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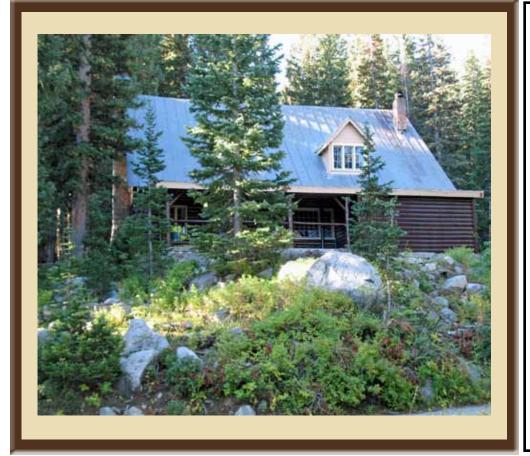
**August 21, 2011** 

**Photo by Knick Knickerbocker** 

## **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.

Calcular of events

WHAT General Membership
Meeting

WHERE Holladay Library (2150 East Murray-Holladay Road)

**WHEN** 

Wednesday, November 16th, 7 p.m.



WMC Bicycling will present a slide show from the September 2011 Morocco sightseeing and Bicycle adventure at the General Membership Meeting. 32 WMC members and their families spent two weeks touring Morocco by bus and by bicycle, seeing Roman ruins, mosques, museums, exploring markets, beaches and historical sights on a 1,500 mile adventure.

# Winter Nominations Banquet & Social January 7, 2012

This is a continuation of the long-running WMC tradition of having a sit-down dinner social event to coincide with the announcement of the slate of candidates for next year's Board and the close of the nominations process. Interest in a formal dress-up dinner and dance with live music was declined, so once again this year we are having a more informal, lower cost venue for casual socializing and a few brief speeches.

Meet at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 665
Fort Union Blvd, Midvale, Saturday, January
7th, at 6:30 PM. The WMC has reserved
a private room separate from the main
dining area. Your cost for the buffet is
\$10.49 and \$1.99 for beverage for adults;
\$9.49 for seniors, with beverage for \$0.19.
Reservations are not necessary, just show
up after your wonderful day of winter
recreating in the Wasatch Front. Come and
help continue this WMC tradition!





Robert prepares his famous whole chicken and veggies meal

> Photos by Cheryl Soshnik



Todd showing off his daughter
Alicia's contribution:
chocolate cherry cobbler dessert





The Winners of the Contest

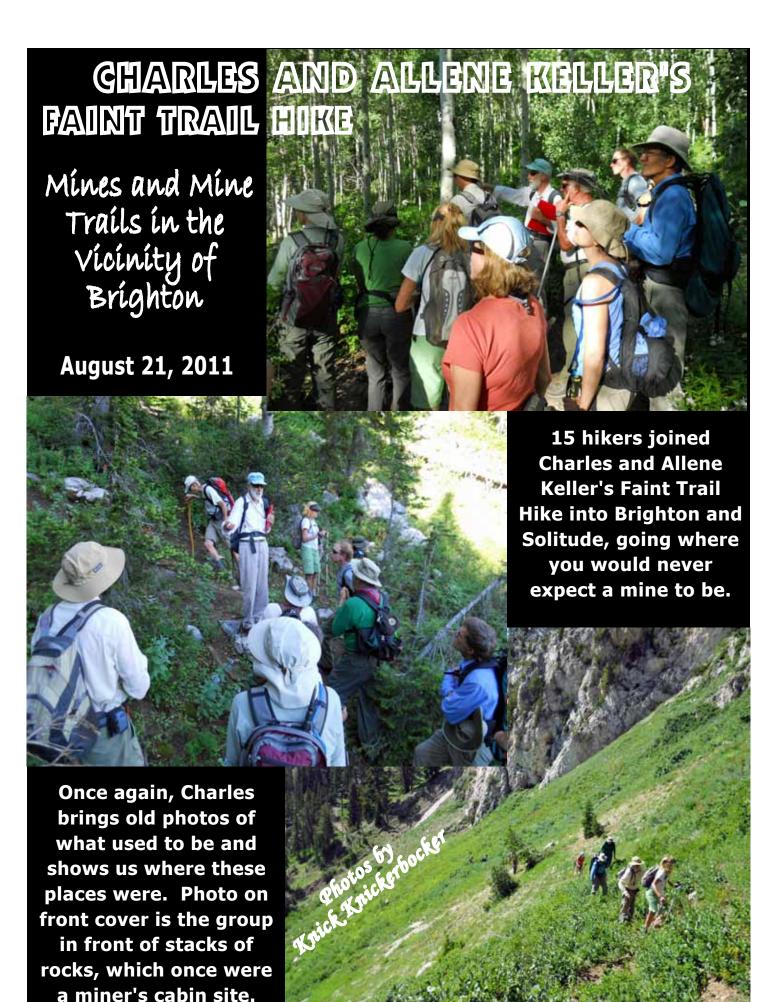
Side Dish: Cheryl Sochnik's WMC

**Potatoes** 

**Dessert: Chocolate Cherry Death** 

Cake: Alicia Fuller-Nerney
Main Dish: Enchilada Surprise,

**Beth Ebling** 



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When Looking
OUTSIDE YOUR
OFFICE WINDOW?

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ON A POWDER DAY?

