prior avalanche safety experience and beacon / shovel required. Tour is dependant on mountain and weather conditions. Group size is limited and pre-registration required. Contact Don at 801-941-5292 or dhatch@tomax.com

**MAR 26 SUN DAY HIKE: WEST DESERT (MOD).** Donn Seeley (706-0815 or donn@xmission.com) will

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Rick Gamble skiing, photo by Pete Mimmack.





The Snowshoe group at lunch.

Photo by Cheryl Soshnik

pick an appropriate hike for the conditions in the desert mountains west of Salt Lake. Expect steep, off-trail, exploratory hiking and scrambling; bring sturdy boots. Meet Donn at the Utah Travel Council lot at 9 AM.

**MAR 26 SUN SNOWSHOE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (NTD-TURTLE).** Eat too much yesterday on the Gourmet potluck? Need to burn off a few calories? Join Jim and Bonnie Zinanti (571-1454) on their "day-after recovery shoo". It's a TURTLE pace, meaning everyone will stick together at a nice, comfortable, easy pace. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 26 SUN SNOWSHOE: COTTONWOOD CANYONS RIDGE RUN (MOD+/MSD-).** Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) will lead this energetic and brisk-paced activity today, choosing a ridge destination depending on the conditions and weather. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 26 SUN SKI BACKCOUNTRY: BREAK INTO**

**THE BACK COUNTRY BCC AREA (NTD+).** Come and ski with Irene Ota on

another of the Break into the Backcountry ski tours. The pace will be NTD and the focus will be on developing technique and basic backcountry awareness. The plan is to get in more ski time compared to the previous instruction focused days and all at an NTD pace. A veteran club member who will act as a "mentor" will join you. Bring transceiver, 2-way radio (if you have one), shovel, skins and 10 E's as required for backcountry travel. Registration is required so call or email Irene @ 582-0946 or irenemota@aol.com.

**MAR 27 MON SKI BACKCOUNTRY: HELI-FREE MONDAYS (MSD+).** Join Robert Athey, the legendary 'Wizard of the Wasatch', as he explores multiple drainages in the tri-canyons without interference from helicopters. Tour is dependant on mountain and weather conditions. Plan on a long day with an early start. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear including transceiver and prior avalanche search training required. Group size will be limited and pre-registration is required. Contact Robert at wizowash@yahoo.com.

**MAR 28 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS**



Jack and Gene at Twin Lakes Pass, Photo by Lori Lee

(MOD – MSD). Vince DeSimone will organize a “Tuesday Group” again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**MAR 28 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB (MOD+ to MSD).** Call or e-mail Chris Proctor to verify conditions and for details (485-1543) ([Proctorgtr@aol.com](mailto:Proctorgtr@aol.com)). Moderate to long/hard ski tours, usually but not always in the tri-canyons, with 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate and dependable gear, snow safety and avalanche search training, and safe winter travel skills are essential. Transceivers are required for this trip.

**MAR 29 WED SKI BACKCOUNTRY: WEDNESDAY NOONER SKI TOURS (MOD- to MOD).** Wednesday nooners with Brian Barkey (801-394-6047, [brian\\_and\\_gerri@juno.com](mailto:brian_and_gerri@juno.com)) Please call to register and get meeting place. Enjoy the leisure life with Brian as he goes on a laid back tour into the local backcountry. Start time, about noonish, maybe earlier if the snow conditions are good enough. Destination and length of tour depends on participants. Transceivers, shovels, skins required.

**MAR 30 THU SNOWSHOE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destina-

tion determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APRIL 2006 SOCIAL TRAVELOGUE.** We have a great travelogue planned for April featuring Lorene Wyss and Dave and Susan Rabiger and their trip to Peru. Keep your eyes and ears open; we will be giving you all the details soon.

**APR 1 SAT CLIMBER’S PARTY AT THE LODGE** All mountaineers, climbers, and anyone who wants to become one are invited

to the beginning of the climbing season party to be held at the WMC lodge. It will start at 7:00 pm and go till 11:00 pm. 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 Peter Campbell @ 733-0313 or Email [wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com](mailto:wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com) if you have questions. Rating: Approach to lodge could be AI-1 to AI-3 depending on snow conditions and route taken.

**APR 1 SAT DAY HIKE: FOOL PEAK (MOD+).** What better way is there to observe April Fools Day than to hike this 9717-foot peak northeast of Delta? Some years it is snow covered and requires snowshoes. Other years you can just walk right up. The hike is probably a MOD+ but early in the season when most of us are not in good hiking condition, it tends to be tiring. You will need snowshoes, all 10 of the Es, money for dinner, and money for the car pool. Call Tom Walsh (487-1336) to register and get more details.

