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Mike Budig, Linda Kosky and Julie Mason (Pa Parry award winner), the Nominations Banquet, photo by Donn Seeley.

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- > How to rent the Lodge
- > Online Activities Listing
- > Liability Release Forms
- > Membership Applications
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From the President by Heidi Schubert

Ten years ago, when I was living in England, I joined a “walking club”. There were 10-18 mile “walks” every weekend and 3-day weekend-away trips at youth hostels every month. I didn't participate in the club's administration at the time, so when I joined the Wasatch Mountain Club in 2000 I knew I was lucky to find such a great group of people but also felt it was time to step up and volunteer – to

both follow and lead. I hope that over time, those of you who enjoy the club will also feel the same way. The club is worth some time and effort of your own in order to maintain it for yourself and your friends.

Thanks for everyone who has suffered through the website transition. This was a much bigger endeavor than I ever imagined, but in the end, the final product appears worth the effort. Thanks to all of you who have sent me words of appreciation. Your support was always welcome. Many thanks to Henri deBaritault of Accent on Artistry for making the site look “great” as many of you have said.



As we transition from winter to spring please remember to look ahead for multi-day trips, backpacks, boating trips and mountain bike weekends. Planning ahead always makes finding the time easier. Consider organizing one of these trips yourself. It's always great to bring your friends together for a new adventure.

Finally, I wrote this message by headlamp while visiting Joshua Tree National Park in early February. I am reminded of how incredible our ecological world is and our role in it as stewards and protectors. Don't forget to join the club for various noxious weed pulls, adopt-a-highway cleanups and trail maintained days this spring. This is all part of enjoying and preserving the world around us.

See you on the trail.

Heidi

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

March 2007

Will McCarvill

Gretchen Siegler

Volunteers are still needed to meet with Senators and Representatives in Washington DC March 17 through 21 for Wilderness Week. The goal is to educate our national lawmakers about Utah Wilderness. After 12 years of hostile receptions this one should be a lot of fun. Last time I was there was 9/11 and I got to see the plane crash into the Pentagon. Please contact Gretchen about this opportunity. You get a pretty good education on how the legislative process works. Maybe Matheson will now welcome us with open arms!

Speaking of service trips, it looks like there has been some motorized activities in the San Rafael Swell that are not part of the Travel Plan and some have been occurring in Wilderness Study Areas. My service trips this year will be directed at specific areas, both in and outside of WSA's to assess what is going on. This spring I will be checking out motorcycle trails in upper Lone Man Draw. There are some fantastic hikes in this area where old and unused cowboy trails can be found. The other areas are North and South Coal Washes. It's been a while since I have visited the Devil's Racetrack and the Eva Conover Trails. I'll work out the details for the next Rambler.

BOATING DIRECTORS MESSAGES

Message from Donna Kramer, 2007 WMC Boating Director:

I requested to be the next WMC Boating Director because, after many years of enjoying club activities, this position is one where I might be of most service. Thanks to WMC, I have enjoyed many activities, some challenging, some relaxing. On a WMC hike Labor Day 1991, I met my life partner and husband Tom Wood. I enjoy hikes, skiing, snowshoe, camping, canyoneering, and socials.

Most of all I love boating. I started boating with WMC in 1986. Now I feel I should 'give back' and be a more active leader. I hope to encourage participation at all levels, from novice to expert; develop wider variety of activities (canoeing, for example); develop resources for training river safety; and complete the "Guide for Boating Trip Leaders". I also want to expand information on the WMC boating web page. Personally, I look forward to networking in the general boating community in order to build support for the WMC boating program. Those with suggestions may contact me, Donna Kramer, via email at dontkramer@yahoo.com.

THIS YEARS BOATING ACTIVITIES:

DATES (#DAYS)	RIVER	CL	ORGANIZER	TELEPHONE	EMAIL
MAR 15/(1)	Scheduling Party	I	Donna Kramer	801-272-0418	dontkramer@yahoo.com
JUN 10/(5)	Yampa Service Trip	IV	Janet Embry	322-4326	embry_janet@yahoo.com

Information Director's Message - Dave Rumbellow

YOUR CHANCE TO VOLUNTEER FOR A PBS RADIO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND REPRESENT THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB.

If you are interested in answering the phones and taking membership information during a membership drive for one of the local PBS radio stations please contact Dave Rumbellow at 581-9650 or djr3@xmission.com to volunteer. The phone duty will occur for a 3 hour shift at the end of March or beginning of April. The exact time is yet to be determined depending upon the availability of volunteers and the station. We may volunteer at more than one radio station depending upon the number of volunteers who are interested. Possible stations are KRCL, KCPW and KUER.

Pfeifferhorn – Two climbers caught, one reported as critically injured.

Good News- Joe Bullough (WMC Member) is out of the ICU now! Joe summited King's Peak with us in March (can be found on-line at www.wasatchmountainclub.org/ski/kingspeak.htm), and is well known in the local hiking/ climbing community.

Posts (Thanks Dmitry) from Brian on the incident, rescue, and Joe's hospital recovery process..

Michael Berry

Extracts from Summitpost.org's forum :

"Feb 11th

Hello, I'm Joe's brother and I wanted to express thanks for all your support here. In the days after the accident I read your well wishes to him. Even in his semi-unconscious state his facial reactions indicated he was benefiting from hearing them. Positive support like this will help him recover quickly. Yesterday he was incredible enough to walk through the hall, with a few steps unassisted. That is amazing considering it has only been one week....."

Preliminary Accident Report
Forest Service Utah Avalanche Center
Saturday, February 03, 2007
Accident Report by Drew Hardesty 2-3-07 8pm

Location:

The avalanche was on the southeast facing slope just beneath the east summit ridge of the Pfeifferhorn (large scale map) at approximately 11,000'. The Pfeifferhorn sits along the Little Cottonwood/American Fork ridgeline at an elevation of 11,326 feet. It is a common mountaineering and ski-mountaineering objective.