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Please RSVP to Jim Berry at 801-560-5601 or email at jamesberry 7899@comcast.net

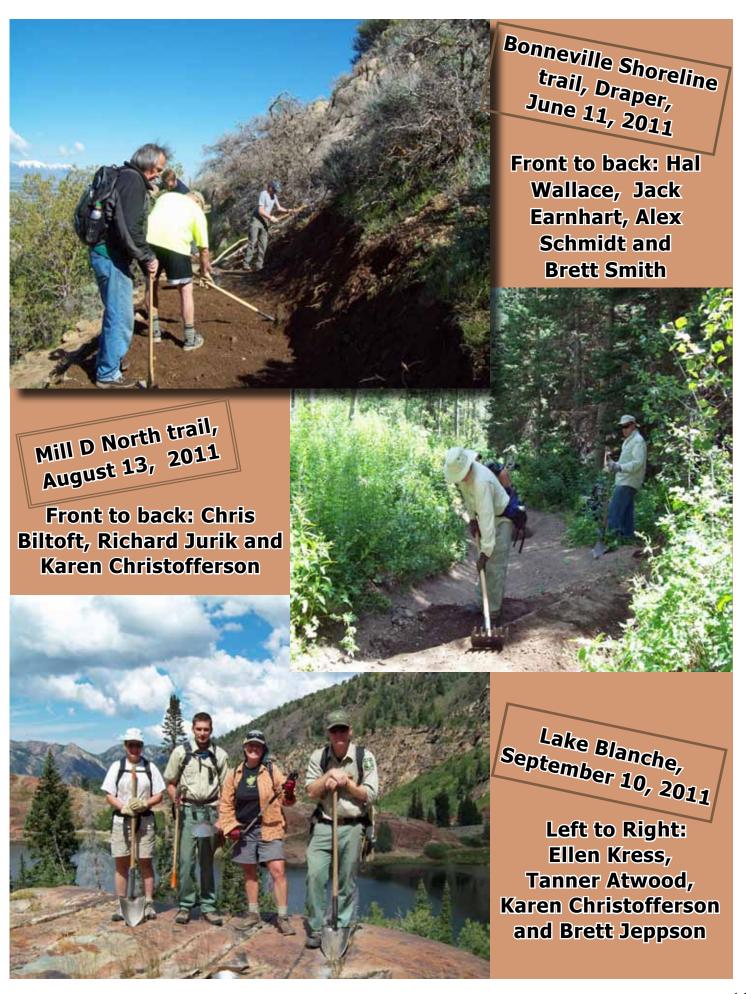
# Wasatch Mountain Club 2011 Trail Maintenance/Service Hikes By Dave Andrenyak

"Encourage preservation of our natural areas including their plant, animal, and bird life." (WMC Purpose Statement, Article II of the WMC Constitution). During the 2011 summer season, WMC members participated in a variety of trail maintenance and service hikes. These activities were in cooperation with a several different land management agencies. In May and July, we worked with the Draper City Trail Crew on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail and Ann's Trail. Most of this work involved refining the tread on newly constructed trail. The work also involved removing ruts on existing trail caused by water flow, plus pruning back vegetation growing into the trail space. In June, we worked with the Salt Lake City Public Utilities on a section of the Mormon Pioneer Trail near Little Dell Reservoir. This work involved improving tread on existing trail and pruning vegetation overgrowth. We worked with the U. S. Forest Service Wilderness Rangers at Dog Lake/Desolation Lake (August) and Lake Blanche (September). The projects with the Wilderness Rangers involved dismantling illegal fire rings, closing illegal campsites, and hauling out trash. The August workday also involved cleaning out water bars and checking dams on the badly eroded Dog Lake to Y-junction trail section. These projects were also in partnership with the Save Our Canyons organization. My special thanks to Alex Schmidt, who is the Save Our Canyons Trails Outreach Coordinator.

In addition to our trail maintenance/service hikes, there was other trail service work done by WMC members. WMC members participated in the Grandeur Peak open space weed pull; the National Trails Day work event on the Rattlesnake Gulch section of the Millcreek Pipeline trail (June); the Wasatch Watershed Legacy events at the Little Cottonwood Canyon trail (July); Brighton - Silver Lake (August); and Affleck Park-Mormon Pioneer trail (September).

Participants in these events were Brett Smith, Hal Wallace, Alex Schmidt, Jack Earnhart (Draper City Trails), Ted Farris (Draper City Trails), Baron Fidler (Draper City Trails), Richard Jurik, Mick Jurynel, Philip Blevins, Cy Schmidt, Kathy Schmidt, Jena Schmidt, Dax Reid (Salt Lake Public Utilities), Micah Stratton (Salt Lake Public Utilities), Chris Biltoft, Karen Christofferson, Ashley and Jasper, Brett Jeppson (U.S. Forest Service), Matt Crandall (U.S. Forest Service), Ellen Kress, Tanner Atwood (U.S. Forest Service), Robert Myers, Susan Allen, and Dave Andrenyak. If I omitted anyone, please let me know. Also, on many of the WMC regular activities, participants removed trash, pruned back overgrowth, and cleared rocks off the trail.

It is important to recognize that hiking and traveling responsibly is important for the well being of the natural areas. I also am thankful to hike organizers that complete Trail evaluation forms. The information that you report is forwarded to the appropriate managing agency for action. The U.S. Forest Service and other managing agencies are impacted by the poor economy and need visitors to recreate responsibly, and also need efforts from volunteers to maintain the natural areas. The service work is an important means to preserve and protect the watershed and the recreation areas. By fulfilling our mission to preserve the natural areas, our connection to the foothills, forests, and mountains is strengthened. Nature is very special and is the substance of what all people need to value! We are very fortunate to have the Wasatch as part of our lives. I am sure that you all feel the same way, and can express this better than I. So THANKS TO ALL OF YOU for serving the lands that we all love. Keep working hard and keep playing responsibly.



