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CARRIE CLARK AND RICK GAMBLE'S RED PINE LAKE SNOWSHOE

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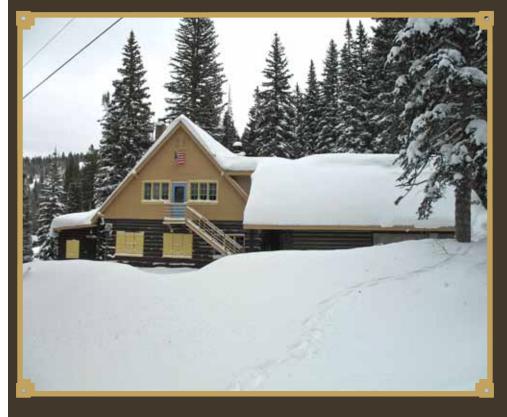
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Photo by Henri Debaritault

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.



Lodge Service Days

Snow Removal:

March 13, 9:00 am March 27, 9:00 am

April 2, 9:00 am

Contact Foundation
Liaison, Robert
Myers, to find out
more information and
volunteer for a service
day. (801) 466-3292
or (801) 651-9965.
Lunch provided for
volunteers.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT JOHN VERANTH



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A LITTLE ABOUT US . . .

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The Wasatch Mountain Club is an outdoor recreation club for adults. Club activities include:

- hiking, backpacking and camping,
- flat and whitewater kayaking, canoeing and rafting,
- mountain and road biking,
- rock and ice climbing, canyoneering and mountaineering,
- snowshoeing,
- Nordic & Alpine backcountry skiing,
- Social/entertainment activities/programs and
- Conservation pursuits.

While most activities are aimed at adult participation several activities for families are organized each season. Activities are not limited to the above list, but are dependent on volunteer organizers to form the activities and programs.

The club organizes scores of activities each month. Activities are open to all members. Some activities require advanced sign-up while others just state a date, time and meeting place. Trips may range in length from a few hours to several days. Most trips are centered in or around the Wasatch Front. Occasionally there are trips to other regions of Utah or to neighboring states. The sailing trip destinations have had varied locations such as the Greek Islands, Caribbean locations and the South Pacific.

The Wasatch Mountain Club provides a social vehicle to the outdoor enthusiast who seeks others of similar interests while providing an opportunity to develop organization skills and knowledge of the various outdoor sports. Whether you are a novice or an expert, there are trips and activities designed for you. If there is some question about the difficulty of the activity, a call or email to the trip organizer will fill you in on more information.

The Wasatch Mountain Club is run entirely by volunteers. Participants are expected to help with the organization and formulation of the trip. A great experience can be had in the outdoors. Your experience with the Wasatch Mountain Club will be as great as you make it.

LODGE TRANSFERRED TO THE WMC FOUNDATION

By Robert Myers, President, WMCF

The WMC lodge has been a long-standing piece of history for the Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC). Starting with the origin of the Club in 1921, the members sought to build a shelter in the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon for year round use. An agreement was reached with the U.S. Forest Service in 1929 and construction immediately started on the lodge that we know today. The WMC lodge is one of the only remaining original log buildings from that period in the Brighton area and because of its history and importance, was placed on the National Historic Register for buildings in 1980.

On December 1st, 2010, the WMC transferred ownership of the lodge to the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation, which is a charitable 501(c) (3) organization. One of the primary purposes of the WMC Foundation is the maintenance and preservation of the lodge for future generations. The mission of the WMC Foundation is to allow the use of the building by charitable, educational and scientific purposes, and to further its use by the general public. Those wishing to use the lodge are asked to help support and fund the maintenance and upkeep of the building by paying a standard users' fee.

The lodge was originally used as an overnight and weekend destination. In recent decades, use of the Lodge by WMC members has decreased as the quality of the highway and the accessibility of Big Cottonwood Canyon have improved and made travel from the valley less of an adventure. The WMC currently only uses the building four or five times a year whereas the general public is the major user of the lodge. The lodge has been used in the past and continues to be used for meetings, conferences, fundraising events, family reunions, receptions, social events and even an occasional wedding.

Through the years there have been a number of improvements to the lodge, with the most significant being the construction of an addition with modern bathrooms. The building now has a sanitary water supply, flushing toilets, showers and hydronics heating for the addition. We also have a live-in caretaker who resides on site. The main floor of the building can handle parties up to 70-80 people comfortably. There are also outdoor porches and a barbeque area with picnic tables and additional seating during the summer. Sleeping accommodations are on the second floor of the main lodge, where there are two dormitory style rooms capable of sleeping up to 20 people.

You can find a link to our website which will show pictures and many of the unique characteristics of the building. The link to our website is http://www.wasatchmountainclubfoundation.org. The website offers an online reservation system which will accept any major credit card. Donations may also be made through the website.

To learn more about the lodge, visit our website or become involved as one of our maintenance volunteers. Maintenance is a year-round requirement with snow removal from the roof in the winter and repairs, painting and maintenance in the summer months. We encourage you to call and get involved in one or many of our work parties.

Website is http://www.wasatchmountainclubfoundation.org

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GIFTING TO THE WMC FOUNDATION

By now most of you have heard and read the results of the Board's recommendation and the membership vote to transfer the Lodge to the Foundation. Along with the transfer, you may have heard several appeals to consider contributing tax-deductible dollars for the preservation and maintenance of the Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge. For those of you contemplating gifts, some things to remember: 1. If you want a charitable deduction, the donation has to go to the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation, not the Wasatch Mountain Club. Only the Foundation has charitable deduction donation status. If you want proof of the status, go on www.irs.gov and search under charities for the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation. 2. The Foundation has more than one purpose. The Lodge is the primary purpose, but not the only one. If you want your gift used for a particular purpose, accompany your donation with written notice of your desire. 3. There are many assets which can be used to make a gift:

- A. You can make a current cash/check donation which will qualify for the taxable year in which it is given. The ability to deduct as a charitable donation depends on income level. Keep records; keep your acknowledgment letter.
- B. You can make a testamentary (at death) donation. This will reduce estate tax and possibly income tax depending on what asset(s) are used to make the donation. The best assets are those which would be "income in respect of a decedent." You can set up a charitable trust and take lifetime distributions (for you, or for you and your spouse) and leave the rest to the Foundation. There are quite a few rules, so get good advice. WMC member Cynthia Crass is an attorney specializing in estate planning and related areas and is willing to provide professional advice. You may contact her at cjcrass@cnmlaw.com or 801-530-7331.
- c. Gifts of services DO NOT QUALIFY for charitable deductions.
- D. For those of you over 70 1/2, think about using IRAs to make donations. Rather than taking required minimum distributions, which increase your income tax, send them directly to the Foundation. Then you don't take them into income. You can do this through January 2011 and have it count in your 2010 tax return. This "charitable IRA rollover" income tax benefit also goes through 2011. This is particularly good for those who don't itemize, lose deductions because their AGI is too high, or those subject to the 50% charitable deduction limitation.
- E. Gift appreciated stock held more than one year. You get the full present value as a charitable deduction and the gain is tax free to the charity. As an example, say you bought stock at \$10 and now it's worth \$50. You get \$50 worth of deduction on something you paid \$10 for. The Foundation will sell the stock at \$50 and use the money; the charity doesn't pay tax on the \$40 gain because it's a charity.

This article was written by WMC member Cynthia Crass an attorney with Callister, Nebeker & McCullough, specializing in tax law and estate planning and will be happy to offer you her professional advice. Contact her at 801-530-7331 or jcrass@cnmlaw.com.

HIKING DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

PRE-SEASON HIKING/CAMPING/BACKPACKING PLANNING PIZZA PARTY

Friday, March 4th, Rocky Mountain Pizza

Please RSVP to Julie or Alex by e-mail or voice mail so the restaurant can arrange the appropriate meeting space and quantity of pizza.

Join your hiking directors for an organizers' planning party and pizza!

Whether you are a well-seasoned veteran organizer or thinking about organizing your first activity, come share your thoughts and ideas as we launch the 2011 hiking/camping/backpacking season.

This is YOUR planning session, so topics could cover anything of interest to organizers. Some possible discussion items:

- Review Policies for Organizers
- Review Policies for Participants
- Planning Multi-Sport Activities
- Supporting Beginner Hikers
- Doggie Backpacks
- Evening Hikes
- New Draper Trails
- Promotion ideas for WMC
- Trail Maintenance Priorities



We've reserved a room from 6:00 to 8:00 at Rocky Mountain Pizza Company that is located at 3977 South Wasatch Boulevard. Pizza on us. Beverages available for purchase.

Please RSVP to Julie or Alex by e-mail or voice mail (email and phone numbers inside front cover) so the restaurant can arrange the appropriate meeting space and quantity of pizza.



We held our January Boating Permit and Pizza Party on the 14th. Attendance was good and we filled out and mailed several permit applications. It is now time for our March Boating Permit and Pizza Party. Please come. Bring your permits so we can get them on the calendar and start planning the boating season. We have some important trips already scheduled. Come with thoughts and plans to organize and lead non-permit rivers trips. We need more organizers to lead weekend trips, e.g. Brown's Park, Split Mountain, Alpine Canyon, etc. We need organizers to plan and lead more multiday trips, on easy to get permit rivers, Cataract Canyon, Desolation Canyon, Labyrinth Canyon, etc. Time and Place: Thursday, March 10th, 6:30 PM @ the Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church (3280 East 3900 South). [Keep an eye on the WMC Activities Calendar in case there is a change of location] We will provide pizza and beverages. (No alcohol is allowed in the church.) Be sure to sign up for the club's boater email notification system by sending a SUBSCRIBE message with your name and address to Bret Mathews bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

Boat Shed Opening	TBD	Work Party	Bret Mathews, bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
Salt River, AZ	March 2 -	Class II-IV	danamardimaack@msn.com
Beginners Trip	May 13 – May 15	Class II	Lori Major, arivergoddess@yahoo.com
			Bret Mathews, bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
Black Canyon, Colorado	March 10 - March 13	Class I	Zig Sondelski zig.sondelski@gmail.com
Deso	June	Class III	Stevo, shiveringman@comcast.net
Main Salmon	June 16 – 2?	Class III	Dudley McIlhenny, contextny@aol.com
			Da Yang, dayang007@gmail.com
Yampa Service Trip	Trip Jun 23 – Jun 30	Class III/	Dudley McIlhenny, contextny@aol.com
		Work	Gerrish Willis, ggwillis@yahoo.com
Payette, ID	July 1 - 4	Class II	Rick Thompson, gone2moab@hotmail.com
Pink Flamingo	September	Easy	TBD

CONSERVATION NOTES

WILL MCCARVILL, CONSERVATION DIRECTOR

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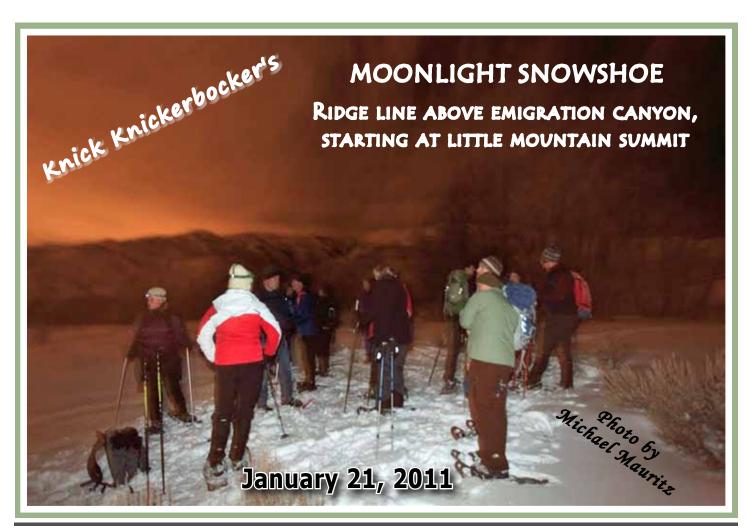
The Conservation Activity dates back to the early 60's with the establishment of an official director position. This was in recognition that the first 5 bullet items were being impacted by unbalanced development and resource exploitation. The Club began to weigh in on environmental issues during that time. The Club actually help fund sending Alexis Kelner back to Washington D.C. to lobby for the creation of wilderness in Utah's forest lands. Later, several members formed Save Our Canyons to focus more on conservation issues.

There is history of individual members of the Club working on specific issues that they are concerned about with the Conservation Director serving a coordinating role. With the rise of large organizations with a national constituency and with paid staff such as The Sierra Club and Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA), the Club usually takes a supporting role. Club members are also members of these organizations. Currently, the Club is one of the board members of the Utah Wilderness Coalition (UWC). The Coalition was formed to coordinate the conservation activities of the Wasatch Mountain Club, the Sierra Club, SUWA, and others on BLM public lands issues.

The Club provides financial contributions to local projects and to support organizations working on Utah issues. The Conservation fund is financed by an allocation of 10% of dues and by shares of royalties from book and map sales.