**APR 1 SAT SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: ORGANIZER’S CHOICE THE COTTONWOODS (NTD).** Depending on the snow and weather, this will be either a hike or snowshoe. We’re still looking for a volunteer to organize this slower, easier paced outing. Please call Cheryl Soshnik at 435-649-9008 if you want to take the lead role here. We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**APR 1 SAT SNOWSHOE: DESOLATION LAKE (MOD).** Who better than Jim Piani (801-733-0627) could organize an April Fool’s snowshoe? Nobody, that’s why we love Jim so! We’ll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 2 SUN SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: ORGANIZER’S CHOICE (NTD).** Join Tony Barron (272-8927) for his



easy-paced, friendly, nobody left behind trip. Depending on the weather, we'll either snowshoe or hike, so come prepared for both. You can always call Tony before hand if you would like to discuss what kind of trip he thinks he'll be doing. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 10:00 AM. Hope you 'sprung forward' your clocks last night, as we are now in daylight savings time!

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weather. Call Rebecca Wallace, 801-487-4160.

**APR 8 SAT FAMILY DAY HIKE: STANSBURY ISLAND (MOD).** Randy Long (733-9367) plans a backcountry loop hike on this second largest Great Salt Lake island, which is visible from a good share of the Salt Lake Valley. The first mile is steep, but the rest is flat and very enjoyable as the trail goes into

three big canyons, including Tabby's Canyon, and past two very spectacular overlooks. Meet Randy at the Utah Travel Council lot at 9:30 AM. Children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer.

**APR 2 SUN SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: LITTLE BLACK MOUNTAIN VIA CITY CREEK TWINS (MOD).** If mom nature gives us late season snow, we'll snowshoe, but this will likely be a hike today. Constance Modrow (287-2508 day, 954-8324 evening) is organizing today's event, and if you are wondering whether to bring snowshoes or not, call her ahead of time. We'll leave from the Utah Travel Council parking lot (just south of the State Capitol bldg), at 9:00 AM. Hope you 'sprung forward' your clocks last night, as we are now in daylight savings time!

**APR 8 SAT SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (NTD).** Robert Turner (355-9617 – another new but old phone number for him, mark this one down as current) will probably be hiking today, but if we have had a late season snowstorm, this just might be a snowshoe trip. Bring equipment for either if you are unsure, or call Robert ahead of time to discuss your options. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**APR 4 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD – MSD).** Vince DeSimone will organize a "Tuesday Group" again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 8 SAT SNOWSHOE: COTTONWOOD CANYONS RIDGE RUN (MOD+/MSD-).** Mohamed Abdallah (466-9310) will lead this energetic and brisk-paced activity today, choosing a ridge destination depending on the conditions and weather. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 6 THU SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a "Thursday Group" this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the "over the hill" bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 9 SUN DAY HIKE: CEDAR MOUNTAINS (MOD+).** Donn Seeley (706-0815 or [donn@xmission.com](mailto:donn@xmission.com)) is planning a long day on the west side of the newly approved Cedar Mountains Wilderness, west of Salt Lake. We'll do a loop, starting in a nameless canyon with several fun pour-offs and scrambles, then follow the ridge in and out of cliff-bands to the summit, and finally down to the flats via Quincy Spring. We'll take full advantage of Daylight Saving Time and start at 8 AM from the Utah Travel Council lot. Part of this route is exploratory, and almost all of it is steep and cross-country; bring sturdy boots.

**APR 8 SAT-16 SUN BOATING: ESCALANTE RIVER.** This is a NON-WMC Trip. Launch inflatable kayaks from Hwy 12 and spend 7 days exploring, by boat and foot, traveling an average of 10 miles a day. Take out at Crack in the Wall, with a strenuous 4 mile hike to the shuttle vehicles. Trip is dependent on water levels and

**APR 9 SUN SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (NTD).** Holly Smith (272-5358) doesn't know if this is going to be a hike or a snowshoe, but whatever she does, you know it will be a fun time! Bring along gear for either, or call Holly ahead of time to see if she thinks it will be a hike or a snowshoe today. Whichever it is, be assured the group will stick together, the pace will be casual, and FUN is the word of the day! We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM.