# YELLOWSTONE HOODOO BACKPACK

## September 10-14, 2011

### **By Diane Dedrickson**

I was told by a friend to enjoy the silence of nature as I was leaving for a trip to the Yellowstone wilderness. I responded "I will enjoy the silence and song of nature" and, as you will see, nature is not silent.

The trip participants were Mark Bloomenthal, Aaron Jones, Larry Hall, Dianne Dedrickson and trip organizer Michael Budig. We started out with our backpacks in the Lamar River Valley after a long car shuttle. We were told as we started the hike that there was a dead bison on the trail about a mile in. We got to the area and found that the dead bison appeared to be a young calf and it was being prodded over and over again by an adult, presumably its mother, who was unwilling to accept the fact of its death. There were many bison in this area and we had to make a wide detour for our own safety. We made it to our campsite next to the Lamar River without any further detours.

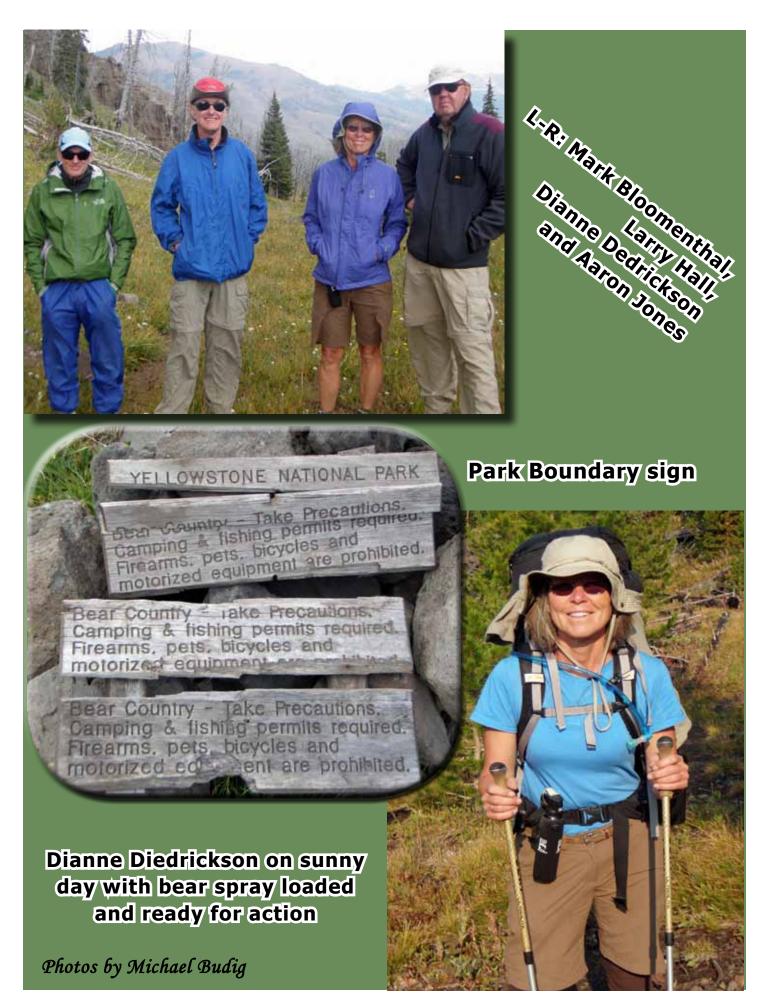
The second day we hiked in the Miller Creek Valley, where our campsite was in an area with a lot of deadfall. The most interesting thing about this spot was the apparently fresh very large claw marks on the bear pole. The next morning a couple of us woke up to sounds we thought for sure was made by a bear trying to get our food off of the bear pole. Really, the noise was being made by three moose: one very large bull, a smaller bull and a cow. They were not happy that we were in their space, but seemed to get on with their routine after a bit. We were also entertained by the squirrels busily gathering pinecones for winter. They completely ignored us and scampered around camp as we watched. We camped in this spot for two nights and did a day hike to Canoe Lake and the park boundary, which was in a very beautiful saddle with nice views in all directions.

