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Party @ WMC Lodge

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Goat seen
up Mt Timp

~ Photo by
Robert
Myers

From the President

by John Veranth

Trip Organizers, Volunteers, and the Club

The WMC depends entirely on volunteers for all its activities and programs. In recognition of this we have an annual banquet to honor the trip organizers and other club volunteers and this is the best attended social event of the year. If you feel left out by not getting an invitation for a free dinner the solution is easy. Volunteer next year!

That brings me to the "Rule of Ten." A reasonable expectation is that everyone should organize one outdoor trip for every ten they go on. A few do a much higher ratio of organizing to participating, but there are others who

do not do their share. If we all used the Rule of Ten as a minimum the work of organizing would be spread around, directors would not have to do so much arm-twisting, and we would have a wider range of offerings in the schedule.



If you have never lead a trip before there are plenty of regulars who will help you learn how. If you feel incapable of leading a outdoor activity how about organizing a party or volunteering to help one of the directors with administrative tasks. There are opportunities for every one to repay the opportunities and friendships

that the club offers to the members.

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 on behalf of science, literature and art; to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states; to foster awareness of scenic beauties; and to encourage preservation of our natural areas including their plant, animal and bird life.

Conservation Notes

Will McCarvill & Kyle Williams

The timeline for Wasatch Canyon Tomorrow targets getting scenarios developed for the update of the 1989 Cantons Master Plan by the end of this summer. Public open houses will follow in September aiming towards a draft report by the end of this year. The roll out to the public will be in January and with some alterations the report is to be done first quarter of 2010. The Salt Lake County Master Plan update will begin in the spring of 2010.

It is important that WMC members provide their input at the open houses and on the draft report. We'll keep you up to data as Will McCarvill is the WMC representative on the technical and steering committees.

Here are the general guidelines we are operating toward:

Non-industrialized viewshed, no additional lifts, ridgeline structures, private development meeting architectural standards for blending into natural background.

Native plants and animals at full potential, invasive species under active eradication.

Dispersed recreation opportunities emphasized, mountain bikes confined to current approved routes.

Expanded wilderness protection.

Ski areas confined to current boundaries, no new lifts, no ski interconnect, slack country minimized. Expansion to 4 season resort use confined to current boundaries.

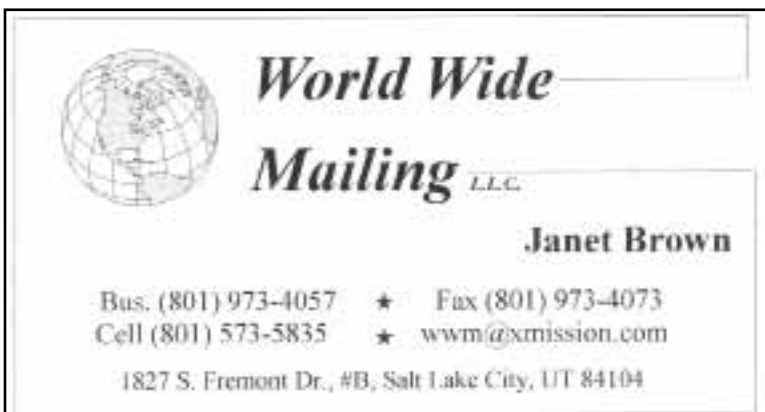
Maintain high quality water.

Increase allocation of money for buying private inholdings, focusing on those lands adjacent to ski areas, within Forest Service boundaries, or at critical trail access points.

Improve public transportation, limit private car use.

Coordination with Utah, Wasatch and Summit counties to provide uniform policies and ordinances.

Next year, we will have to make sure the zoning to control development in the Canyons is strengthened, not weakened in the County Master Plan.





ANNUAL WMC HALLOWEEN PARTY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2009

6 PM - LATE (OR OVERNIGHT) @ THE WMC LODGE

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POT LUCK/BYOB STARTS AT 6:00PM. DANCE MUSIC STARTS AT 7:30PM!
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MUSIC WILL TAKE OFF AT 7:30 PM.

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If you want to stay overnight at the lodge (plenty of room available), the cost is \$3/person.

Children are free of charge and are welcome.

For any questions, email
Craig Anderson at canders11238@yahoo.com.



The WMC Lodge

The WMC lodge is tucked away in a grove of evergreens at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon. It is used for a variety of WMC social functions but can also be rented out for personal use on a full- or half-day basis. Renovation to the lodge included the installation of flushing toilets and a shower. Running water! The two dormitory-style rooms on the second floor provide sleeping accommodations for about 20 people. Go to www.wasatchmountainclub.org/lodge/Lodge_pictures.htm to view pictures of the infamous lodge. The kitchen contains a stove and refrigerator, but—you guessed it—it is not stocked with food, utensils or other culinary items. **All** users of the lodge are expected to clean up the lodge after use. Contact Dave & Susan Rabiger at (801) 964-8190 for reservations.

The Lodge needs constant tender loving care, and WMC members have come to the rescue since 1929. Come donate your carpentry skills or just help clean. Call Bob Myers at (801) 485-9209 or send an e-mail to caretakerwmc@yahoo.com to volunteer. Ask for a list of very specific items that need your attention and the hand tools and equipment needed to get the job done. You need not be a member to volunteer. (Warning: Associating with WMC members and participating in WMC activities can become addicting. Improved health, positive attitudes, and long-lasting friendships are also possible side effects.) We look forward to seeing you at the Lodge!

Please give back and keep your eyes open for upcoming WMC Service Days. The most up-to-date activities are posted on the website (see inside front cover).

Please give back and come help the lodge on the following WMC Service Days. Seeing how there is still a lot of snow in the mountains, at least one of these dates will be filled with shoveling snow off the lodge roof and its surrounding area. Other minor interior and exterior repairs may also occur. If you are physically unable to help out, feel free to bring drinks or treats up to the laborers! Thanks so much in advance for your help!

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If interested, contact either Lodge co-director.

Lodge Service Day:

Oct 31st prior to Halloween Party!

Contact Lodge Director to schedule a service day or see if you can help out!

Contact: Robert Myers, Lodge Director
801-466-3292 (H) 801-381-0575 (C)

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Drive up Big Cottonwood Canyon (7200 S) to Brighton Ski Resort. Drive to back of the BIG parking lot (near the Brighton Manor Motel). Walk up the hill directly behind the motel past the boulders, bearing left across the stream and up the trail through the trees (100 yards). Wear walking shoes and carry a flashlight for the hike down.

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White Baldy Summit Ridge
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Left to Right:
Mark Bloomenthal, Jan
Uhler, Rich Cherian, Dennis
Gorham and Ramon Carres.

