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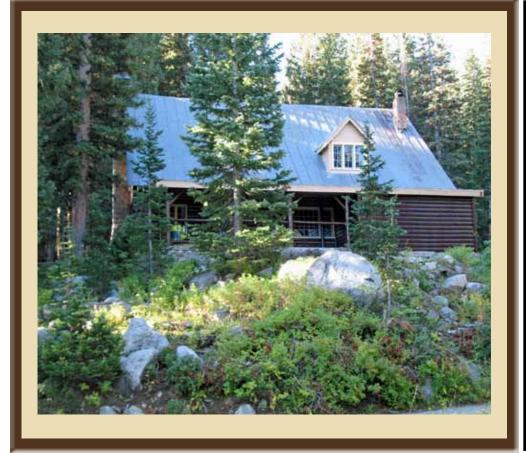
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WMC Purpose

(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

None scheduled

Check online activities for updates

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.

A LITTLE ABOUT US . . .

The Wasatch Mountain Club was incorporated in 1920 by an informally organized group that had been hiking together for several years. The original Club charter listed the purpose as:

- to promote the physical and spiritual well being of its members and others by outdoor activities;
- to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers and lovers of the mountains, deserts and rivers of Utah;
- to collect and disseminate information regarding the Rocky Mountains in behalf of science, literature and art;
- to explore and picture the scenic wonders of this and surrounding states;
- to foster awareness of scenic beauties; and

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.

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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.

HIKE- TRAIL MAINTENANCE DRAPER

Draper has an extensive network of trails. We will be working on one of the Draper trails. If you are planning to attend, please email or call me. Please meet at the Ballard Equestrian Park parking lot at 8:00 am. From there, we will car pool to the work site trailhead. Please wear long pants and sturdy footwear. Please bring, water, snack food, work gloves, and rain gear. I plan to bring bagels and treats. We will

probably finish between noon and 1:00 pm.

Organizer: David Andrenyak **Phone:** 801-582-6106

Email:andrenyakda@aim.comDate:Saturday, May 21, 2011Meeting Place:Ballard Equestrian Park

1600 East Highland Drive

Draper

Meeting Time: 8:00 am



PRESS RELEASE TO THE DRAPER JOURNAL (IN PART)

By Jack Earnhart

In conjunction with the Wasatch Mountain Club and Draper City, there will be a hike held in Draper each Thursday evening through the end of the summer. Hikes will be led by WMC members and open to all hikers who would like to take a hike in Draper.

Draper City has built, and continues to build, one of the best multi-use trail systems in the state. There are now miles of trails in Corner Canyon, South Mountain, Suncrest and other parts of Draper open to hikers and bikers. This summer, Draper City and community volunteer groups will be building and maintaining numerous new and existing trails throughout Draper. The Wasatch Mountain Club has volunteered to do trail work on May 21, 2011. The project is yet to be determined. Call Jack Earnhart at 801-739-8880 for more information, or if you are interested in assisting with organizing these Draper hikes. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

BOATING DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

By Don Urrizaga

If it ever stops snowing, we just might get a chance to raft some rivers this year. There is a high likelihood that spring runoff will cause flood conditions on most of the western rivers. Around the state of Utah snow pack levels range from 130 to 180 percent of normal, in smaller areas it's substantially above 200 percent of average. "The averages are based on three decades of measurements spanning the years 1971 to 2000." Levels in Idaho are also well above average: Salmon Basin, 110%; Snake Basin above Palisades, 126%; Snake Basin above American Falls, 127%; Owyhee Basin, 131%, Bear River Basin, 141%; to name a few. On April 8th U.S. Forest Service officials in Idaho



reported a blowout at the Black Creek drainage that created a logjam about a half-mile below Salmon Falls on the Salmon River. Unlike what the Forest Service was forced to do in 2006 - use explosives to clear a large logjam that blocked the Middle Fork of the Salmon River at Pistol Creek Rapid - they are going to take a wait-and-see approach to see if the spring flood will be enough to break up and disperse the logjam. Use caution, plan well, and know what you are doing.

Description Boat Shed Opening	Dates April 23	Class Work Party	Contact Bret Mathews, bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
Beginners Trip	May 14 - May 15	II	Lori Major, arivergoddess@yahoo.com
			Bret Mathews, <u>bretmaverick999@yahoo.com</u>
Gates Of Lodore	May 22 - May 26	III+	Bret Mathews, <u>bretmaverick999@yahoo.com</u>
Moab Daily	June 3 - 4	II	Lori Major, arivergoddess@yahoo.com
Desolation Canyon	June ?	III	Stevo Fowler, shiveringman@comcast.net
Main Salmon, ID	Jun 12 – 18	III/IV	Dudley McIlhenny, contextny@aol.com
Yampa Service Trip	Jun 23 – Jun 30	III/Work Party	Dudley McIlhenny, contextny@aol.com
			Gerrish Willis, ggwillis@yahoo.com
Payette, ID	July 1 - 4	III+	Rick Thompson, gone2moab@hotmail.com
Yampa, Small Craft	July 14 - 20	Ш	Steve Susswein, steve_susswein@hotmail.com
Alpine Canyon, ID	July 15 - 16	III+	Lori Major, arivergoddess@yahoo.com
Selway, Small Craft	August 1 - 6	IV	Steve Susswein, steve_susswein@hotmail.com
Rogue, OR	August 10 - 15	IV	Mardi Maack-Frye, danamardimaack@msn.com
Labyrinth Canyon, canoes and sea kayaks	September 10 - 15	II+	Marjorie Gendler, gendler801@aol.com

Utah Mountain Peaks and Summits

Utah

is one of

the most unique

places on earth. But

nothing is more impressive

than the mountains. From north

to south, and east to west, they provide

an adventure for young and old alike. They

range from King's Peak, 13,528' (4,124m) above

sea level on down to Beaver Wash at 2,350' (716m).

Elevations and Locations are from the US Geological Survey (USGS),

Geographic Names Information System (GNIS),

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There are over 300 peaks that range above 10,000 feet.

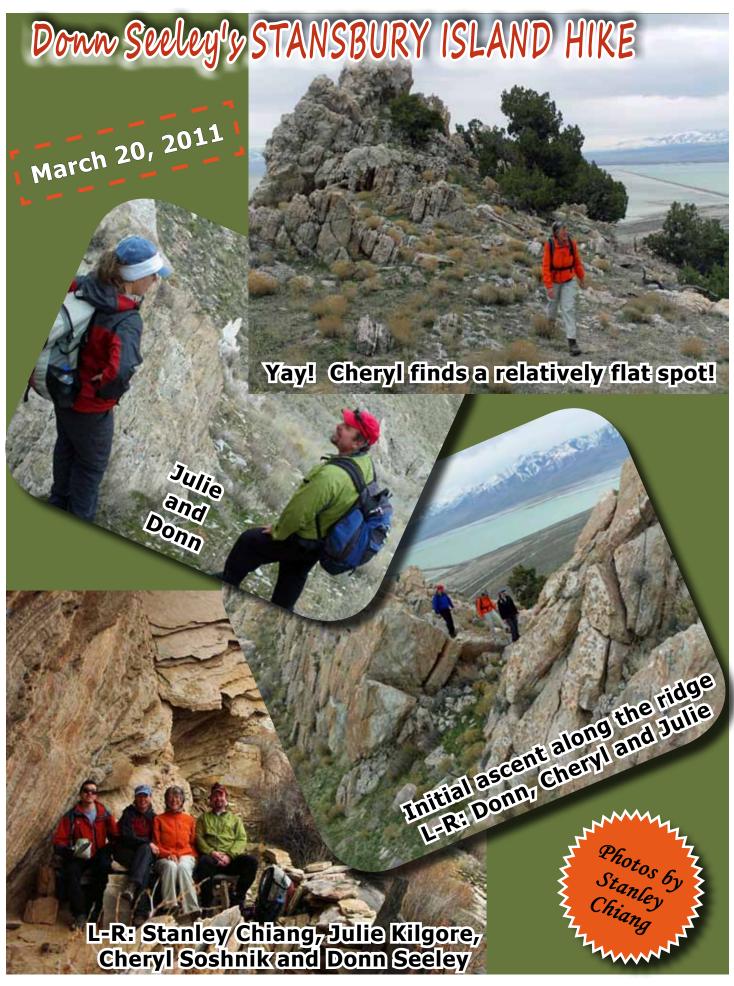
(There are still some disputes about exact elevations of these mountains)

(From onlineutah.com)



THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB
WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME
DONNIE BENSON AND KATE FOWLER
AS THE NEW PUBLIC RELATIONS
CO-DIRECTORS.

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ON THE INSIDE FRONT COVER OF
THE RAMBLER.





from the editor

Wondering why your Rambler wasn't received in your mailbox by the first of the month? Sometimes things are not entirely in my control. If you have questions about the delivery, please contact Chris Venizelos at (801) 554-3697.



NEWCOMERS' AND BEGINNERS' DAY HIKES ARE BACK!

Starting with May's calendar, the WMC newcomers' and beginners' day hikes will be back on the calendar. These hikes are meant to introduce people to hiking and to the Wasatch Mountain Club. There will be 2 co-organizers to ensure nobody gets lost or left behind and to answer any questions or concerns that may arise. Check the Activities Listings in the Rambler, or view online at www.wasatchmountainclub.org.

COME OUT AND ENJOY THE MOUNTAINS WITH US!



March 18, 2011 welcome back potluck for Gene Dennis and Gloria Watson at Cindy Crass' home. They were in town for a visit before heading back to Pincoya and the South Seas.



NEW MEMBERS

Candice Hoyal

Gary Loveridge

Kimberly Cotto

Bonnie Bowman

Wan Jen Horng

Kathy Olson

Colette Adelman

Katherine Campbell

Greg Betenson

Shelley Day

Deborah Leigh

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Christin Robbins

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Jim Gribin

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Jessica Auger

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Marcy Allen

Linden Greenhalgh

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Anna Vaughn

Dayna Stern

Phillip Martineau

Paul Edwards

Mark Shimizu

Travis Atwood

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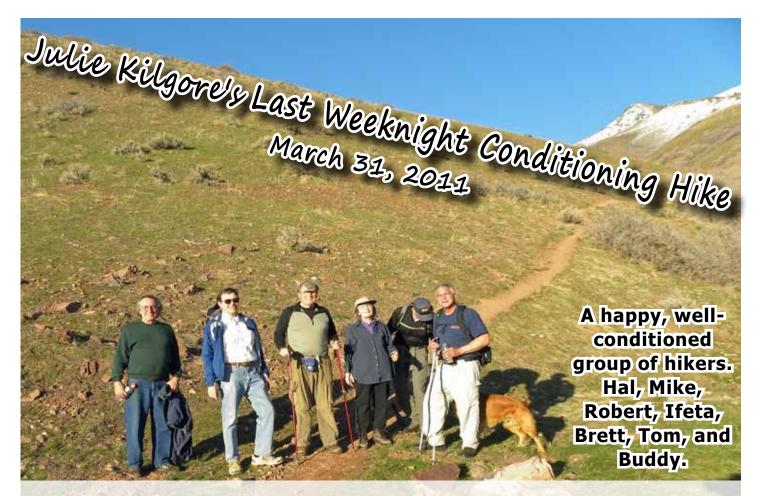
David and Sandra Goetz

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.

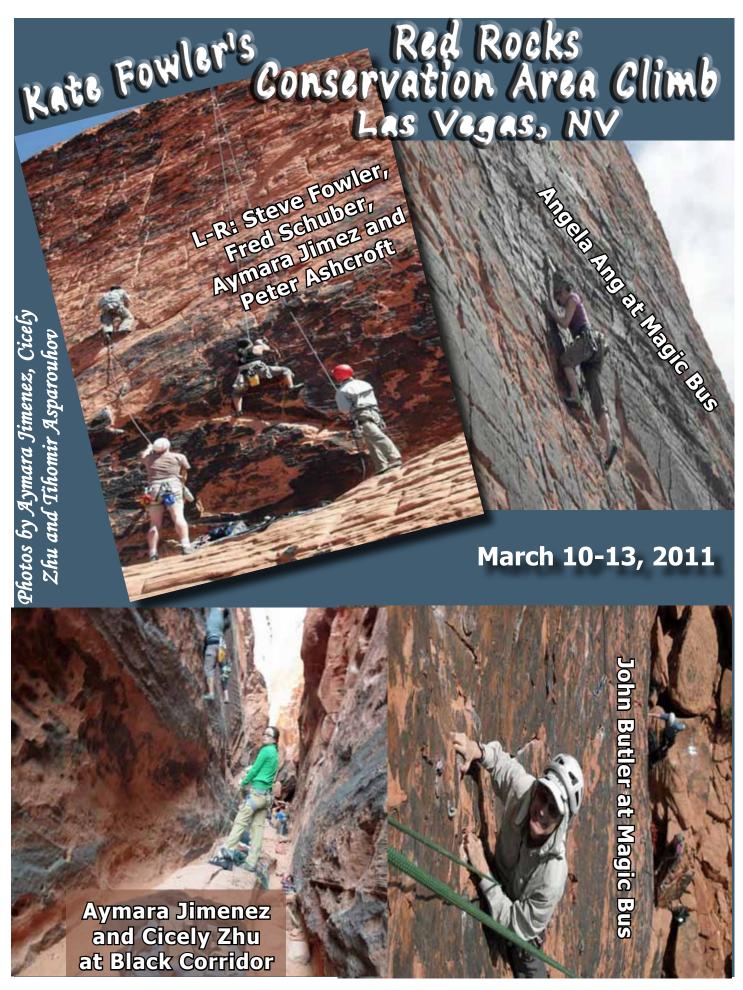
The WMC activities allow for flexibility; if you can show up, do--if you can't, don't. As for how vigorous and aggressive the various activities and groups are (hikers, bikers, etc), contact the director or co-ordinator. Please don't feel like you can't organize an activity if you don't know your way 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!