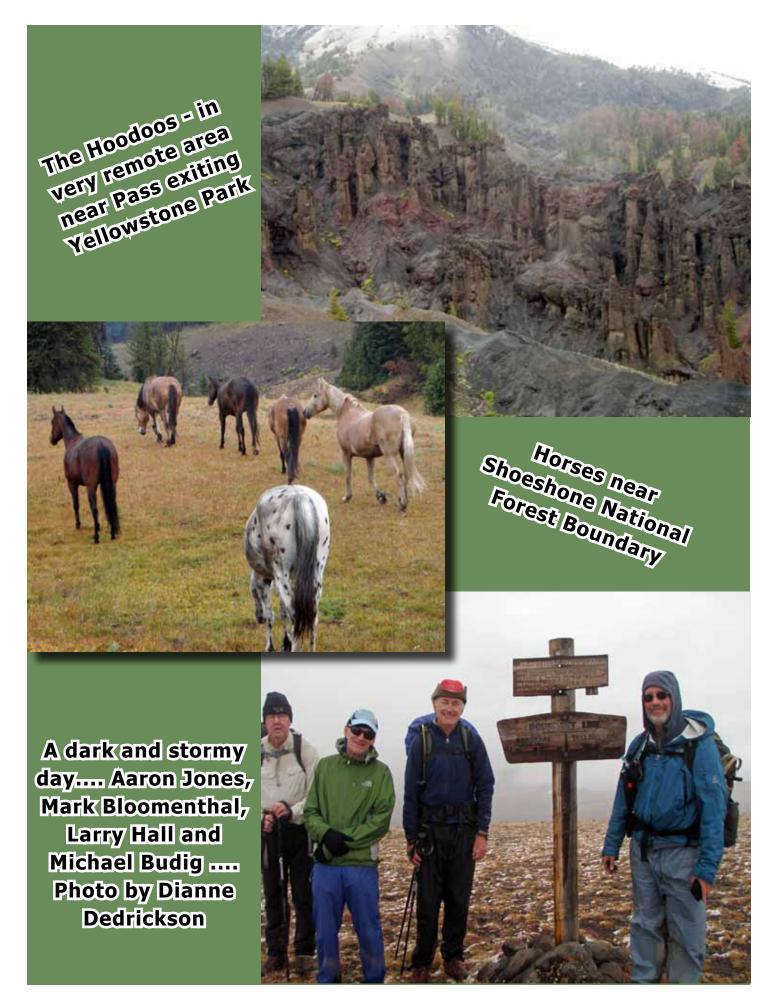
We heard what seemed like many elk bugling as they do in the fall, as the males gather their harem. We couldn't spot them though. From there, we were off to the Valley containing the chocolate-colored hoodoos. The hoodoos are almost "Bryce Canyon looking rock formations" in a very remote part of the park seldom seen by visitors. The ground was very slick and muddy and we really had to watch our footing as to not slip off the trail.

Did I mention the ground was very muddy? Well, our tents were packed up wet because it was raining as we packed up in the morning, thus the muddy trail. We decided to make this a fourteen-mile day to finish the trip up a bit early. We hiked a couple of miles and when we got to the next formal campsite, we saw the people that were camping at the site we had wanted. We hollered "Hello" and they came up to talk. They were getting a slow start because of the rain and some snow. It was fun to meet others enjoying the backcountry like us. They were with a horse outfitter from Montana and were nice people from Texas and New York. They had come in from the trailhead we were heading to, which was in Sunlight Valley. They were actually doing the exact trail as we were doing, just in the opposite direction. We were told it was a great well-marked trail from there on. The trail was a bit sketchy in places, but we managed to find our way. We crossed the park boundary at 10,400 feet and from there we descended into the Shoshone National Forest and to our car.

After reaching our cars as evening fell, we drove a few miles down the valley and set up camp. It was a pleasant night and in the morning we went out for a delicious breakfast in Cooke City. The food we ordered was, of course, particularly delicious. Mark ordered a short stack of pancakes, which turned out to be so large he was unable to finish even one. We shuttled back to Larry's truck at the Lamar Trailhead, which was still closed because of the bison carcass.

It was a great trip with good people. There is nothing better than campfires and great stories in Yellowstone National Park to make great friends.







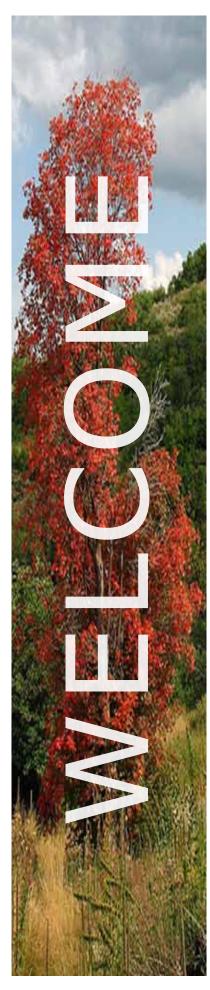
Rick Thompson
was presented
with the
Pa Parry Award
at the
Organizer's Party,
October 9, 2011

Photo by Cindy Crass

Boater's "Pink
Flamingo" Party,
August 13, 2011.
Barbara Boehme,
standing with Zig
Sondelski, who won
the \$25 gift certificate
from Kirkham's for
best costume.