Accident Summary and Rescue Summary:

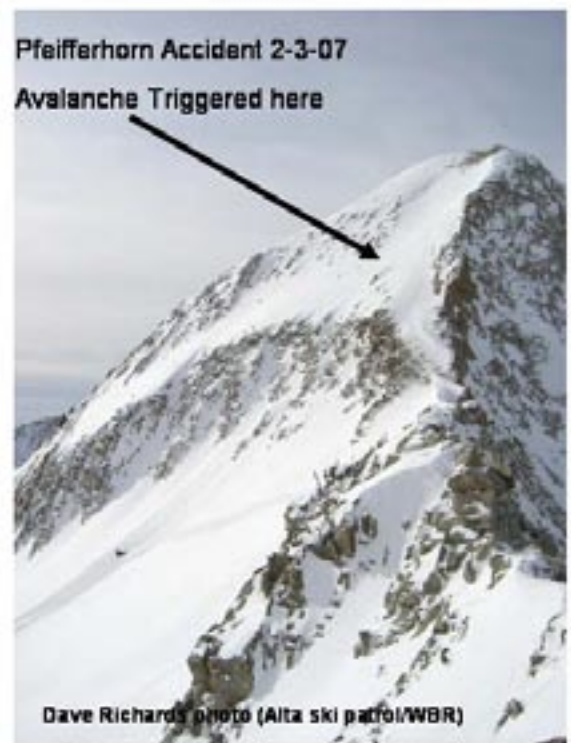
The two 43 year old men were attempting to climb the east ridge of the Pfeifferhorn and triggered a small pencil hard wind slab on the steep southeast flank of the ridge. While the avalanche was reported to be small, both were carried over 150' cliff-bands onto the snow-slope below. A rescue call came in at 1014 a.m., and the Search and Rescue teams with both Salt Lake and Utah counties responded, along with Wasatch Backcountry Rescue. As strong winds precluded the initial use of aircraft, WBR teams skied in from the White Pine Trailhead, only to be met by other team flown in a couple hours later. The rescue personnel were able to stabilize both men and sled them down to a safe landing zone on the Utah county side, where helicopters transported them down to a hospital in Salt Lake. It is not known whether they carried any rescue equipment, had avalanche training or had called the avalanche advisory.

Avalanche Data:

From photo observation and personal communication with rescuers, the new wind slab appeared to be 3-6" deep and 70-100' wide, running 700' vertically down the mountain. The avalanche would be classified as a HS-AF-R2D1-I, a hard slab artificially triggered by a skier on faceted grains above a stout melt freeze crust. Clearly, the danger from the avalanche centered on the steep mountainous terrain of the Canadian Rockies just last spring.

Weather History:

The Wasatch Range received 6-10" of new light density snow from January 30th-early February 2nd. Densities were generally less than 8%. Strong winds the evening of Feb 1st resulted in numerous Class 1 and Class 2 avalanches in steep wind drifted terrain, with most being less than a foot deep and 60 feet wide. Sustained strong west to northwest winds allowed avalanche control teams at the ski areas and backcountry skiers to trigger similar avalanches on Saturday February 3rd as well. The report of the avalanche on the mountainous terrain. No natural avalanche activity was reported during the day.



2007 Awards banquet... by Michael Budig (outgoing president)



Photos by Donn Seeley

The January 13 Awards/Nominations Banquet drew a crowd of 95 people to the very eloquent Jewish Community Center. Outgoing and incoming directors were recognized and introduced. We also presented the annual awards. The event was a big success thanks to members who attended, award recipients and directors, especially the entertainment directors, Bev Emrick and Vicy McDaniel.

The Alexis Kelner Award.



Jim Catlin (Alexis Kelner award winner)

In the 1970's and 80's, the Club occasionally presented awards for distinguished conservation work to members including Bob Wright and Alexis Kelner. In 1988 this was formalized with the following statement. with the following statement:

In celebration of 50 years of active life, much of which has been spent preserving the natural beauty of the Wasatch Mountains, the friends of Alexis Kelner have established 'the Alexis Kelner Conservation Fund' to be administered by the Wasatch Mountain Club. It is suggested that revenues from this fund be spent on annual awards to individuals inside or outside the Club, who have given distinguished service to the cause of Utah conservation. These awards are to be named 'Alexis Kelner Conservation Awards'

Since then, the Alexis Kelner Award has been given to Dick Carter, Tom Berggren, Steve Lewis, Rick Steiner, Will Mccarvill, Brad Yates, Randy Klein, Ellie Ienatsch, Gale Dick, Zach Frankel, John Veranth, Gavin Noyes, Peter Metcalf and Walt Haas.

The 2007 Alexis Kelner Conservation Award was presented by Alexis Kelner to Jim Catlin. Jim currently directs the American Wildlands Utah office. American Wildlands pursues science based conservation for the northern Rockies. Jim has worked effectively and selflessly for over 30 years to protect Utah's BIm lands. I cannot think of a more worthy recipient.

The Pa Perry Award



Clarence (Pa) Perry was one of the founding members of the Wasatch Mountain Club and a jeweler by trade. In 1954 Pa initiated an award to be given to a member who had given exceptional service to the club. Recipients in recent years have included Gale Dick, Alexis Kelner, Leslie Woods, Linda Kosky, Phyllis Anderson, Randy Long, Mike Treshow, Zig Sondelski and Cheryl Soshnik..

The 2007 Pa Perry award was presented to Julie Stoney Mason by Trustee Linda Kosky. Julie has been in charge of Club rentals of the lodge for about 10 years. Her interest in the lodge was inspired by her family's historical involvement- she is a descendant Of Leon Stoney and his sons who helped found the club in 1920. Early members helped build the lodge in the 1930's and Julie's family developed a strong attachment to the structure. She has given many hours each year in providing personal contact with members and non-members who wanted to use the lodge for parties, family gatherings and weddings. And her personal concern for the preservation of the lodge has been evident in all her efforts and have helped us maintain the lodge as a living tribute to our predecessors in the Wasatch Mountain Club.

The nominating committee



Worldwide Mailing special award

Recognition of Worldwide Mailing.