~ Photo by Bradley Yates



Hogum Divide Hike - 8/22/09
Led by Julie Kilgore

Top Left: Rick Thompson in a fearless stance

Right: With Steve's assistance, this is still as close
as Jami wanted to get to the top.

~ Photos by various hikers in the group



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FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

36. Prince of Wales Mine - Part III

On the first of April, 1875, the Commissioner of the General Land Office in Washington, D.C., issued his decision to cancel as much of the Highland Chief patent as conflicted with the patents previously issued to the Prince of Wales and the Wandering Boy. While this left the owners of the Highland Chief with possession of a portion of their claim, it was nevertheless a devastating defeat following two years of bitter litigation and paved the way for the compromise that would give the Walker Brothers control of the Highland Chief and Wellington lodes, as well as the Boston Tunnel. It set into motion the expansion plans that must have been made in anticipation of this event and made the 1875 year one of great changes in Silver Fork. It actually started the year before when they built a road from the City Rocks mine in Grizzly Gulch, where the road from Alta ended, up to the pass into Silver Fork, then followed the former pack animal trail to the Prince of Wales mine. This is essentially the road that can be followed today, a vast improvement over previous access via the Davenport trail, a steep pack animal trail that climbed from the west end of Grizzly Flat up to the pass into Silver Fork. The road provided access to haul the heavy equipment and materials for the construction that was to take place.

The flat at the main shaft was likely created during the several previous years; it included the construction of a high stone retaining wall that is still evident today, and excavation into the hillside above. This was the scene of much of the construction activity during the summer of 1875. It was reported 160 to 180 men were employed in the mine and on the surface. By the end of the season a remarkable and extensive mining installation was in place. It included a large structure at the main shaft, twenty feet by fifty feet in size and two stories high, built into the hill and well anchored to prevent damage from snow avalanches. This was an effective precaution; two years later an avalanche came down over the building, causing no damage other than carrying away the smokestack. The upper floor provided sleeping compartments and storage space. The first floor housed the newly acquired boiler and a thirty horsepower steam engine driving the hoist. The headframe over the shaft was completely enclosed, allowing operations to continue throughout the winter. A rail tramway about one-third mile long was built along a contour line between the mine and the pass into Grizzly Gulch. It was completely enclosed in snowsheds, again to allow operations throughout the winter months. Once this installation was in operation, all ore was shipped by way of the tramway to the pass, then by the road down into Alta and the horse railway down Little Cottonwood Canyon.

A boiler is of little use without water, so a spring was developed in upper Grizzly Gulch, a short distance below Twin Lakes Pass. Another boiler and a steam engine driven pump was installed to pump water through a new pipeline running about a mile from the pump to the mine. There must have been a storage tank for the water at the mine, probably inside the new building to keep the water from freezing, but there was no mention of one in the various reports and descriptions of the new installation.

Down in the Silver Fork bowl, below the main shaft, was the Highland Chief mine and below it, the Wellington tunnel, both now a part of the Antelope and Prince of Wales company's operations. The Highland Chief tunnel was at almost the same elevation as the Antelope tunnel that had been driven early in 1874, and



View looking northeast in the Silver Fork bowl. Points of interest are 1) Prince of Wales main shaft, 2) Prince of Wales tunnel, also variously known as Antelope Tunnel No.1, 3) Highland Chief discovery shaft, 4) Highland Chief tunnel, 5) Wellington tunnel, 6) Boston Tunnel. All except the Highland Chief discovery shaft were used in the Antelope and Prince of Wales operations.



Boiler and compressor at the Wellington tunnel. The tunnel, in the background behind the boiler, has suffered considerable collapse over the years.

would soon be extended to meet it at the main shaft. Inside the Highland Chief tunnel was a winze that connected it with the Wellington tunnel. This latter tunnel, being about 450 feet lower than the new works at the collar of the main shaft, was seen as an excellent access to the workings at depth, so it was extended to intersect the shaft. Accordingly, another boiler and a 20 horsepower steam engine driving a Bowers air compressor were installed at the tunnel's portal and the water line was extended down to it. The air was used for air-driven drills and ventilation, as well as to drive a 15 horsepower air-driven hoist at a winze well inside the mine. This tunnel was worked and extended until it intersected the main shaft and was continued until it emerged in Honeycomb Fork. By the end of the decade it was used as the mine's main tunnel. It is believed that this tunnel, like the Antelope Tunnel in Silver Fork and several others in Honeycomb Fork, was used primarily to remove waste material, while ore was hoisted up the main shaft

for shipment to the smelters. The amount of waste hauled out through the Wellington Tunnel is suggested by the size of its dump.

The Boston Tunnel, below the Wellington, was over 400 feet long when it fell into the hands of the Antelope and Prince of Wales company. While it had subterranean connections with the Wellington, there is no indication that became a significant part of the overall operations in Silver Fork. It was worked late in 1875, with its ore being shipped down to Big Cottonwood Canyon.

Early in 1875, after superintending the Prince of Wales operations for several years and making preparations for the extensive construction project about to take place, Edward J. Hall was compelled for health reasons to suspend his work at the mine. His brother William took his place until he was able to return. But that never happened. In the few years that followed he held leases in the Richmond and Teresa mine, another Walker Brothers enterprise near the Prince of Wales, and the Alpha mine in Peruvian Gulch in Little Cottonwood Canyon. But he never returned to his former position at the Prince of Wales. On Sunday, 8 October 1881, Edward Hall died of consumption, a disease not uncommon among miners. He was 34 years of age.

William E. Hall remained as superintendent into the 1880 decade and ran the mine with great success, causing its expansion in many directions and levels. One of the things he introduced was what he called the tribute system, where he would assign his best miners to a section of the mine and pay them forty to fifty per cent of the value of the ore they produced. This worked very well for the miners because they could earn considerably more than the fixed daily pay rate. And with that incentive, the company enjoyed greater production. During the latter part of the 1870 decade, when more than a hundred miners were at work at the mine, it was said that at least half of them were working on the tribute system.

It was a small step from the tribute system to a full blown leasing arrangement, a step that was taken during the 1880s. While the Antelope and Prince of Wales was a rich and profitable mine, it was but a small part of the Walker Brothers' overall mining interests. When they became involved in Montana silver mines in the late 1870s, they poured all their efforts into developments there, even to the extent of dismantling their mill in Ophir and moving it north to complement new equipment being installed there. William Hall went north too, becoming superintendent of the Walker's Alice mine near Butte. Thereafter Prince of Wales was worked almost exclusively by leasers. And leasers tended to leave little in the way of documentation that would allow a historian, working after the passage of many years, to use as source material. Hence, little is known about later activities at the mine. However, the Antelope and Prince of Wales company was not much better; it was a closed corporation, owned solely by the Walker family. It gave few press releases and did not appear to welcome visitors. Only on a very few occasions were correspondents invited to visit the mine and tour the surface and subsurface workings. Any documentation created by the company, if it survives, has not come to light.