Photo by Bret Mathews





# **NEW MEMBERS**

Michelle Davis

Tess Nypower

Deon Ridenour

Clint Phillipps

Daniele Saddler

Stefan Jedrziewski

Sam Grant

Lynn Higgins

Jeremiah Osborn

Steven Cornell

Terry Hodder

Valeta Bolton

Gregory Lott

Richard Fitgerald

Debbie Sherman

Stacey Schluckebier

Jason Scanzoní

Kristine Holzer

Ron Harris

Dawn Griffith

Kristin Christensen

Elaine Seggerman

Marie Corbin

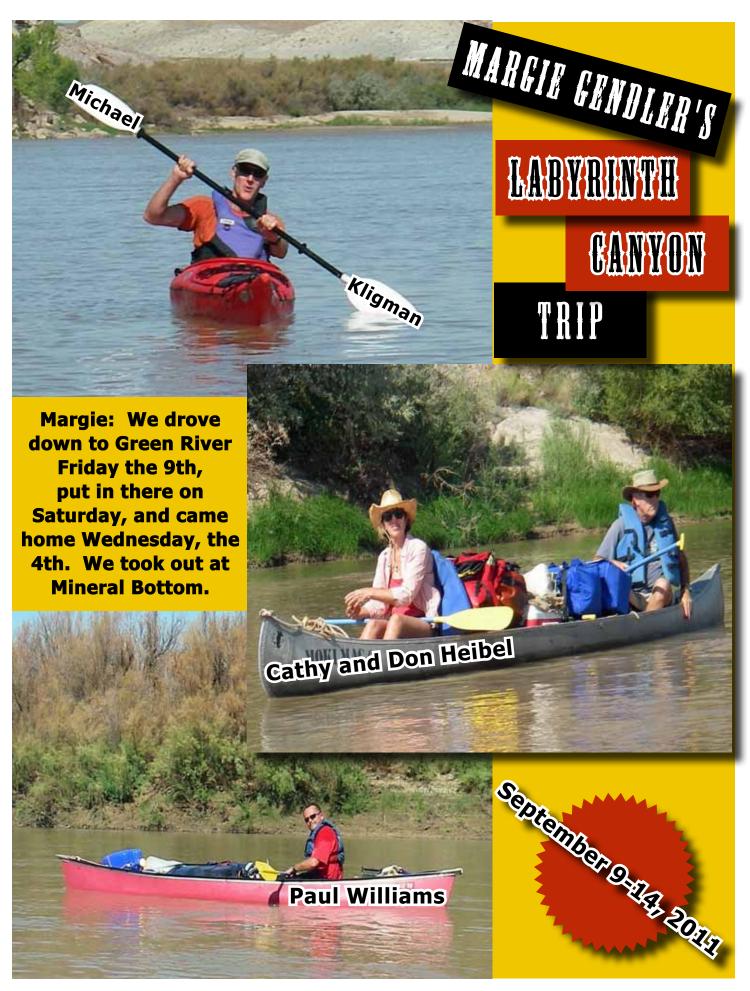
Todd and Michelle Johnson

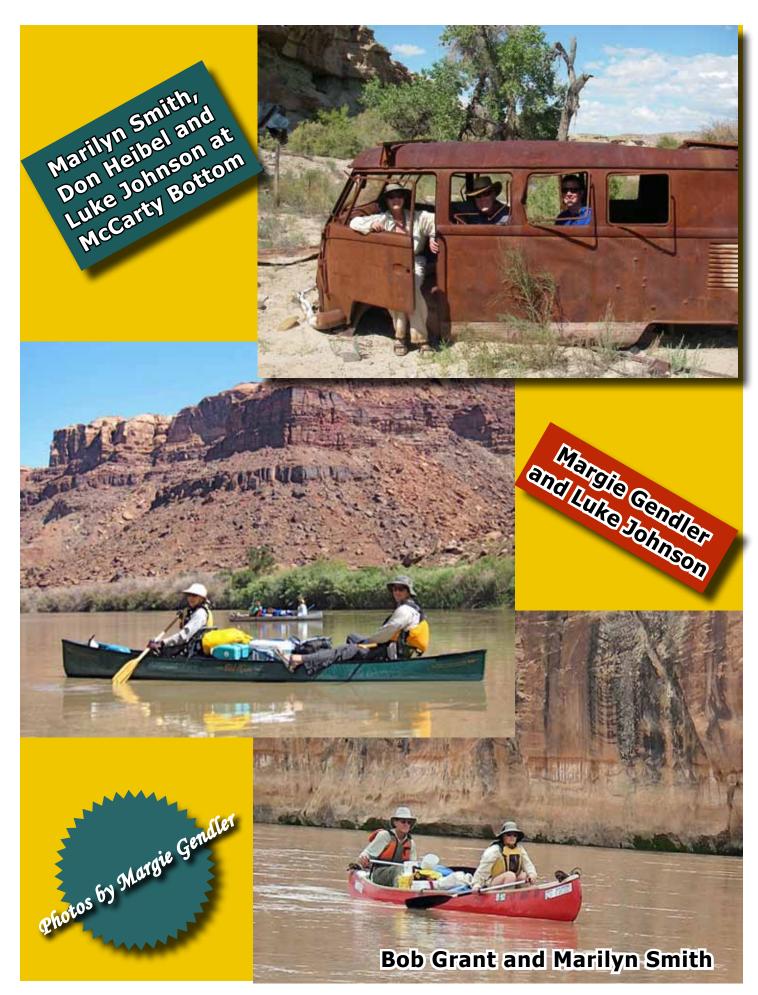
IF YOU'RE A NEW MEMBER . . . depending on your age and background . . . you might have a few questions:

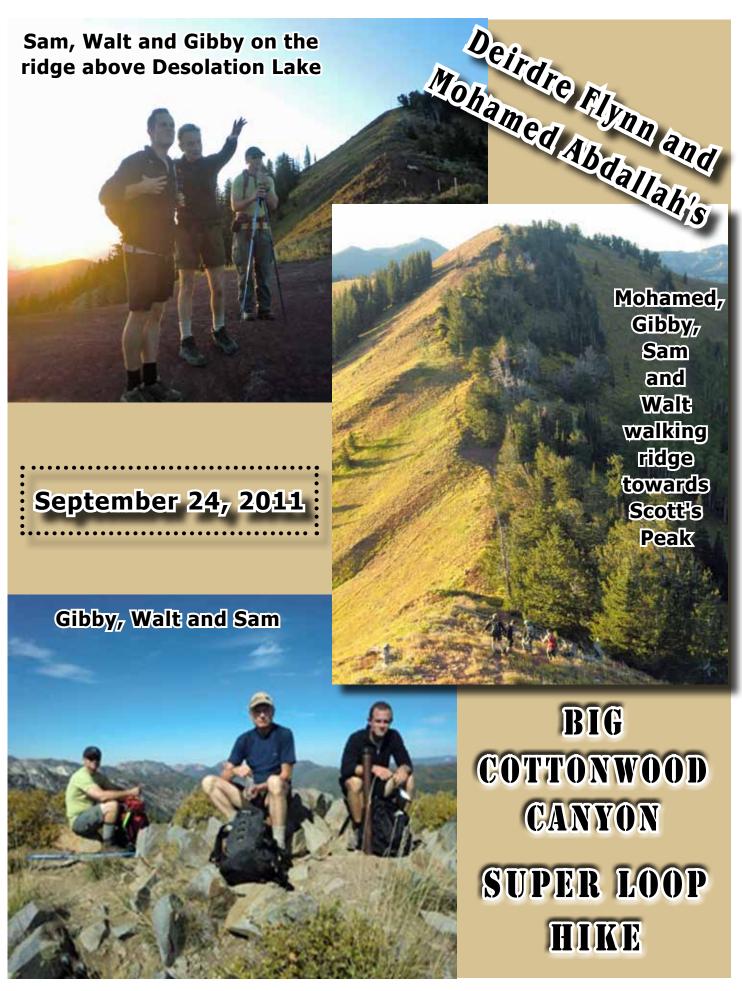
- 1. How do I get involved in activities?
- 2. What kinds of activities can be organized?
- 3. What is the average age of WMC members?
- 4. How many people participate in the activities?
- 5. How aggressive are the various activity groups?

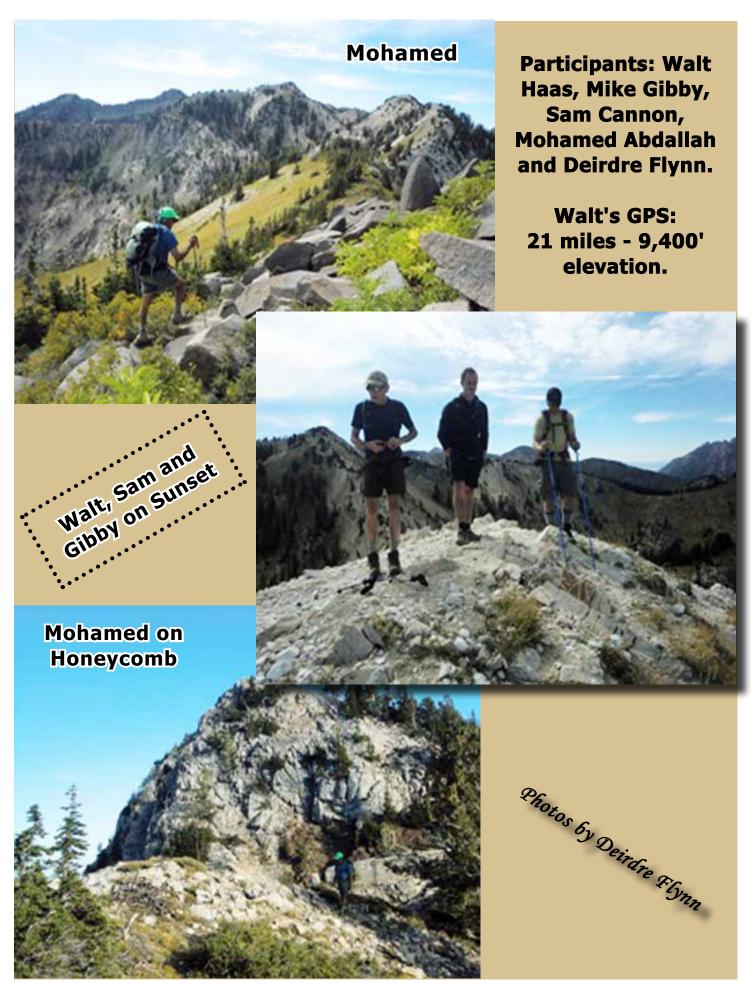
The answers . . . ask away! Ask someone in the club! Send an e-mail to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com or call someone from the governing board (inside front cover). The average age is... honestly, we don't know. Why don't we know? 1. We haven't yet started tracking that information. 2. It doesn't matter. 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 coordinator. 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!