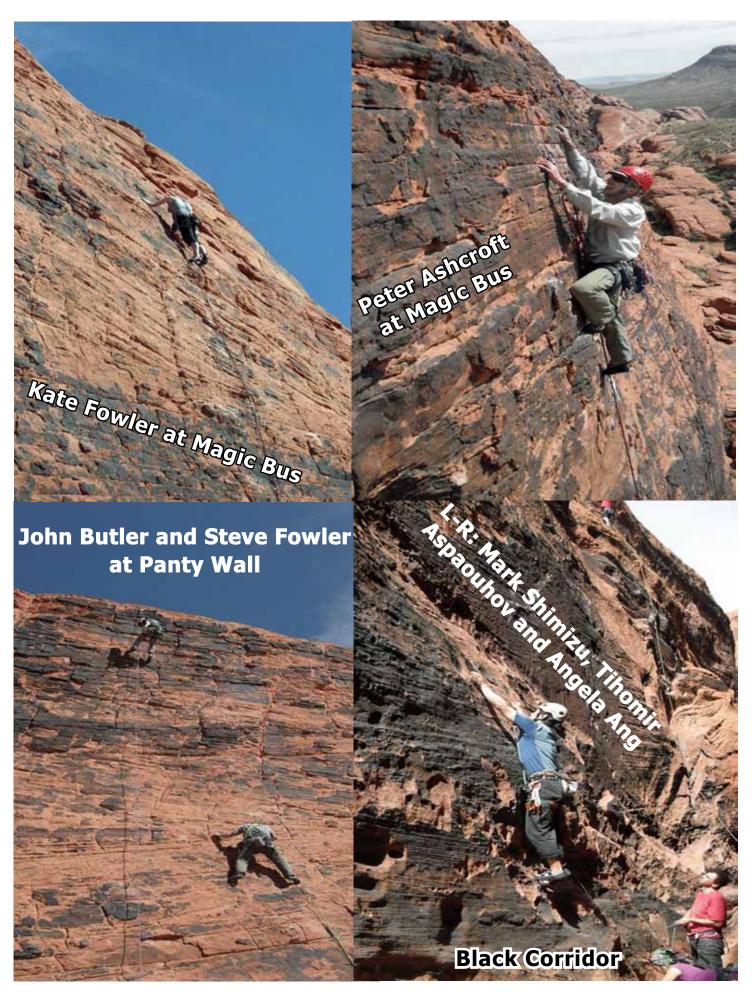


Julie had her biggest turnout for her last pre-season conditioning hike. These were so much fun. Look for Julie to start these again next January!!









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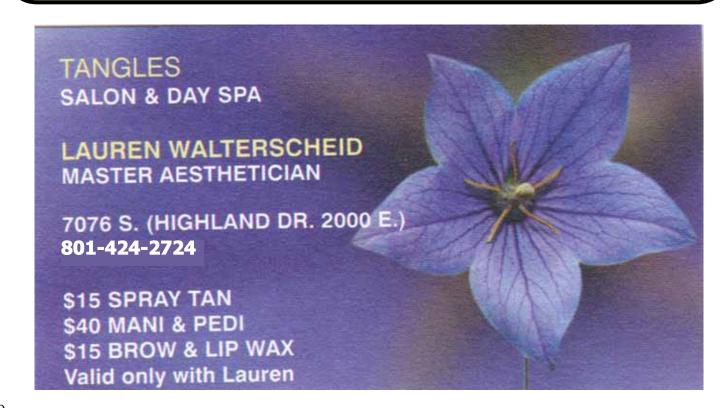
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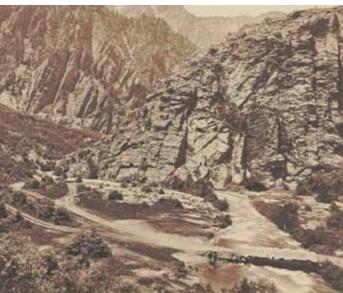
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FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

52. Maxfield Bridge

The aging bridge over Big Cottonwood Creek above the Storm Mountain picnic ground is being replaced by a new structure in 2011. As part of its project definition and description the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has chosen to use the name Maxfield Bridge, and so it will be used here. While UDOT does not justify its choice of the name, it probably comes from the fact that the land surrounding the bridge was part of a patent obtained by R. D. Maxfield in 1908, and the once well known Maxfield Lodge was a very short distance upstream. Since the bridge and the road running over it has a significant and interesting history, this is a good time to look back at past events.

The very early road going up the canyon entered the gorge below Stairs Gulch and crossed to the south side of Big Cottonwood Creek before climbing the steep south slope to cross the Stairs Gulch stream, then turning across the relatively level area where the Storm Mountain picnic ground is found today. This was before the Storm Mountain reservoir was created, so the road crossed the stream again on Mill C Flat to continue up the canyon on the north side. The flat, named after the sawmill that was located there in the mid-1860s, was a good place for the teamsters to stop and allow their animals to recruit after climbing the heavy grade. Then came Robert M. Jones, who proposed building the Stairs Power Plant, a hydro electric installation that required a supply of water from an elevation greater than that of the plant. What better place to put the reservoir than on Mill C Flat where Nature already provided high walls on three sides. All he needed to do was build a dam across the fourth side. However, that would block Mill C Flat with the Big Cottonwood Canyon road coming up out of the passage up and down the canyon, so the County He did this by constructing a dugway that climbed



gorge at Stairs Gulch and crossing the stream on an early bridge. Storm Court refused to give him permission to build the Mountain is in the left background. This is a Timothy O'Sullivan dam until he provided an alternate route for the road. photograph taken in 1869 while on the King Expedition. (Library of Congress photo)

steeply toward the high rocky ridge that extended out onto the flat and would serve as one end of the dam. However, the ridge was so high that he had to blast a cut through it to carry the road to the other side. There it

descended rapidly to the level of the canyon stream, which it crossed on a bridge Jones had to build. As a condition for the county to approve his new roadway, he was obligated to maintain the bridge for a number of years. This new roadway did not please the teamsters who had to contend with a much longer grade, which they began to call Jones' Hump. They complained that they would have to reduce their loads, and even then it would be hard on their animals. But like it or not, the new road was placed into service and they had to put up with it for many years, from 1895 until 1916. In the early years of the twentieth century, when motor vehicles began using the road, the very narrow cut at the top of the hump became a favorite place to stop and take photographs.

In 1905, to satisfy its ever-increasing need for culinary water, Salt Lake City reached out to the Big Cottonwood Canyon stream. It began buying water rights and built a diversion dam and a conduit to carry the water to the city. Once the water was flowing the The bridge over Big Cottonwood Creek as it appeared in 1910. The next concern was to maintain its purity. At first attention was directed to picnic and camp sites as well as cabins along the stream. But then in 1915 a new



automobile, a Thomas Touring car, has come down off Jones' Hump and is heading up the canyon. (Utah Historical Society photo)

threat appeared. When the Cardiff Mining & Milling Company in Mill D South Fork began massive shipments of ore from the recent strike in its mine, it had forty-five four-horse teams traveling up and down the canyon road in June, increasing to seventy teams by the end of the season. Recognizing the problem, Ezra Thompson, president of the Cardiff mining company, made a proposition to start using tractors and trailers to haul ore out of the canyon, with the proviso that the road be widened and graded to make the plan feasible. In 1916 an

Undated photograph at the site of the Maxfield Bridge. The bus, from the Bingham Stage Lines Company, is a 1927 Studebaker, so it is likely the photo was taken in the late 1920s. The bridge is the one built in 1916 when the road was realigned to avoid Jones' Hump. (Utah Historical Society photo)

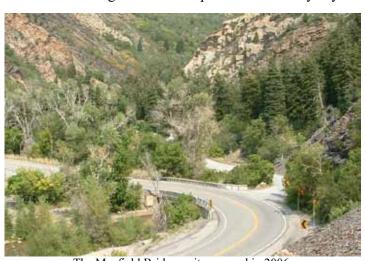
agreement was reached between Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, and the Cardiff and Maxfield mining companies, whereas each would contribute to the cost of improving the canyon road. As part of that effort bridges were to be strengthened or rebuilt, and the road was to be realigned to do away with Jones' Hump. At first it was proposed to tunnel through the ridge, but that idea was rejected and it was decided to make a cut instead. This lowered the level of the road to what we see today. The old bridge, presumably the one put in by Jones in the mid-1890s, was replaced with one that could withstand the greater weight of motor tractors and trailers that were to be used to haul ore from the mines. The work was completed to allow some traffic to move by the third week of July, but it was nearly another week before the ore trains could pass through. The first attempt was made using large tracked vehicles - they called them caterpillar tractors even though they were not built by the Caterpillar company - supposed to be capable of promise. They proved hard to control on the steep

grades, and had to limit their load to six trailers carrying five tons each. With their large size on the narrow roads, they drew the ire of canyon travelers who complained the tractors dominated the road and created great amounts of dust. They were replaced by more conventional trucks pulling two trailers, that were easily passed by automobiles on the canyon road.

In 1934 a new bridge was constructed at the same site. It was wider and a little longer than the one that had served for eighteen years. The abutments and sills for the earlier bridge remained in place to be seen by anyone

who looked under the new one. This bridge has served the public for over seventy five years, a much longer period than its predecessor. But that early bridge suffered much use and abuse with the heavily loaded tractor trains or trucks and trailers passing over it and around the sharp curve at its lower side.

Some of what has been mentioned can be observed today. A portion of the early road that went into the gorge below Stairs Gulch remains and can be followed as far as the site of the stream crossing, where the old bridge abutments remain. Beyond that point the road disappears under the embankment for the present highway. This early road leaves the east side of the present highway below the bridge that crosses Big Cottonwood Creek immediately above the Stairs Power Plant..



The Maxfield Bridge as it appeared in 2006.

The road that was known as Jones' Hump leaves the present highway directly across from the entrance to Storm Mountain picnic ground. Large boulders are in place to prevent vehicles from using it, but it can be followed on foot. It climbs and turns toward the ridge that hosted the narrow cut, but then disappears at the large borrow pit that is often used as a parking area. The narrow cut through the ridge has disappeared, probably as a result of all the blasting to make the lower cut in 1916, or during subsequent years when the cut was widened.

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March 26 - Wasatch Mountain Club Gourmet Snowshoe

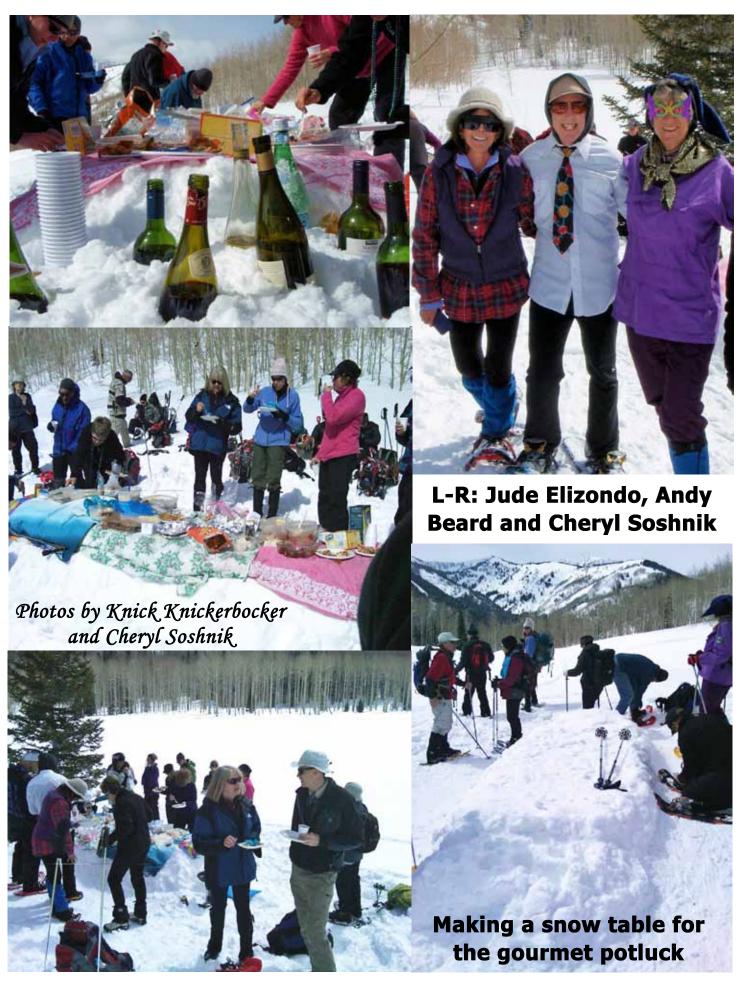
Knick Knickerbocker: We had about 37 people total this year show up for the event. At Willow Lake we built a table from snow and left it behind....:) Some of us were dressed in our welcome to spring outfits, while Robert Turner served up fresh, hot crepes and there were plenty of libations to go around with good treats brought by all.