Leasers may have used the facilities at the main shaft, but that would have ended in 1914 when a snowslide destroyed the surface workings. A miner who was active at Alta during the 1930 decade remembered visiting the Prince of Wales mine where he saw the boiler and hoist buried in the wreckage of the buildings. Leasers continued working the mine dumps and the various tunnels with small shipments of ore reported as late as 1938.



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Colorado Rockies Outing - Summer 2009

Led by Jane Koerner, submitted by Jane Goetze

The trip leader bagged 20 peaks over 13,000 feet. One of the peaks was a mistake. We hiked into the wrong basin.

We were accompanied by herds of stampeding elk, observed by a yearling bear, who had no desire to tangle with a group of five, and serenaded by a female coyote who was protecting her pups. We saw more goats than ever before, especially in the Culebra range. They were indifferent to our presence but wary of the dog.

Early starts to avoid the lightening storms were rewarded with leisurely recoveries at camp. Sparks on fingertips and raised hair do not make for calm mountaineering. We would rather read in the afternoon than outrun a barrage of hail. You know how it is for fiftysomethings. Our knees are shot.

At hot springs in Ridgeway, Rico and Steamboat Springs, we peeled off our filthy clothes and soaked ourselves into semi-oblivion. The water contained lithium. We would provide more details but some of them are X-rated.

Beast, the mountaineering marvel (he climbed more difficult and exposed pitches than the trip leader), refused to budge from the tent until he was offered a satisfactory quantity of treats. The entire bag.

Jane Koerner and Barb Pollyea were swallowed by giant wildflowers in the La Plata mountains in southwestern Colorado. Above-average rains through early July plunged us into the best wildflower display in decades.

The tundra flowers were so thick and varied, we were intoxicated by the collective scent. Fortunately, we never exceeded the legal limit for driving under the influence.

Some ridges were smooth and relaxing. Other ridges required extensive navigating and detours. We kept an eye on the thunderheads that built to the west.

We penetrated five of the seven ranges in the state. Each view from a summit was well worth the effort. We avoided the fourteeners so encounters with other parties were rare.



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Yellowstone Absaroka Loop Backpack Trip Report

by Vicky McDaniel and Dave Rumbellow

This was a loop hike beginning at the Slough Creek trail head at the north end of the Park, and following Slough Creek north out of the Park boundaries and into the bear-scat-riddled wilds of Gallatin National Forest in southern Montana, and back down the Buffalo Plateau trail to our starting point.

We left SLC on Saturday, Aug 15 and drove up to Yellowstone camping the night at Indian Creek campground in the park. On Sunday after breakfast at the restaurant in Mammoth we picked up our permit and headed for the trail head.

The hike started right off with what had to be a good omen: a red fox crossing the trail just a few yards in front of us. Six or so miles later we arrived at our assigned group campsite. Our only

“good” rain of the whole trip happened there, right as we were setting up tents. Around the campfire later, Vicky taught the group two good camp songs: “Squirrel, Squirrel, Shake Your Bushy Tail” and “We are the Gopher Girls.” Our first night in the wilderness: quiet, cold, damp--and then awakening to sunshine and a peaceful blanket of fog in the valley below.

Monday, was our lucky day! Our timing landed us at the privately owned Silver Tip Ranch right at lunchtime. As we rested against a split rail fence admiring the ranch’s well-kept log buildings and lodge nestled in a green oasis surrounded by hills of burnt trees, a young woman on her daily ranch circling walk greeted us and invited us for a nice lunch of cold drinks, cheese and salami, fresh baked cookies, fresh fruit, etc! We continued to our next campsite at one end of Frenchy’s Meadow where we stayed for two nights. Each night the ranch released their horses and mules from their corrals. So at dusk several dozen animals with clanging bells would pass the campsite on their way to Frenchy’s for a midnight buffet of fresh grass.

On Tuesday, our layover day we hiked up to visit Frenchy’s grave. Frenchy’s real name was Joseph B. Duret, a trapper, hunter, guide, and friend of Teddy Roosevelt’s who had lost his life to a huge trapped grizzly bear he had tried to shoot, but it just enraged the bear and it broke from its chains and duked it out with Frenchy--mangling not only Frenchy but also his rifle, the remains of which hang to this day in the Silver Tip Lodge.

August 19, Wednesday was our long hike up and over the Bull Creek Divide. At the top we enjoyed a rest in the meadow overlooking the whole world before continuing down to the Buffalo Creek marshes where we found yet another campsite with a bear pole already erected.

Thursday, August 20, we continued the look with a detour to check out Hidden Lake where we had our “trip mirage”: what at first appeared to be an inviting, sandy swimming beach at this lake nestled in a burned lodgepole forest proved to be a rather nasty spread of crusty pond scum. Opting out of a cool swim, we ate lunch instead and let Mark go to scout out our trail, which was obliterated in the fallen forest. He came through again and Lewis-and-Clarked us around the lake, through the dead forest and down to a big marsh crossing. We continued to our last campsite with one more bear pole.

Friday, August 21 was our last backpack day with a long, hot hike back to our starting point. Our final stream crossing was the deepest and swiftest—mid-calf!--but a patch of fresh raspberries before the crossing offered some quick energy.

On Saturday three of the group headed to Salt Lake, while four of us camped in the Park so we could hike to the Mt. Washburn ranger tower, returning on Sunday, Aug. 23.

Participants: Michael Budig, Aaron Jones, Dave Rumbellow, Gayle Stockslager, Mark Bloomenthal, Vicky McDaniel and Cicely Zhu.



Yellowstone Group
~ Photo submitted by Dave Rumbellow

Dear Wasatch Mountain Club,

The League of Women Voters has scheduled Jeff Niermeyer, Director of the Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities to speak to us about:

Climate Change: How It Affects Our Local and International Water Supply

Wednesday October 14, 2009

7:00-8:30PM

Salt Lake Arts Center

20 S. West Temple

We invite The Wasatch Mountain Club members to join us and hear a dynamic speaker address the critical problems of water and its uncertain future. Mr. Niermeyer will address projected local water supply issues as well as adaptations that already have been put in place.