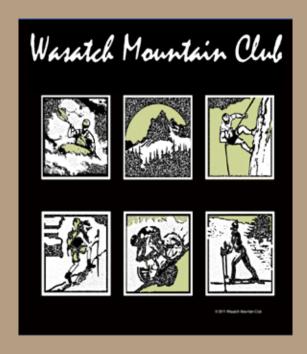
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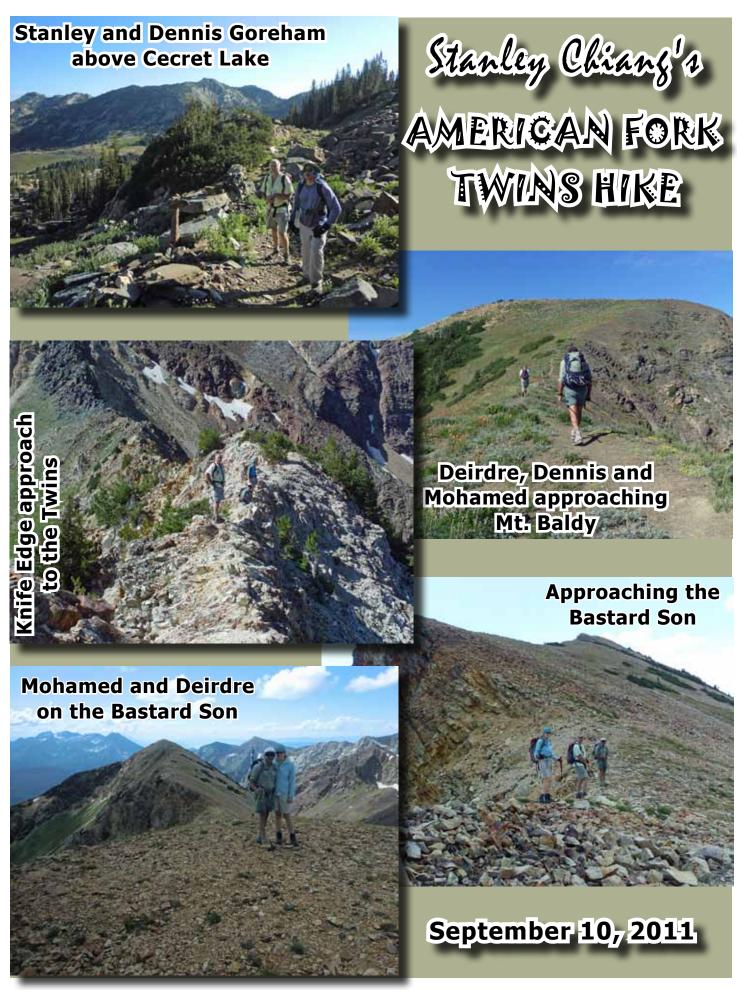
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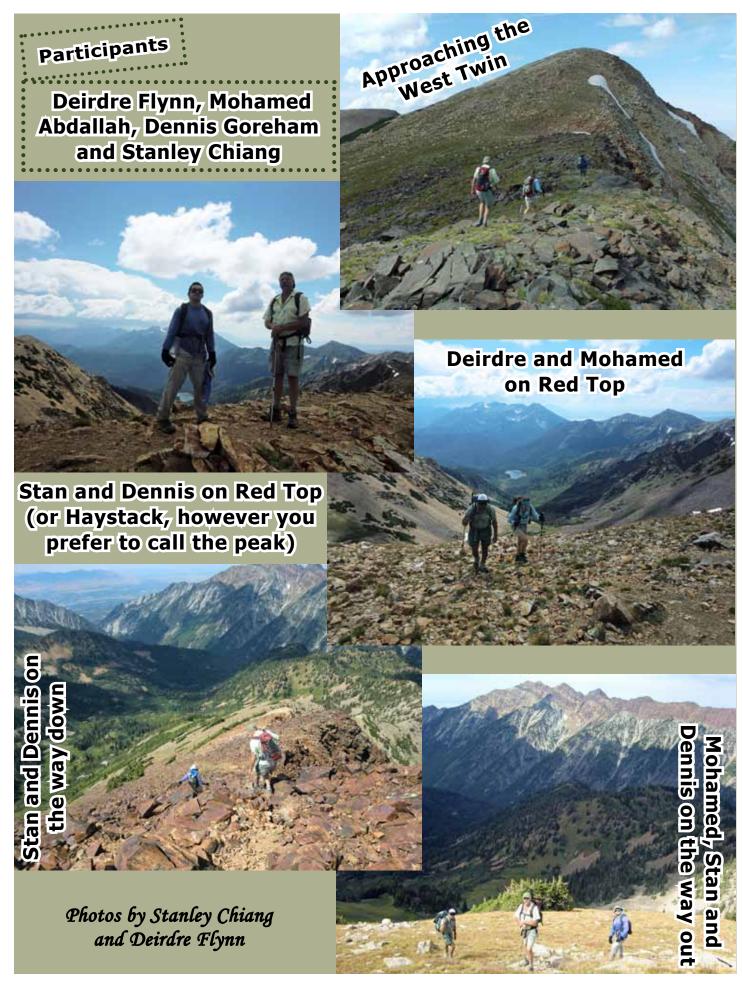
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**American Fork Twin Peaks** is the highest mountain on the Little Cottonwood Canyon ridge. The summit is the prominent peak overlooking the Snowbird ski resort.

A short approach hike, combined with a relatively high trailhead elevation, makes this an excellent peak for intermediate hikers. More advanced hikers can combine this summit with a number of multi-summit ridge scrambles, including the challenging Bullion Divide Ridge traverse.

American Fork Twin Peaks is located in the Wasatch National Forest, in Salt Lake County. At an elevation of 11,489 ft., the West Twin ranks as the 11th tallest of Utah's county high points. With 3,649 feet of prominence, American Fork Twins comes in at #23 on the list of Utah's prominence peaks.

Although the peak is referred to as a "Twin", there is actually a third unnamed summit (elevation 11,391 ft.) a short distance to the south (sometimes referred to as the "Bastard Son", "Third Nipple", or "South American Fork Twin Peak").

#### Route Stats:

### **Trail Head Elevations**

White Pine route: ±7,620 ft.
Gad Valley route ±8,030 ft.

• Northeast Ridge route ±8,030 ft.

### **Summit Elevations**

West Twin: 11,489 ft.East Twin: 11,433 ft.

• Unnamed (South Twin): 11,391 ft.