Cheryl Soshnik and Knick Knickerbocker stylin!





Robert Turner dishing up his delicious crepes

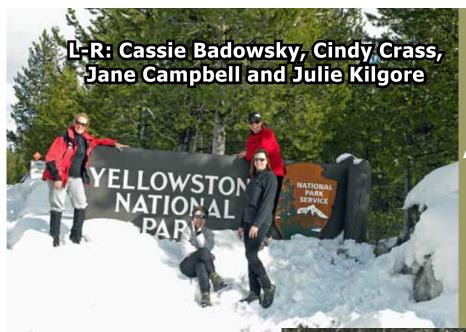












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BIKING DAY TRIP

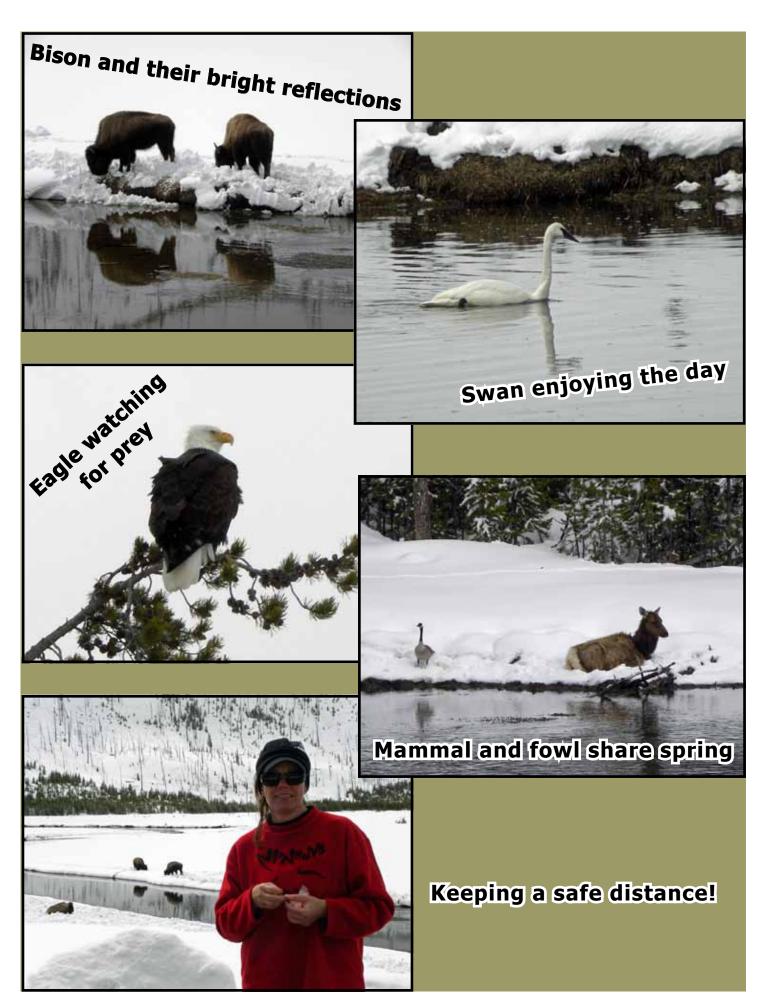
April 8, 2011

There were 14 RSVP's, but in the end, only 4 optimistic souls dared to test the weather forecasts. And granted, we arrived at the West **Entrance and found snow-packed** roads. A park ranger told us that a couple of miles in the roads were clear, and he suggested we grab a cup of coffee for an hour or so and the rest would probably clear up too. Sure enough, when we returned, pavement was visible! Before long, the roads were dry in spite of the occasional snowflake and brief hail, and the group had no problem making the full 30 mile round trip.





It was the last weekend before the park was opened to motorized traffic. This particular bike ride wasn't about the ride. It's all about the animals, and absorbing the energy that comes from a new spring. We counted about 30 other bicycle riders during our 5-1/2 hour meandering trip. We'll be doing this again next year!

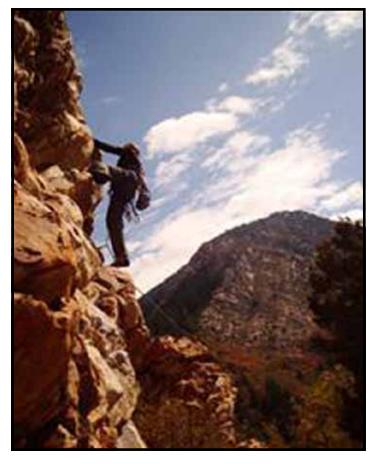


THE S-CURVES, BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON'S SPORT CLIMBING MECCA

The S-Curves in Big Cottonwood Canyon is among the more well known rock climbing areas along the Wasatch Front. Easy access from the road, a wide variety of bolted routes, and clean lines on beautiful quartzite blocks make the S-Curves a fun place to spend a day. The fact that the S-Curves are on south-facing cliffs is another positive, as it's always in the sun, and rarely gets buried in much snow.

There is a buffet table of grades at the S-Curves, with something to challenge every climber, from newbie's to grizzled experts. One can find easy 5.5 climbs such as "Little Feat" on the Upper S-Curves, to the seemingly impossible 5.13d classic "Dog Eat Dog," a huge roof among the lower wall routes.

Other classic climbs at the S-Curves include "S-Curve Overhang" (5.11c), "Madison Avenue" (5.10d), "Black Monday" (5.11a), and "Megalopolis" (5.11a). These are all pretty difficult routes, but there are many moderate 5.8 and 5.9 climbs such as "Clean Underwear" (5.9), and "Geronimo" (5.8)



The S-Curves also includes a place known as The Pile, which has a few moderate sport climbs inside a beautiful, small canyon with a nice stream that flows below the routes. Climbing there is a good, shady option for hot days and includes fun routes like "Gomer Pile" (5.10a).

Where to go: Drive up Big Cottonwood Canyon in Salt Lake City for 4.25 miles and park at the parking lot right at the S-Curves in the road. From the lot, follow a set of wooden stairs to the road above the curves and cross here. Follow a trail directly into the canyon to find The Pile, or pick up a trail that goes to the right up the hillside that leads to the S-Curves. After a few switchbacks, continue straight toward the cliffs where the lower and upper wall routes are located. (From snowlist.com)





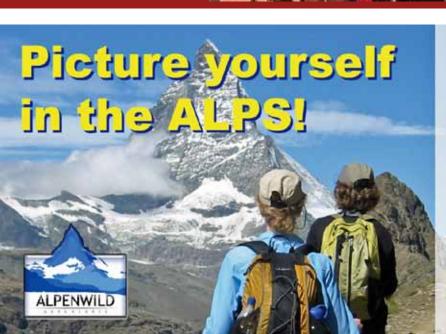
Liz Cordova's Spring Hike In Snow Canyon



L-R: Tricia Lee,
Liz Cordova, June Zhu,
Karen Perkins, Lucy
Ormond, Cassie
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RICK THOMPSON'S NORTH WASH TRIP March 25-27, 2011 Tim Pluta

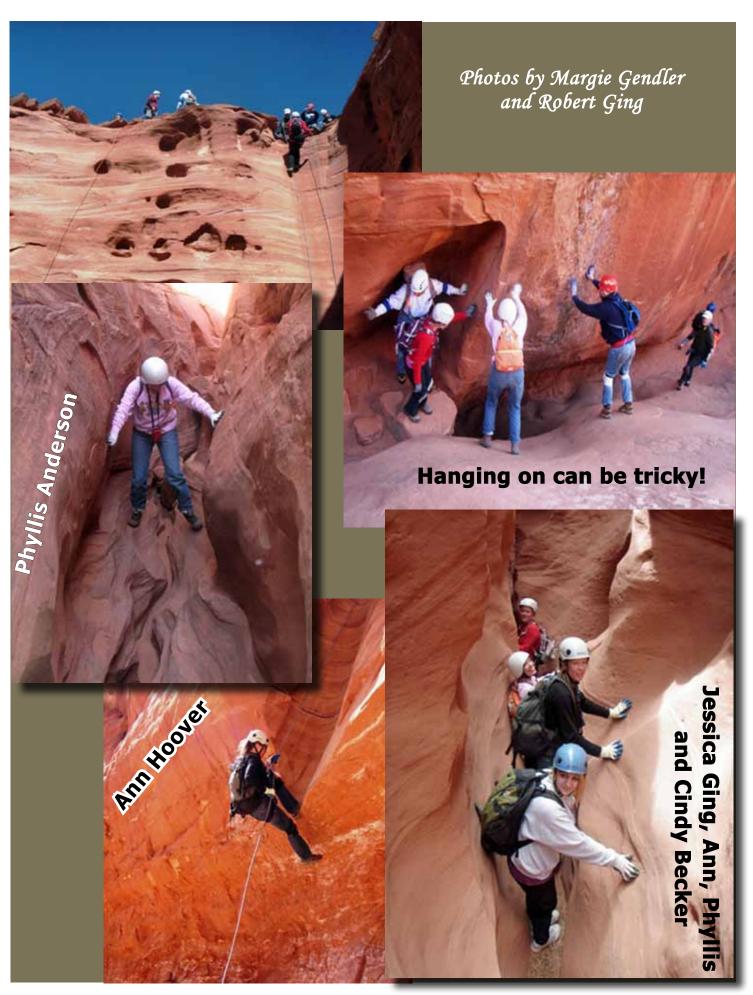
On rope!

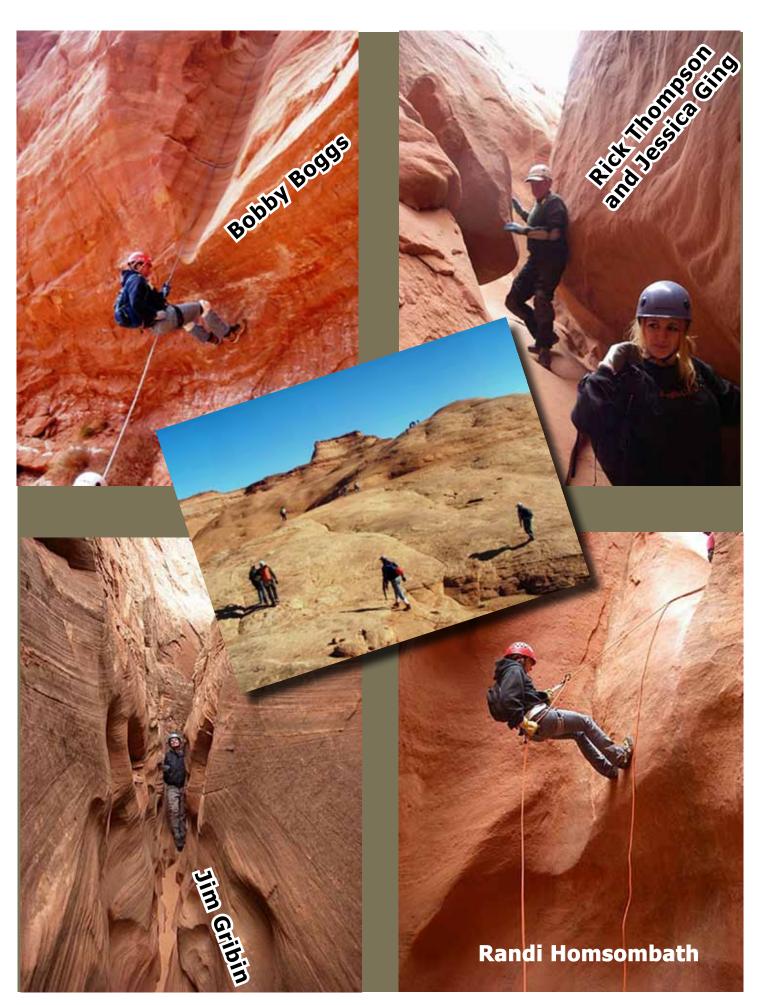
The mild spring weekend of March 25th witnessed an influx of Wasatch Mountain Club members to the North Wash region of Central Utah, a violent yet sensual labyrinth of slot canyons and capsized earth. It is a region, in fact, that is so wild and formidable the slots were not even mapped until 2001. Led by Rick Thompson, the plan on day 1 was to hike up the "eastside approach", a gracefully sculpted ridge just east of highway 95 from our Sandthrax campground. The goal: the head of Right Leprechaun canyon, a slithering and enchanting chasm that would tunnel down a mesmerizing course all the way back to the highway, and our camp. Split into two groups, one led by Rick and the other by Greg Cornelius, we successfully completed the first rappel into the canyon. Things quickly tightened up. Not only were ankles, knees, and toes put to the test, but also were shoulders, elbows, chins, and chests, as we all learned new techniques of worming through these tightly woven sedimentary spaces of serenely sculpted sandstone. One more rappel and several challenging down climbs later, we found our way to a clearing just before the meeting with Middle Leprechaun and sat and had our lunch. The day was officially overcast at this point, and all of the heated exertion of the canyoneering gave way to a slight chill in the air as most of us gnoshed on Clif bars and other assorted trail snacks. Several people hunted for the supposed "3 toed dinosaur" prints, but to no avail. Immediately after the welldeserved break, we pulled off one last 20 ft. rappel before one of the day's highlights: the optional side trip up lower Middle Leprechaun, a section known as "Belfast Boulevard", an incredibly tight slot whose tomb-like entrapment both literally and figuratively took the breath out of you. At times, the walls were so close that you couldn't turn your head to see the person next to you (which would have been impossible anyhow, due to the darkness). After the optional exploratory side-trip, the main fork led through one more tight corridor (which last year at this time was six feet deep of water!) before the canyon finally released its primeval grip on us. The sandstone walls slowly parted until we gained the riparian opening of the wash. From there, it was a leisurely stroll past budding cottonwoods and awakening willows back to our camp. What was supposed to be a brief break and subsequent reconvergence upon another canyon, ended up being a casual and fun afternoon under the tarps due to a steady shower that kept us company for the rest of the afternoon. Some played cards, some ate an unending supply of delicious hors d'oeuvres, some sat and socialized, but all basked in the satisfaction that was the day's events. In the meantime, Jennie and Rick, the chefs of the expedition, were busy at work firing up an exquisite chili and cornbread that furthermore made spirits soar. Just as we finished dinner, the clouds began to part and the showers tapered. A glorious campfire ensued, and a large group of us gathered at its benevolent flames and relaxed, warm-toed, into the night.