Your support is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Anne Zeigler 801-944-4163 azeigler@xmission.com

Linda Johnson 801-277-4499 gotalinda@aol.com

Co-Presidents, League of Women Voters



Tri Canyon Hike led by Julie Kilgore

Above:
Happy Crew

Left:
The hiking crew in front of
the arrow that points to the
"Only True Notch."
(If you have trouble seeing
the arrow in black and white,
check out the Rambler on-
line.)

~ Photos by Bruce Moore

Pink Flamingo Party

29 August 2009 - by Janet Embry

Flow: 2.5 – 6+ foah* (fluid oz of alcohol/hour)

We tracked the wild flamingo along the sidewalk past the tidy vegetable garden into the sylvan glen of Roger and Chris Upwall's backyard. Bret Mathews had the gas barbecue fired up and was grilling chicken breasts, directing the placement of other incoming food with a mere wave of his instant read thermometer and/or spatula.

Circling up into a happy hour circle, we admired our pink attire, ranging from the raspberries along the fence to Don Urrizaga's tidy pink golf shirt to the perfectly pink running shorts on Dave Rumbellow. Most of us had made a mere nod to the color of the day, and were outshone by the cupcake (she thought it was a mere flower) on Alicia's headband and very elaborate pink/purple print fringe _____ had crafted to frame her popup wide-brimmed rain hat and matching dress. _____ **(the costumed lady)** may also have swept potluck honors as well with her fresh cucumber and, was that couscous, salad although Vicki's homemade cherry pie was right up there as well.

Active boaters were joined by those of us who like to think we are, even without a single launch this year. The latter category included Barb and Beth, deep in discussion of their overland hikes to natural bridges and rock art panels; Larry Gwin fresh from his own grilling operation heading up the Sunrise Rotary Club booth at the Park City 4th of July celebration, here with wife Vicki (glad not to have been tossed in the water at the Payette's this year) and mother Lillian; Janet's retreat to academe; Chris's determined reminder that boating is Roger's domain (she is incubating competitive dancers – carting her grandchildren hither and yon); Bob's epic bike outings (up and over Guardsman Pass, the length and breadth of Death Valley)....

Those who boated had tales of the Salmon River, the weekly canoe nights with Margie, the hot windiness of Cataract, and wistful memories of dress up nights on Westwater (we gotta do that again).

And then we folded our chairs, grabbed the last of the caramel popcorn (charmingly presented in pink flamingo boxes), admired the pink flower rings Alicia had been handing 'round, thanked Roger once again, and drifted off.

Don't forget. This season isn't over until the boats are laid out for the winter. And next season starts with your application for river permits.

Pictured below: Roger Upwall, Leslie Urrizaga, Marilyn Smith, Connie Blaine, and Dave Rumbellow

~Photo by Barbara Green



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 your 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 & 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: Once logging into the website, click on “Email Lists” on the left-hand side. Then follow the online instructions. (Boaters: E-mail the Boat Director—inside front cover—for more information.)

Group size limits in wilderness: Some National Forest ranger districts limit the size of group 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 being understanding if you cannot be accommodated on the hike because of a limit.

Activity Difficulty Rating

0.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD)	B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking
Lightly Strenuous	E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet
4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD)	M > Round trip mileage > 15 miles
Moderate to Very Strenuous	R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding
8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD)	S > Scrambling
Very Strenuous, Difficult	X > Exposure
11.1+ > Extreme (EXT)	W > Wilderness area, limit 14
Very Strong, Well-Seasoned Hikers	

Be kind. When you carpool up local canyons, please give the driver \$1.50 or \$2.00 to help with gas and the wear and tear on the vehicle.

Directions to Meeting Places

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 S. To get to the Mill Creek Canyon Rd from the Park and Ride lot without making a U-turn, go west (right) on 3900 S, 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 Rd (3800 S).

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

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 Rd and Wasatch Blvd. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon.

6200 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.

Ft. Union Lot #4: 200 yards west of Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride, near the Porcupine Pub & Grille (which is located at 3698 Ft. Union Blvd).


Little Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride Lot: 4323 E Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd. On the north side of the intersection of Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd and Quarry Rd at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.

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

Parleys Way K-Mart Parking Lot: 2705 Parleys Way. From Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foothill Drive, turn west on Stringham Ave (2295 S) and then south into the lot.

ACTIVITIES LISTING

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips.

Date 	Activity
Oct 1 Thu – Oct 21 Wed	<p>Hike Multi-sport Trip To Nepal – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration Required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Bob Norris 801-943-6039 bobnepal@comcast.net</p> <p>Join Bob Norris for a multisport adventure in Nepal in October. It will involve trekking, white water rafting and a jungle adventure in the Royal Chitwan Game Reserve. This will allow you to experience several of the delights of this amazing country! Price will depend to some extent on the number of persons, but will surely be less than you expect. For general questions or for a detailed trip description contact Bob Norris at 8019436039 or email bobnepal@comcast.net</p>
Oct 1 Thu	<p>Day Hike Norm's Thursday Group – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:00 pm at Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Norm Pobanz 801 266 3703</p> <p>Join Norm's Thursday group for a nice weekday adventure. he will pick a location suitable for conditions. Norm plans on exploring some new areas this year so call for meeting time and place details. these trips usually end up in two groups, an NTD and a MOD.</p>
Oct 1 Thu	<p>Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Peter Campbell 801 733-0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com</p> <p>Come join us for our Thursday evening gym climb. This is a great way to improve your skills, gain confidence, and keep in great climbing shape. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. Momentum is offering discounts for club members. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement.</p>
Oct 1 Thu – Oct 4 Sun	<p>Mountain Bike Lake Tahoe Area – mod – 40.0 mi – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:00 pm at Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Audrey Rindfleisch 801 647-0756 audreyrin@juno.com</p> <p>Lake Tahoe mountain biking the first weekend in October. Bike the Tahoe Rim trail and other epic single track in the area. We will be camping along the south side of the lake. For details, contact Audrey at 801-647-0756.</p>
Oct 2 Fri – Oct 3 Sat	<p>Saint Charles Canyon Car Camp – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:00 pm at Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Randy Long 801-733-9367</p> <p>this canyon is in the bear river range on the Idaho side of bear lake. it is next to minnetonka cave in the proposed cache crest wilderness area. there will be a hike to upper saint charles canyon into snow slide canyon and maybe beyond. be prepared with cold weather gear and campground fee money.</p>
Oct 3 Sat	<p>Day Hike Flat Top Peak - Exploratory – msd- – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 4500' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:00 pm at Disseminated via the Hike email list</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Gregory Bronder 435 843-9495 gdbkcb03@comcast.net</p> <p>Join a hike to the tallest peak in the Oquirrh Range at 10,620 feet and one of Utah's 8 ultra prominence peaks. I have not personally summited this peak, but I am familiar with the Oquirrh Range and the route. The route will travel a rough 4WD road as far as is accessible. There is no trail to the top and the hike will require routefinding and bushwacking. We will also summit Lewiston peak on the route. Registration required. Limit of 6</p>