Current local issues include ski area expansion, illegal uses such as volunteer trails and the continual pressure to develop private and public lands that come at the expense of non-mechanized Wasatch Mountain Club users. Trailhead access and trails maintenance are ongoing concerns of the Club. Through Rambler postings, activities are listed to provide an opportunity for Club members to help out in a worthy cause. If you have an issue regarding conservation, please contact me.

The state legislature is now in session. To keep up with environmental bills go to utah.sierraclub. org/legislative.asp for updates.







Winter Nominations Banquet and Social January 8, 2011

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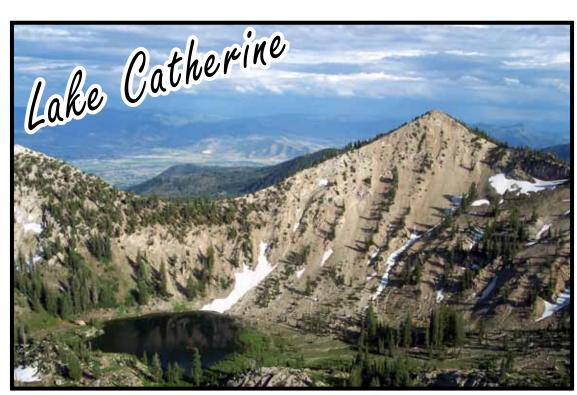
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1414 E. Murray-Holladay Road Salt Lake City, UT 84117 Brighton was named after a family that emigrated from Scotland to Salt Lake City. They homesteaded an 80acre plot at Brighton in 1871. The family consisted of William Stuart Brighton, his wife, Catherine, and their children. Dan and Will. One of the lakes above Brighton was named after Catherine who enjoyed fishing. She was a great cook and soon travelers discovered that



Brighton was a great place to get a meal.

Catherine always had a supply of mutton, beef, and fresh trout that she caught herself, as well as butter, buttermilk and biscuits. The family soon opened a large store and later built and operated the Brighton Hotel. This was a small hotel with seven bedrooms that were used by some of the most prominent people who lived in Salt Lake City. It would later become a popular place to stay in the canyon. The summer after the completion of the Brighton Hotel, Catherine had a sudden heart attack and died on July 19, 1894.

William Stuart Brighton carried on with the hotel for the remainder of the season. Brighton had been a popular summer destination when Salt Lake City residents came to get out of the city heat but they usually didn't stay for the snowy winters. In the late 1800s, Dan and Will Brighton made crude skis so they could move around on the snow. About 40 years later, in the 1920s, the Wasatch Mountain Club began skiing at Brighton because it had a large amount of snow. But there were no lifts in those days. Instead, groups would travel to Park City, climb up over the ridge tops just as the early travelers had done, and ski down into Brighton where they would spend a few days skiing, eating, drinking, dancing, and playing bridge. The shortest route was a one-day trip that went through Brighton. Otherwise, it took about three days to go from Park City down the canyon to Salt Lake City to then up another canyon to Alta.

Some of the routes from Park City to Brighton became so popular that the Wasatch Mountain Club marked them with signposts displaying the club's insignia. In the early years, lifts were all privately owned. In 1936, the club built the first rope tow at Brighton. The Alpine Ski Club built a J-bar, but it was a complicated contraption that didn't work very well. In 1938, K. Smith, an avid skier with the Wasatch Mountain Club, built a 1,440-foot long T-bar lift that was very successful. Smith then traveled to Sun Valley in Idaho to learn about newly invented chair lifts. This made skiing much more accessible. Several organizations began to promote skiing in the Wasatch Mountains. Ski resort activity didn't take off until the 1940's. Resorts in Salt Lake City, Ogden, and Park City soon opened. Downhill, slalom, and combined ski championships were held at these resorts. The Wasatch Mountains became well known for ski racing. (From summitpost.org)



NEW MEMBERS

Bradley Clausen

Andrea Gappmayer

Charlene Weir

Teri Jenkins

Dennis Nichols

John Hamann

Mike Spencer

Heidi and Walter Strickland

David and Fairlie Kinnecom

Jason and Amanda Prendergast

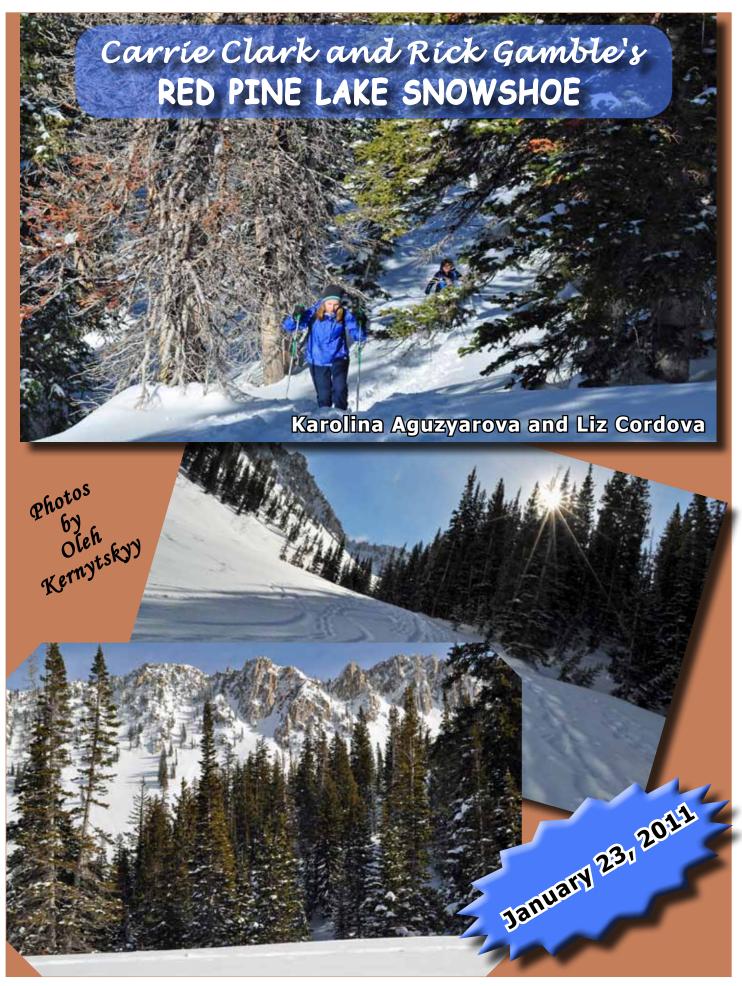
Kevin and Lisa Dolan

IF YOU'RE A NEW MEMBER . . . depending on your age and background . . . you might have a few questions:

- 1. How do I get involved in activities?
- 2. What kinds of activities can be organized?
- 3. What is the average age of WMC members?
- 4. How many people participate in the activities?
- 5. How aggressive are the various activity groups?

The answers . . . ask away! Ask someone in the club! Send an e-mail to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com or call someone from the governing board (inside front cover). The average age is... honestly, we don't know. Why don't we know? 1. We haven't yet started tracking that information. 2. It doesn't matter. There are older folks who can out-hike/-bike/-paddle any younger person. There are also younger people who like to do light activities. Sometimes tons of people show up for activities; sometimes only a couple. This is the nice thing.

The WMC activities allow for flexibility; if you can show up, do--if you can't, don't. As for how vigorous and aggressive the various activities and groups are (hikers, bikers, etc), contact the director or co-ordinator. Please don't feel like you can't organize an activity if you don't know your way around. There are so many people who can help you, and you can even decide on a destination at the time of meeting! You might have one or two awkward activities, but just get together with people who share the same interests as you, and you'll be on your way to tons of fun and excitement--things you never thought were possible!



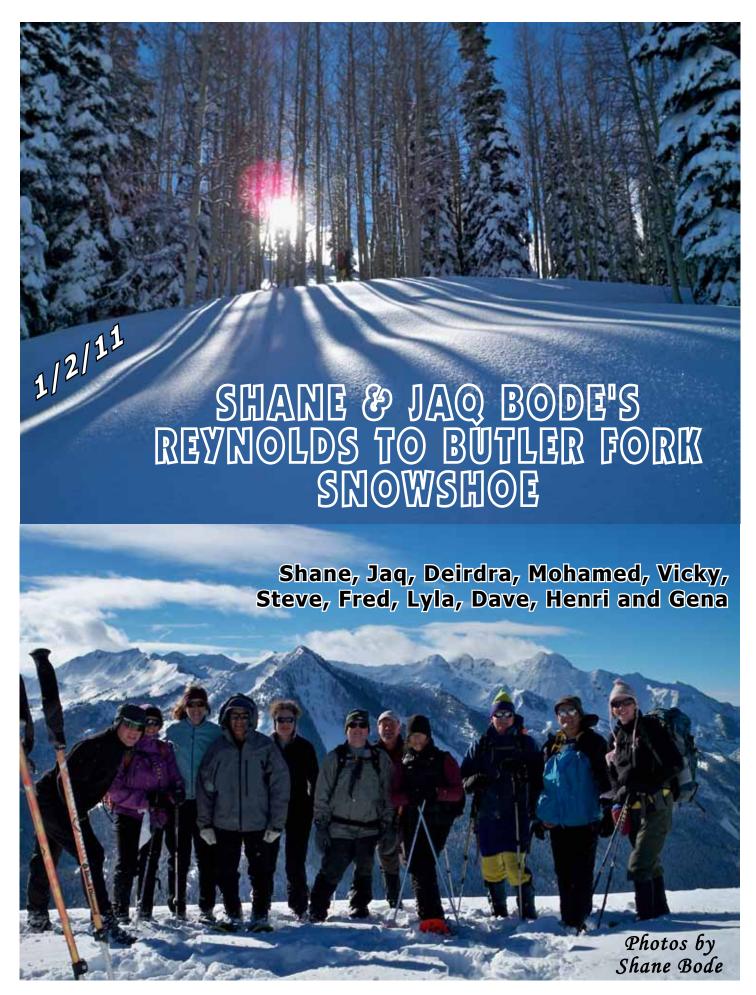


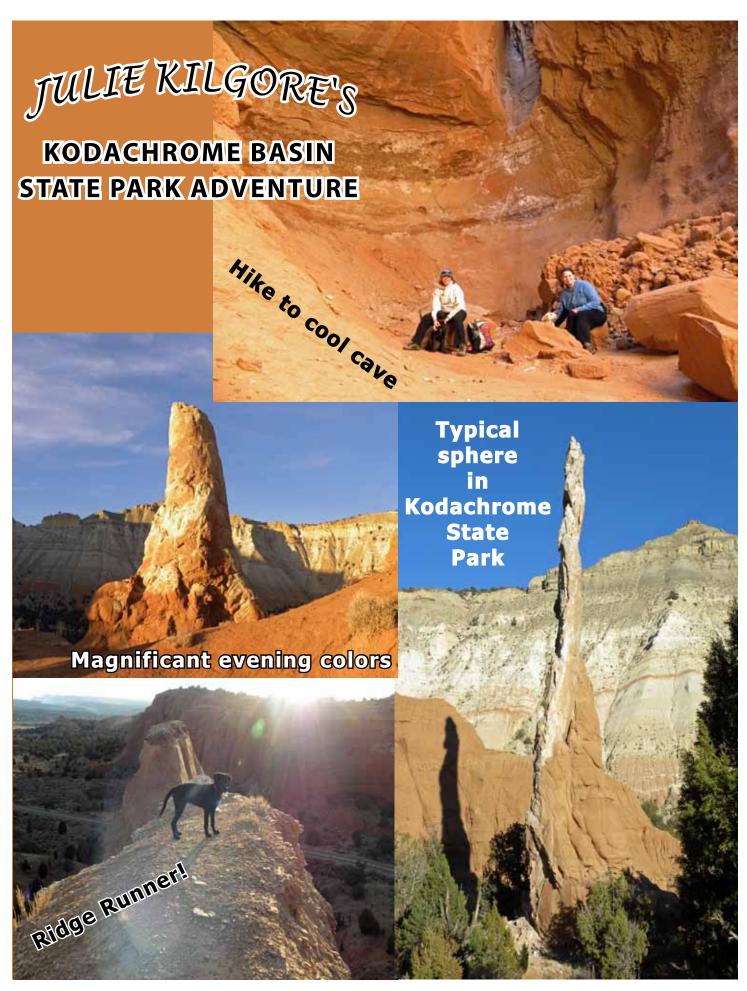


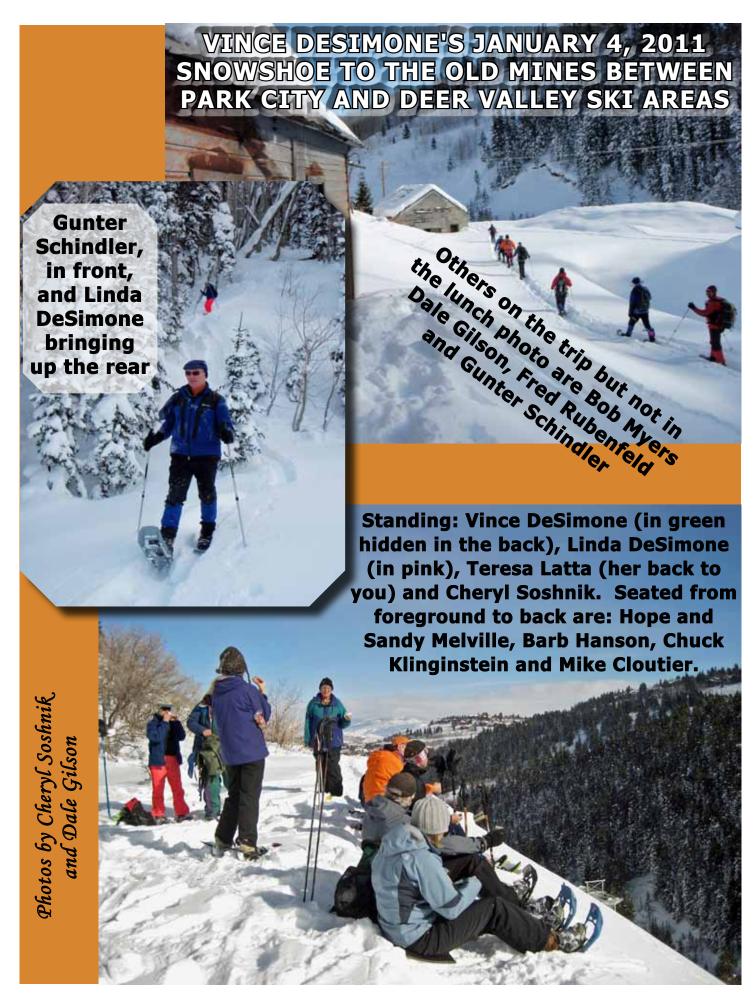
In March of 1939 Charles "Chick" Pfeiffer was found dead in his Salt Lake City shoe shop. He was still wearing his ski clothes.