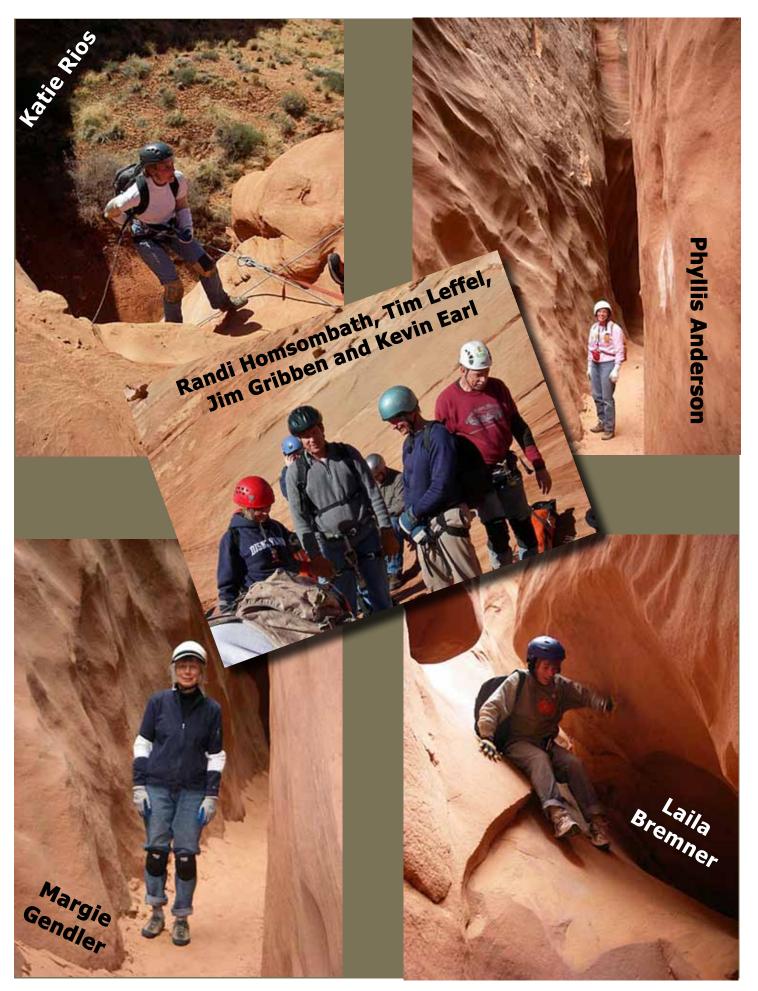
We rose on Sunday morning to majestic blue skies and a renewed excitement for the day's task: tackling both the Right and Left forks of Blarney Canyon. These serpentine slot canyons, which are approached via another east-trending ridge a mile north from Sandthrax, shared the epic power and subterranean grandeur of the previous day's adventure. After a sun-drenched ascent in the morning up the ridge to the head of the right fork, we excitedly dropped in for even more diabolically downward delight. Our guides weren't fooling around any longer; for the most part, the ropes remained in the rucksacks as we were challenged to independently down climb a few precarious sections that we wouldn't have the day before. We passed the test. After a nice relaxing lunch in the sun back at the trailhead, we headed back up the same sandstone ridge. This time, however, we dropped into the *left* fork of Blarney, a slot equally as beautiful and challenging as the Right. We glided through those graceful passages as if we were seasoned veterans. Before we knew it, we were back at Sandthrax, and the breaking down of camp for the weekend.

Canyoneering 101 was a smashing success. The teachers led heroically, the students learned triumphantly. School's out for now, but I won't hesitate to say that we're probably all chomping at the bit to get back into that primordial slot canyon classroom. I know I am.

On belay!







We have to treat our trails with care to prevent muddy spots from turning into 10-20 foot wide mud highways.

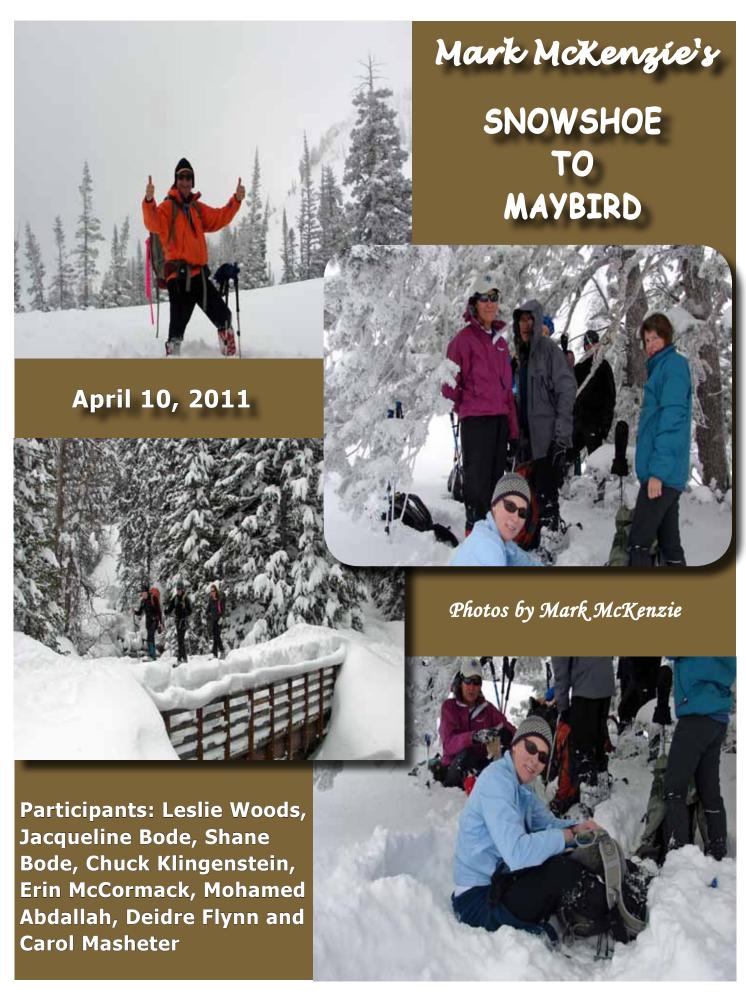
Be sure to stay on the trail if it is muddy or wet. If you walk around the mud the trail will widen and become even muddier in the future. Mud is part of the backcountry challenge. Expect it. Wear waterproof boots and gaiters to protect your feet from mud and water. Hike through it. It is not that difficult. Use a stick, walking staff or trek pole/poles to help gauge the depth of the mud and to help you with balance.

Most mud can be walked through. And with 2 trek poles, it is faster than trying to find a route around the mud. Keep in mind too that to minimize trail damage you should wear as light a boot as possible for the conditions. Heavy boots with deep treads compact the soil more and tend to tear up the trail. Stay on the trail and Leave No Trace! (www.backcountryattitude.com)

Muddy Trails

Mud Diagram Key

- 1. This is the original path of this trail
- 2. When the original path became muddy people not up for the challenges of the outdoors began to walk around the mud on the right of the trail thus trampling the grassy vegetation (Figure D) and causing more bare earth to be exposed which in turn became muddy and widened the trail.
- 3. Now users are hiking to the left of the original path to avoid the mud and have created a secondary trail.
- 4. The secondary trail route is not completely free of mud. If you look carefully, the hiker still has to travel through or jump over some mud before getting back onto the regular trail.
 - A. There is a rock here that you can step on to avoid sinking into the mud.
 - B. A large branch/small log is another place to step to avoid the mud while staying on the original trail.
 - C. A final stick to step on to get past the muddy area.
 - D. A small patch of grass has survived being trampled by those avoiding the mud and walking on the right side of the original trail.



Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgment of Risk, and Release from Liability

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION: I acknowledge that my participation in all WMC activities is voluntary. No one is

Activity:

forcing me to participate. I agree to abide by the rules of the WMC.

_____ Organizer: _____ Date: _____

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Return this form to Wasatch Mountain Club, 1390 South 1110 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443 Please mark attention to the appropriate activity director, e.g., hike, bike, boat.

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

o.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD) B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking Lightly Strenuous E > Elevation change > 5,000 feet 4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD) M > Round trip mileage > 15 miles

Moderate to Very Strenuous R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding

8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD) S > Scrambling Very Strenuous, Difficult X > Exposure

11.1+ > Extreme (EXT) W > Wilderness area, limit 14

Very Strong, Well-Seasoned Hikers

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

Directions to Meeting Places

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

Skyline High School: 3251 E Upland Drive (3760 S). From the intersection of Wasatch Blvd and the Mill Creek Canyon Rd (3800 S), go west under the I-215 freeway, then turn north (right) into the entrance opposite Birch Dr (3330 E). **Butler Elementary:** 2700 E just south of 7000 S

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

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

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

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

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

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

ACTIVITIES LISTING

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips

Date Activity

May 1 Little Black Mountain Hike - mod - 9.0 mi Out & Back - 2800' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at Terrace Hills Dr and 11th Avenue

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

Hopefully, May Day will be warm and sunny for a long hike in the foothills. Meet at the 11th Avenue Park on Terrace Hills Drive and 11th Avenue.

May 1 Leisurely Paced Spring Dog Hike - ntd - Slow pace

Sun Meet: 1:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Jean Acheson 801-633-5225 jachwest@comcast.net

Jean and her dog King would like to celebrate Spring with a May Day Hike in Millcreek Canyon. The group will discuss what is best for the weather and trail conditions that day. All levels of hikers are welcome on this leisurely afternoon hike, and so are all well-mannered dogs since it's an off-leash day. Please bring water for dog and owner, and a leash for your 4-footed friends (a leash is required in parking lots, near the road, and if something arises wher dogs require strict control).

May 3 Evening Mountain Bike-pipeline – mod – Moderate pace

Tue Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

Early season ride - check list serve due to weather and trail conditions

May 3 Road Bike Slc To Park City And Back - mod+ - 60.0 mi Out & Back - 4000' ascent - Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: 9:00 am at Sunnyside Ave. in front of Hogle Zoo

Organizer: Don Vincent 801-281-3160 dvince182@yahoo.com

Angie will lead this 60 mile ride from Hogle Zoo up Emigration Canyon with 5 miles of I-80 expressway shoulder to Park City for lunch and return. This ride features two mountains and some hills but mostly down hill all the way back. Meet in front of Hogle Zoo on Sunnyside Ave. at 9 am. Bring money for a "Park City" lunch.

May 3 Evening Hike: Bells Canyon – ntd

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Michelle and Woib Butz 801 842-9646 mbutz27@yahoo.com

There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 4 Evening Hike: Avenues Twin Peaks – ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:00 pm at 11th Avenue Park on the corner of Terrace Hills Drive and 11th Avenue.

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

Directions to the meeting place: On 11th Avenue, Terrace Hills Drive (900 East) is about 5 blocks east of I Street. The parking lot is off of Terrace Hills Drive just north of 11th Avenue. There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 4 Road Bike: Wasatch Wednesdays: Tba – mod-

Wed

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129 r46turner@gmail.com

It's May. That means Wasatch Back Friday rides begin, so we'll switch the Wasatch Front rides to Wednesdays. At least two or three different club members are interested in leading Wednesday rides, so we'll coordinate that as we approach the ride dates. For now, I'm just getting them on the calendar so everyone will know that we will, in fact, have a ride each Wednesday. The rides will be announced via the bike email list. Once again, they will be a social rides. We might get a workout, but we'll regroup several times along to way to socialize, snack and rehydrate. Bring money in case we decide to stop for lunch or whatever along the way. If the weather is iffy the morning of the ride, please call or check your email in case we decide to cancel.

May 4 Rock Climb - Intro To Rappelling - ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:30 pm at Dogwood Picnic area - 1.1 mile up BCC from the electronic sign. Dogwood requires an entrance fee. Park outside on the road if you don't want to pay the fee.

Organizer: Chuck James 801-209-0725 jamesgang1971@comcast.net

Introduction to Rappel Night @ Dogwood Picnic area. Bring your own helmet, harness and rappel device. You can rent them from REI or the U of U rec center or call, I have a few extras. Organizer: Chuck at 801-209-0725 or email: jamesgang1971@comcast.net.