- Oct 3 Sat Day Hike - Terraces To Elbow Fork – ntd – 4.5 mi Loop – Slow pace**
Meet: 9:15 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Doug Stark 801-277-8538
 Doug will lead this leisure fall hike from the Terraces to Elbow Fork, returning along the pipeline trail.
- Oct 3 Sat Day Hike: Bright Silver Brunch (the First Annual) – mod**
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Michelle Butz 801-842-9646 mbutz27@yahoo.com
 We'll hike from Brighton to Twin Lakes Pass to the Prince of Wales Mine then down Silver Fork to the Silver Fork Lodge for brunch. This year's special guest at brunch will be renowned essayist, traveler, and bon vivant, Mr. Woib Lapin. Always witty and droll (sometimes drool), he is sure to regale us with stories of his eventful life: From his humble beginnings as an abandoned orphan left at a Walgreen's parking lot, to his enlightenment as a disciple of Swami Swasatchidananda, to his work advising the King of Norway on matters of state, to his becoming a fixture on the WMC evening hikes. There will be a culinary and organizational limit of 12, so reserve your space by calling Mr. Lapin's personal assistant Michelle to register. All are expected to participate in both the hike and brunch. Expect brunch to cost from \$15 to \$20. There will be an early morning start.
- Oct 3 Sat Day Hike Big Cottonwood Lake Blanche – mod+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 2700' ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: David Rabiger 801 964-8190 drabiger@utah.gov
 WMC members welcome to joining with group from Utah Department of Health to Lake Blanche. Should be prime for fall colors.
- Oct 4 Sun Day Hike Porter Fork Loop – mod+ – 10.0 mi Loop**
Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Karen Perkins 801 272-2225 karenp@xmission.com
 If the weather holds, Karen will do Porter Fork, around Mt. Raymond, out Bowman, and connecting with Porter again so no shuttle will be required.
- Oct 4 Sun Day Hike Organizers Choice – ntd**
Meet: 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Tom Mitko 801 277-7588
 Tom will find a nice fall hike in the Big Cottonwood Canyon area.
- Oct 4 Sun Day Hike - Wheeler Creek Trail In Ogden Canyon – ntd+ – 11.0 mi – 1360' ascent**
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Mark Balboni 801-708-3976 mark.balboni@parexel.com
 This is a great fall hike in Weber County. The hike starts at the base of Pineview Reservoir dam and goes up Wheeler Canyon to the Maples Campground near Snowbasin. Bring plenty of water and your lunch. This will be a full day (6 or 7 hours). Meeting time will be 9 am. Meeting location to be sent out via email.
- Oct 4 Sun Day Hike Mount Olympus – msd – 7.5 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent**
Meet: 9:00 am at Mount Olympus Trailhead
Organizer: Carol Masheter 801-538-6355 cmasheter@utah.gov
 Carol Masheter hike the standard route up Olympus. Hike will be moderate to fast paced and should take around 6 hours round trip, depending on conditions. Hike is a no go if it rains or snows.
- Oct 4 Sun Lost Creek Scenic Reservoir Road Bike Ride – mod – 52.0 mi Loop – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: 10:00 am at Coalville Courthouse
Carpool: 9:00 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot (2703 Parleys Way)
Organizer: Barb Hanson 801 485-0132 barbhanson30@hotmail.com
 The Lost Creek route starts in Coalville, skirts Echo reservoir and ends at the Lost Creek reservoir. Temperatures should be perfect for riding and fall colors should be starting. No services along the route so bring snacks and drinks.

- Oct 7 Wed Wmc Board Meeting**
Meet: 7:00 pm at WMC Office (1390 S 1100 E Suite 103)
Organizer: John Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com
 Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the boards attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting
- Oct 8 Thu Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-**
Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym
Organizer: Peter Campbell 801 733-0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
 Come join us for our Thursday evening gym climb. This is a great way to improve your skills, gain confidence, and keep in great climbing shape. Climbers of all ability levels are welcome. Momentum is offering discounts for club members. There is an annual \$15 climbing fee to cover the cost of rope and anchor gear replacement.
- Oct 9 Fri – Introduction To Technical Canyoneering**
Oct 11 Sun
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com
 The North Wash is a great place to get started and learn some of the basics of canyoneering, with something for everyone in these wonderful southern utah sandstone slots. We will drive down Friday after work, and do canyons Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday night. If you have not been on a previous canyoneering trip with me, as a prerequisite you need to have taken one of the club rappeling classes, or other wise convince me that you have qualifying experience on rappel.(there will be another class on September 26th) This trip is intended for those who have not already been to North Wash yet. You will need full canyoneering gear, with a harness, descender and helmet, along with some protective body armor, which will be explained as we go along. This trip is now full, it will be repeated in March.
- Oct 10 Sat – Backpack Pasture Track - 2 Days – ntd+ – 14.0 mi Shuttle – 500’ ascent**
Oct 11 Sun
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Will McCarvill 801 942-2921 lizandwill@msn.com
 Easy backpack on the Pasture, a bench above the chute of Muddy Creek and below the cliffs of the Slaughter Slopes. We'll start at Tomsich Butte and work our way to Chimney Canyon with it's deeply imbedded forks. The way out will lead past old uranuim mine cabins and out to Hidden Slendor airstrip.
- Oct 10 Sat Day Hike - Sundial Mod To Msd – 7.5 mi Out & Back – 4000’ ascent**
Meet: 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 801 278-5153 cassie@hesstravel.com
 Cassie will lead the group to the ridge below Sundial, allowing time for those who desire to ascend the peak of the Wasatch Mountain Club logo.
- Oct 10 Sat Kayak/canoe/bike/camp Weekend On Antelope Island – flat water**
Oct 11 Sun
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Marjorie Gendler 801 712-7890 gendler801@aol.com
 KAYAK, HIKE, BIKE, CAMP. We have reserved a group campsite for Saturday night. Join for the whole weekend or spend a day. Registration required for camping, but not for daytime activities. Check later for schedule of individual activities. All activites rated NTD. We will launch kayaks from the marina boat ramp.
- Oct 10 Sat Day Hike - Upper Willow – ntd – Slow pace**
Meet: 9:30 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Martin McGregor 801 255-0090
 This is a repeat of the Labor Day hike Martin led to Upper Willow. Same hike, different colors. Destination may change if conditions or colors are not optimal.
- Oct 10 Sat Day Hike - Big Mountain – ntd**
Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Elliott Mott 801 969-2846
 This seldom done hike is especially scenic in the fall as it features wonderful groves of aspen trees, high mountain meadows and wide open vistas along the Great Western Trail. If there is interest, the group can adjourn to Ruth's Diner for lunch following the hike.