Chick Pfieffer was one of the founding members of the Wasatch Mountain Club, a group dedicated to outdoor recreation and exploration. Indeed, its club charter stated its purpose as — among other things —"to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities." The group still operates today.

Shortly after his death, friends of Chick Pfeiffer climbed the Little Matterhorn. Little Matterhorn is a small, sharp peak that climbs above 11,300 feet at the Hogum and Maybird headwalls. It's a photogenic, iconic peak that has come to symbolize the rocky, rugged Wasatch Mountains. Both the open bowled south side and the famous northwest couloirs offer significant bragging rights for backcountry skiers and mountaineers. The peak can be seen from countless perches throughout the Wasatch, acting as a navigational landmark, or contextual reference of distance and space. It was there, at the top of the peak that those members of the Wasatch Mountain Club renamed the Little Matterhorn in honor of their friend and colleague. (From epicriding. com)







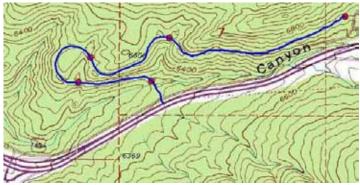




FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

50. Parleys Canyon Rail Trail - Part II

After the Rio Grande Western completed the Lambs Canyon trestle in 1898, it addressed the next major problem, that of the steep grade to Parleys Summit. This was done, first, by building a loop line on the north slopes of the canyon, increasing the distance the trains had to travel to the summit, but decreasing the grade to



This map shows the Parleys Canyon Rail Trail as it exists today. The Lambs Canyon interchange on I-80 is in the lower left corner. The dots on the trail are the approximate center of large fills, the first crossing first half of 1900. Parleys Creek, the rest crossing other drainages. The dot at the upper right is where the trail enters the Beehive-Wasatch Bowhunters club Canyon, the first spanning Parleys Creek where the property, about two miles from the trailhead.

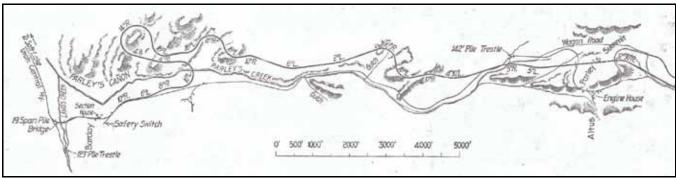
a manageable four per cent. And second, it chose to drive a tunnel under Parleys Summit to replace the big horseshoe curve over the top of the ridge on the narrow gauge line, eliminating 160 feet of additional elevation required to cross to the other side of the divide. At the same time the railroad company would eliminate the narrow gauge track and rolling stock and convert to standard gauge. The work in the canyon began in November 1899 when large numbers of men moved into a tent city near Lambs Canyon and began grading for the new alignment of the track, while others moved to the summit where they began digging the tunnel. Work on the roadbed and the 1,132 foot long tunnel continued during the

Two large trestles were built above Lambs track crossed to the north side and headed west

while climbing that side of the canyon, and the second about a third of a mile farther up the grade where the track crossed a deep drainage. It then entered the great loop of nearly 270 degrees before turning easterly and heading toward the summit, now well above the bottom of the canyon. At the end of July the final gauge change was made and on 30 July the first Rio Grande Western standard gauge train pulled into Park City. The first passenger cars used on the new line were narrow gauge cars placed on standard gauge trucks. Some of them were used for several years before being retired.

The original Parleys Canyon wagon road generally followed the creek and was not a very pleasant road, even with horse and wagon. But when the Rio Grande Western removed the narrow gauge track the county moved the wagon road to the old railroad roadbed, providing a far better roadway, much to the pleasure of travelers. At Lambs Canyon the road turned into the canyon as the narrow gauge railroad did, crossed the stream, then followed the Lambs Canyon stream, passing under the huge trestle and joined the old road at Parleys Creek. In 1914 when a new state highway was being built, it followed the same route, but the road was widened to a twenty foot width. In Lambs Canyon a new concrete bridge was built to cross the stream. On the tops of the parapets the workers embedded bits and slivers of stone to form the words "New State Highway 1914" on one side and "Lambs Canyon" on the other. While the 1914 highway has long since been replaced, the Lambs Canyon bridge remains and can be seen about two-tenths of a mile from the I-80 interchange.

In the years that followed the railroad company sent many work trains with cars full of rock and soil that dumped their loads at the trestles, thereby building massive fills that took the place of the bridgework. However, the trestles remained buried, even to this day. When I-80 was under construction in the 1960 decade, many large timbers were unearthed while grading for the Lambs Canyon interchange, bits and pieces of the once magnificent Lambs Canyon trestle.



Map of the Rio Grande Western railroad between Lambs Canyon and Parleys Summit. Also shown is the earlier Utah Central Railway narrow gauge line between the same two points.



This photograph from the early part of the twentieth century shows the Rio Grande Western track above Lambs Canyon as seen from the upper level, above the great loop. The trestle in the foreground crosses Parleys Creek, while the Lambs Canyon trestle is in the distance. The buildings, including a water tank, are the north side of I-80 at Barclay station, named after James W. Barclay, British member of Parliament who invested and promoted John W. Young's initial railroad venture. The old narrow gauge railroad right of way, now the canyon wagon road, is seen going up the canyon on the left. (Author's collection.)

The Park City gave railroad continuous service to travelers until 1946 when the state wanted to rebuild the highway to four lanes. There was not enough room for highway and railroad in the lower part of the canyon, and the rail traffic had diminished to the point where the railroad company was willing to abandon the line, so the track from the cement quarry to Park City was removed.

The Parleys Canyon Rail Trail can be accessed by driving up the service road on about seven-tenths of a mile beyond the Lambs Canyon interchange.

Vehicular access to the trail is blocked by large boulders at the roadside. While walking across the big fill across Parleys Creek, imagine the many timbers that made up the trestle still buried underneath. At the next big fill going up the grade toward the west another trestle remains buried. This one was not as high as the fill is today. It was intended to use only a fill here, but there wasn't sufficient material available, so a lower fill was put in

place and the trestle was built on top. It was reported that this fill settled two feet before trains were run and the trestle had to be jacked up and supported by additional pieces of timber. Today the fill has a noticeable depression, leaving one to wonder if it did not continue settling, even after the railroad was abandoned.

With I-80 in plain sight, this first part of the trail is rather noisy, but after the second fill, as the trail enters the great loop through a deep cut, the background noise suddenly disappears and silence reigns. Upon leaving the cut a splendid view of Mountain Dell and Parleys Canyon appears. What a wonderful ride this must have been for travelers during the period of operation of this railroad. The trail then winds back and forth over fills and through cuts until it straightens out and makes a beeline for the summit. At about two miles from the trailhead the roadbed goes through trail has been passed.



A Rio Grande Western work train and crew pause on the trestle across Parleys Creek to property of the Beehive-Wasatch have their picture taken. The wye, where the narrow gauge trains changed direction was Bowhunters club, but at that point the located on the flat area beyond the locomotive's steam plume. Today Interstate 80 runs best and most interesting part of the across the picture behind the steam plume, and the trestle is buried inside a massive fill. (Salt Lake Tribune Archives)

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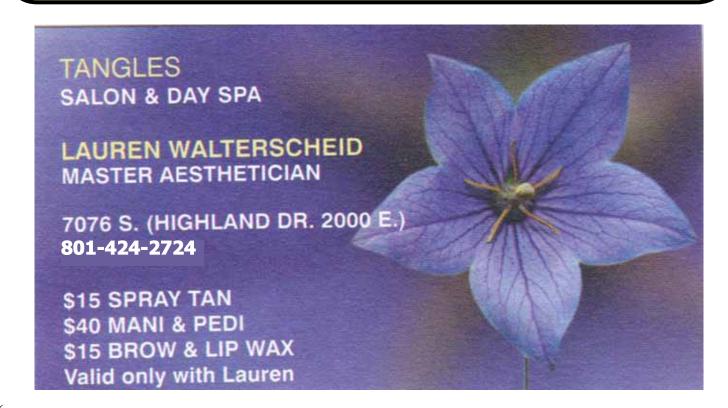
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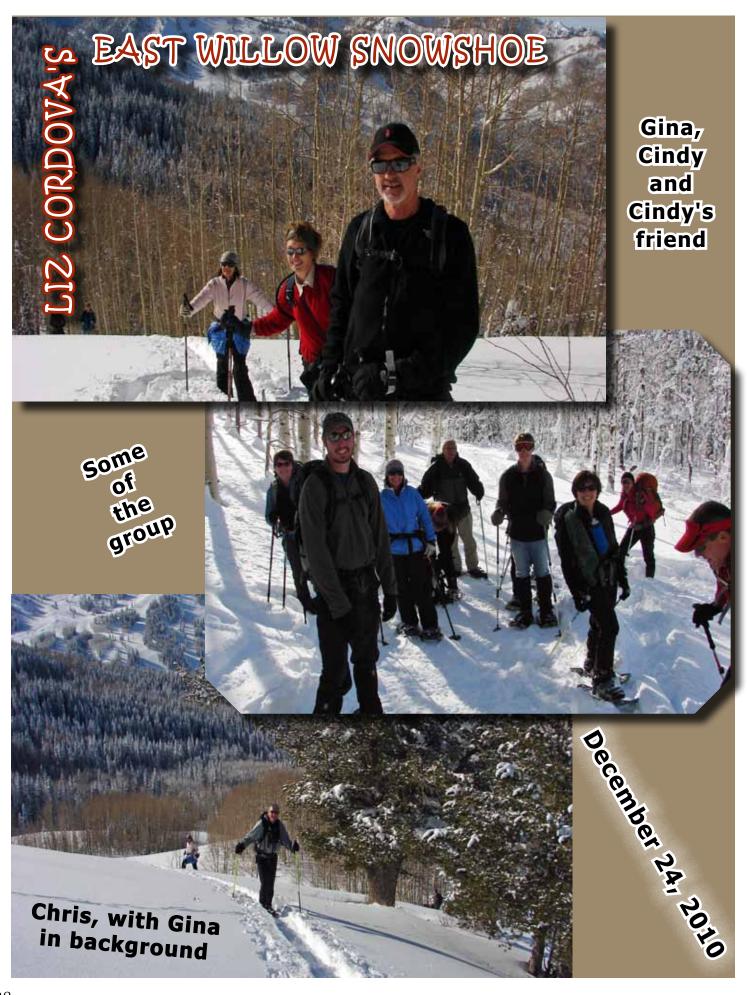














Historical note (from Liz Cordova):

Snowshoers have called this area USA Bowl for years. We imagined it as a snowy map which we followed up the Gulf Coast toward the Pacific Northwest... who knew that skiers considered it part of Willow? Always the conciliator, we rechristened it East of Willow, much like the biblical East of Eden, where snowshoers fled to escape the snowmobiles and private property near Scott's Pass.





LAKE TAHOE RIM TRAIL BACKPACK

The Tahoe Rim Trail is a 165-MILE hiking/biking/horse trail which circumvents Lake Tahoe - total elevation gain: about 27,000 feet. This trip will depart around August 8th or August 12th and return two weeks later. Limited to six individuals - must be in excellent shape. A \$15/person deposit for permit fees is required. Please contact with questions or to register by email only.