May 5 Evening Dog Hike: Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Jean Acheson 801-633-5225 jeanacheson@comcast.net

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. The dog-less are welcome as well. This hike is geared for all levels of hiking ability and will be conducted at a leisurely pace so we can enjoy the evening. Please bring water for yourself and any accompanying four-footed friends. Also, regardless of the leash law and day of the month, please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 5 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Anne Polinsky 801 466-3806

There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 5 Draper Evening Hike - ntd+ - 4.0 mi Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Slow pace

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Orson Smith Trailhead (2000 East, 12550 South)

Organizer: Cindy Crass 801-803-1336 cjcrass@gmail.com

Come explore the new and/or improved trail systems in Draper's Corner Canyon area. These Thursday evening hikes will be at a relaxed pace.

May Ding & Dang Canyon Car Camp – mod

6 Fri – Meet: Registration required

May 8

Sun

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

Ding & Dang are non-technical slot canyons in the eastern San Rafael swell suitable for experienced hikers with a little downclimbing skill and other options in the area include Chute canyon, Little Wild Horse / Bell canyon loop and Goblin Valley. We'll plan to camp near the trailheads.

May 6 Movie Night

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at Pier 49 Pizza (next to movie theater) on Simpson Av. (2250 S) near corner of Highland Dr. (1230 E)

Organizer: Craig Anderson 801-487-2352 canders11238@yahoo.com

Join Craig for dinner and a movie at Sugar House Movies 10. We will decide which movie to see while eating. Movies start around 7:00 p.m.

May Arches Family Car Camp

6 Fri – Meet: Registration required

May 8

Organizer: Noel de Nevers 801-581-6024 Noel.deNevers@ utah.edu

Sun

This is our annual Family Mother's Day Car Camp and General Spring Celebration. We have the large group campground reserved for Friday and Saturday nights. Bring your kids and grandkids! E-mail or call or Noel de Nevers (Noel.deNevers@ utah.edu)801-581-6024 for information and reservations. We are limited to 10 cars

and 50 people; don't come without a reservation!

May 6 Backside Friday Road Bike Ride – mod-

Fri Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Cheryl Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com

Every Friday, we will be doing a road bike ride in the Backside of the Wasatch Front: Summit, Wasatch or Morgan Counties. Ride location, start time, and length will vary due to the weather conditions. Details will be sent out each Wednesday via the WMC-Bike list. Generally, rides start at 9am or 10am, and length of rides are between 20 and 50 miles. Friday rides are social: ride at your own pace but we will stop to regroup along the route. Please call Cheryl at the listed number or at 801.613.2329 or Donna Fisher at 435.649.0183 to volunteer to organize one of the backside rides.

May 7 Hike - Storm Mountain - msd - 8.0 mi Out & Back - 4300' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

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

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

Maybe the peak, maybe the meadow. This spring hike will go as far up Ferguson Canyon as conditions make sense. There will be some nice consolidated snow, so bring lightly studded footwear. And bring an ice axe. It's a good place for practice.

May 7 Robbers Roost Car Camp – msd- – 12.0 mi Loop – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat –

Meet: Registration required

May 8 Sun

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

Donn Seeley once saw a white fir tree in the North Fork of Robbers Roost, a slickrock canyon east of Hanksville and north of the Dirty Devil River. He's wondering what other fun stuff might be hiding out there. We might explore the upper parts of Larry Canyon and/or No Mans Canyon, or look for a way into the South Fork of Robbers Roost. We'll make a dry camp in the Point-of-Rocks area and do long day hikes into selected canyons. You can expect some rock scrambling with possible exposure, along with routefinding and exploration during many hours of hiking.

May 7 Road Bike: Ogden Frontrunner-east - mod

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

This half bike ride and half train ride 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, notwithstanding 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.

May 7 Mountaineering: Snow Climbing Class - ntd

Sat

Meet: 7:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Walter Haas 801-209-2545 haas@xmission.com

This class is designed for beginners. We will discuss equipment and technique but the majority of the class will focus on practicing self-arrest with an ice axe. You will need an ice axe, helmet and clothing suitable for frolicking in the snow all morning. Plan to spend a lot of time in the snow. The club has a few ice axes and helmets available if you don't have the equipment. If you have crampons you can bring them but you will need to remove them for the self arrest practice. The class will end around noon. There is a charge of \$15 for members and \$20 for non members. Recommended reading: Mountaineering: The Freedom of the Hills.

May 7 Hike - Flume Trail In Big Cottonwood - ntd - Out & Back - Slow pace

Sat

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

Organizer: Martin McGregor 801-255-0090

This is a short and easy hike that begins just downstream from the old Stairs Power Plant and follows the old water line toward the picnic grounds near the bottom of the canyon. This will be an out-and-back hike to avoid walking on the canyon road. Martin has an alternate hike in mind if the weather conditions are muddy or snowy.

May 7 Slow Pace Hike - Lower Bell Canyon Reservoir - ntd - 3.0 mi Out & Back

Sat

Meet: 10:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Randy Long 801-733-9367

Randy will access the reservoir by way of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. This is a short and easy hike full of fun switchbacks. The trail goes up the Little Cottonwood Moraine about one mile to a pretty little lake, then the group can continue around it.

May 7 Hike: Mt Olympus To The Saddle – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Mt Olympus Trailhead

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

A club favorite, for good reasons. Spikes or trax. Meet at the trailhead at 5900 S Wasatch Blvd at 9 AM.

May 8 Mountaineering: Triple Traverse – ext

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Walter Haas 801-209-2545 haas@xmission.com

Test your skills and endurance on one of the premier mountaineering routes in the Wasatch. This route has steep snow climbing, exposure, incredible views, multiple summits and long glissades. YOU MUST HAVE CRAMPONS AND AN ICE AXE AND KNOW HOW TO USE THEM PROFICIENTLY! This is an unusually long, demanding day with an alpine start. Call or email Walt to register and for more information. This trip is subject to cancellation or rerouting if snow conditions are not stable.

May 8 Road Bike - Chalk Creek Canyon - mod - 46.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Coalville Courthouse - take Coalville exit off I-80. Turn north (left) at stop sign on Main. Courthouse is about 3 blocks on the East side of the street.

Carpool: 8:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

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

Join Barb Hanson for her annual ride up Chalk Creek Canyon. This is low traffic ride through rolling hills to the Wyoming border. Bring plenty of food and water as nothing is available along the way.

May 8 Day Hike: Grandeur Peak – mod- – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 2600' ascent

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

This hike follows the traditional trail up Church Fork to the ridge line overlooking Parleys Canyon and then westward along the ridge to the summit. Plan on a hike of about 6 miles RT and 2600 feet of climbing. Bring snacks for a rendezvous on Grandeur. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in the east parking lot of Skyline High at 9:00am.

May 8 Hike: Little Black Mountain Route Variation – mod – 9.0 mi Loop – 2840' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: 8:30 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Deirdre Flynn and Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com

Visit Little Black by a different route. We'll leave from behind the University Medical Center and follow the ridgeline over the top of Mt. Van Cott and on to the head of Dry Creek. From there we will make our way up to the Little Black Mountain ridgeline. Expect spring flowers and solitude, and see some terrain you haven't explored before. We'll return by a more populated route.

May 8 Newcomer's And Beginners Day Hike - ntd- - Slow pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Alex Rudd 801-971-9245 rudd94@gmail.com

These hikes are meant to introduce people to hiking and to the Wasatch Mountain Club. There will be at least 2 co-organizers to ensure nobody gets lost or left behind and to answer any questions or concerns that may arise. This hike will be along a portion of the pipeline trail in Millcreek canyon. There is a usage fee in this canyon so bring some money and we'll carpool to minimize impact and consolidate cost. Call, txt, or email organizer to sign up.

May 9 Beginner's River Trip Planing Meeting

Mon

Meet: 7:00 pm at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

Organizer: Bret Mathews 801-831-5940 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

This mandatory planning meeting is for those who will be going on the May 13-15 Beginners Rafting Trip. First item will to be to find the boat storage shed if you don't know where it is (there is a map on the WMC Boating webpage). Lots of additional items will be covered.

May 10 Evening Mountain Bike - Pipeline - mod - Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

TBA - early season ride due to weather and trail conditions check web just prior to ride for updates

May 10 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Little Cottonwood Canyon - ntd

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Brett Smith 801-580-2066

There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 11 Evening Dog Hike: Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. Please bring water for yourself and your four-footed friend and poop bags for your dog. Please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. This hike is open to the dog-less as well. The hike will be conducted at a turtle pace. There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 11 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801 466-9310 There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 11 Road Bike: Wasatch Wednesdays: Tba - mod-

Wed

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129 r46turner@gmail.com

It's Wednesday: time for another Wasatch Front ride. Details will be announced via the bike email list. We might get a workout, but as usual, this will be a social ride. We'll regroup several times along to way to socialize, snack and rehydrate. Bring money in case we decide to stop for lunch or whatever along the way.

May 12 Draper Family-oriented Evening Hike – ntd+ – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Slow pace

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Orson Smith Trailhead (2000 East, 12550 South)

Organizer: Brett Smith 801 580-2066 brettsmith 459@yahoo.com

Come explore the new and/or improved trail systems in Draper's Corner Canyon area. These Thursday evening hikes will be at a relaxed pace. Families and newcomers are encouraged.

May 12 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Erin McCormack 801 891-3739 There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 12 Evening Dog Hike: Neff's Canyon - ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Jean Acheson 801-633-5225 jeanacheson@comcast.net

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. The dog-less are welcome as well. This hike is geared for all levels of hiking ability and will be conducted at a leisurely pace so we can enjoy the evening. Please bring water for yourself and any accompanying four-footed friends. Also, regardless of the leash law and day of the month, please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

May 13 Backside Friday Road Bike Ride - mod-

Fri

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Cheryl Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com

Every Friday, we will be doing a road bike ride in the Backside of the Wasatch Front: Summit, Wasatch or Morgan Counties. Ride location, start time, and length will vary due to the weather conditions. Details will be sent out each Wednesday via the WMC-Bike list. Generally, rides start at 9am or 10am, and length of rides are between 20 and 50 miles. Friday rides are social: ride at your own pace but we will stop to regroup along the route. Please call Cheryl at the listed number or at 801.613.2329 or Donna Fisher at 435.649.0183 to volunteer to organize one of the backside rides.

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.

May White Water Rafting - Beginner's Trip - Green River Daily - class III - 9.0 mi

13 Fri – Meet: 1:00 pm at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

May 15

Sun

Organizer: Bret Mathews 801-831-5940 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

Everyone is welcome on this popular, fun, and educational weekend where we introduce you to river-running. Experienced people share skills and safety techniques. There will be paddle boats, an oar rig, and inflatable kayaks which you can try out (hopefully some canoeist and kayakers will also join us). The Green River flows through Gray's canyon just north of the town of Green River. It is about a 5 hour river run, with easy to mildly challenging rapids - perfect for beginners. Skills include learning to read the river, personal safety, river rescue, water fights, cooking with the club's river kitchen, and eating better on the river than in your own home. The trip cost is usually under \$100, which includes transportation, food, and equipment - a great deal! Typically WMC river trip organizers require a novice to have been on at least one previous WMC river trip so here's your chance to gain experience. The group leaves Salt Lake Friday afternoon and returns early Sunday evening (plan on taking a half day of vacation). The mandatory planning meeting will be at 7pm Wednesday May 9th at the boat shed. Call or email Bret or Lori (801-424-2338, arivergoddess@yahoo.com) if you have questions or to sign up.

May 14 Hike: Emigration To Pencil Peak – mod – Shuttle – Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 8:30 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Deirdre Flynn and Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com

This will be a ridge run from the top of Emigration to Pencil Peak, coming out in the neighborhood above Foothill Blvd. The route entails some bushwacking through shrub oak. A car shuttle is required.

May 14 Hike City Creek Canyon - ntd - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 8:00 am at Utah Travel Council Lot - 110 E 300 N

Organizer: Chris Venizelos 801-554-3697

Chris will follow both the trail and the road up City Creek Canyon. To fullly enjoy and appreciate nature, part of this hike will be done silence.

May 14 Mountaineering: Glacier Travel And Crevasse Rescue Class – ntd

Sat

Meet: 7:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Walter Haas 801-209-2545 haas@xmission.com

This class is designed for both beginning and experienced mountaineers. We will discuss equipment and technique and practice roped glacier travel. The majority of the class will focus on learning and practicing crevasse rescue skills. You will need an ice axe and clothing suitable for playing in the snow all morning. The club has a few ice axes if you don't own or can borrow one. You will not need crampons. Other equipment you can bring: full length slings, carabineers, prussiks or mechanical ascension devices (ropeman or tibloc), climbing pulleys, deadmen or pickets. The class will end around noon. There is a charge of \$15 for members and \$20 for non members. Recommended reading: Glacier Travel and Crevasse Rescue.

May 14 Ogden Bench Hike - mod - 3.0 mi Out & Back - 2000' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 10:00 am at 29th st Trailhead in Ogden

Organizer: Brian Barkey 801-394-6047 brian_and_gerri@juno.com

Some like to hike. Some like to bike. In Ogden you can do both! Cheryl Soshnik (435-649-9008) will lead a mod/mod+ hike. Brian Barkey will lead a mod/mod+ mountain bike at the same time. To ensure there are sufficient socialization opportunities, a BYOB/BYOM BBQ is planned for about 3pm at Brian's house (1437 29th st).

May 14 Mountain Bike Ogden East Bench – mod- – 7.0 mi Loop – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 10:00 am at Ogdens 29th st Trailhead.