For about the last seven years, worldwode mailing has generously provided their service to the Wasatch Mountain Club (at no charge) and has mailed out the Ramblers for us. This has removed a great burden of organizing and coordinating volunteers who would otherwise do themailing. In recognition of this, Rambler Mailing Co-ordinator Chris Venizelos made a special presentation to Janet Brown, who represents World wide Mailing.

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 to 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.

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.

Lodge Service Days:

Please come help the lodge on the following WMC Service Days. Most of these dates will be filled with shoveling snow off the lodge roof and its surrounding area. Other minor interior repairs may also occur.

Thanks for your help :

March 10th,

April 14th,

May 5th.

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,



**Heidi on Jan 6th Snow Shuffling Party.
Photo by Brett**

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.

Komperdell carbon fiber poles for sale: \$95.00/pr Ultralight, 2 adjustments, suitable for backcountry skiing, snowshoeing, trekking, backpacking, and power walking. Contact higene27090@yahoo.com, or 801-295-5252.



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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, login to the WMC website and click on "Volunteer to Organize An Activity". The appropriate director will approve and/or edit this event for inclusion in both the web calendar and Rambler submissions. 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 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. 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:** Send an email to: majordomo@wasatchmountainclub.org with the following text in the message body: Subscribe wmc-bike; Subscribe wmc-hike; Subscribe wmc-climb; Subscribe wmc-ski; Subscribe wmc-snowshoe; Subscribe wmc-lodge; Subscribe wmc-social

Group size limits in wilderness. Some National Forest ranger districts limit the sizes of groups hiking in wilderness areas. For such hikes, the hike listing will indicate the maximum number of participants (not including the organizer). Please help 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.

Activity Difficulty Rating

0.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD) Lightly strenuous	B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet
4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD) Moderate to very strenuous	M > Round trip mileage > 15 mi. R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding
8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD) Very strenuous, difficult	S > Scrambling X > Exposure
11.1+ > Extreme (EXT) Very strong, well-seasoned hikers.	W = Wilderness area, limit 14

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

Directions to Meeting Place

Mill Creek Canyon Park and Ride lot: Between 3800 S. and 3900 S. on Wasatch Blvd. (3555 E.), between the I-215 freeway and Wasatch Blvd along 3900 S. It is on the northwest corner of the intersection. You can ONLY enter it from the west-bound lanes of 3900 South. To get to the Mill Creek Canyon Road from the Park and Ride lot without making a U turn, go west (right) on 3900 South, proceed under the freeway, then turn north (right) at the next available street, which is Birch Dr.; proceed north to Upland Dr. (across from Skyline High School); go east (right) under the freeway and across Wasatch Blvd. to the Mill Creek Canyon Road (3800 South).

Skyline High School east parking lot: 3251 E. 3760 South (Upland Dr.). From the intersection of Wasatch Boulevard and the Mill Creek Canyon road (3800 South), go west under the I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Drive (3330 East).

Butler Elementary: 2700 E just south of 7000 S

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

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

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Cottonwood Canyon Road and Quarry Road at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

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

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



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

Date	TYPE	(DIFF)	Title	Meetingplace
Mar 1 Thu ~ 9:15 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD-	THE COTTONWOODS	Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)
<p>Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703</p> <p>Norm 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.</p>				
Mar 1 Thu ~ Mar 3 Sat	Snow Caving	MOD	Snow Caving/Camping	TBD
<p>Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com</p> <p>Plan to get off work a little early Thursday afternoon (2:00) and head up the mountain at 3:00. After digging the caves, when we are wet and tired and cold (which we will be), we come back home for a warm dinner and a hot shower. Then Friday afternoon, we will go back up and move in, the work all done; kick back, cook dinner, and after a moonlight ski or snowshoe, sit around the fire with hot drinks, and watch the stars or perhaps, the snow fall. We will get together one evening before we go, on Thursday Feb 22, at 7:00, at my house, to plan and talk about technique and equipment, pair up teams, and coordinate transportation. For those who are either unavailable Thursday or are just unwilling to put in the hard work for a warm snow cave experience, you can still join our winter camp Friday and tent it, with the understanding that your tent may be 30 degrees colder than the snow cave. If this insanity sounds like something you'd be interested in, drop me a note. It's not actually that death defying--I have been doing this with scouts for 25 years and haven't lost anyone yet, despite my best efforts.</p>				
Mar 1 Thu ~ 6:00 pm	CLIMB	ALL	Gym Climbing Night	Momentum Climbing Gym
<p>Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com</p> <p>Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.</p>				
Mar 3 Sat ~ 10:00 am	TURTLE SNOWSNOE	NTD	WHITE FIR PASS	Skyline High School
<p>Organizer: Ellen Jenkins 293-9198</p> <p>Ellen is organizing today's easy paced trip in Mill Creek, and you can even sleep in a little bit too.</p>				
Mar 3 Sat ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD+	SCOTT'S PASS	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Holly Smith 272-5358</p> <p>Join Holly in Big Cottonwood today, you're sure to have a great time.</p>				
Mar 3 Sat ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD+	RIDGE RUN WILLOW TO BEARTRAP VIA GREAT WESTERN TRAIL	Butler Elementary
<p>Organizer: Mohammed Abdallah 466-9310 agm1144@yahoo.com</p> <p>Are you ready for a great, scenic adventure today? Mohammed is organizing this brisk paced, fairly long snowshoe trip today. Bring plenty of food and water and be prepared for a wonderful day. The Club recommends you wear a transceiver and carry a shovel. day.</p>				

“KNOW BEFORE YOU GO” by checking snow and weather conditions at <http://www.avalanche.org/~uac/> Before you participate in any WMC winter sports activity please review the Winter Sports Policy located on the club website www.wasatchmountainclub.org Before entering avalanche terrain, the club recommends you attain backcountry ‘safe travel’ and ‘avalanche awareness’ education AND attain and learn to use a transceiver, probe and shovel. Organizers are expected to keep the group together and use proper backcountry etiquette