LEVEL: MSD MILES: 165.0 ROUTE: Loop PACE: Moderate

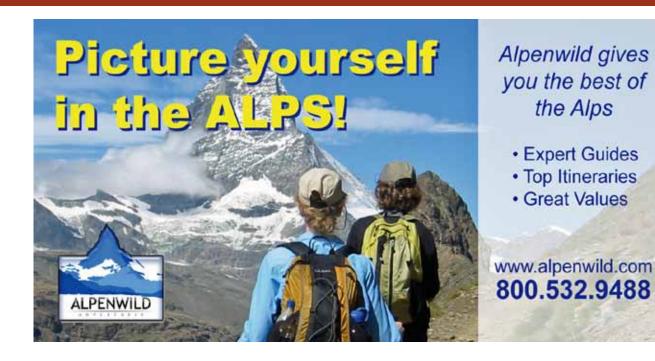
ORGANIZER: Michael Budig EMAIL: mbudig@blazemail.com DATE: Monday, August 8, 2011

MEETING PLACE: Registration required

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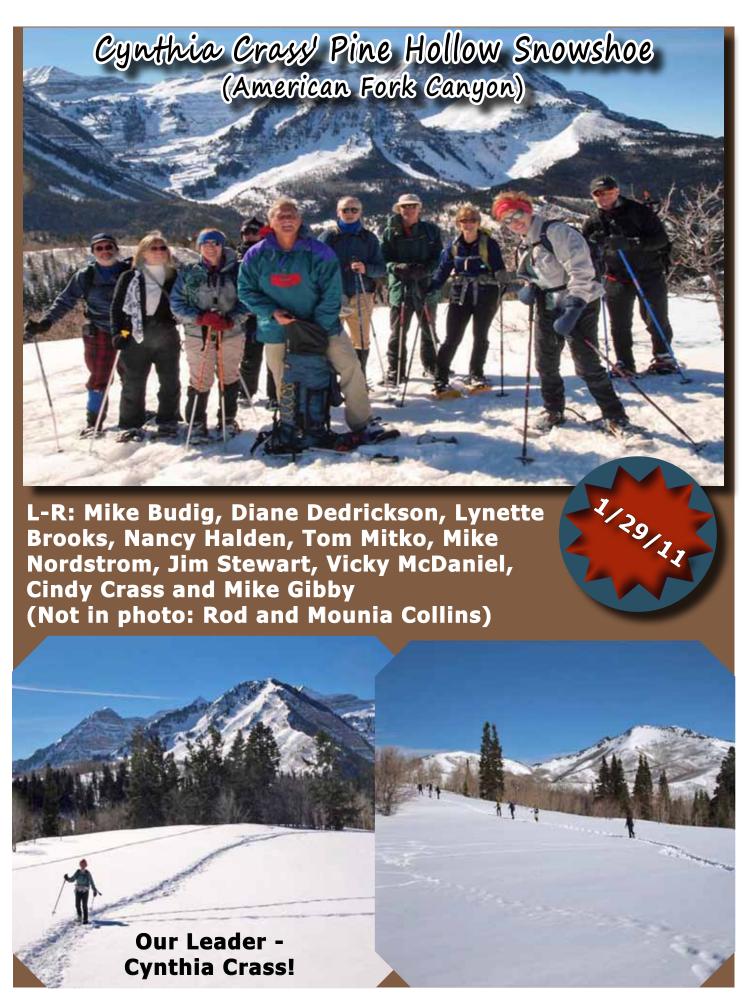


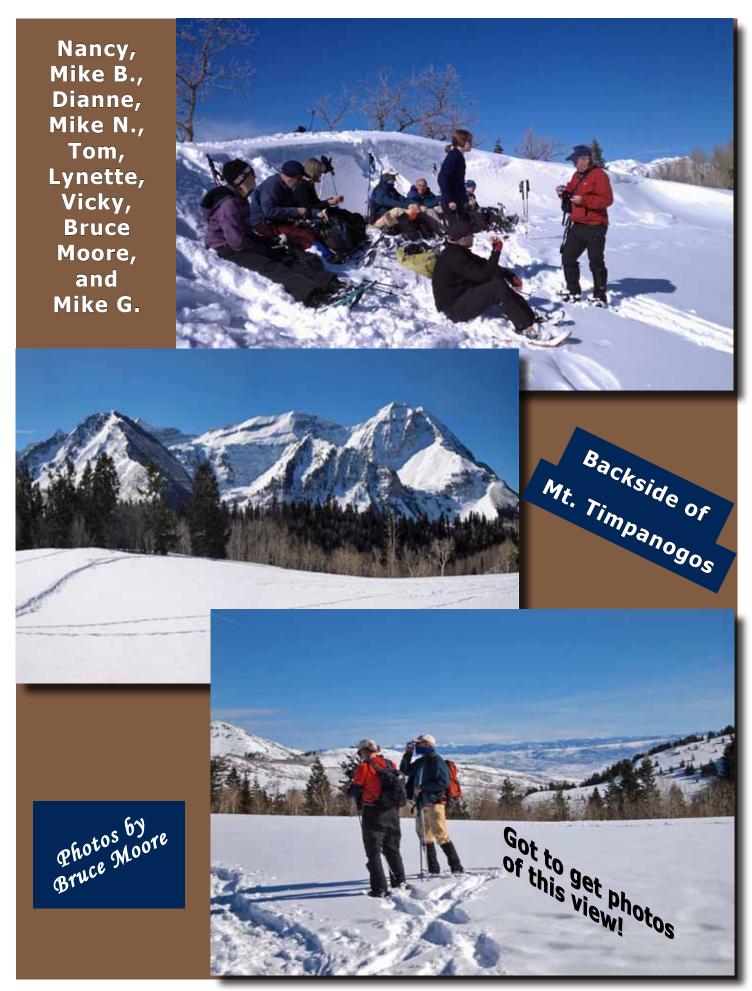
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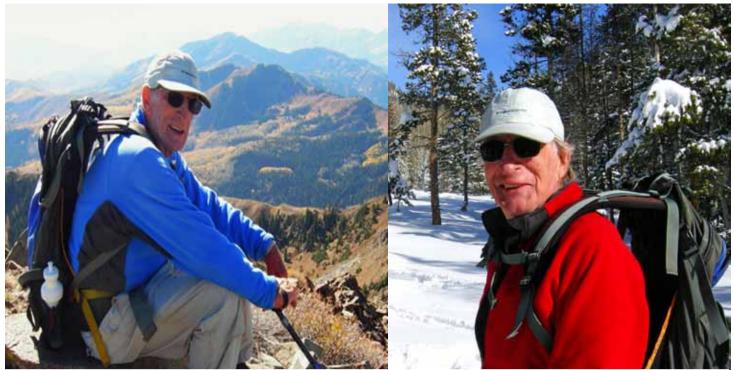












Norm Pobanz has led mid-week WMC hikes and snowshoes for many years. During that time he's organized easily upwards of 40 events a year, with time out only for vacations and an occasional medical leave. Dozens of us fellow hikers have shared the trail with Norm. He always picks interesting routes, some standard, and many a surprise. Over the years, so many of us have benefited from his many, many outings. But all good things come to an end, and Norm has finally decided to end his club hikes, although he still plans to get out as much as possible, but not be responsible for organizing official club events. It's been two weeks and we already miss him. It's difficult to imagine heading as many trips as Norm has done over the past several years. We wish him well in his, um, retirement? (By Karen Perkins)



Just a few words about Norm . . .

Conley Adams: As Norman Pobanz has just signed off on leading the Thursday hikes on February 1st; I have felt to write a small thank you note to him. It's only been in about the last year that I could keep up with him on the trail. One of the very best comments I can make about Norm is his care for and the well being of everyone on the hike, and that they all make the trip back to the trailhead.

Karen Perkins: About 3 years ago, my work schedule became light enough to permit me to go on Norm's Thursday group outings. For years, every time I'd see Norm, he'd tell me of his Thursday hikes and snowshoes, so I was primed for adventure. I haven't been disappointed. Sometimes we've gotten into some formidable bushwhacks and once came home soaked to the bone, but it was always part of the fun - especially in hindsight. Thanks to Norm, I've been to places in the Wasatch I would never have gone, and hiked with folks I might not have met otherwise. Besides I've eaten Carma's pecan bars - worth it all! Norm has given countless hours to the club, organizing not just weekly events, but many backpacks. My first outing with him was backpacking in the Uintahs years ago and, being a novice, I really appreciated Norm's organizing skills and savvy about the trails and terrain. When I recently told Norm I'd applied for my life membership and asked when he would do so, he would always reply that the \$35/yearly to the WMC was the best money he ever spent. I've heard him say it time and again, so I know he really means it! Norm has been gold to all of us who've enjoyed his trips, tours and hikes over the years.

Robert Sweeten: Around five years ago, I was a new member doing my first hike to Lake Blanche. A fellow hiker told me that one of the men on the hike had just had hip replacement surgery a few months ago and was with us on the hike. Well, the hike about did me in, and I was thinking that he must be one tough dude. Now, years later, after spending many hours on the trail and on snowshoes with him, I can tell you he is not only tough, but also a good friend and a great person. Thursday's won't be the same without him. Norm, may the wind be always at your back.

Leslie Woods: The WMC has been very lucky and fortunate to have Norm as an active member for the last 20 some years, or maybe even closer to 30 years. Back in the late 80's when I first met Norm on a hike up Mount Olympus, he was hiking to Blister Hill 3 to 4 times a week. Later Norm expanded his hiking to include the whole Desolation Lake trail, beginning at Thaynes Canyon and ending at Beartrap. I think it became an annual hike for a few years. Another one of his favorite local hikes was the Wild Kitten done in the fall, so everyone could enjoy the beautiful colors. Norm also organized backpack trips to the Wind River Mountains in Wyoming. Some of his favorite places there are Square Top Mountain, the Island Lake area, Lost Lake and definitely the Big Sandy area. One year he had 3 ladies accompany him on a weeklong trip in the Winds from the North to the South end. It was spectacular. He also led weekly hikes on Tuesdays, but due to work schedules they were changed to Thursdays, since Norm is so accommodating. In the early years of 2000, Norm would do a seminar on how to backpack and then take the participants overnight into the Uintahs to practice their skills. One fellow cut his pack weight almost in half after the overnight practice. Norm has a lot of favorite places in the Uintahs, such as Long Lake, Watson Lake and the Crystal Lake area. Plus sometime along the way, Norm would lead weekly snowshoe trips. Norm should have applied to become a Life Member of the WMC several years ago, but never did, even though he is very deserving of the honor. Thanks a million Norm for all that you have given the WMC over so many years. We are all very grateful for your guidance and expertise in the outdoors.

Bruce Moore: We were headed out to hike the Mormon Trail one fine June morning, starting at Mormon Flats. Upon arrival at the trailhead, it didn't take long to notice the creek was flooded, after all it was early June, and several hundred yards of trail were underwater. Giving up so early wasn't in our playbook, so we found a way around the flood with a little bushwhacking and a fence jump or two. I didn't get my feet wet, but I noticed some grumbling coming from my fellow hikers. We had a great hike, perfect weather, saw a Moose, and had a great day. On the return trip, some of us carried logs back to the flood site to make a bridge. Some of the grumblers were hell-bent on finding a better route across the flooded stream. This all happened within 200 yards of our cars. After getting everybody across the stream, a quick headcount said we had a couple missing - Norm and Curtis Adams. After about 10 minutes, Norm and Curtis came walking or wallowing or floating out of the bush soaking wet with moss and mud dripping from them everywhere. I will never forget the look of absolute disgust on Norm's face! After some friendly teasing Norm explained, "Life as Norm lives it". The better return route didn't materialize, we all had a good laugh about it and Norm took it like a champ. What an amazing quy! The hiking boots took a week to dry completely . . .

Mike Nordstrom: A panegyric to Norm Pobanz: Norm is one of the best for organizing and leading a group into the mountains. Norm's alpine spirit and unswerving determination to reach the top of a peak or a trail's end has created a legend. Happy trails to you Norm. Thanks for all those mountain memories.



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 gropus 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)

Lightly Strenuous

4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD) Moderate to Very Strenuous

8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD)

Very Strenuous, Difficult 11.1+ > Extreme (EXT)

Very Strong, Well-Seasoned Hikers

B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking

E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet M > Round trip mileage > 15 miles

R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding

S > Scrambling X > Exposure

W > Wilderness area, limit 14

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.

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Mar 1 Short Evening Hike - ntd - Out & Back - Moderate pace

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

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Mar 3 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: TBD Check Website

At press time there is not an organizer for the "Thursday Group" this week. Please check the website, wasatch-mountainclub.org, closer to the date for an update as to who will be leading this activity. To volunteer to organize the activity, call Deirdre at 801-466-9310. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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 check the website.

Mar 3 Rock Climb @ Momentum

Thu Meet: 6:15 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Thursday Night climbing at Momentum gym next to Sandy REI at 9600 S. and I15. Let's do some climbing, drink a little espresso, and practice a little bull shipping. Please email me and let me know you are coming. If no one emails it's doubtful I will show up.