Organizer: Brian Barkey 801-394-6047 brian and gerri@juno.com

Some like to hike. Some like to bike. In Ogden you can do both! Brian Barkey will lead a mod/mod+ mountain bike on some old and new single track trails on the Odgen east bench. Cheryl Soshnik (435-649-9008) will lead a mod/mod+ hike at the same time. To ensure there are sufficient socialization opportunities, a BYOB/BYOM BBQ is planned for about 3pm at Brian's house (1437 29th st).

May 14 Newcomer's And Beginners Day Hike - ntd- - Slow pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Kathy Craig 801-502-0465 bugsismyguy@comcast.net

These hikes are meant to introduce people to hiking and to the Wasatch Mountain Club. There will be 2 coorganizers to ensure nobody gets lost or left behind and to answer any questions or concerns that may arise. Kathy Craig and Karen Perkins will take the group to one of the trails in Millcreek Canyon. There is a useage fee in this canyon, so bring some money and we'll carpool to minimize impact and consolidate cost. Call, text or email organizer to sign up.

May 15 Hike The Pig – msd – Out & Back – 4100' ascent – Fast pace

Sun Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Brad Yates 801-278-2423 bnyslc@earthlink.net

Pfiefferhorn Including Glissade. The annual spring Classic is upon us, Climb the Pfiefferhorn followed by glissade competition, prizes to be awarded! Ice ace with previous experience self arresting required. This outing always fills up so sign up early.

May 15 Road Bike: Park City -- Kamas Loop - ntd+ - 34.0 mi Loop - 950' ascent

Sun

Meet: 10:00 am at Park City High School, 1750 East Kearns Boulevard, Park City

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

This 34 mile ride goes down Brown's Canyon, cuts through Peoa, and then goes on to Kamas. Along the way we'll have a fast descent down Brown's Canyon and enjoy the marvelous rural ambiance along Woodenshoe Lane and Democrat Alley. We'll stop for snacks/brunch/lunch in Kamas. Plan on a 34 mile ride and about 950 feet of climbing. 1.6 miles of this course is unpaved over a good gravel road (and can be avoided by riders preferring to stay on pavement). Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at Park City High School, 1750 East Kearns Boulevard at 10:00am.

May 15 Kayak/canoe - Escalante River - class III

Sun – Meet: Registration required

May 26

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

Thu

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.

May 15 Hike Or Snowshoe To Desolation Lake - ntd

Sun

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

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Flexibility is the key this time of year. Contact Tom about what equipment looks best for the day.

May 15 Hike: Squaw Peak Via Rock Canyon - mod - 4.0 mi Out & Back - 2500' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Sandy REI 230 W 10600 S

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

Venture south for a great, different foothills hike. Meet at the south end of the Sandy REI to carpool to Provo (surprise!). Bring spikes or trax. It's about 8 miles round-trip.

May 17 Evening Mountain Bike- Capital Ride - mod - Moderate pace

Tue Meet: 6:00 pm at Parking at the north end of the capital

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

Early season ride due to weather and trail conditions check web just prior to ride for updates

May 17 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Tue Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: David Rumbellow 801 581-9650

There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 18 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd

Wed Meet: 6:15 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

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

There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 18 Road Bike: Wasatch Wednesdays: Tba - mod

Wed

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129 r46turner@gmail.com

Time for another Wasatch Front Wednesday ride. Details will be announced via the bike email list. We might get a workout, but as usual, this will be a social ride. We'll regroup several times along to way to socialize, snack and rehydrate. Bring money in case we decide to stop for lunch or whatever along the way.

May 19 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Michelle and Woib Butz 801 842-9646 mbutz27@yahoo.com

There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 19 Evening Dog Hike: Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Jean Acheson 801-633-5225 jeanacheson@comcast.net

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. The dog-less are welcome as well. This hike is geared for all levels of hiking ability and will be conducted at a leisurely pace so we can enjoy the evening. Please bring water for yourself and any accompanying four-footed friends. Also, regardless of the leash law and day of the month, please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 20 Movie Night

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at Sicilia Restaurant (on corner close to movie theater), 145 East 300 South (Broadway)

Organizer: Craig Anderson 801-487-2352 canders11238@yahoo.com

Join Craig for dinner and a movie at Broadway Cinemas (The Film Society). We will decide which movie to see while eating.

May 20 Snyderville Basin- Road Bike - ntd - 25.0 mi Loop - 1000' ascent - Slow pace

Fri Meet: 9:45 am at Park City Basin Rec Parking Lot 1388 Center Dr

Carpool: 8:45 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Donna Fisher 435-649-0183 dlfisher@utahbroadband.com

The plan is to do a loop ride beginning at Basic Rec adjacent to Hwy 224 leading into Park City. This will be a relatively easy paced ride through Snyderville Basin with a few optional hills thrown in. We will regroup along the way.

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

Fri Meet: 6:00 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 6:00 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.

May 20 Friday Evening Hike - Coyote Hollow Trailhead - ntd - 4.0 mi Loop - 1000' ascent - Moderate pace

Fri Meet: 6:00 pm at coyote hollow (behind Draper Temple)

Organizer: Jack Earnhart 801-572-5946 earnhart.jack@yahoo.com

hike up Clark's Trail to Peakview trailhead and then back down Canyon Hollow Trail to trailhead.

May 21 Hike-Trail Maintenance Draper

Sat Meet: 8:00 am at Ballard Four

Meet: 8:00 am at Ballard Equestrian Park 1600 East Highland Drive Draper

Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com

Draper has an extensive network of trails. We will be working on one the Draper trails. If you are planning to attend, please email or call me. Please meet at the Ballard Equestrian Park parking lot at 8:00 am. From there, we will car pool to the work site trail head. Please wear long pants and sturdy footwear. Please bring, water, snack food, work gloves, and rain gear. I plan to bring bagels and treats. We will probably finish between noon and 1:00 pm.

May 21 Hiking Trail Maintenance -draper City Trails

Sat Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com

Draper City has an extensive trail system. We will be working on one of the Draper trails. We will meet at the Ballard Equestrian Park at 0800 . From there, we will car pool to the work site. I will bring bagels and other treats. If you plan to attend, please call or email me. Please wear sturdy boots and long pants. Please bring water, work gloves, rain gear. We should finish between noon and 1:00 Pm.

May 21 San Rafael Swell Semi-exploratory Car Camp

Sat -Meet: Registration required

May 22 Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-942-2921 lizandwill@msn.com Sun

San Rafael Swell semi-exploratory which means I mostly know how to get there (and back). I need to check the San Rafael Knob off on Saturday. On Sunday we'll explore for Indian art around Sid and Charlie on the west side of the Swell. Each time I go I find more and more panels. If we don't get enough we will stop at the world famous Rochester panel. I'm thinking the Knob is a mod+, the wandering around looking for panels is ntd. It will be a dry camp. Will McCarvill 801-942-2921, lizandwill@msn.com.

May 21 Slow Pace Hike - Temple Granite Quarry - ntd - 4.0 mi Out & Back

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

Organizer: Randy Long 801-733-9367

Randy will hike about two miles up the bottom of the canyon to just above an old but well preserved water wheel. After, the group can take the interpretive trail around the quarry if interested. Bring a snack, water, and rain gear.

May 21 Cycle SI Century Road Bike Ride – mod- – 100.0 mi Loop

Sat Meet: 7:00 am at Utah State Fair Park

Organizer: Cheryl Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com

WMC members are encouraged to register and bike the 25th Annual Cycle Salt Lake Century. It's a great early season 100 mile non-competitive ride, and it's just about as flat as a pancake to boot. 36 and 67 mile options are also available, you don't have to ride the 100 miles. Ride leaves from the Utah State Fair Park at 7:30 AM but you have to register. It's cheaper if you do before the day of the event.

The web address for more information and to register is http://www.nosack.com/CycleSaltLakeCentury/

Let's meet at 7am to get an early start and avoid the masses.

May 21 Hike Neffs Canyon - mod

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Cassie Badowski 801-278-5153

Cassie will take the wonderful spring hike up to the meadow, or beyond if the group is interested.

May 21 Canyoneering Lomatium Canyon In Arches Fiery Furnace – mod – 2.0 mi – 500' ascent

Sat Meet: 9:00 am at Moab's Swany Park (400 N. 100 W.)

Carpool: 9:00 am at Car pooling from Swany Park only.

Organizer: Chuck James 801-209-0725 jamesgang1971@comcast.net

Organizer: Chuck James - 801-209-0725 or jamesgang1971@comcast.net. Join us on one of Moabs best hikes. Hike, climb and rappel among the beautiful fins and arches of the Fiery Furnace. This hike is guaranteed to knock your socks off! It is 4-5 hours and you should pack a small lunch and have plenty of water. You will need a helmet, harness and rappel device and know how to use them. There is a small fee for entering the park and the Firey Furnace along with a mandatory film, as well as a \$3 rope fee. You will need to know how to rappel. There will be a Learn to Rappel Night on May 4th - see the WMC calendar.

May 22 Rafting-gates Of Ladore-full - class III

Sun – Meet: 9:00 am at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

May 26

Organizer: Bret Mathews 801-831-5940 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

Thu

A multi-day rafting trip down one of the most scenic canyons in America - it just doesn't get much better than this! After packing we will depart Salt Lake Sunday morning and travel to the put-in on Sunday. After launching Monday morning we will enjoy a leisurely pace as we take four days to do this beautiful, white water stretch of the Green River. After passing thru Split Mountain we will arrive at the take-out, de-rig, and head back to Salt Lake City Thursday late afternoon. Note - this trip is full.

May 22 Day Hike - Vickory Peak - Stansbury Mountains - mod+ - 7.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Gregory Bronder 435 843-9495 gdbkcb03@comcast.net

Join this hike to the highest peak on the south end of the Stansbury Range. Vickory Peak is seldom visited as Deseret gets all the attention in the range. Expect some routefinding, brief bushwacking, and excellent views. Legend has it that there may be a bristlecone pine on the west face of this peak.

May 22 Hike Cherry Canyon - ntd

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Orson Smith Trailhead, 12601 South 2000 East

Organizer: Lynette Brooks 801-523-6225

Cherry Canyon is an old logging trail that goes on for a very long time, so Lynette will select a destination appropriate for a nice NTD outing. If it had been rainy and slippery she will probably stick to the shoreline trail.

May 24 Evening Mountain Bike - Park City - mod - Fast pace

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Will be on list serve

Carpool: 5:30 pm at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way Organizer: Nick Calas 435 649 3544 nickcalas84060@yahoo.com

Early season rides due to weather and trail conditions

May 24 Evening Hike: Ferguson Canyon - ntd

Tue

Meet: 6:15 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Brett Smith 801-580-2066

Join Brett for a trip up this beautiful and intimate little canyon. There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 24 Bike Touring: Wyoming Rail Trail – ntd+ – Out & Back – Slow pace

Tue

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

An approximately 35 mile round trip bike tour of a stretch of the original transcontinental railroad southeast of Evanston. The sagebrush-covered section was abandoned after the Aspen Tunnel opened in 1901. (Old) Bear River City to the interesting ghost town of Piedmont is the highlight of this trip. Superb views of the north slope Uinta Mountains. Double track with some loose gravel. Hybrid or trekking bikes may be best for the conditions. Participant limit is 3 to 6. Call by 5:00 pm, May 21 to register.

May 25 Kayak/canoe The Jordan River – flat water

Wed

Meet: 6:00 pm at To be announced. Call or check the Activity Calendar the day before the trip.

Organizer: Margie Gendler 801-712-7890 gendler 801@aol.com

This will be the first official evening trip of the year on the Jordan River. Over the course of the summer we will paddle sections from as far South as 14400 South and as far north as Center Street in North Salt Lake. The river is flat or Class I and is ideal for either canoes or kayaks. If you haven't paddled the Jordan you will be surprised at how pretty and peaceful it is. It's a fun way to relax and unwind after work. I will post the put in location on the Activity Calendar the day before the trip. If you don't have acess to the calendar, call me. Sections are selected based on water levels, trees across the river, etc. Most trips take about an hour to an hour and a half. We will shuttle the cars to the takeout before putting on the water.

May 25 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:15 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Tom Mitko 801 277-7588

There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 25 Evening Dog Hike: Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. Please bring water for yourself and your four-footed friend and poop bags for your dog. Please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. This hike is open to the dog-less as well. The hike will be conducted at a turtle pace. There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 25 Road Bike: Wasatch Wednesdays: Tba - mod

Wed

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129 r46turner@gmail.com

Wasatch Front Wednesday ride. Details to be announced via the bike email list. We might get a good workout, but it will still be a social ride. We'll regroup several times along to way to socialize, snack and rehydrate. Bring money in case we decide to stop for lunch or whatever along the way.

May 26 Draper Family Evening Hike - Coyote Hollow - ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:00 pm at Ballard Equestrian Park Trailhead, 1600 East Highland Drive

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

The Coyote Hollow trail begins very near the Draper temple but parking is limited. Meet at the Ballard Equestrian Park to car pool.

May 26 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Mill Creek Canyon - ntd

Thu

Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Michelle and Woib Butz 801 842-9646 mbutz27@yahoo.com

There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

May 27 Road Bike Lost Creek Reservoir - mod - 50.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace

Fri

Meet: 10:00 am at Coalville Courthouse on Main Street

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

Organizer: Marilyn Bickley 801 446-0544 jmbickley@qwest.net

This is a low traffic ride with rolling hills that goes north out of Coalville to a seldom seen reservoir. It will be a friendly paced, social ride. Please bring plenty of water and snacks as there is nothing available along the way.