- Oct 11 Sun Dog Hike Tom's Choice – ntd**
Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801 255-2784
 This doggie hike will go to Mt. Aire or other destination that will likely be dictated by availability of parking. Well mannered dogs and teenagers welcome.
- Oct 11 Sun Day Hike White Pine – mod**
Meet: 9:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Brett Smith 801-994-1832 brettsmith459@yahoo.com
 join Brett for a great fall hike on this wmc classic.
- Oct 11 Sun Hike, Mount Olympus North And South Peaks Via West Ridge – msd – Loop – Fast pace**
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Brad Yates 801 278-2423 bnyslc@earthlink.net
 Starting at the Wasatch Blvd trailhead we will climb the west ridge of the north peak and then traverse to the south peak descending the regular trail. This hike features extensive class 3 scrambling much more difficult than the standard route.
- Oct 11 Sun Day Hike - Neffs Canyon Area – mod**
Meet: 9:30 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Stephen Carr 801 261-5787
 Join Steve for a hike on a little known trail in Neff's Canyon. Elevation gain will be 2500 to 3000 feet. Pace will be moderate, expecting to be back about 3:30
- Oct 15 Thu Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-**
Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym
Organizer: Peter Campbell 801 733-0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com
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- Oct 17 Sat Day Hike - Organizer's Choice – mod**
Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310
 Join Mohamed and Deirdre for a favorite fall hike in Millcreek or somewhere in the foothills.
- Oct 17 Sat Beginner Hike - Avenues Twin Peaks – ntd- – 2.2 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Slow pace**
Meet: 10:00 am at Utah Travel Council Lot (110 E 300 N)
Organizer: Randy Long 801 733-9367
 All hikers are welcome, but this is a slow-paced hike geared toward introducing new people to the Wasatch Mountain Club or those working on their hiking conditioning. There will be at least two leaders on this trip to make sure no one is left behind. This month, Randy will take the group to the Avenues Twin Peaks.
- Oct 17 Sat Day Hike - Broads Fork Twin Peaks – msd – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 5130' ascent**
Meet: 5:00 pm at Registration required
Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 801-278-5153
 Cassie Badowsky & Steve Duncan will co-lead this hike to both peaks. This hike will be at a moderate pace, not too fast or too slow, so everyone should be able to make it. The hike should take about 11-12 hours or so. Contact Cassie at 801-278-5153 or cassie@hesstravel.com or Steve at 801-474-0031 or duncste@comcast.net to register and for meeting location.
- Oct 17 Sat Saturday Evening Hike - Lambs Canyon & Pizza – ntd**
Meet: 5:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Elliott Mott 801 696-2846
 This beautiful short trail in Lambs Canyon is marvelous in the fall. We'll hike to the ridge overlooking Millcreek Canyon, and then rendezvous afterwards for Pizza.

Oct 18 Organizer's Choice Big Cottonwood Day Hike – mod

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 801 272-2485 Knick.Sold@comcast.net

Come out and join Knick (801-272-2485) for an MOD paced hike in Big Cottonwood. Please come prepared for a pleasant paced outing (not fast). Depending on weather conditions. Meet Knick at Big Cottonwood Park-n-Ride by 9:00 am.

Oct 18 Draper - Traverse Ridge Road Bike – mod – 30.0 mi Loop – 1500' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun *Meet:* 5:00 pm at Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Barb Hanson 801 485-0132 barbhanson30@hotmail.com

Here's a nice Sunday morning ride, short with a great climb and descent.

Oct 18 Photograpy Hike - Organizers Choice – ntd

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Cal Osburn 801 944-4574

Cal will select a destination depending on where the fall colors are. This will be a leisurely paced hike for photographs and conversation.

Oct 18 Day Hike - Circling Wolverine – mod – Loop – Slow pace

Sun *Meet:* 9:30 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Pete and Rebecca 801 487-4160

This is an epic and beautiful hike. We start from Silver Lake, go up the Twin Lakes trail and pass, up Wolverine Ridge (circle the cirque), over Wolverine and then Tuscarora peaks, through Catherine's Pass and down the Brighton Lakes trail, past Lakes Catherine, Martha and Mary and back to Brighton. Plan on a relaxed pace to appreciate the stunning scenery. There is about 2500 feet elevation gain, and most hikers will want to take 5 to 6 hours to complete this trip.

Oct 22 Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-

Thu *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801 733-0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

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Oct 23 Possible Road Bike Weekend In Torrey – mod – 80.0 mi Loop – Moderate pace

Fri – *Meet:* 5:00 pm at Disseminated via the Bike email list

Oct 26 *Organizer:* Marcia Hansen 801 486-5724 hansen5200@msn.com

Mon If there's enough interest, let's car camp and ride a few routes out of Torrey, Utah. The dates and mileage are TBD, depending on the schedules of the group. More information through the WMC bike e mail list.

Oct 24 Day Hike Notch Peak – mod

Sat *Meet:* 6:00 am at Flying J station at 12300 S & I15

Organizer: Jerry Hatch 801 583-8047

The Carl Bauer-Wick Miller Memorial Hike to Notch Peak is the WMC's traditional farewell to the hiking season. It's a three hour drive to the House Range west of Delta, but the 3,000 ft. cliff and ancient bristlecone pines are always phenomenal. Be prepared for cross-country travel with route finding and a bit of scrambling (the Flying J is located east of I-15 onto Factory Outlet Drive)

Oct 24 Car Camp - Southern Utah

Sat – *Meet:* 5:00 pm at Registration required

Oct 27 *Organizer:* Bruce Beck 801 359-0220

Tue Bruce plans to depart Salt Lake around 6 p.m. Saturday, returning Monday or Tuesday evening. A destination has not been determined, so call Bruce with suggestions.

Oct 24 Day Hike - Box Elder Peak – msd – Out & Back – 4000’ ascent – Moderate pace

Sat *Meet:* 8:00 am at 7200 South Park n Ride east of I-15

Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 801-278-5153

Cassie Badowsky will lead another of her favorite hikes. Box Elder Peak is an unusual beautiful formation and she frequently sees mountain goats there.