Mar 3 Short Evening Hike – ntd – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu

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Mar 3 White Water Rafting - Salt River Or San Juan - class III

Thu –

Meet: Registration required

Mar 9 Wed

Organizer: Mardi Maack danamardimaack@msn.com

The Salt is a class III and IV whitewater river that drops an average 25 feet per mile for over 50 miles through rocky, inaccessible canyons. It flows through oak and juniper woodlands down into striking Lower Sonoran desert vegetation with its giant multi-armed saguaro cactus and profusion of cactus of every description. Several side canyons reveal oasis-like microhabitats that are a moist reprieve from the prickly cactus environment. Excellent scenic riverside campsites are abundant and accessible only by raft. If there is not enough flow to run the Salt the trip will devert to the San Juan.

Mar 4 Hike Season Planning/pizza Party!

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at Rocky Mountain Pizza Company 3977 South Wasatch Boulevard Next to Dans 6:00 to 8:00

Organizer: Julie or Alex 801 244-3323 or 801 971-9245 jk@wasatch-environmental.com or rudd94@gmail.com

Join your hiking directors for an organizers planning party and pizza! Whether you are a well seasoned veteran organizer or thinking about organizing your first activity, come share your thoughts and ideas as we launch the 2011 hiking/camping/backpacking season. Pizza on us. Beverages available for purchase. Please RSVP to Julie or Alex by e-mail or voice mail so the restaurant can arrange the appropriate meeting space and quantity of pizza.

Mar 4 Day Hike Neff's Canyon - ntd - 3.0 mi Out & Back - 1500' ascent - Moderate pace

Fri

Meet: 9:30 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: David Rabiger 801-964-8190 drabiger@utah.gov

Got Friday off? Come join me and my dog Kona on a hike up Neff's Canyon to the Wilderness boundry. You may need YakTrax for foot tranction.

Mar 5 Break Into The Backcountry, Slow – ntd – Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Slow pace

Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Jim Berry 801-560-5601 jamesberry 7899@comcast.net

Easy open glade skiing/boarding. The pace will be set to the slowest member of the group. All slope angles will be less then 30 degrees. ~1000' vertical ~4 hrs. Bring transceiver, probe poll, shovel and know how to use them. Email or call Jim for preregistration and meeting time & place.

Mar 5 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at, Yo Yo – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Steve Duncan 801-474-0031 duncste@comcast.net

Laps on moderate open terrain (yo-yo). Exact location will be decided by the group. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. 3-5 hrs Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Mar 5 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice Ntd+/mod- – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Erin McCormack 801-891-3739 emack77@gmail.com

This will be an NTD+/MOD- trip depending on the composition of the group and the conditions of the day. Erin will set a moderate pace and pick an appropriate destination. Remember to bring your 10 E's.

Mar 5 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Shane and Jaqueline Bode 801-647-2917 shanejag@msn.com

Shane and Jacqueline will be choosing the destination today. Bring your 10 E's. It is highly recommended that you bring an avalanche beacon, shovel, and probe and know how to use them.

Mar 5 Road Bike: Ogden Frontrunner-east – mod- – 43.0 mi

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at UTA's Central Station, 330 South 600 West, Salt Lake City

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

Join Elliott as he celebrates organizing and leading his 400th activity. This half bike ride and half train ride is a 20 mile shorter variation of last fall's FrontRunner ride. This time, our itinerary includes a 43 mile bike ride, lunch at a restaurant in Ogden, and a ride on UTA's FrontRunner train back to Salt Lake. Our route will take advantage of three bike paths along terrain which is mostly easy flat to rolling, although, there is a teeny tiny climb through Fruit Heights. Bring money for lunch in Ogden and a train ticket back. Bike locks recommended. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at UTA's Central Station parking lot in Salt Lake City at 330 South 600 West at 9:00am.

Mar 5 Snowshoe: Days Fork - ntd

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Holly Smith 801-272-5358 smithholly9@gmail.com

Holly is organizing an NTD snowshoe in Days Fork. Meet her at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride.

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Come shake off the FNOs (Friday Night Overindulgences). We will be doing top rope and lead climbing.

Mar 5 Alpine Ski Tour, – mod – 2500' ascent

Sat Meet: 8:30 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Will Mc Carvill 801-942-2921 lizandwill@msn.com

Join Will McCarvill for a moderate ski tour destination TBD Meet at the 6200S Park and Ride at 8:30AM. You are expected to be in reasonable shape for the uphill and have good ski skills for getting down. Beacon shovel etc etc are required. Participants will stay with the group and follow group consensus decisions.

Mar 5 Hike - Parleys North Ridge To Spring Canyon Overlook - mod - 4.5 mi Loop - 2000' ascent - Moderate pace Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

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

Join Julie Kilgore for this nice loop hike above Foothill Boulevard. Depending on recent storm activity, part of this hike might require lightly studded footwear (Yak Trax or Micro Spikes) and part might require snowshoes. Plan on five hours or so.

Mar 6 Snowshoe: Usa Bowl – mod – 4.0 mi – 1800' ascent

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Tricia Lee 801 274-7643 trisha2king@juno.com

Join Tricia on a snowshoe to USA Bowl. This is a fun and scenic destination in Big Cottonwood Canyon. The club recommends a beacon, probe, and shovel for all MOD activities.

Mar 6 Afternoon Snowshoe: Cardiff Fork – ntd – Slow pace

Sun

Meet: 1:00 pm at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Barry Quinn 801-272-7097 bquinn@westminstercollege.edu

Barry will be organizing a leisurely paced snowshoe in Cardiff Fork this afternoon. If you'd like to go, please meet him at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride at 1 pm.

Mar 6 Alpine Ski Tour, Tri Canyons – msd – 5000' ascent – Fast pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Brad Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net

Backcountry skiing/boarding. Multi Canyon Tour, dependent on snow conditions. Some parts might be steeper then 38 degrees and/or in the trees. ~4500-5500 vertical, up to 8hrs. Bring transceiver, shovel and know how to use them. Avalanche awareness, excellent skiing skills and preregistration is required. Email or call Brad.

Mar 8 Alpine Ski Tour, Tri Canyons - msd

Tue

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 Proctorgtr@aol.com

TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: Weekly MSD (strenuous) ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential. Call or e-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies should call or mail ahead to discuss trip requirements.

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Mar 10 Rock Climb @ Momentum

Thu Meet: 6:15 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Thursday Night climbing at Momentum gym next to Sandy REI at 9600 S. and I15. Let's do some climbing, drink a little espresso, and practice a little bull shipping. Please email me and let me know you are coming. If no one emails it's doubtful I will show up.

Mar 10 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Karen Perkins 801-272-2225 karenp@xmission.com

Karen will organize the "Thursday Group" this week, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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 Karen ahead of time.

Mar 10 Short Evening Hike – ntd – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu Meet: 5:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Julie's been going up the west grandeur trail for a short conditioning stroll up to the first north sub-ridge, and beyond as daylight extends. If interested, meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard for a 5 p.m. departure. Not necessary, but bring clippers and doggies if you like.

Mar 10 Boating Meeting/social - March Permit Party

Thu Meet: 6:30 pm at Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church (3280 East, 3900 South)

Organizer: Don Urrizaga 435-884-0147 don urrizaga@yahoo.com

It is time for our March Boating Permit and Pizza Party. Please come. Bring your permits so we can get them on the calendar and start planning the boating season. We have some important trips already scheduled. Come with thoughts and plans to organize and lead non-permit rivers trips. We need more organizers to lead weekend trips, e.g. Brown's Park, Split Mountain, Alpine Canyon, etc. We need organizers to plan and lead more multiday trips, on easy to get permit rivers, Cataract Canyon, Desolation Canyon, Labyrinth Canyon, etc. Time and Place: Thursday, March 10th, 6:30PM @ the Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church (3280 East, 3900 South). [Keep and eye on the WMC Activities Calendar in case there is a change of location] We will provide pizza and beverages. (No alcohol is allowed in the church.) Be sure to sign up for the club's boater email notification system by sending a SUBSCRIBE message with your name and address to Bret Mathews bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

"KNOW BEFORE YOU GO" and make sure to bring your 10 Es! Check with the Utah Avalanche center web site for snow conditions and weather forecast http://www.avalanche.org/~uac/ and review the WMC Winter Sports Policy, Backcountry Travel Techniques and Backcountry Ski & Snowshoe Route Ratings listed on the Wasatch Mountain Club website under Winter Sports www.wasatchmountainclub.org. Organizers are expected to keep their groups together and use proper backcountry etiquette.

Mar 11 Alpine Yurt Ski Trip - San Juan Powder Days - msd - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Mar 14 Mon

Organizer: Michael Moody 801 949-8032 mike.h.moody@hotmail.com

The WMC is taking a group of lucky skiers to the Ridgeway Hut in the San Juan Mountains for 4 days/3nights of Back Country Skiing in March 2011. Ridgeway is a wooden hut, with a capacity of eight skiers. It has eight padded bunks, propane cook stove, propane lamp, wood stove, firewood and all necessary cookware and utensils. Water is obtained by melting snow. LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: The strong, experienced skier will enjoy and be challenged by BC skiing in this area. An advanced level of fitness and high-intermediate to advanced downhill ski abilities are essential. This means being comfortable skiing 'black runs' with a 15-20 lb pack in backcountry snow conditions. Please no snowshoers or XC skiers. PAYMENT: \$105/person. Please e-mail the trip leader with a short list of experience/classes along with a contact phone number. BC skiers will need to adhere to the Hut rules; which includes leaving the hut in better shape than found. Approved BC skiers have 7 days to submit full payment to leader or the skier could lose their spot. Refunds will only be given if there are approved participates on the wait list and one of these is able to pay for said position. There are no refunds for inclement weather, nor is there any guarantee for powder. NOT INCLUDED: Transportation to Trail head, Food (we will try to organize group food, yet this is not in the cost of the hut), Guiding service, Personal Gear

Mar 11 Kayak/canoe: Black Canyon - 13 Miles - 3 Days - class I

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Mar 13 Sun

Organizer: Zig Sondelski 801 230 3623 zig.sondelski@gmail.com

Enjoy an easy trip in the Black Canyon of the Colorado River below Hoover Dam. As Rick said it... "Get away from the cold, snow, and smog, dig out your Tevas, swim suit and T shirts, and come paddle/float a piece of the Colorado River, from natural hot tub to hot tub. See how long you can last in the 130 degree temps of Sauna Cave. Putting in at the foot of Hoover Dam, just south of Vegas, we will spend 3 days floating, camping and hiking, while only going 13 miles. Scramble up canyons to great hot springs, stop when you find a nice pool or when it starts to look like a canyoneering trip- if you decide to push for the top it can get pretty interesting. Driving down Thursday afternoon, March 10, launch Friday morning, take off river at noon Sunday, March 13 and drive home Sunday evening. Sea kayaks or canoes available on location, or BYO." Trip is full but am taking names for a waiting list for this and another trip

Mar 11 Canyoneering 201 - mod

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Mar 13

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Sun

The 201 indication, for those who haven't figured it out, is a statement that this is a post North Wash trip, not for first timers. So you've done the basic NW and you're ready for the next step- something a little more technical and interesting? This is it. The planned venue is the Poison Springs canyons of Slidenide and Constrychnine, some great sliding, and a couple of 200 ft rappels. The usual NW guidelines and gear apply, leaving afternoon Friday the 11th, home Sunday the 13th.

Mar 12 Break Into The Backcountry, Slow - ntd - Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Slow pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Jim Berry 801-560-5601 jamesberry 7899@comcast.net

Easy open glade skiing/boarding. The pace will be set to the slowest member of the group. All slope angles will be less then 30 degrees. ~1000' vertical ~4 hrs. Bring transceiver, probe poll, shovel and know how to use them. Email or call Jim for preregistration and meeting time & place.

Mar 12 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at, Yo Yo – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Borges 801-363-4504 mborges@xmission.com

Show and go laps on moderate open terrain (yo-yo). Exact location will be decided by the leader of the day. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. 3-5 hrs Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Mar 12 Rock Climb @ Momentum - mod-

Sat Meet: 10:30 am at Momentum Climbing Gym; 10600 S. & I15; next to Sandy REI

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Come shake off the FNOs (Friday Night Overindulgences). We will be doing top rope and lead climbing.

Mar 12 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd - Slow pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Michael Mauritz 801-580-2793 mmritz@aol.com

Michael will be doing a leisurely paced snowshoe. To join him, meet at 9:00 am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride.

Mar 12 Snowshoe, Lake Blanche - mod+ - 5.5 mi Out & Back - 2720' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Steve Duncan 801 474-0031 duncste@comcast.net

Good aerobic elevation gain and just as pretty in winter!