Mar 3 Sat ~ 9:00 am	SKI	MOD	YoYoMod-Show & Go Ski Tour	6200 So.Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: Karen Perkins 801.272.2225 karenp@xmission.com Karen is ready to yo yo today! And wishing for plenty of powder after a Sonoran vacation.				
Mar 4 Sun ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD	COTTONWOOD CANYON ORGANIZER’S CHOICE	Butler Elementary
Organizer: Heidi DeMartis 942-8088 Depending on the snow and weather conditions, Heidi will take the easier-paced trip today.				
Mar 4 Sun ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD+	ORGANIZER’S CHOICE, POSSIBLY A RIDGE RUN	Butler Elementary
Organizer: Carrie Clark and Rick Gamble 519-9257 If weather is questionable, please call Carrie and Rick to see if the trip has been cancelled. The Club recommends you wear a transceiver and carry a shovel.				
Mar 4 Sun ~ 1:00 pm	TURTLE SNOWSHOE	NTD	AFTERNOON IN MILL CREEK	Butler Elementary
Organizer: Jean Acheson 633-5225 Jean will find a great trail for this afternoon’s casual snowshoe in Mill Creek.				
Mar 6 Tue ~ 5:00 pm	SNOWSHOE	MOD	PARK CITY ENVIRONS	For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices
Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vinedesimone@yahoo.com Vince 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. You will feel welcome and comfortable.				
Mar 6 Tue ~ 8:00 am	BACKCOUNTRY SKI	MOD+	TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB	Call to register
Organizer: Chris Proctor 485-1543 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, safe winter travel skills and transceiver all required.				
Mar 8 Thu ~ 9:15 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD-	THE COTTONWOODS	Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road)
Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703 Norm 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.				

Mar 8 Thu ~ CANOE NTD Black Canyon on the Colorado To be announced
Mar 11 Sun River

Organizer: Zig Sondelski zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com

Black Canyon is a 10-mile stretch of the Colorado River below Hoover Dam. We will drive down Thursday, launch early Friday, taking out noon on Sunday and drive back. Plan on staying Thursday night at the Hacienda Hotel just north of Hoover Dam (it's where we meet our outfitter Friday morning). For security reasons we will use an outfitter to take us to the put in below the dam. Canoes will be rented from them also.

Mar 8 Thu ~ CLIMB ALL Gym Climbing Night Momentum Climbing Gym
6:00 pm

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

Mar 9 Fri ~ SNOWSHOE ALL SOUTHWEST UPLANDS Call to register
Mar 11 Sun CARCAMP (TUSHARS)

Organizer: Michael Berry 801.583.4721 mberry@earthlink.net

Mike Berry is planning a kinder/ gentler version of last year's winter SkiCamp in YNP. 1st annual (exploratory) trek. The highlights include Mom's Cafe, Fremont Indian S.P. Campground, optional backcountry hike/ski adventure and hot springs. Contact Mike for full write-up/info. Please sign-up by FEBRUARY 23RD. Trip is subject to cancellation due to low interest and/or inclement weather.

Mar 10 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE NTD MILL CREEK ORGANIZER'S Skyline High School
10:00 am CHOICE

Organizer: Heidi DeMartis 942-8088

Join Heidi as she takes you to one of her favorite destinations in Mill Creek Canyon today.

Mar 10 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE MOD COTTONWOODS ORGANIZER'S Butler Elementary
9:00 am CHOICE

Organizer: Andy Beard and Jude Elizondo 571-4090

Judy and Andy are on a roll this year. Join them for an exciting snowshoe to one of their favorite places in the Wasatch. The Club recommends wearing a transceiver and carrying a shovel.

Mar 10 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE MOD+ BEARTRAP FORK Butler Elementary
9:00 am

Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 272-2485

Join Knick Knickerbocker for this hard, but fun loop depending on weather and avalanche conditions. Knick plans on a relaxed pace (NOT a race) going up Beartrap to the ridge and then down to Desolation Lake, coming out Mill-D to Spruces. Come prepared for a workout and bring your avalanche beacon, shovel and 10-E's.

Mar 10 Sat ~ LODGE NTD WMC LODGE WORK PARTY Brighton WMC Lodge
9:30 am

Organizer: David Rabiger 801.964.8190 drabiger@utah.gov

We need your help to shovel the snow load off of the roof. For those who prefer a lighter task, there is some indoor cleaning to be done. Lunch will be provided. A phone call or email would be helpful for work and food planning. This is nice way for new members to meet other members and get acquainted with the lodge.

Mar 10 Sat ~ SKI MOD+ Ski Backcountry Call or e-mail to register
5:00 pm

Organizer: Greg Libecchi 435.645.9699 glibecchi@yahoo.com

Let's go out and find some good stuff. Probable canyon to canyon travel with car drop. Backcountry safety knowledge and equipment required.

Mar 11 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE MOD+ ABOVE BOUNTIFUL Call Zig for the meeting location
8:00 am

Organizer: Zig Sondelski 292-8332 zig.sondelski@hollycorp.com

Join Zig and enjoy some new trails and scenery in the Wasatch. Ever been up North Canyon, Sessions Ridge, Mueller Canyon, or Grandview Ridge to name a few?. Bring the appropriate 10-E's for snowshoeing. The Club recommends you wear a transceiver and carry a shovel.

Mar 11 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE NTD SILVER FORK Butler Elementary
9:30 am Organizer: Carol Anderson 801-485-0877 cdanderson5@yahoo.com
A bit later start, but not much, so come and join us for a fun shoe up the fork. The Club recommends wearing a transceiver and carrying a shovel.

Mar 11 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE NTD DAYS FORK Bulter Elementary
1:00 pm Organizer: Tom Walsh 801-487-1336
Beat the St. Patrick Days RUSH, join Tom part way up the Fork to a clearing. You wont be left behind and you are sure to have a fun afternoon. The Club recommends wearing a transceiver and carrying a shovel.

Mar 11 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE MOD BROADS FORK Bulter Elementary
9:00 am Organizer: Michael Budig 801-328-4512 mbudig@blazemail.com
Still got those snowshoes ready? Join Micheal, past pres of the WMC, before he starts his retirement travels to Nepal.