May 28 Mountain Bike - Round Valley - mod - Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

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

Early season rides check for weather or trail conditions check web just prior to ride for updates.

May 28 Indian Peak Car Camp – msd- – 10.0 mi Loop – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat – Meet: Registration required

May 30 Mon

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

Indian Peak is a 9,790-foot tall forested cone in southwestern Utah with an amazing view. We'll explore this area, visiting unique treats like the Elephant's Back and tackling peaks and canyons appropriate to the conditions this year. There will be cross-country hiking and routefinding on steep hillsides in a very remote area, far away from the madding (maddening) Memorial Day crowds.

May 28 Hike: The Beatout (white Pine Cyn To Bells Cyn) – ext

Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Walter Haas 801-209-2545 haas@xmission.com

A long hard day on snow and rock. From White Pine trailhead up the Pfeifferhorn by the east ridge, then scrambling west to Chipman Peak and South Thunder and down Bells Canyon. Exposed scrambling and high-angle snow climbing skills required. You must be in excellent physical condition, carry an ice axe and know how to use it. Call Walt to register.

May 28 Craters Of The Moon Car Camp - ntd

Sat –

Meet: Registration required

May 30 Mon

Organizer: Randy Long 801-733-9367

This is a nice introduction to car camping. Craters of the Moon is a very enjoyable National Monument and wilderness area located about 80 miles west of Idaho Falls. The group will camp two nights at the park campground and enjoy the visitor center, and a hike to interesting formations called lava trees. Limit 10.

May 28 Leisure Hike In Millcreek Canyon – ntd – Slow pace

Sat

Meet: 9:15 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Doug Stark 801-277-8538

Enjoy a leisurely paced on one of the great trails in Millcreek Canyon. Doug will select a nice destination that will be good for the conditions.

May 29 Road Bike: Mirror Lake Highway – mod – Out & Back

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Kamas Park - 1 East & 1 South

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

This is a ride to the snowline up the Mirror Lake Highway. The road over Bald Mountain Pass (the upper part of the Mirror Lake Highway) is closed to automotive traffic in the winter. We'll take advantage of this road closure to ride as high as possible sans traffic until stopped by the snowline. It's unknown how far we'll be able to ride; however, if we can ride to the Trial Lake turnoff, plan on a round trip ride of about 50 miles and 3200 feet of climbing, and if we can ride to Bald Mountain Pass, plan on a round trip ride of about 58 miles and 4200 feet of climbing. Bring energy foods for the climb up the highway. There will be a post-ride option of rendezvousing in Kamas after the ride for lunch. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at Kamas Park, 1st South 1st East, Kamas at 9:00am.

May 29 Day Hike- Mount Aire- Millcreek Canyon - mod - 5.5 mi - 2500' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com

This is an opportunity to hike a beautiful and popular trail when it is not crowded. The route involves hiking the Pipeline trail from Burch Hollow to Elbow Fork. Then the travel is on the Mount Aire trail. The return trip could involve travel on the Mill Creek Canyon Road (more shade and less distance on the road that is closed to general vehicular traffic). At this time of year, expect to encounter some mud just below Mount Aire pass. Obviously, this hike is subject to change depending on weather and trail conditions.

May 29 Hike: Bells Canyon To The 2nd Waterfall - mod - 5.0 mi Out & Back - 2500' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun Meet: 8:45 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

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

Moderate pace, with a stop at the 1st waterfall on the way up. Maybe hike to the meadow if conditions permit. Bring spikes or trax. Meet at 8:45 AM LCC to carpool.

May 30 Memorial Day Hike Pipeline Trail: Birch Hollow To Elbow Fork – ntd – 2.0 mi – 600' ascent

Mon Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Cal Osburn 801-944-4574

Cal will catch the Pipeline trail at Birch Hollow and follow it up to Elbow Fork. The group can return the same way or can come back down via the road.

May 31 Evening Mountain Bike - Park City - mod - Fast pace

Tue Meet: 6:00 pm at TBA -

Carpool: 5:30 pm at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Nick Calas 435-649-3544 nickcalas 84060@yahoo.com

Early season rides due to weather and trail conditions check web site or list serve prior to ride.

May 31 Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Mill Creek Or Lambs Canyon

Tue Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Mark Bloomenthal 801-842-1242 markbloomenthal@yahoo.com

Destination will depend on conditions. There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

Jun 1 Evening Hike- Mill B North Fork Trail Bcc – ntd – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Wed

Meet: 6:15 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com

Evening Hike - Mill B North Fork trail Meet at the Big Cottonwood Canyon Park and Ride. Meeting time at 6:15 PM for a 6:30 departure. Hopefully, the conditions will permit us to reach the view point about a mile from the trailhead. Perhaps we will go further.

Jun 1 Evening Dog Hike: Mill Creek Canyon – ntd

Wed

Meet: 6:15 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. Please bring water for yourself and your four-footed friend and poop bags for your dog. Please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. This hike is open to the dog-less as well. The hike will be conducted at a turtle pace. There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

Jun 2 Evening Hike: Avenue Twin Peaks - ntd

Thu Meet: 6:15 pm at Alexis Kelner's home

Organizer: Alexis Kelner 801-359-5387

Join Alexis for a different way up to this club favorite destination. See spectacular views of the valley and the Salt Lake cityscape. There's about 1000 feet of elevation gain and a round-trip of about 2.5 miles. Meet at Alexis Kelner's home at 1201 1st Avenue (corner of 1st Ave. and "U" Street). There will be a prompt 6:30 pm departure.

Jun 3 FriKanab - Grand Canyon Bike Touring - mod - 293.0 mi Loop

- Jun 10 Meet: Registration required

Fri

Organizer: Cheryl Soshnik 435 649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com

There are 2 options: a 160 mile, 5 day out and back ride from Kanab to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon; or a 295 mile, 7 day loop that adds Lees Ferry and Wahweap. Both options include a layover day at the Grand Canyon for hiking. The 5-day option is is a great tour for beginning bicycle tourers. The 7-day trip is for more experienced tourers, with a final 70 miles day back to Kanab. As of our planning meeting on April 4, the trip is now full at 18 participants. Contact Cheryl to put your name on the wait list, or consider the Jordanelle Weekend bike tour on June 25-26.

Jun 3 FriBackpack: Dark Canyon - mod - Moderate pace

- Jun 10 Meet: Registration required

Fri

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

A 7-day backpack to one of the wildest canyons in southern Utah, located west of the Abajo Mountains. There is no maintained trail, however, there are no technical sections. This can be an out and back or car shuttle trip, depending on level of interest. A minimum of 3 participants (including organizer) for the trip to be a go. Trip limit is 6. Call by 5:00 pm, May 27th to register.

Jun 4 Hike: Wildcat Ridge – ext

Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Walter Haas 801-209-2545 haas@xmission.com

MOUNTAINEERING SCRAMBLE: There is no trail for most of the route and exposed rock scrambling is required for much of it. This is a long, hard day beginning at dawn, up the Mt. Olympus trail then continuing along the ridge to the summit of Mt. Raymond ending with the trail down to the Butler Fork trailhead. You must be in excellent physical condition and have a high tolerance for exposure. There is no reasonable way to get out in the middle of the day so don't apply unless you are sure you have the endurance to finish. Call Walt to register.

Jun 4 Beginner/newcomer Hike - ntd-

Sat

Meet: 10:00 am at South End of 6200 South Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

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

This hike is open to anyone but is geared toward introducing new people to the Wasatch Mountain Club, or to hiking as an activity. There will be two organizers on this trip to make sure nobody gets behind, and to help with any questions or concerns. Organizers will be Julie Kilgore and . . . ?

Jun 4 Day Hike - Rocky Peak - Oquirrh Mountains - mod - 7.0 mi Out & Back - 2800' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Gregory Bronder 435 843-9495 gdbkcb03@comcast.net

Day hike to the summit of Rocky Peak in the Oquirrh Mountains. Rocky Peak is located at the pinnacle of the ridges separating Rocky Basin, Soldier Canyon, and Ophir Canyon. At 10,200 feet, expect excellent views from all directions. Our route will be from Soldier Canyon. Expect some minor bush wacking and routefinding. Unlike other Oquirrh peaks, it is actually a rocky peak and some minor scrambling may be necessary

Jun 4 Hike Or Snowshoe To Catherine's Pass – ntd

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

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

Flexibility is the key this time of year. Contact Tom about what equipment looks best for the day.

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 7 Mountain Bike Park City Tuesday Evening Ride – mod

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Updated Sunday or Monday via list serve and web page.

Carpool: 5:30 pm at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: TBA 801-474-3759 ckrusko@gmail.com

Check the bike List Serve or last moment updates on the web page for meeting place and organizer. The Tuesday evening rides are MOD to MOD+ in pace.

Jun 12 White Water Rafting-main Salmon Prepermit Season Trip - class III - 80.0 mi

Sun –

Meet: Registration required

Jun 19 Sun

Organizer: Dudley McIlhenny 801 733-7740 dudley.mcilhenny@gmail.com

This will be the tenth (or so) year the club has run a prepermit season trip on the classic 'river of no return.' The weather can be cold or hot, the water can be high or low. You just have to come to check it out. Current plan is to leave SLC on Sunday, June 12, travel to the put-in at Corn Creek, throw our gear on the Salmon Lodge jet boat for a ride upstream to the Lodge (dinner, breakfast and rooms with showers) build boats on their beach and drift by the Ranger's Station Monday morning for our safety talk. Then six days on the river with a likely lay-over day (possibly at Mackey Bar) for hiking. Then a jet boat back to Corn Creek on June 19th, returning to SLC that evening. Contact Dudley McIlhenny (801-733-7740 or dudley.mcilhenny@gmail.com) for more information.

Jun 12 Day Hike Mountaineering Thunder Bowl Curcuit – ext – 6500' ascent – Fast pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Brad Yates 801-278-2423 bnyslc@earthlink.net

The route will follow the ridge encircling Thunder Bowl With Visits to South Thunder and North Thunder Mountains. There is one section of exposed class 4 scrambling with extensive class 3 scrambling. An ice ax knowing how to use it required. This will be a long day with a long approach up and down Bells Canyon.

Jun 12 Hike Lake Mary The Back Way - ntd+

Sun

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

Organizer: Cindy Crass 801-999-4071 cjcrass@gmail.com

Cindy will take the trail to Twin Lakes and across the front of Millicent to Lake Mary. Lake Catherine is also an option if conditions are good and the group is up to it.

Jun 17 Backside Friday Road Bike Ride - mod-

Fri

Meet: Disseminated via the Bike email list

Organizer: Mark McKenzie 801 913-8439 mark.mckenzie@slcc.edu

Mark McKenzie has agreed to be the Organizer for today's Backside ride. Meeting spot and route will depend on the weather, and meeting time will probably be 9:00 AM. Details will be sent out on Wednesday via the WMC-Bike list. Friday rides are social: ride at your own pace but we will stop to regroup along the route. Please contact Cheryl at 435.649.9008 or Donna at 435.649.0183 to volunteer to organize future backside rides. Thanks Mark!

Jun 18 Hike The Beat Out – ext – 14.0 mi Shuttle – 6000' ascent

Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Alex Rudd 801-971-9245 rudd94@gmail.com

This will be an extra offering of a classic. There will be more rock scrambling than the earlier trip, but an ice axe and knowledge of how to use it will still be required as we will still be traveling on some snow. Expect a 12-hour day full of snow, rock, distance, elevation, exposure, etc. Registration required.

Jun 19 Day Hike: Thaynes Canyon Loop - ntd+ - 6.0 mi Loop - 1600' ascent

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

This hike is a counter clockwise loop up to the Salt Lake Overlook and then around and down Thaynes Canyon. Plan on a hike of about 6 miles and 1600 feet of climbing. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in the east parking lot of Skyline High at 9:00am.

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. Also, please bring a folding camp chair to ensure adequate seating. 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 22 Rafting- 4th Of July Planning Meeting

Wed

Meet: 7:00 pm at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

We will meet at the boat shed to work out carpools, food teams and menus for the trip, one week out.

Jun 23 Rafting - Yampa River - Service Trip - class III

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Jun 30 Organizer: Gerrish Willis, Dudley Mcilhenny 801-550-6086 ggwillis@yahoo.com; dudley.mcilhenny@gmail.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 dudley.mcilhenny@gmail.com

Jun 24 Road Bike Ride From East Canyon To Morgan - mod - 42.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace

Fri Meet: 10:00 am at East Canyon Resort

Organizer: Marilyn* Bickley 801-446-0544 jmbickley@gwest.net

This is a scenic ride around East Canyon Reservoir and then down the canyon to Morgan. We will do a loop around the Morgan Valley and return. Please bring a lunch, or you can buy snacks in Morgan. Meet at the East Canyon Resort at 10:00 a.m. The pace will be friendly so I can talk to people!

Jun 25 Newcomer's And Beginners Day Hike – ntd- – Slow pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Kathy Craig 801-502-0465 bugsismyguy@comcast.net

These hikes are meant to introduce people to hiking and to the Wasatch Mountain Club. There will be at least 2 co-organizers to ensure nobody gets lost or left behind and to answer any questions or concerns that may arise. Co-organizers will be Kathy Craig and Conley Adams and they will be taking you to Cecret Lake in Little Cottonwood Canyon. Call or email organizer to sign up.