Mar 13 Lodge Roof Snow Removal

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at WMC Lodge

Carpool: 8:30 am at Call, if you would like to car pool up the canyon

Organizer: Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com

Attention WMC Lodge Volunteers, The WMC Foundation needs your help removing snow from the roof of the building. We will be starting at 9:30AM. Lunch is provided. I would suggest boots, gaiters, suntan lotion, warm clothing, several pairs of gloves, hat and a good sense of humor. If you have questions, call me Robert Myers at (C) 801-651-9965. You can find a map to the building on the WMCF website which is https://wasatchmountain-clubfoundation.org/the-lodge/directions/

Mar 13 Snowshoe: Albion Basin - ntd

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Tom Mitko 801-277-7588 pro1dragon@aol.com

Tom is headed to Albion Basin today. Meet him at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride and bring your 10E's.

Mar 13 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Shane and Jaqueline Bode 801-647-2917 shanejag@msn.com

Shane and Jacqueline will be choosing the destination today. Bring your 10 E's. It is highly recommended that you bring an avalanche beacon, shovel, and probe and know how to use them.

Mar 13 Road Bike: Millcreek To Snowline - ntd - 12.0 mi Out & Back - 1200' ascent

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This is a ride up Millcreek Canyon to the snowline. This early in the season we'll likely not be able to ride too far past the gate, so plan on a short work-out climb of about 1200 feet, and round trip distance of around 12 miles. We can rendezvous at Einstein's afterwards for coffee/breakfast/bagels and to warm-up if there is interest. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in the east parking lot of Skyline High at 9:00am.

Mar 13 Alpine Ski Tour, Tri Canyons – mod+ – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Cheryl Krusko 801 474-3759 ckrusko@gmail.com

Backcountry sking. Bring transceiver, probe poll, shovel and know how to use them. Avalanche awareness, excelent skiing skills and preregistration is required. Email or call Cheryl.

Mar 15 Rock Climb - "plastic" Climb @ Momentum Gym - ntd - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Next to REI at South Town Mall, Sandy

Organizer: John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com

Top Rope & Lead Climbing

Mar 15 Snowshoe: Park City Environs Mod/msd

Tue

Meet: 10:00 am at Disseminated via the snowshoe email list

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

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

Vince will organize a Tuesday Group this year. Meet at 10:00 AM every Tue and go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal, healthy pace with friendly conversation. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC snowshoe email list for automatic notices/updates for all Tuesday snowshoe trips throughout the winter. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions/info. The club recommends that you wear a transceiver and know how to use it. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Kmart parking lot at 9:15 am.

Mar 15 Short Evening Hike – ntd – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: 5:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Julie's been going up the west grandeur trail for a short conditioning stroll up to the first north sub-ridge, and beyond as daylight extends. If interested, meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard for a 5 p.m. departure. Not necessary, but bring clippers and doggies if you like.

MARKETPLACE

This space is reserved for those members placing ads for used and recreational gear or for private and non-commercial and not-for-profit activities. To submit an ad, e-mail it to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com by the 10th of each month prior to publication. Non WMC members \$5.00 up to 20 words, \$0.20 per additional word.

REMEMBER: There is also a "Gear Swap" area online where you can post what you are looking for, or place something that you want to sell or get rid of. It seems to be more up-to-date most of the time, due to the hard copy of the Rambler only being produced once a month.

Mar 15 Kayak/canoe - Verde River, Az – class III

Tue -Meet: Registration required

Mar 20

Sun

Organizer: Steve Pace 801-363-8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu

Self-support Duckie Andventure. Canoeing in the desert? Sounds about as likely as growing cactus in Minnesota, but the roiling Verde River, which flows through parched central Arizona, is hardly a mirage. The thrills and chills are very real when rafting, canoeing, or kayaking this snow-fed cataract clogged with Class I, II, III, and (depending on the season) IV whitewater. For most of its nearly 200-mile length, the Verde travels against an ever-changing but always breathtaking wilderness backdrop. Located between Flagstaff and Phoenix, the Verde flows south from its headwaters north of Prescott through three national forests that embrace the unique flora and fauna of the Sonoran Desert. It's a moderately popular and exceptionally rewarding float adventure, and the Verde owns the distinction of being the only federally designated Wild and Scenic river in Arizona. Contact Steve to register and for actual dates.

Mar 16 White Water Rafting - San Rafael River - class II

Wed -Meet: Registration required

Mar 18 Organizer: Steve Pace 801 363-8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu Fri

Self-support Duckie Adventure Generally rafted in two sections, the San Rafael River springs from Joe's Valley Reservoir and meanders its way through incredibly scenic forests and canyons. This is a river that has something for everyone. The Upper San Rafael is a calmer run, offering small rapids and boulder gardens ideal for honing one's skill for larger rapids. A Class I - II 20 mile stretch, it runs from Fuller Bottom to San Rafael Campground and includes a float through an area locally known as the "Little Grand Canyon". A wonderful trip for families or individuals just starting out and wanting to improve their rafting skills. The Lower San Rafael has a bit more bite to it, upping the ante from a Class I float just below the Campgrounds, into a Class III - V through the two Box Canyons as the canyon walls narrow considerably. Known for their intense waters and absolutely spectacular scenery, the canyons known as Black Box 1 and Black Box 2 offer up Class III - IV waters, with the Class V consequence given for technical difficulty, isolated location of the canyons, and problems that arise when rafters should be portaging and not paddling. The Canyons themselves can each take a day to raft, due to portaging and the time it takes to do so, but there is a flat float between canyons ideal for camping overnight. This is a run for those who want to experience near-steep creek boating in Utah. Contact Steve to register and for exact dates.

Mar 17 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: TBD Check Website

At press time there is not an organizer for the "Thursday Group" this week. Please check the website, wasatchmountainclub.org, closer to the date for an update as to who will be leading this activity. To volunteer to organize the activity, call Deirdre at 801-466-9310. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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 check the website.

Mar 17 Rock Climb @ Momentum

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Thursday Night climbing at Momentum gym next to Sandy REI at 9600 S. and I15. Let's do some climbing, drink a little espresso, and practice a little bull shipping. Please email me and let me know you are coming. If no one emails it's doubtful I will show up.

Mar 17 Short Evening Hike - ntd - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu

Sun

Meet: 5:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Julie's been going up the west grandeur trail for a short conditioning stroll up to the first north sub-ridge, and beyond as daylight extends. If interested, meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard for a 5 p.m. departure. Not necessary, but bring clippers and doggies if you like.

Mar 18 Nordic Ski Tour: Coureur De Bois (co/wy) - msd - Loop - Fast pace

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Mar 20

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net

Cross-country skiing. The Steamboat Springs (CO) Nordic Council sponsors the 7th Annual North Routt Coureur de Bois ("woods runner"). It is named after 17th century French Canadian traders. The 45 k marathon (27 mi.) and 90 K ultramarathon (55 mi.) ski tour/race (classic/ skate) starts at historic Hahn's Peak Village, Colorado. The course traverses through the Routt and Medicine Bow National Forest and is groomed by a diehard crew for the day of the race only. The event usually offers a chance to line up with Olympic medalists Johnny Spillane and Todd Lodwick. Strong intermediate to advanced cross-country skiers with knowledge of competitive glide waxing techniques essential. Please no tele or AT ski gear. Cowboys/ girls hand out provisions (complete with Charlie Daniels Band music) at one of the aid station on the 45 k lower loop. The 90 k loop extends across the Wyoming border and back. Word has it that the aid stations become even more curious on the 90 k upper loop through 'Whisky Park', and the 'Good Times Feed and Espresso Bar' aid station on the Continental Divide trail (double shot espresso?) before the long descent to Steamboat Lake (non-WMC event). Alternate activities include gentle ski touring on Rabbit Ears Pass or a visit to the Strawberry Park Hot Springs. Reasonable room rates are available in downtown Steamboat. The Old Town Pub provides good buffalo burgers and microbrew. The driving distance via U.S. 40/ Vernal is the same as for Jackson Hole. MSD to EXT due to distance. Please contact organizer by MARCH 5th to register (www.steamboatxcski.org).

Mar 19 Sing-a-long At Hilary Bertagnole's Home

Sat *Meet:* 6:30 pm at 1738 So. 2100 East

Organizer: Patti O'Keefe, Hilary Bertagnole or Fred Tripp Patti at 424-9215, Hilary at 467-4433 or Fred at 4 fredg-tripp@gmail.com

MAR 19 SAT: "MID-WINTER" SING-A-LONG & POTLUCK, definitely NTD. Escape from the snow and cold to the warmth of a fun evening with friends at Hilary Bertagnole's home . Please bring something to share (entree, appetizer, salad, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB and join the gang for a rousing night of song, socializing and general silliness! The fun starts at 6:30 PM and lasts until ??? Dust off the old vocal chords (and any musical instruments tucked away in your closet) and bring them to 1738 So. 2100 East. (Two-story white home is sorta hidden behind large shrubs—look for the white picket fence; park along 21st East & walk down the driveway.) Co-hosted by Hilary Bertagnole & Patti O'Keefe . Questions or need more encouragement?? Call Patti at 424-9215, Hilary at 467-4433 or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507.

Mar 19 Break Into The Backcountry, Slow - ntd - Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Slow pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Jim Berry 801-560-5601 jamesberry 7899@comcast.net

Easy open glade skiing/boarding. The pace will be set to the slowest member of the group. All slope angles will be less then 30 degrees. ~1000' vertical ~4 hrs. Bring transceiver, probe poll, shovel and know how to use them. Email or call Jim for preregistration and meeting time & place.

Mar 19 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at, Yo Yo – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Borges 801-363-4504 mborges@xmission.com

Show and go laps on moderate open terrain (yo-yo). Exact location will be decided by the leader of the day. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. 3-5 hrs Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Mar 19 Rappeling Class- Canyoneering - ntd+

Sat Meet: 1:00 pm at Dogwood Picnic Area, one mile up BCC

Organizer: Rick Thompson 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, and sign in on the Club sheet. A harness, helmet, leather gloves, locking carabiner and a descending device are needed, I have a few extras for folks who do not have and are unable to beg, borrow, or steal one, for a 5\$ rental/equipment replacement fee, but you need to make those arrangements with me in advance, as there is a limited number available. If you are renting gear from me, you should try an be there by 12:45, so we can get you outfitted before the class.

Mar 19 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com

Jim will pick a suitable destination according to the weather and snow conditions today. Meet him at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride to find out where he plans to go. The club recommends that you bring your 10 E's, avalanche beacon, probe and shovel.

Mar 19 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice Ntd+/mod- – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Erin McCormack 801-891-3739 emack77@gmail.com

This will be an NTD+/MOD- trip depending on the composition of the group and the conditions of the day. Erin will set a moderate pace and pick an appropriate destination. Remember to bring your 10 E's.

Mar 19 Rock Climb @ Momentum - ntd+

Sat Meet: 10:30 am at Momentum Climbing Gym; 10600 S. & I 15; next to Sandy REI

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Come shake off the FNOs (Friday Night Overindulgences). We will be doing top rope and lead climbing.

Mar 19 Alpine Ski Tour, - mod - 2500' ascent

Sat Meet: 8:30 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Will Mc Carvill 801-942-2921 lizandwill@msn.com

Join Will McCarvill for a moderate ski tour destination TBD Meet at the 6200S Park and Ride at 8:30AM. You are expected to be in reasonable shape for the uphill and have good ski skills for getting down. Beacon shovel etc etc are required. Participants will stay with the group and follow group consensus decisions.

Mar 20 Snowshoe Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 801 891-2669 Knick.Sold@comcast.net

Avalanche and weather conditions will determine today's tour destination. Come meet Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or Knick.Sold@comcast.net) for today's fun filled adventure. Meet Knick at 6200 South & Wasatch Park n Ride to car pool up Big Cottonwood.

Mar 20 Road Bike: Big Mountain Snowline - ntd+ - 30.0 mi Out & Back - 1800' ascent

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 15th East Entrance to Sugarhouse Park (2100 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City)

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This ride is to the snowline in East Canyon and back. This event launches from Sugarhouse Park and goes up Emigration Canyon to Little Mountain and then down and around and up East Canyon to the snowline; this early in the season, however, we'll likely only be able to ride to the vicinity of Affleck Park before snow blocks our path. This event features about 1800 feet of climbing and a round-trip distance of approximately 30 miles. Riders seeking a shorter ride and only about 1500 feet of climbing can turn around at Little Mountain. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at the 15th East entrance to Sugarhouse Park at 9:00am.

Mar 20 Leader's Choice Snowshoe - ntd+

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Butler Elementary - 2700 E 7000 S

Organizer: Michael* Budig 801 328-4512 mbudig@blazemail.com

NTD+ to MOD, depending on the group and conditions. Please note Butler Elementary meeting place.

Mar 20 Stansbury Island Day Hike - mod - 2000' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Utah Travel Council Lot - 110 E 300 N

Organizer: Donn Seeley 801 706-0815 donn@xmission.com

We'll hike and scramble on the lovely orange quartzite and check out Paleozoic fossils in the limestone. If the weather is warm, we'll tackle one of the higher bumps in the north of the island; if it's cool, we'll visit one of the ragged ridges in the south of the island. Regardless, you can expect cross-country travel on steep slopes with some scrambling and perhaps a little exposure. Bring tough boots and warm clothing.