Mar 13 Tue ~ SNOWSHOE MOD PARK CITY ENVIRONS For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices
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Mar 15 Thu ~ SNOWSHOE MOD- THE COTTONWOODS Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road)
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Mar 15 Thu ~ BOAT NTD- River Trip Scheduling Party Mt Olympus Church (3280 East 3900 South)
6:30 pm Organizer: Bret Mathews 801.273.0315 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
Everyone is welcome! With spring on the way, its time to start scheduling river trips. Bring your permits, ideas for non-permitted rivers, your calendars, a volunteering spirit, and a potluck dish to share. After socializing and eating we will place large monthly calendar pages on the wall and then start listing trips on those pages. With in a short amount of time hopefully the pages will be filled with lots of trips, but that will only happen if people volunteer to organize them. The WMC has tools to make organizing trips easier so please step forward. The Mt Olympus Church is one and a half blocks west of the I-215 39th South exit on the south side of the road. Hope to see everyone there!

Mar 15 Thu ~ CLIMB ALL Gym Climbing Night Momentum Climbing Gym
6:00 pm Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

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- Mar 16 Fri ~ CLIMB NTD- Climber's Party Momentum Climbing Gym**
6:00 pm Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
 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 Momentum Climbing Gym. It will start at 7:00 pm and go till 10:00 pm. Bring your slides, pictures, and stories for us all to enjoy (or endure). Bring a pot luck dish to share. Be sure to bring your indoor climbing gear so that we can play after we eat! Because it is at the Gym it will have to be an alcohol free night, sorry about that. If you are only coming to the party there is no fee. If however you wish to climb after you may need to pay the WMC daily gym rate. The gym phone number is 896-8121. The gym is located at the Southtown mall by REI.
- Mar 17 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE MOD ORGANIZERS CHOICE Bulter Elementary**
9:00 am Organizer: Mohammed Abdallah 801-466-9310
 Need a fast paced adventure? Join Mohammed for a brisk tour.
- Mar 17 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE NTD ORGANIZERS CHOICE Bulter Elementary**
9:15 am Organizer: Doug Stark 801-277-8538 dostark@yahoo.com
 Doug will choose a location that is not too icy or bare and will set a leisurely pace, come join him.
- Mar 17 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE MOD Desolation Lake Bulter Elementary**
9:00 am Organizer: Steven Duncan 801.474.0031 duncste@comcast.net
 Steve Duncan hopes there's still snow and plans to keep an easy pace.
- Mar 17 Sat ~ CLIMB NTD Rappeling Class Dogwood Picnic area**
9:00 pm Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com
 Learn to rappel, and open the door to all kinds of new experiences and places. With proper instruction it is safe and easy- your fears are quickly banished. Whether you have never done it, or did once long ago and are not sure you remember, this is a great opportunity to learn not only how to do it, but also to be comfortable and safe on rope. Dogwood is the first picnic area in Big Cottonwood Canyon, just 1 mile up the canyon, on the right. Park on the highway to avoid a picnic area use fee, walk thru the site up canyon, and follow a trail 50 yards past the last table to the climbing wall. A harness, helmet, gloves and descending device are needed, I will have a few extras for folks who do not have and are unable to beg, borrow, or steal one- please let me know in advance, when you sign up. Sign up with Rick Thompson at gone2moab@hotmail.com, 255-8058
- Mar 18 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE MOD- Rudy's Flat via North Canyon Utah Travel Council (Capitol Hill)**
9:00 am Organizer: Barb Hanson 801/485-0132 barbhanson30@hotmail.com
 Join Barb Hanson for a snow shoe (or hike) to Rudy's Flat. Great views above City Creek Canyon and, with a little luck, the resident moose herd! This would be an NTD if weren't for the length (about 6 miles RT). If you prefer, you can meet Barb at the trailhead at 9:30 but call and let her know you're coming.
- Mar 18 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE NTD CARDIFF FORK Bulter Elementary**
1:00 pm Organizer: Barry Quinn 801-272-7097
 Barry says to meet him at 1:00 in the afternoon and he hopes there will be a snow bridge to cross!
- Mar 18 Sun ~ SNOWSHOE NTD DOG LAKE Butler Elementary**
10:00 am Organizer: Victoria Saldana 801-546-4767
 You will enjoy the scenery and great conversation while shoeing to the lake and back.

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Mar 18 Sun ~ BIKE NTD Heber Valley Tour Wasatch High School, 150 East 600 South, Heber
10:00 am

Organizer: Elliott Mott 969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This 28 mile ride is a tour of scenic Heber Valley. The route is mostly along country back roads and over easy flat to rolling terrain. This ride tours the communities of Heber, Daniel, Charleston and Midway. Along the way, we'll spin past farms and ranches, lovely turn-of-the-century homes and ride adjacent to Deer Creek Reservoir. We'll swagger past cows and goats, ducks and geese, horses and mules, llamas and sheep. Plan on lunch at the Homestead Resort in Midway. Meet Elliott (969-2846) at Wasatch High School in Heber at 150 East 600 South at 10:00 AM.

Mar 20 Tue ~ SNOWSHOE MOD PARK CITY ENVIRONS For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices
5:00 pm

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

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Mar 22 Thu ~ SNOWSHOE MOD- THE COTTONWOODS Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the ‘Porcupine’ and across the street on the north side of the road)
9:15 am

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

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Mar 22 Thu ~ CLIMB ALL Gym Climbing Night Momentum Climbing Gym
6:00 pm

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.

Mar 23 Fri ~ CANYONEERING MOD Canyoneering Trip to Northwash. Sandthrax campground
Mar 25 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson 801.255.8058 gone2moab@hotmail.com

The Irish canyons in Northwash are short, but a delight. Often referred to as a great schoolyard to learn Canyoneering 101, I see it as more of a playground. Some of us will be driving down Thursday after work, for a full three days, but if you can't get Friday off, you can come down after work, and still get in two good days. Although these canyons are light on rappelling, and more about down climbing and sliding, you do need to have taken a rappelling class, such as the one offered on March 17, so that you are comfortable and competent on a 100 ft'er. Car camping, with short and beautiful approach hikes, you will need a harness, descender and helmet, gloves and some disposable body armor. Sign up with Rick Thompson.