Jul 2 Sat 4th Of July River Party- White Water Rafting - class II

-Jul 5 Meet: 8:00 am at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

Tue Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The clubs annual 4th of July Payette extravaganza will start by driving up to Boise on Saturday, July 2nd, and after a brief visit/shopping spree at the Sierra Trading Post Outlet, we will set up camp in the very nice Hot Springs forest service group campsite. Sunday we will do two day runs on the Main Payette. Monday we will run the beautiful high alpine and somewhat more rambunctious Cabarton section of the North Fork, and after dinner trek over to Crouch to join in on their raucous 4th of July festivities, a wild party that must be experienced to be believed. Then we will drive home on Tuesday. This is one of the most fun trips of the year, and a perfect intro to white water, with car camping, an insane country hoedown, and a mellow but active river. These are great ducky venues, get your ducks in a row in advance, to try an adventurous step beyond the paddle rafts. Whatever your craft of choice, sign up early, as this trip fills up quickly. Special space consideration will be given to first timers- we need some experienced old hands to help out, but last year almost everyone on the trip were repeaters, because it is such a popular trip. In an effort to open this experience to some folks who haven't been there before, this year i am going to reserve some spots for Payette newbies. The planning meeting for this trip will be held ten days earlier, on Wednesday June 22, @ 700pm at the boat shed, which is at 4340 South Commerce Dr. (300 west) just up the street from the McDonalds.

Jul 8 Fri Backpack: Wyoming Range - ntd+ - Out & Back - Slow pace

Jul 10 Meet: Registration required

Sun

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

A 3-day leisurely backpack to escape the heat is in the planning stages (tentative). Leave Friday afternoon and back late Sunday. Check June Rambler for information.

Canyoneering In Zion National Park - mod-Jul 15

Fri – Jul Meet: Registration required

17 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The Subway in Zion is a magical place of beauty, adventure and fun- if you've never done it, but always wanted to, this is your chance. We will be driving down friday afternoon, doing the Subway one day and its alluring sister canyon, Orderville, the other, for an epic weekend. Classified as "semi-technical", no rappelling is required in either canyon, but there are some scrambling obstacles along the way in each canyon that will test your mettle, making for two high energy days full of hiking, climbing and swimming. Due to the popularity of this trip I try to limit it to people who have not yet done this trip previously. These are both day hikes, we will be car camping in the park.

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.

Jul 22 Backpack: Sawtooth Wilderness – 40.0 mi Shuttle – Moderate pace

Fri – Jul Meet: Registration required

27 Wed Organizer: Deirdre Flynn and Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com

A six day backpack in the Sawtooth Wilderness, ID. Expect to backpack between 5-10 miles a day with many opportunities for optional side hikes. We will travel between Petit, Alice, and Toxaway Lakes, Sand Mountain Pass, Edna Lake, the ten lakes basin, Cramer and Alpine Lakes and Redfish Inlet. Final route subject to change. A car shuttle will be required and we are planning to take the boat across Redfish Lake at \$8/person. It is likely we will encounter snow on the passes and higher elevations. Backpacking experience and registration required. Participation limited to 8 including organizers.

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.

Jul 22 Backpack - East Fork Black Forks Uinta 13ers - ext - 30.0 mi Out & Back - 5000' ascent - Moderate pace

Fri – Jul Meet: Registration required

24 Sun

Organizer: Gregory Bronder 435 843-9495 gdbkcb03@comcast.net

3 day backpack to some seldom visited 13ers in the Uinta's. We will leave Friday afternoon and camp at the trailhead Friday night. Saturday morning, we will head down East Black Forks, set up a base camp, and attempt Tokewanna Peak (13, 165'). The next day, we will scale Mount Wapiti (13,039') and Wasatch BM (13,156). If time permits, we will also attempt Mount Lovenia (13,219') and Quandry Peak (13,032') weather, time, and energy permitting. We will plan on heading back to Salt Lake Sunday evening.

Jul 31 Desolation Trail Hike - msd- - 19.0 mi Loop - 6000' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael* Budig mbudig@blazemail.com

Desolation Trail is a long Wasatch classic hike- and a good warmup for the Lake Tahoe Rim Trail. We will hike from from Thaynes Canyon to the top of Millcreek. Please register or ask questions by email.

Aug 11 Lake Tahoe Rim Trail Backpack – msd – 165.0 mi Loop – Moderate pace

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Aug 26

Fri

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.

Aug 14 Artist Hike Little Cottonwood Canyon

Sun

Meet: 8:30 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: jaelene Myrup 801-583-1678

Join Jaelene for her yearly artist's outing. this year will be somewhere in little cottonwood canyon. Exact destination tbd closer to activity date. Bring the supplies you'll need in pencils, charcoal, water color, whatever you fancy. Also bring a light lunch, plenty of water, bug spray and sunscreen.

Aug 20 Day Hike: Pfeifferhorn Peak - msd - 9.0 mi Out & Back - 3725' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 7:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Jami Taylor 801-879-4597 jamitaylor@relia.net

Our approach will be from Red Pine Lake via the White Pine Trailhead. After the lake, the hiking is mostly class 2 with some class 3 along the ridge.

Aug 26 Canyoneering And Hiking In Zion – mod+ – 16.5 mi

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Aug 28 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The purpose of this trip is to hike the Zion Narrows, one of the jewels of the west. While this is not a technical canyoneering trip, "just" an overnight hike/backpack, that kind of thinking is what caused several injuries on the last club trip to this venue. This hike is 16.5 miles long, with much of it hiking in the river, walking on slippery rocks. This somewhat tenuous exercise becomes much more difficult when you add a backpack, that extra weight up high is VERY destabilizing. So this is a long and physically demanding endeavor, which needs to be an exercise in minimalist/lightweight backpacking. I will be driving down on thursday to get the permit and a campsite, and then doing a technical canyon with a like minded soul or two on friday. The main group will be driving down friday afternoon, the hike will be saturday and sunday, returning home sunday night.

Aug 28 Mt Timpanogos Day Hike - msd- - 15.0 mi Out & Back - 4200' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael* Budig mbudig@blazemail.com

Mt Timpanogos is one of the finest hikes in the Wasatch. It features spectacular scenery, plant diversity and wildlife watching opportunities. An early Sunday start will beat some of the heat and crowds. Please ask questions and register by email.

Sep 9 Canoe Labyrinth Canyon, Green River, Kayak/canoe – flat water – 68.0 mi

Fri –

Meet: Registration required

Sep 14 Wed

Organizer: Margie Gendler 801-712-7890 gendler 801@aol.com

We will drive down Friday the 9th, put in at the town of Green River on Saturday morning and take out at Mineral Bottom on Wednesday the 14th. This is an easy flatwater trip and with the lower water level we will have great camping on sand bars that are under water in the spring. We are taking five days on the water to leave time for hiking in the side canyons that you would not otherwise be able to access. A \$50 deposit is required by July 15 to assure a spot on the trip. Call or e-mail for more details.

Oct 1 Hike Nepal In The Fall

Sat – Oct 20

Meet: Registration required

Thu

Organizer: Bob Norris 801 943-6039 bobnepal@comcast.net

Join Bob Norris in October for the trip of a lifetime! This multi-sport adventure will introduce you to the most amazing country on the planet. From the world's highest peaks to the jungles of the Chitwan game preserve, you will experience the cultural and geographic diversity that makes Nepal truly unique. For a detailed trip description, dvd's of previous trips, or general questions, contact: Bob Norris Bobnepal@comcast.net 801-943-6039 Trip limit 8 persons

Oct 7 Canyoneering 201 North Wash Redux – mod

Fri – Oct_{Meet:} Registration required

9 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

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 150+ ft rappels. The usual NW guidelines and gear apply, leaving afternoon Friday the 7th, home Sunday the 9th.

Oct 7 Backpack: Fish Creek- Owl Creek Canyon – mod- – Loop – Moderate pace

Fri – Oct_{Meet:} Registration required

11 Tue

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

A 15-to-25 mile loop in spectacular desert canyons.

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.

Oct 15 Canyoneering Prep-Rappeling Class - ntd+

Meet: 1:00 am at Dogwood Picnic area wall, 1 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.

Oct 21 Introduction To Technical Canyoneering - mod-

Fri – Oct_{Meet:} Registration required

23 Sun

Sat

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 October 15)



John Muir (1838 – 1914)

Scottish-born American naturalist, author, and early advocate of preservation of U.S. wilderness

"In every walk with nature one receives more than he seeks."

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill out	oth sides of the page. Print legibly, please.
I am applying for membership as: S	ngle 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:
our address list to WMC-Board approved will stipulation that they do not continue to use th the "Members Only" area but not made avail	embers on the web site. With your permission, we also occasionally release derness and/or conservation organizations for one-time mailings under the elist or provide it to other. You may opt to (1) have your address published on able to other organizations, (2) have your address published on the "Members organizations, or (3) not have your address on the WMC roster nor given to other
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Enclosed is \$ for application f payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.	ee and first year's dues. Check or money order only. Please make checks

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

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

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

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

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE: I agree that I, my heirs, personal or legal representatives hereby do release and hold harmless from all liability, and promise not to bring any suit or claim against the WMC, its activity organizers, directors, agents or representatives for any injury, illness, death or damage and loss of property resulting from my participation in any WMC activity even if they negligently caused the injury or damage.

LEGAL FEES: Should it become necessary for the WMC, or someone on their behalf, to incur attorney fees and costs to enforce this agreement, I agree to pay the WMC reasonable costs and fees thereby expended, or for which liability is incurred.

INSURANCE: I understand that the WMC strongly recommends that I maintain insurance sufficient to cover any injury, illness or property damage that I may incur while participating in WMC activities. In the event of injury, illness or death related to any WMC activity, I recognize that I, or my estate, will bear the full cost of my evacuation or recovery, and any related medical care that I may need. I acknowledge that the WMC carries no insurance whatsoever for any participants in WMC activities.

My signature below indicates I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. I certify I am at least 18 years old.

Signature 1	Print Name 1	Date:
Signature 2	Print Name 2	Date:

Mail completed application to:

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

REI COMMUNITY CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONTACT: Celeste Eppler, EMAIL: ceppler@rei.com, (801) 486-2100, ext. 207

SANDY CITY - 10600 SOUTH & 230 WEST

BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS, THURSDAY, MAY 5TH, 7PM

Informative presentation where you'll learn how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire, and make other minor adjustments to your bike. No experience necessary! If you register for any of our free in-store presentations, we will hold a seat for you until the scheduled start. **REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**. If you do not arrive to claim your seat before this time, we will release it to the general public. Seating may be available at the door, even if the registration is closed. For more information and to register, please call (801) 501-0850 or visit our website at www.rei.com/Sandy.

MOUNTAIN BIKING BASICS, THURSDAY, MAY 12TH, 7PM

Informative evening on how to get started in mountain biking. John Higgins will cover styles of mountain biking, equipment, basic skills and where to ride. **REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.** If you register for any of our free in-store presentations, we will hold a seat for you until the scheduled start. If you do not arrive to claim your seat before this time, we will release it to the general public. Seating may be available at the door, even if the registration is closed. For more information and to register, please call (801) 501-0850 or visit our website at www.rei.com/Sandy.

<u>FITNESS MONITOR BASICS, THURSDAY, MAY 26TH, 7PM</u>

Fitness monitors are engineered to give you a more efficient workout. Far from being mere toys for the tech-obsessed, basic fitness monitors track your heart rate, distance or speed; advanced models can link detailed information to your computer for tracking and analysis. **REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.** If you register for any of our free in-store presentations, we will hold a seat for you until the scheduled start. If you do not arrive to claim your seat before this time, we will release it to the general public. Seating may be available at the door, even if the registration is closed. For more information and to register, please call (801) 501-0850 or visit our website at www.rei.com/Sandy.

SALT LAKE CITY - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

VOLUNTEER FEST WITH COTTONWOOD CANYONS FOUNDATION, MONDAY, MAY 2ND, 6:00-8:00 PM

Come learn about upcoming summer programs like trail work and fighting invasive weeds in the Cottonwood Canyons, or excellent year-round education programs like the Wildflower Festival, guiding kids snowshoe tours, nature tours on skis and snowboards at the resorts, and more! Schedule a volunteer time for yourself, your group, or your family.

BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS, TUESDAY, MAY 3RD, 7PM

If you ride a bike, you need this class! Informative presentation where you'll learn how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire, and make other minor adjustments to your bike. No experience necessary!

FAMILY ADVENTURE FUN FEST, MONDAY, MAY 9TH, 4:00-8:00 PM

REI's Family Adventure Journal Program kickoff. This event brought to you by REI in partnership with Cottonwood Canyons Foundation, The Public Lands Information Center, Utah State Parks & The Salt Lake Bicycle Collective.

- Try REI's climbing wall (Liability release required. Parent or legal guardian must be present)
- Investigate animal tracks of wildlife that live in the Wasatch
- Take the Tent Challenge where you can practice or test your speed putting up a tent
- Get info on places to hike, bike or camp
- Find out how to fit a bike helmet or get yours fit
- Learn about the high-tech treasure hunting game of Geocaching (and much more join us to enjoy all events)

GPS BASICS, TUESDAY, MAY 10TH, 7PM

Basic overview of the features and functions of a GPS unit. Instruction includes GPS setup, capturing waypoints, working with coordinates, and waypoint navigation.



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