Mar 22 Alpine Ski Tour, Tri Canyons – msd

Tue

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 Proctorgtr@aol.com

TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: Weekly MSD (strenuous) ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential. Call or e-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies should call or mail ahead to discuss trip requirements.

Mar 22 Rock Climb - "plastic" Climb @ Momentum Gym - ntd - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Next to REI at South Town Mall, Sandy

Organizer: John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com

Top Rope & Lead Climbing

If you're a prospective member, feel free to join one or two activities to see if you like it! Please be sure to notify the activity organizer ahead of time.

Mar 22 Snowshoe: Park City Environs Mod/msd

Tue

Meet: 10:00 am at Disseminated via the snowshoe email list

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

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

Vince will organize a Tuesday Group this year. Meet at 10:00 AM every Tue and go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal, healthy pace with friendly conversation. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC snowshoe email list for automatic notices/updates for all Tuesday snowshoe trips throughout the winter. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions/info. The club recommends that you wear a transceiver and know how to use it. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Kmart parking lot at 9:15 am.

Mar 22 Short Evening Hike - ntd - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: 5:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Julie's been going up the west grandeur trail for a short conditioning stroll up to the first north sub-ridge, and beyond as daylight extends. If interested, meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard for a 5 p.m. departure. Not necessary, but bring clippers and doggies if you like.

Mar 24 Rock Climb @ Momentum

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Thursday Night climbing at Momentum gym next to Sandy REI at 9600 S. and I15. Let's do some climbing, drink a little espresso, and practice a little bull shipping. Please email me and let me know you are coming. If no one emails it's doubtful I will show up.

Mar 24 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: Mike Nordstrom 801-943-6610

Mike will organize the "Thursday Group" this week, leaving at 9:30 AM. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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 Mike ahead of time.

Mar 25 Nordic Ski Tour: Kings Peak - msd - 32.0 mi Out & Back - 4500' ascent - Fast pace

Fri – Meet: 5:00 pm at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Mar 26

Organizer: Larry Swanson 801-583-4043 swanson.l@att.net

Sat

The last Saturday in March is the big event of the ski season. The Kings Peak Ski Tour, hosted for the 38th (or so) year by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 25th) by nightfall at the Henrys Fork Winter Parking Area and get underway in the pre-dawn hours on Saturday morning with headlamps. The total distance for the summit via 'Swanson's cut-off' is 32 miles round trip. See March Rambler for further details.

Mar 25 Introduction To Technical Canyoneering – mod

Fri -Meet: Registration required

Mar 27

Sun

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 this is your first trip, you need to have taken one of the club rappeling classes as a prerequisite. (there is another on March 19)

Mar 26 Break Into The Backcountry, Slow - ntd - Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Slow pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Jim Berry 801-560-5601 jamesberry 7899@comcast.net

Easy open glade skiing/boarding. The pace will be set to the slowest member of the group. All slope angles will be less then 30 degrees. ~1000' vertical ~4 hrs. Bring transceiver, probe poll, shovel and know how to use them. Email or call Jim for preregistration and meeting time & place.

Mar 26 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at, Yo Yo - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Borges 801-363-4504 mborges@xmission.com

Show and go laps on moderate open terrain (yo-yo). Exact location will be decided by the leader of the day. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. 3-5 hrs Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Mar 26 Snowshoe: Gourmet At Willow Lake - ntd

Sat Meet: 10:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Jones, Holly Smith, and Knick Knickerbocker 801-486-5354

It's time for the annual gourmet snowshoe. Rated NTD for exercise and EXT for kitchen skills. Join your fellow club members for an easy snowshoe followed by an afternoon of fine dining - a highlight of the snowshoeing season. Meet at 10am and carpool to the Willow Lake trailhead. Bring a gourmet dish to share and don't forget the wine to toast the coming of Spring. Black tie and costumes are optional. Skiers are welcome, too! Your hosts are Mark Jones 486-5354, Holly Smith 272-5358, and Knick Knickerbocker 891-2669.

Mar 26 Snowshoe: Pre-gourmet Ridge Run – mod

Sat Meet: 8:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 agm1144@yahoo.com

Join Mohamed for his pre-gourmet snowshoe ridge run. Get an early start so that you can work up an appetite before meeting up with the gourmet snowshoers at Willow Lake.



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1827 S. Fremont Dr., #B, Salt Lake City, UT 84104

Mar 26 38th Annual Kings Peak Nordic Ski Tour - msd - Out & Back - Fast pace

Sat Meet: 5:00 am at Henrys Fork Trailhead

Organizer: Larry Swanson 801 583-4043 oldswaney@gmail.com

MARCH 26 - KINGS PEAK NORDIC SKI TOUR (MSD) The 38th KPT, hosted by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 25th) at the Henry's Fork Snow-Parking area and get under way very early on Saturday morning. We meet for car pooling (optional) at the K-Mart (now closed) parking area on Parleys Way about 5:00pm and leave NLT 5:30 pm for Evanston and JB's restaurant which is just a couple of long blocks from the first exit to Evanston (#3) on the right side as you approach town. It is next to the Days Inn. Registration is not required. Headlamps are mandatory (double check that they work and that the batteries are fresh). Lots of water (2-3 lt) and protection from facing directly into the sun for most of the day are also important. Standard backcountry touring gear is best. Climbing skins are often handy but not essential. We generally leave the skis at Gunsight Pass and climb the peak on foot so Vibram-type soles on your boots are usually helpful if the snow is hard. It will be a long day as we start before dawn and usually end after dark. It's not at all necessary to summit however to enjoy the ski touring in this lovely, gentle drainage and normally at least 2/3 turn around short of the peak. Elkhorn crossing is a good scenic NTD destination used by many. Gunsight Pass, 5 miles farther, is MOD+ and gives wonderful views. Gunsight Pass is the standard turn around place for most and for ALL those that arrive after 2:00pm. The summit is MSD+ chiefly because of the length of the day and the steep climb of the peak at the end. Mandatory turnaround is 4:00 pm no matter where you are on the route. We carry out ALL waste paper including TP so carry a plastic bag and plan for it. For additional information call Steve at 801-272-5750 or Larry at 801-583-4043. We will start out no matter what the weather as the trip to the basin is sheltered and makes a nice ski tour even in stormy weather. We want everyone to go up and back down on the same route (the creek route is normal) for safety reasons so check with Larry or Steve if you plan to leave extra early or ski in the night before for a higher camp.

Mar 26 Rock Climb @ Momentum - ntd+

Sat

Meet: 10:30 am at Momentum Climbing Gym; 10600 S. & I15; next to Sandy REI

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Come shake off the FNOs (Friday Night Overindulgences). We will be doing top rope and lead climbing.

Mar 27 Lodge Roof Snow Removal

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at WMC Lodge

Carpool: 8:30 am at Call, if you would like to car pool up the canyon

Organizer: Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com

Attention WMC Lodge Volunteers, The WMC Foundation needs your help removing snow from the roof of the building. We will be starting at 9:30AM. Lunch is provided. I would suggest boots, gaiters, suntan lotion, warm clothing, several pairs of gloves, hat and a good sense of humor. If you have questions, call me Robert Myers at (C) 801-651-9965. You can find a map to the building on the WMCF website which is https://wasatchmountain-clubfoundation.org/the-lodge/directions/

Mar 27 Road Bike: Centerville Coffe – ntd – 28.0 mi Out & Back

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Utah Agricultural Building, 350 North Redwood Road (1700 West), Salt Lake City

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This 28 mile ride is to Centerville for morning coffee or hot chocolate. Plan on a flat ride along the Jordan River and Legacy Parkway Trails and a rendezvous at Starbucks in Centerville. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at the Utah Agricultural Building at 350 North Redwood Road (1700 West) at 9:00am.

Mar 27 Snowshoe: Big Cottonwood – ntd

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Gena Cecala 801-865-6569

Gena will choose a destination in Big Cottonwood canyon. To join her, meet at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride.

Mar 27 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod-

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Vicky Ashby 801-450-7432 vjahiker@yahoo.com

Meet Vicky at 9:00 am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride. Bring your 10 E's and avalanche gear and treats for the leader.

Mar 29 Rock Climb - "plastic" Climb @ Momentum Gym - ntd - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Next to REI at South Town Mall, Sandy

Organizer: John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com

Top Rope & Lead Climbing

Mar 29 Snowshoe: Park City Environs Mod/msd

Tue

Meet: 10:00 am at Disseminated via the snowshoe email list

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

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

Vince will organize a Tuesday Group this year. Meet at 10:00 AM every Tue and go to places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect a normal, healthy pace with friendly conversation. For meeting location and last minute details, join the WMC snowshoe email list for automatic notices/updates for all Tuesday snowshoe trips throughout the winter. You will feel welcome and comfortable. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions/info. The club recommends that you wear a transceiver and know how to use it. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Kmart parking lot at 9:15 am.

Mar 29 Short Evening Hike - ntd - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: 5:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Julie's been going up the west grandeur trail for a short conditioning stroll up to the first north sub-ridge, and beyond as daylight extends. If interested, meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard for a 5 p.m. departure. Not necessary, but bring clippers and doggies if you like.

Mar 31 Snowshoe: The Cottonwoods - ntd+

Thu

Meet: 9:30 am at Fort Union Lot #4 (just west of the 'Porcupine' and across the street on the north side of the road)

Organizer: TBD Check Website

At press time there is not an organizer for the "Thursday Group" this week. Please check the website, wasatch-mountainclub.org, closer to the date for an update as to who will be leading this activity. To volunteer to organize the activity, call Deirdre at 801-466-9310. They go to places in the Cottonwood Canyons area where hiking and 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 check the website.

Mar 31 Rock Climb @ Momentum

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Momentum Climbing Gym

Organizer: Stephan Fowler 801 942-6552 shiveringman@comcast.net

Thursday Night climbing at Momentum gym next to Sandy REI at 9600 S. and I15. Let's do some climbing, drink a little espresso, and practice a little bull shipping. Please email me and let me know you are coming. If no one emails it's doubtful I will show up.

Mar 31 Kayak/canoe - Dirty Devil - class II

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Apr 6 Wed

Organizer: Steve Pace 801-363-8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu

Self-support Duckie Adventure. Starting near Hanksville, Utah at the confluence of the Fremont River and Muddy Creek, the Dirty Devil winds its way to Lake Powell, reaching it near Hite Marina. By road it is only 42 miles from Hanksville to the takeout. But a canoe trip following the many bends and meanders is about 76 miles. The real attractions of the Dirty Devil are the many side canyons. The first major one is the wide Robbers Roost Canyon and its many tributaries, which cut through Navajo sandstone. Further south, No Mans Canyon is dominated by the Kayenta formation. Larry Canyon, Twin Corral Box, and Sams Mesa Box have Wingate walls. And finally, you pass Happy, Hatch and Fiddler Cove canyons. All of these tributaries come from the east. Only one major canyon, Poison Springs, comes from the west. Contact Steve for actual dates.

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Thu

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Apr 1 Dinner And Theater Performance Evening

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at Downtown-restaurant to be determined.

Organizer: Martha Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

Meet for dinner downtown, then go to Repertory Dance Theatre's "Place: Dancing the Green Map," a modern dance performance with an environmental theme. Register by March 24 so we have a count for dinner reservations and group ticket purchase.

Apr 2 Break Into The Backcountry, Slow – ntd – Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Slow pace

Sat

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Apr 7 Rock Climb - Joshua Tree National Monument - mod

Thu – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 10

Sun

Organizer: John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com

Anyone interested in a quick Spring jaunt to Joshua Tree for some climbing? Call or email to discuss and we will get plans on travel worked out.

Apr 8 Moab Car Camp – mod+ – Moderate pace

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Apr 10 Sun

Organizer: Donn Seeley 801 706-0815 donn@xmission.com

It's another exploratory long weekend in Moab with Jerry Hatch and Donn Seeley. We'll camp on the Colorado River and do day hikes into the fins and crags and slots behind Moab. We will ramble cross-country over the slickrock and ledges with a bit of route-finding and scrambling. In past years, we have encountered unmapped arches, natural bridges and petroglyphs; who knows what we'll find this year?

Apr 9 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at, Yo Yo – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Mark Borges 801-363-4504 mborges@xmission.com

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Apr 10 Road Bike: Great Salt Lake Marina – ntd – Out & Back

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Utah Agricultural Building, 350 North Redwood Road (1700 West), Salt Lake City

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com

This 35 mile event is an out and back ride to the Salt Lake Marina at the north end of the Oquirrh Mountains. The terrain is easy flat to rolling. Bring snacks for a rendezvous at the Marina. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at the Utah Agricultural Building at 350 North Redwood Road (1700 West) at 9:00am.

Apr 15 Sing-a-long At Carol Milliken's Home

Fri

Meet: 6:30 pm at 1237 Vintage Lane - see directions in above description.