Mar 24 Sat ~ SNOWSHOE MOD Drop Over Ridge to Join Gourmet Butler Elementary
8:00 am Picnic

Organizer: Mohammed Abdallah 801-466-9310

Get an earlier start than the ones just going to Willow Lake before eating. Get a good workout and then drop down the ridge into the already prepared gourmet brunch.

Mar 24 Sat ~ 9:00 am	TURTLE SNOWSHOE	NTD	BURCH HOLLOW TO ELBOW FORK	Skyline High School
Organizer: Joan Proctor 801-474-0275 joanproctor@xmission.com Plan for a slow companionable trek. We'll probably return on the road.				
Mar 24 Sat ~ 10:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD	GOURMET POTLUCK WILLOW LAKE (FUN)	Bulter Elementary
Organizer: Mark Jones 801-486-5354 This is it, the annual gourmet snowshoe trip. Its 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.				
Mar 24 Sat ~ 10:00 am	HIKE	NTD+	Grandeur Peak	Skyline High School
Organizer: Elliott Mott elliott887@msn.com The south facing trail makes Grandeur a good spring hike as there is typically little or no snow. Bring lunch for a snack at the summit. Contact Elliott (969-2846) should there be questions.				
Mar 25 Sun ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	MOD	DESOLATION LAKE	Butler Elementary
Organizer: Jim Piani 733-0627 jvpiani@burgoyne.com Wearing an avalanche transceiver is NOT optional for this trip! Wear one and know how to use it says Jim. Oh yeah, and shovels work better than hands if you have to dig someone out! Come join him for a good jaunt.				
Mar 25 Sun ~ 5:00 pm	SKI	MSD	Pfifferhorn ski tour	pregister
Organizer: Bradley Yates 801.521.4185 bnyslc@earthlink.net Join Brad Yates on one of the classic big Mountain tours of the Wasatch (avalanche conditions permitting) Preregister only. Contact Brad at 521-4185.				
Mar 25 Sun ~ 9:00 am	SNOWSHOE	NTD	ORGANIZERS CHOICE	Butler Elementary
Organizer: Cheryl Soshnik 435.649.9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com Let's see if we can find some good snow - or we'll hike if the hills are bare!				
Mar 27 Tue ~ 5:00 pm	SNOWSHOE	MOD	PARK CITY ENVIRONS	For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices
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Mar 29 Thu ~ 6:00 pm	CLIMB	ALL	Gym Climbing Night	Momentum Climbing Gym
Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.				

- Mar 30 Fri ~ Mar 31 Sat** **SKI TOUR** **MSD** **34th ANNUAL KINGS PEAK SKI TOUR** **Henry's Fork snow parking for morning start 3-31**
- Organizer: Steve and Larry Swanson Steve at 272-5750 or Larry at 583-4043 Larry Swanson [swanson.l@worldnet.att.net]
[A complete writeup for this event can be viewed here or by contacting Winter Sports Director Greg Lebecchi.](#)
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- Mar 31 Sat ~ 9:00 am** **SNOWSHOE** **MOD+** **STANSBURY MTNS SOUTH WILLOW LAKE** **Meeting at Maverick in Stansbury Park**
- Organizer: Peter Hartley 435.882-7439 HARTLEY660@MSN.com
 A long day hiking up into some spectacular scenery. The Club recommends that you wear a transceiver and carry a shovel.
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- Mar 31 Sat ~ 10:00 am** **SNOWSHOE** **NTD** **CARDIFF FORK** **Butler Elementary**
- Organizer: Ellen Jenkins 801-293-9198 ellenjenkins@yahoo.com
 Enjoy not being left behind---just the scenery and us!
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- Apr 1 Sun ~ 9:00 am** **SNOWSHOE** **MOD** **TRANSITION TO HIKING** **Bulter Elementary**
- Organizer: Liz Cordova 801-486-0909
 Liz does not have her crystal ball tuned in as of Feb 10th when we are submitting this, so can not say if you will need snowshoes, yak traks or just hiking boots, so bring them all along and then leave em in the car if you do not need them. She will choose an appropriate destination such as Olympus or Grandeur Peak.
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- Apr 1 Sun ~ 5:00 pm** **DAY HIKE** **MOD+** **FOOL PEAK**
- Organizer: Tom Walsh 801.487-1336
 For this year\'s observation of April Fools Day, the annual hike to Fool Peak will be done by the route on the north side. This 9717-foot peak northeast of Delta has an east facing cliff and a rounded backside which resembles Notch Peak. Snowshoes will probably be necessary. Plan to have food, water, the 10 E\'s, money for car pool transportation, and snowshoes. Call Tom Walsh (487-1336) to register.
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- Apr 3 Tue ~ 5:00 pm** **SNOWSHOE** **MOD** **PARK CITY ENVIRONS** **For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices**
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- Apr 5 Thu ~ 6:00 pm** **CLIMB** **ALL** **Gym Climbing Night** **Momentum Climbing Gym**
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 Come join us for a fun evening of climbing at the gym. The top rope and lead climbing areas should be open. All ability levels are welcome. Discounts are available for Wasatch Club Members.
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- Apr 5 Thu ~ 9:15 am** **SNOWSHOE or HIKE** **MOD-** **THE COTTONWOODS** **Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road)**
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- Apr 7 Sat ~ 9:30 am** **DAY HIKE** **MOD** **Grandeur Peak** **Skyline Highschool**
- Organizer: Steven Duncan 801.474.0031 duncste@comcast.net
 Join Steve Duncan for a hiking season kick-off to Grandeur Peak.

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Apr 8 Sun ~ 5:00 pm DAY HIKE NTD ORGANIZER'S CHOICE
 Organizer: Louise Rausch 801.967-2846
 Louise Rausch will organize a hike to someplace appropriate for the conditions. Call Conley Adams (967-2846) for meeting time and meeting place.

Apr 8 Sun ~ 9:00 am DAY HIKE MOD BELLS CANYON TO THE WATERFALL Little Cottonwood Canyon Park-and-Ride
 Organizer: Brett Smith 801.580-2066
 Come hike this early season favorite with Brett Smith. Plan on the possibility of mud and some remaining snow. Bring appropriate lugged sole boots.