**APR 9 SUN SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: ORGANIZER'S CHOICE (MOD).** Join Gloria Watson (942-0365) today

as she selects an appropriate location in the Cottonwood Canyons for a moderate paced snowshoe or hike. Be prepared for either activity, depending on the snow conditions. You can always call Gloria ahead of time to discuss what kind of trip she thinks she'll be making. We'll leave from Butler Elementary School, which is located at 2700 E 7000 S, at 9:00 AM. If this turns out to be a snowshoe trip, the club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 11 TUE SNOWSHOE: PARK CITY ENVIRONS (MOD – MSD).** Vince DeSimone will organize a “Tuesday Group” again this year, leaving 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. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices and updates for all Tuesday Snowshoe trips throughout the winter. 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. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 13 THU SNOWSHOE OR HIKE: THE COTTONWOODS (NTD – MOD).** Norm Pobanz (266-3703) will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing is an adventure. Join the “over the hill” bunch and expect a pace suitable to all and a destination determined at the time of departure. To confirm the outing (ie. In case of bad weather and possible road restrictions), discuss equipment, or to suggest a destination, call Norm ahead of time. Meet at the Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road) at 9:15 AM. The club recommends you wear a transceiver.

**APR 15 SAT - 16 SUN CAR CAMP: ESCALANTE.** Donn Seeley (706-0815 or [donn@xmission.com](mailto:donn@xmission.com)) is still firming up his plans but he'd like to do fun slot canyon hikes like Egypt 3. It won't be technical canyoneering, but it will likely be exploratory with scrambling and pothole wading. Call Donn to register and get details.

**APR 15 SAT SKI TOUR: DRY LAKE FORK (STANSBURY MOUNTAINS)(MOD).** Mike Berry ([mberryxc@earthlink.net](mailto:mberryxc@earthlink.net)) organizes this trip to the Stansbury Range. This outing will climb approximately 2,800 feet over 4.5 miles to listen and watch (from a safe distance) for the annual spring snow slides releasing from the east cliffs of Deseret Peak. This tour follows the drainage and does not stay on the summer trail to the peak. Sturdy touring or backcountry skis are suggested. Skins may be useful. Beacon and shovel required. Contact Mike Berry ([mberryxc@earthlink.net](mailto:mberryxc@earthlink.net), 583-4721) by Thursday, April 13 to register and for meeting time/place & information.

**APR 22 SAT - 23 SUN CAR CAMP: BULL VALLEY GORGE.** Bull Valley Gorge and Round Valley Draw are wonderful day hike slot canyons, off the beaten path down by Kodachrome State Park. Plan to drive down Friday after work and camp for two nights at the state park (which

is pretty deluxe -- it even has showers). Then hike one canyon Saturday and the second Sunday, coming home Sunday night. They are not purely hikes -- although harnesses are not necessary, some scrambling is required to negotiate the canyons. Contact Rick Thompson (255-8058 or [gone2moab@hotmail.com](mailto:gone2moab@hotmail.com)) to register and get more details.

**APR 22 SAT FAMILY DAY HIKE: ANTELOPE ISLAND (MOD).** Randy Long (733-9367) notes: We did a very enjoyable trail on the second largest Great Salt Lake island two weeks ago -- now let's do a similar one on the largest island. The White Rocks loop has a really spectacular view area (Beacon Knob), a saddle, and a very lovely hike along the west side lake shore. Meet Randy at the Utah Travel Council lot at 9:30 AM. Adolescent children of members may participate with the consent of the organizer. Don't forget to bring money for the Antelope Island park entrance fee.



Snowshoe to the Salt lake overlook in Millcreek. In back of Mary Ann Losee, Mike Collet, and Barry Quinn is Grandeur Peak. Photo by Robert Turner.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

**MAY 12 FRI - 14 SUN FAMILY CAR CAMP: ARCHES.** This is our annual Family Mother's Day Car Camp and General Spring Celebration. We have the large group campground reserved for Friday and Saturday nights. Bring your kids and grandkids! Call Noel de Nevers (328-9376 or [Noel.deNevers@utah.edu](mailto:Noel.deNevers@utah.edu)) to register and get information. We are limited to 10 cars and 50 people; don't come without a reservation!

**MAY 19 FRI – 21 SUN BOATING: MOAB DAILY BEGINNERS TRIP.** This is a great way to break into boating. The Moab Daily is an easy stretch of the Colorado River. You can experience all of our boats from the inflatable kayak to an oar rig. Learn how the WMC conducts river trips. Larry Gwin, 435-647-3642 [ljgpenuel@yahoo.com](mailto:ljgpenuel@yahoo.com)

**JUN 15 THU – 25 SUN BOATING: MAIN SALMON.** This will be a pre-season trip on one of the most beautiful rivers in America. Dudley McIlhenny, 801-733-7740 [contextny@aol.com](mailto:contextny@aol.com).



# 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](http://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 ☐

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? \_\_\_\_\_

## 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

nature, the inherent dangers

of the WMC. 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: \_\_\_\_\_



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