Oct 24 Day Hike - Catherines Pass From Brighton – ntd

Sat *Meet:* 10:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801 255-2784

Call if there is snow for change of equipment (like maybe snowshoes) or change of destination.

Oct 25 Day Hike - Hounds Tooth – msd- – 3.5 mi Out & Back – 3000’ ascent – Moderate pace

Sun *Meet:* 8:30 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801 244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com

Julie plans to take the ridge route to the base of Hounds Tooth and avoid much (but not all) of the bushwacking. The plan is to explore a route to the top of the tooth.

Oct 25 Maybird Lakes Day Hike – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Liz Cordova 801 486-0909 liz1466@live.com

Maybird, Red Pine or some other lovely destination in the area, but not in the case of inclement weather.

Oct 25 Day Hike - Organizers Choice – ntd

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Monty Gully 801 583-0287 mgully@xmission.com

Monty may take the group to Grizzly Gulch or Twin Poles Pass, depending on weather conditions.

Oct 29 Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-

Thu *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Peter Campbell 801 733-0313 wmc-alpinist@hotmail.com

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Oct 31 Pre-halloween Dutch Oven Cookoff, Potluck & Hike

Sat *Meet:* 1:00 pm at WMC Lodge (near Brighton)

Organizer: Beth Ebling/Cheryl Soshnik (801)274-1035/(435)649-9008 baebling@yahoo.com/csoshnik@yahoo.com

The (sometimes) Annual Dutch Oven Cook-Off is Back and better than ever! This year Beth Ebling and Cheryl Soshnik are combining it with their Birthday Parties, 50 and 60, respectively! We invite anyone who has ever had a birthday ending in the number “0” to attend! Special guests will be all those who have a “0” birthday this year (20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, etc...).

Bring a Dutch Oven dish, if you'd like to participate in the Cook-Off. “0” birthday celebratees will be the official taste testers! Everyone else, bring a dish and or beverages to share! Fire up the Dutch Ovens at 1:30. Eatin’ time at 3:00! A short hike/snowshoe is at 3:30, and the Halloween party begins at 6:00 with more food, costumes, music and dancing!

Bring your sleeping bag and make it a slumber party! All are invited! If you don’t know Cheryl or Beth, introduce yourself there!

- Oct 31 Halloween Party**
Sat *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Wasatch Mountain Club lodge at Brighton Ski Resort. Directions: The way to the lodge can be accessed coming from either direction on belt route 215 in Salt Lake City. Belt route 215 can be reached from: either expressway route 80 going east or west, or
Carpool: 5:30 pm at If you wish to ride with other people, meet at the Big Cottonwood Canyon park and ride (7000 South and Wasatch Blvd.) at 5:30 pm to do so.
Organizer: Craig Anderson 801-487-2352 canders11238@yahoo.com
 Club members, family and friends are invited to the Wasatch Mountain Club's annual Halloween Party at its haunted lodge at Brighton, in Big Cottonwood Canyon, on Saturday evening, October 31, 2009. POTLUCK/ BYOB dinner will begin at 6:00 PM. Rockin' DJ Rob Snow's awesome mix of dance music will commence at 7:30 PM and will continue as long as feet are moving. Best costumes in the categories of greenest, scariest, sexiest and funniest will be awarded. A \$5.00 per person cover charge will be collected at the door; children are free. If you wish to stay overnight at the lodge, there is a charge of \$3.00 per person; children are free.
- Oct 31 Day Hike - Mt. Olympus Via Tolcat Canyon – msd – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent – Moderate pace**
Sat *Meet:* 8:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Mark Balboni 801-708-3976 mark.balboni@parexel.com
 Nothing like a great hike up to 9,025 ft Mt. Olympus to start off your Halloween right. With views up and down the Wasatch Front, it has become a very popular hike. After negotiating some serious switchbacks, we will walk along the ridgeline, which is then followed by a short boulder scramble to the top. Bring your lunch, plenty of water and, of course, the 10E's.
- Oct 31 Show-n-go Day Hike: Wmc Members Only – ntd**
Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at 6100 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: n/a n/a
 Club Members who would like to get together for a hike can meet at the 6100 South Park&Ride to pick a destination the fits the condition of the day and the mood of the group. One member will need to be responsible for filling and turning in the sign-up sheet/waiver form, which can be found in this month's Rambler or may be downloaded on the WMC web page.
- Oct 31 Day Hike - Organizer's Choice – mod**
Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Skyline High School (3151 E 3760 S)
Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310
 Join Mohamed and Deirdre for a favorite fall hike in Millcreek or somewhere in the foothills.
- Nov 1 Lake Blanche Day Hike – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace**
Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
Organizer: Liz Cordova 801 486-0909 liz1466@live.com
 Fall is my favorite season for visiting Blanche, Lillian and Florence. Not during inclement weather, however.
- Nov 4 Wmc Board Meeting**
Wed *Meet:* 7:00 pm at WMC Office (1390 S 1100 E Suite 103)
Organizer: John Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com
 Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the boards attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting
- Nov 5 Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-**
Thu *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym
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Nov 7 Day Hike - Cherry Canyon – mod

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Orsen Smith Trailhead 12601 South Highland Dr. (2000 East)
Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801 572-9838 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
If the weather holds, Julie will lead this hike up Cherry Canyon. Plan for a 4 to 6 hour hike, depending on conditions and desire.

Nov 12 Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-

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Nov 19 Rock Climb - Momentum Climbing Gym – ntd-

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BE PREPARED! ALWAYS TAKE THE 10 E'S AND CHECK THE LOCAL WEATHER CONDITIONS! WHAT ARE THE 10 E's? MAP/COMPASS, FLASHLIGHT, POCKETKNIFE, MATCHES/FIRE-STARTER, SUNSCREEN/BUG SPRAY, SUNGLASSES, CANDLE, FIRST AID KIT, EXTRA CLOTHES, & FOOD AND WATER



Mt. Aire - 8/20/09

Craig in a meadow.

**~ Photo by Mark
Powell**

Zion Trip
led by Rick Thompson
August 2009

by Robert Ging

A dozen adventurous individuals traveled to Zion National Park the last week in August for some canyoneering adventures. For any of you lucky enough to have squeezed into one of Rick's trips in the past (which fill up impossibly early) you know how fun they are. But August, in the desert? Sounds like a good way to die if you ask me as the forecast was for 105 degree temperatures. It was my first trip to any of the Utah National Parks after moving to SLC two years ago so I was excited and apprehensive. As it turns out, being at the bottom of a shaded canyon full of water is a pretty cool place to hang out. Some in the group would say downright chilly. The group hiked, scrambled, waded, and swam their way through Orderville on Saturday, and a few less hiked, scrambled, waded, and swam Subway on Sunday. A few lucky souls stayed on and did technical canyons Keyhole and Pine Creek on Monday. A few sore muscles, scrapes, and blisters were a small price to pay for navigating the beautiful obstacle course. Thanks to Rick for having the patience to put together the canyoneering trips he does and providing his invaluable knowledge and bringing us back in (mostly) one piece.