Organizer: Carol Milliken or Fred Tripp 801 415-9389 or 435-649-4507 or cell: 301-461-0161 milliken@xmission. com or fredgtripp@gmail.com

APRIL 15 - FRI SOCIAL: SING-A-LONG POT LUCK, definitely NTD. Come celebrate the end of tax season. A fun evening of singing, socializing and enjoying good food. The festivities begin at 6:30 PM and last until 10 or so. Stretch your vocal chords (and bring any musical instrument that you'd like to play) and join the singers at Carol Milliken's home located 1237 Vintage Lane. This is a potluck and BYOB. Plan to bring an entree, salad, vegetable or dessert to share and also what you plan to drink. Also, please bring a folding chair or camp chair to ensure adequate seating. DIRECTIONS: From the intersection of 1300 East and 4500 South go one block west on 4500 South to 1260 East. Park on 4500 South and walk north on 1260 East to a "T" at Vintage Lane. Turn left to 1237 the fifth condo on the right. Questions? Need encouragement? ..or would like more information call Carol Milliken at 801-415-9389 (email at milliken@xmission.com) or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 (email at fredgtripp@gmail.com)

Nordic Ski Tour: Gilbert Peak - msd - 24.0 mi Out & Back - 4500' ascent - Fast pace

Fri -Meet: Registration required

Apr 16 Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net

Sat

Cross-country skiing. Pre-requisite: Gunsight Pass reached on Kings Peak ski tour in March (no exceptions). See

April Rambler for further details.

Apr 17 Cedar Mountains Day Hike – mod+ – Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Utah Travel Council Lot - 110 E 300 N

Organizer: Donn Seeley 801 706-0815 donn@xmission.com

This is an exploratory day hike into a twisty wash north of Quincy Spring on the west side of the Cedars. It will be a full day with cross-country travel and possibly some scrambling. If we're lucky, we'll get a view over the dune field at Dugway, and maybe a glimpse of a wild horse herd. Bring tough boots and plenty of water.

Apr 21 Easter Weekend Multisport Car Camp - mod

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Apr 25

Organizer: John Veranth 801 278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

Hiking, biking, and canyoneering multisport weekend in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Base camp at Veranth's in Boulder. Come for all or part of the listed duration. Group dinners for socializing, and multiple day trips based on weather and participant interest. Email organizer to get driving directions, full trip details, and periodic updates. Tentative Hikes: Upper Muley Twist - MOD; Spooky and Peek A Boo Gulch - NTD to MOD; Boulder Creek from Hwy 12 - NTD

Apr 21 Road Bike And Mtn Bike Week End - mod-

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Apr 25 Mon

Mon

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

Join us for John Veranth's outing in Boulder, UT in April on Easter week end. In addition to camping and hiking, there will be road and mountain biking opportunities. See John's write up on the April events calendar for full details and signup information.

May 15 Kayak/canoe - Escalante River - class III

Sun -Meet: Registration required

May 26 Thu

Organizer: Steve Pace 801-363-8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu

Self-support Duckie Adventure. Hidden deep in Southern Utah, rages the Escalante River in all her glory. Known to be far more narrow and technical than other rivers in Utah, the Escalante boasts unique and widely varying conditions, very fast waters; a solid Class III. Often rafted as a multiple-day river, this river runs through the Grand Staircase-Escalate National Monument with over 2 million acres of absolute wilderness to enjoy. With rafting trips often comes intense hiking stops where you can gather, in the Monument, ancient leavings of the Anasazi Indians, from arrowheads to chips of pottery. The Escalante is truly a unique and fervent river to spend your trip exploring. Contact Steve for actual dates.

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.

May 20 Sing-a-long At Dudley Mcilhenny's Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at 1459 E 3900 South - Directions are in the description above

Organizer: Dudley McIlhenny or Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 801-733-7740 or 435-649-4507 or cell: 301 461-0161 fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Dudley McIlhenny has offered his patio, for a potluck BBQ and a Sing-A-Long. Plan to join us at 6:30 p.m. and we'll have some coals going for the BBQ. Bring your own meats or sandwiches and something to share (appetizers, salads, sides or desserts) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. Space is very limited inside so we will be outdoors on the spacious patio. Bring a jacket as it gets cooler after sunset. Following the potluck dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long -think folk music, campfire songs, joke songs, etc. We usually start with "This Land is Your Land" and end up with "Happy Trails To You". Acoustic instruments are welcome. Please bring a chair, to ensure adequate seating. Dudley's home is located behind a small office building (Claims Management) at 1459 E 3900 S. Go north on the driveway just east of the building. It's the first house on the left. Plan on a fun evening of socializing, enjoying good food and an opportunity to stretch your vocal chords (and bring any acoustic musical instrument that you'd like to play.) We'll wrap it up by 10 PM. For questions or additional information contact Dudley at 801-733-7740 or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink.net. Be sure to add your name to our email list to receive updates for this and future Sing-A-Longs. Just go the WMC web site: Click on Member Menu; Click on EMAIL LIST SUBSCRIBE & UNSUBSCRIBE; Log In, follow the directions to subscribe and select the "SOCIAL" category. When finished return to Member Menu and Log Off.

Jun 5 Kayak/canoe - Muddy Creek

Sun – Meet: Registration required

Jun 10 Fri

Organizer: Steve Pace 801-363-8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu

Self-support Duckie Adventure. It has an uninspiring name yet Muddy Creek forms the deepest canyon in the San Rafael Swell and for many miles flows through a spectacular gorge of colorful sandstone - known as The Chute, the vertical walls here rise for several hundred feet above the streambed, which usually has running water all year. Except after heavy rain the creek is only a few inches deep and the canyon has no great obstacles. Contact Steve to register and for actual dates.

Jun 19 Sing-a-long, Hike And Potluck Bbq In Mill Creek Canyon

Sun

Meet: 5:30 pm at The Terraces in Mill Creek Canyon - about 4 miles up Mill Creek on the right. A carpool location may be added if there is an indication of interest for one.

Organizer: Frank Bernard or Fred Tripp 435-649-4507 or cell 301 461-0161 Frankbernard55@earthlink.net or fredgtripp@gmail.com

June 19 SUNDAY - HIKE, BBQ Picnic and SING-A-LONG. The planned hike is rated NTD. A Sunday evening trifecta located up cool Mill Creek Canyon on one of the longest days of the year. Those interested in the hike will meet at 5:30 p.m. at The Terraces (about 4 miles up Mill Creek on the right), hike for about an hour and half, and then regroup at the picnic site. Non-hikers join us at 7:00 p.m. and we'll have some coals going for a BBQ. Bring your own BBQ meats or sandwiches and something to share (salads, sides or desserts) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. Following the picnic we'll have a campfire Sing-A-Long. Acoustic instruments are welcome. Picnic area closes at 10 so we will be time limited. There is a small charge for vehicle access to Mill Creek Canyon. For those who wish to car pool please let us know and we'll select a location and time and add the information to this notice in the on-line Activity Calendar and also include it in an email update. For questions or additional information contact Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink. net. Plan on a fun evening of hiking, socializing, enjoying good food and an opportunity to stretch your vocal chords (and bring any musical instrument that you'd like to play.)

Jun 23 White Water Rafting - Yampa Work Party - class III

Thu - Meet: Registration required

Jun 30 Thu

Organizer: Gerrish Willis (801) 278-8975 ggwillis@yahoo.com

We have the opportunity to again float the Yampa under the auspices of the National Park Service. Leave SLC June 23 with a take out at Split Mountain on June 30. This is a service trip which involves a significant amount of work in the removal of tamarisk from the river banks. Best to think about it as a work trip with a little floating rather than a float trip with a little work. (It's not unusual for us to start work as early as seven and not knock off until dinner.) The top ten reasons to go on this trip: 10. Get a free weed warrior tee shirt. 9. All expenses are tax deductible. 8. We sometimes camp in sites that are not available to the public. 7. The Park Service provides the shuttle. 6. You do GREAT work to support the restoration of fish breeding habitat. 5. Opportunity to work with tools you may never have seen before. 4. It's a 7 day trip with the normal 4 day limit. 3. Does NOT count against your floating the Yampa or Ladore on a private trip at some other point this year. 2. No permit or application fees. 1. It's a lot of fun. Due to the need to carry a fair amount of equipment, we need large rafts/cats for the trip. And be prepared for work. \$100 Deposit to reserve spot. For information, contact co-organizers: Gerrish Willis at (801) 278-8975, email at ggwillis@yahoo.com or Dudley McIlhenny at 801=733-7740, email at

Jul 15 Sing-a-long And Potluck At La Rae And Bart Bartholoma's Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at 5904 S. Tolcate Woods Lane (2930 E) in Holladay - Directions are in the description above

Organizer: La Rae or Bart or Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 801-277-4093 or 435-649-4507 or cell 301 461-0161 fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frankbernard55@earthlink.net

La Rae and Bart Bartholoma have offered to host our July Sing-A-Long. Plan to join us at 6:30 p.m. and we'll begin the evening with a Pot Luck dinner. Please bring something to share (entree, appetizer, salad, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. Following dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long - think folk music, campfire songs, joke songs, etc. Acoustic instruments are welcome. To reach the Bartholoma home at 5904 S. Tolcate Woods Lane - take 5800 S (Tolcate Lane) off Holladay Blvd. (Only goes East) Turn right (South) on Tolcate Woods Lane. When the street ends with a steel fence with horse statues and an eagle statue in the air, YOU ARE THERE. Plan on a fun evening of socializing, enjoying good food and an opportunity to stretch your vocal chords (and bring any acoustic musical instrument that you'd like to play.) We'll wrap it up by 10 PM. For questions or additional information contact La Rae or Bart at 801-277-4093 or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink.net.

Aug 8 Lake Tahoe Rim Trail Backpack – msd – 165.0 mi Loop – Moderate pace

Mon

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Budig mbudig@blazemail.com

The Tahoe Rim Trail is a 165 mile hiking/biking/horse trail which circumvents Lake Tahoe- total elevation gain: about 27000 feet. This trip will depart around August 8 or August 12 and return two weeks later. Limited to six individuals- must be in excellent shape. A \$15/person deposit for permit fees is required. Please contact with questions or to register by email only.

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

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

Mail completed application to:

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

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SANDY CITY - 10600 SOUTH & 230 WEST

TRIATHLON BASICS, Thursday, March 3rd, 7:00 pm

Dave Pruetz, a USA Triathlon Certified Coach, a Kona Ironman World Championship Triathlete, and an ISSA Certified Fitness Trainer, as he covers all the basics of the sport of Triathlons.

BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS, Thursday, March 10th, 7:00 pm

Informative presentation where you'll learn how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire in record time, and make other minor adjustments to your bike. No experience necessary!

FOOTWEAR BASICS FOR HAPPY FEET, Thursday, March 24th, 7:00 pm

Hiking boots, cross trainers, Five Fingers, chacos . . . come learn the importance of proper footwear and fit, plus accessories for happy feet on the trail!

HIKING THE WASATCH, Thursday, March 31st, 7:00 pm at REI Sandy

Join Greg Witt, the author of 60 Hikes within 60 Miles, Salt Lake City, and Best Easy Day Hikes, Salt Lake City. Share Greg's picks for the best hikes for all skill levels, and point you in the right direction.

SALT LAKE CITY - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

MAP AND COMPASS, Tuesday, March 1st, 7:00 pm

Aimed at the newcomer to cover basics such as understanding map symbols, orienting the map and compass, triangulation, declination adjustment, and reading terrain features.

BACKCOUNTRY SKIING THE WASATCH, Tuesday, March 8th, 7:00 pm

Join Alexis Kelner and David Hanscom as they share their love for mountain and skiing experiences that led them to publish Wasatch Tours XC Vols. I, II and III. Alta Historical Society's Fireside Chats.

BACKPACKING BASICS, Tuesday, March 15th, 7:00 pm

We will cover the basics of backpacking gear, including how to choose the right pack and select the proper clothing and footwear to keep you comfortable.

BIKE COMMUTING BASICS, Tuesday, March 22nd, 7:00 pm

John Higgins, bike commuter and REI employee, will be sharing ideas for equipment; route selection and riding skills to safely navigate your way from Point A to Point B by bike.

EXPLORING HAVASUPAI, Tuesday, March 29th, 7:00 pm

Join Greg Witt, author of the 2010 National Outdoor Book Award "Exploring Havasupai". A book signing will follow the presentation.

WINTER WILDLIFE IN THE COTTONWOOD CANYONS AND WASATCH MOUNTAINS, Thursday, March 31st, 7pm

Join Janice Huebner, Wildlife Biologist, to learn about the different species of wildlife in the Wasatch Mountains Alta Historical Society's Fireside Chat Natural History Series.

HANDS-ON BIKE MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP, Saturday, March 26th, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at REI Sandy

We provide the tools and stands, all you need is to bring your bike; either mountain or road. We prefer that you have basic bike maintenance knowledge or that you have attended one of our Basic Bike Maintenance classes. Class size is limited to 5 students. Cost \$95 for REI Members & \$115 for non-members. Preregistration is required at Customer Service 801-501-0850 or online atwww.rei.com/sandy.



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