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Apr 12 Thu ~ 6:00 pm CLIMB ALL Petes Rock Petes Rock Parking Area on Wasatch Blvd, between 4500 S. and the golf course.
 Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
 Come join us for our Thursday evening climbing. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. If you are new to the sport we have a lot of awesome climbers who are willing to show you the ropes. If you are hardcore we can always use more ropeguns. A climbing harness is necessary and climbing shoes make for a more enjoyable time. Helmets are strongly recommended. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement. Call Peter Campbell (733-0313) or Email wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com if you have questions.

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Apr 14 Sat ~ CLIMB NTD- Learn To Climb Class 1 Momentum Climbing Gym, by REI at SouthTown Mall
9:00 am

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for our annual beginning rock climbing class. This class will be indoors at the gym. We will teach you the fundamentals of rock craft. You will learn how to use the gear correctly, belay, climb and rappel in a fun and relaxed environment. You will need to bring a harness that fits and snug fitting shoes. There is a charge of \$10 for members and \$20 for non members. Call or email Peter to register.

Apr 15 Sun ~ DAY HIKE NTD ANTELOPE ISLAND Beginning of Antelope Island causeway
10:30 am

Organizer: Margaret Fahey 801.292.7602 redrockmiss@yahoo.com

We'll hike around Buffalo Point. Meet at 10:30 AM in the parking lot by the entrance booth at the beginning of the causeway. To get there, take I-15 exit #332 and go west 7 miles. We'll car pool from there to the island, sharing the \$9 per car entrance fee. (Some of us will have park passes.) Co-listed with the Sierra Club.

Apr 17 Tue ~ SNOWSHOE MOD PARK CITY ENVIRONS For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC Snowshoe email list for automatic notices
5:00 pm

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-649-6805 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

Vince will be the FINAL “Tuesday Group” of this season, leaving at 10:00 AM. We go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal (healthy) pace with great conversation. You will feel welcome and comfortable.

Apr 19 Thu ~ CAR CAMP MOD Arches National Park
Apr 22 Sun

Organizer: Margaret Fahey 801.292.7602 redrockmiss@yahoo.com

Margaret Fahey will reserve a group camp site at Arches N. P. for the weekend of April 19, 20, 21. Arriving April 19th, leaving April 22nd. We will do MOD hikes during the day. Cost will be \$5.00 per person per night. Pre-register by April 1st. Limit 15. Co-listed with the Sierra Club.

Apr 19 Thu ~ SNOWSHOE or MOD- THE COTTONWOODS Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the Porcupine and across the street on the north side of the road)
9:15 am HIKE

Organizer: Norm Pobanz 266-3703

Norm will organize a “Thursday Group” this year, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where snowshoeing and hiking are adventures. 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.

Apr 19 Thu ~ CLIMB ALL Salt Lake Slips Storm Mountain area parking, across the road from the picnic area.
6:00 pm

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

It is recommended that you use the trail over the top of Storm Mountain instead of the stream crossing. Come join us for our Thursday evening climbing. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. If you are new to the sport we have a lot of awesome climbers who are willing to show you the ropes. If you are hardcore we can always use more ropeguns. A climbing harness is necessary and climbing shoes make for a more enjoyable time. Helmets are strongly recommended. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement. Call Peter Campbell (733-0313) or Email wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com if you have questions.

**Apr 21 Sat ~ CLIMB
9:00 am**

NTD- Learn To Climb Class 2

**Big Cottonwood Canyon Park-
and-Ride**

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

Come join us for our annual beginning rock climbing class. This class will be held outdoors at Storm Mountain in Big Cottonwood Canyon. We will teach you the fundamentals of rock craft. You will learn how to use the gear correctly, belay, climb and rappel in a fun and relaxed environment. You will need to bring a harness that fits, snug fitting shoes and a helmet. We have some helmets available if you don't have one. There is a charge of \$10 for members and \$20 for non members. Call or email Peter to register.

**Apr 26 Thu ~ CLIMB
6:00 pm**

ALL Gate Buttress

Gate Buttress Parking area

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801.733.0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

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**Feb 3rd Birch
Hollow Hike
Photo by Bernard**

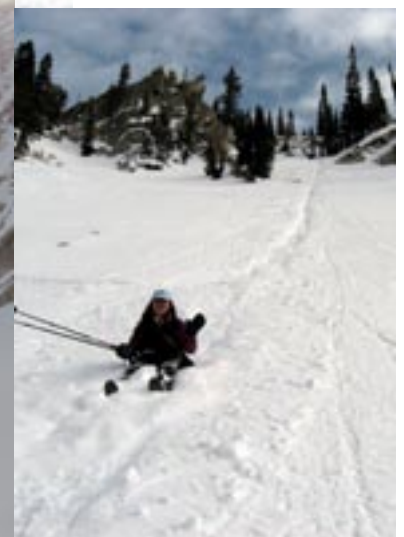


Larry on White Pine Lake



Carroll & Brett, looping White to Red Pine....

White Pine Lake Snowshoe - Photos by Carroll Mays



**Me sliding down to Red
Pine....This is my last issue
of the Rambler as Editor.
Thanks for all your input
and pictures, I had so
much fun putting them
together. Viv.**

NON-WMC Activities

REI - SANDY CITY

THE BASICS OF ICE CLIMBING
Thursday, March 1st, 7pm

THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE TRAVEL
Thursday, March 8th, 7pm

BASIC BIKE MAINTENANCE
Thursday, March 15th, 7pm

HIKING THE WASATCH
Thursday, March 22nd, 7pm

REI - SALT LAKE CITY

BACKPACKING SKILLS FOR YOUTH
Tuesday, March 6th, 7pm

THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE TRAVEL
Tuesday, March 13th, 7pm