PHOTOS:

Top: Robert Ging in the shower room at Subway while everyone else tries to stay somewhat dry.

Middle: Group showing Rick the respect he deserves just before entering the Subway.

Bottom: Alex feeling the cold in Keyhole.

~ Photos by Robert Ging





Hike led by Chris
Venizelos

Above: Looking down at
Mirror Lake from Baldy
Mountain

Right: Lake shot

~ Photos by Judy
Ballantyne



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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill out both sides of the page. Print legibly, please.

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birth date: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birth date _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ email address: _____

PRIVACY INFORMATION: The WMC defaults to publish name, phone and email on website “Member’s list” area. This information is only available to active members on the web site. With your permission, we also occasionally release our address list to WMC-Board approved wilderness and/or conservation organizations for one-time mailings under the stipulation that they do not continue to use the list or provide it to other. You may opt to (1) have your address published on the “Members Only” area but not made available to other organizations, (2) have your address published on the “Members Only” area and provided to Board-approved organizations, or (3) not have your address on the WMC roster nor given to other organizations.

YOU NEED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION: Once you have been notified that your application has been accepted, log in to the WMC site and select your level of privacy from the menu under Club Preferences. If you do not have computer access or need help, please contact the Membership Director to make your preferences known.

If you would like a printed copy of the membership roster, you may download a pdf file.

If you are a member and do not have computer access and would like a membership roster, please contact the Membership Director and that list will be provided to you.

Membership dues:

\$40.00 for single membership (Annual dues \$35.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

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

\$25.00 for student membership (Annual dues \$20.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

Student members must be full-time student, age 30 and under.

Enclosed is \$_____ for application fee and first year’s dues. Check or money order only. Please make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

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

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in all WMC activities is voluntary. No one is forcing me to participate. I agree to abide by the rules of the WMC.

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

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

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the WMC, its activity organizers, 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 understand that the WMC strongly recommends that I maintain insurance sufficient to cover any injury, illness or property damage that I may incur while participating in WMC activities. In the event of injury, illness or death related to any WMC activity, I recognize that I, or my estate, will bear the full cost of my evacuation or recovery, and any related medical care that I may need. I acknowledge that the WMC carries no insurance whatsoever for any participants in WMC activities.

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 certify I am at least 18 years old.

Signature 1 _____ Print Name 1 _____ Date: _____

Signature 2 _____ Print Name 2 _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
1390 South 1100 East #103
Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTACT: Celeste Eppler EMAIL: ceppler@rei.com

PHONE: (801) 486-2100 ext. 207

SANDY REI (10600 S 230 W)

How To Care For Your Gear - Thurs, Oct 1 @ 7pm

Learn how to maintain and repair your camping, hiking, and backpacking gear.

Antarctica: Life in the Cold Place - Thurs, Oct 15 @ 7pm

Susan Munroe shares stories and pictures of her 6 months in Antarctica as a cafeteria worker at McMurdo Station.

SALT LAKE CITY REI (3285 E 3300 S)

Peru, an Andean Odyssey Alaska - Tues, Oct 6 @ 7pm

Dave Smith tells about his recent trip to Peru, including hiking the Inca Trail to Machu Pichu on foot, exploring the Amazon Rain Forest, and the enigmatic Nazca Lines and more.

Wildlife of the Great Basin Desert - Thurs, Oct 8 @ 7pm

Join Kimberly Hersey, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Sensitive Species Biologist, as she explores Utah's "West Desert" and the wildlife that lives in these harsh conditions. The presentation will focus on the ecology, conservation concerns, and management of species such as kit foxes, burrowing owls, bats, pronghorn, long-billed curlews, and more.

America's National Parks - A Legacy We Must Strive to Protect - Tues, Oct 20 @ 7pm

If you're inspired by the Ken Burns documentary come hear David Nimkin, Director of the Southwest Region, National Parks Conservation Association as he continues the conversation about the need for commitment and passion to protect these special places for future generations.

COMMUNITY / VOLUNTEER / CLASSES

Fall Bike Drive - Fri, Oct 2 - Mon, Oct 12

Support the Salt Lake City Bicycle Collective and donate your old bikes and parts. Go to the self serve kiosk at REI SLC Customer Service, fill out the paperwork and turn it in with your bicycle donation to any CS representative. They'll take it from there. Unfortunately we're not able to accept helmets or stationary (exercise) bicycles.

Utah Society for Environmental Education Green Bag

Series - Oct 13, 12-1:30pm

Come learn about the Utah Project for Excellence in Environmental Education (UPEEE), a research project funded by the US EPA to help bridge the gap between formal classroom teachers and non-formal Environmental Education (EE) providers. The project identified the needs of teachers pertaining to EE, and assists organizations in forming best practices to meet those needs. The specific goal of the UPEEE was to strengthen the capacity of quality and effective environmental education programs in Utah through non-formal environmental education provider and teacher partnerships. Hear the results of the project and join us for a discussion of how you can improve your EE outreach. RSVP to nicole@usee.org by Friday October 9th to reserve your spot. Cost is \$5 for members, \$15 for nonmembers and includes a light lunch..

REI Navigation Day - Sat, Oct 3, 9am-3pm (Sandy REI)

Spend a day outdoors and an hour indoors with REI navigation specialists to learn how to use your GPS unit in the field. Participants should have some familiarity with GPS and/or have attended REI's GPS 101 evening clinic. You'll practice finding your way from point A to point B, first establishing where you are, and then where you want to go. Learn route-finding skills, such as: how to transfer waypoints from your PC to your GPS unit, how to use the U.T.M. grid system vs. latitude and longitude coordinates, and how to create your own custom maps. Pre-registration is required in person or by phone at our REI Sandy location at 801-501-0850. Tuition is \$25 REI members, \$35 non-members.

**BE AWARE! CHECK ONLINE AT
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The face behind the camera doesn't get seen very often. Alexis Kelner taking group pictures at the WMC Old Timers/New Comers Party! He's done this for years. Many thanks to him and his talents!

~ This photo "from the other side" by Bradley Yates



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