SKI TOURING THE ORTLER ALPS
Tuesday, March 20th, 7pm

GPS 101
Thursday, March 22nd, 7pm

THE SUPER SHERPA EXPEDITION OF EVEREST
Tuesday, March 27th, 7pm

REI ADULT CLIMBING NIGHT

Thursday, March 15th, 6:30pm-8:30pm

We would like to invite you to attend Adults-only (16 & up) climbing night at the Salt Lake City REI store. This is a perfect opportunity for beginners as well as experienced climbers to climb our one-of-a-kind wall on routes ranging from 5.5 to 5.13 in difficulty. You are welcome to invite your friends & family to attend. Please RSVP via email to espreng@rei.com so that as many of our REI certified belayers are available as necessary. Climbing harnesses of all sizes will be available at no charge, and climbing shoes can be rented for the evening at the low cost of only \$2.00. Whether you are looking to start climbing, train for next summer, or meet people with similar interests come enjoy an evening of climbing & camaraderie with your friends at the Salt Lake City REI.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

RADICAL REELS

Wednesday, March 14th, 7pm

Faster, steeper, higher, deeper - the Banff Mountain Film Festival Radical Reels tour is coming to Salt Lake City. Catch the steepest and deepest in high-adrenaline outdoor sport films when the 2007 Radical Reels Tour comes to Kingsbury Hall at the University of Utah. Growing out of the famous Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour, Radical Reels screens the best in action sports filmmaking, audience-tested and programmed for maximum excitement. Tickets are available at Kingsbury Hall, REI Salt Lake City and Sandy and The Outdoor Program and are \$7.50. For more information on the Radical Reels tour, visit www.banffmountainfestivals.ca/radicalreels.

CLASSES:

WINTER WILDLIFE TRACKING

Saturday, March 24th & Sunday, March 25th

The vast and ever-present array of wild "signatures" scattered about our local landscapes offer us an underused encyclopedia of behavioral, ecological, and evolutionary information. Through the mind of an animal tracker, we can make discoveries about animal behavior, adaptation, and inter-species relationships. Learn about animals' feet and how they move, when and where they rest, what they eat, and how animals in the wild make a living in their own specific way. Indoor and field sessions focus upon wildlife adaptations, diversity, and sign types complemented by firsthand explorations of the animals' habitats on or off-trail in various uneven terrain. Field session will be done on snowshoes (provided by REI at no extra charge). Appropriate footwear, warm clothing, a day pack, lunch, and a filled water bottle will be needed for field sessions. Field guides and cameras welcome. Tuition is \$75 per participant; proceeds benefit the Cottonwood Canyons Foundation. To register, please call REI at 486-2100 and ask to speak to our Customer Service department.

STAY SAFE IN THE OUTDOORS; WILDERNESS FIRST AID CLASS

Saturday, March 10th & 31st, 9am

Created for all outdoor enthusiasts, the Basic Wilderness Life Support® certification is a one day course designed to help you prevent and treat injuries and illnesses common in outdoor activities. Developed at the University of Utah, School of Medicine the course will teach you to prepare for your outing, assess injuries and scene safety, decide whether to evacuate or treat a patient, and methods of evacuation. The curriculum was developed from our advanced course used to train medical professionals and will be taught by one of our certified instructors. The course includes morning lectures at REI and an afternoon outdoors (weather permitting) participating in hands on scenarios. At the end of the day you will receive your BWLS certificate. Please register by calling REI's customer service department at (801) 486-2100. Cost is \$95 per person. For more information, please contact Bob Richards at AdventureMed, 801-990-2800 or visit www.bwls.org.

AVALANCHE AWARENESS CLASS

Friday & Saturday, March 9th & 10th

An introduction to rescue skills & avalanche beacon searches, route finding, snow pack evaluation and minimizing hazards. Cost is \$99 per person. Please contact 801-550-EXUM (3986) or visit www.exum.ofutah.com for more information.

LEVEL 1 AVALANCHE COURSE

Friday March 23rd through Sunday March 25th

Learn safe travel in avalanche terrain; recognition of weather, snow pack and terrain factors contributing to avalanche hazard; dig snow pits and perform field tests to recognize weak and strong layers in snowpack and practice efficient rescue with avalanche beacons. Please contact 801-550-EXUM (3986) or visit www.exum.ofutah.com for more information.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE JOINING SINCE LAST SPRING!!!

As a result of our new on line membership entry process, the following information on your application form has NOT been entered as a part of the file for new members:

Your preferences regarding receipt of the club publication, The Rambler.

Your preferences regarding release of your name and address to third party organizations.

Your preferences regarding activities in which you are interested.

Members joining prior to last spring may wish to update their file using the same procedure.

To update your record you will need to do the following:

1. Log on to the club's website, www.wasatchmountainclub.org
2. Sign in using your assigned user name (first.last)
3. use your default password (your birthdate in month/date/year format- ##/##/####).
4. This will enable you to access your Personal Information page. Use this page to correct any data as necessary.
5. Next, click on the Club Preferences page and complete it appropriately.
6. Next, click on Login Account Settings and change your password.

If you have any problems with the process, please contact our webmaster, Heidi Schubert at heidi@biochem.utah.edu or membership director, Dudley McIlhenny at contextny@aol.com.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please read carefully and fill out both pages completely.

Name of applicant (1) _____ Birth date _____

Website Username (1) _____ default password (1) _____

Name of applicant (2) _____ Birth date _____

Website Username (2) _____ default password (2) _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Rambler Phone (1) _____ Email(1): _____ (required for on-line system)

Rambler Phone (2) _____ Email(2): _____ (required for on-line system)

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. After your membership becomes active, you can login to the WMC website and state your communication and privacy preferences. By default your name and address will not be revealed to anyone.

When your account is activated login to the WMC website at wasatchmountainclub.org to record your activity preferences, interests and your willingness to organize activities or participate in social, lodge or conservation functions.

I am applying for a

<input type="checkbox"/>	Single Membership	(\$35.00)	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Couple or Partner Membership	(\$50.00)	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Membership (must be full-time and under age of 30)	(\$20.00)	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I would not like to receive "The Rambler".	(\$-5.00)	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	This is a new membership or reinstatement (paper application fee)	(\$5.00)	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Total membership fee</u>	<u> </u>	<input type="text"/>

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 _____

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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: _____

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