### **Elevation Gain**

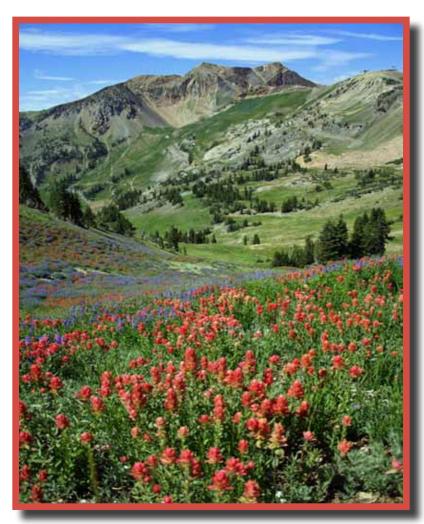
White Pine route: 5,070 ft.
Gad Valley route: 3,459 ft.
Northeast Ridge route: 3,459 ft.

### **One-Way Hiking Distance**

White Pine route: ±6.3 miles
Gad Valley route: ±4.1 miles
Northeast Ridge route: ±3.7 miles

### **Getting There:**

From the 6200 South exit I-215, head east and south on 190 ±2 miles to the intersection with Big Cottonwood Canyon. Continue straight on 210 through the



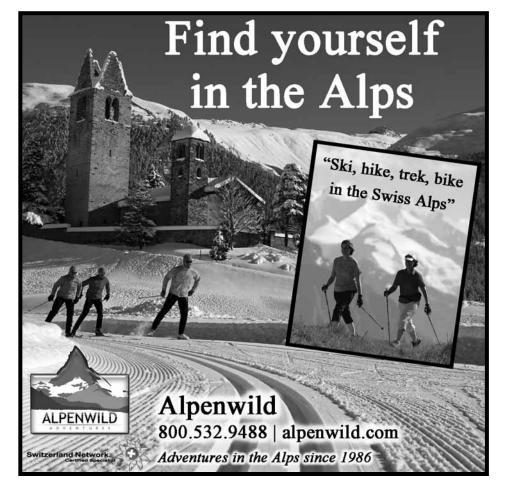
A field of Indian Paintbrush and the American Fork Twins

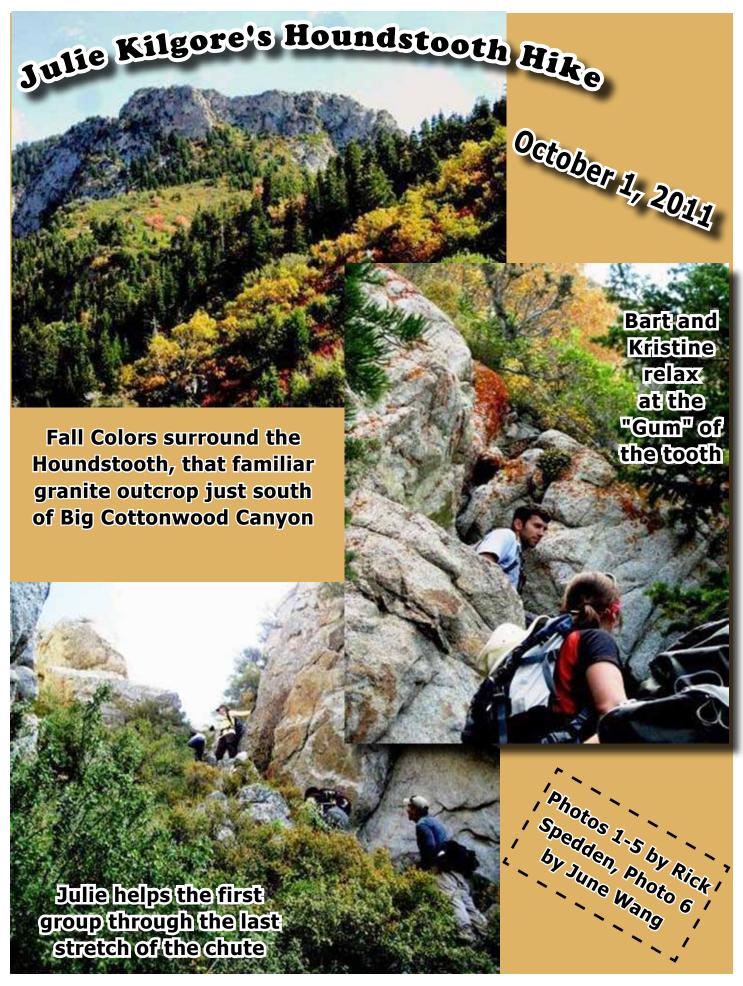
light (south) for  $\pm 4$  miles to the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon. Continue east up the canyon for  $\pm 5.5$  miles to the White Pine Trailhead for the White Pine Lake approach, or continue an additional  $\pm 1.6$  miles to the Snowbird lodge (tramway lift location) for the Gad Valley route. (From Summitpost.org)



AND ASSOCIATES

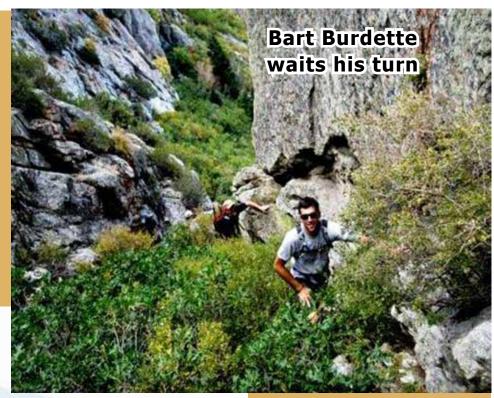






Julie: The Houndstooth is becoming one of my favorite hikes. The ridge approach has been done enough times now that there is almost a real trail that can be followed most of the way. The trick is making it through the final bushwhack to

# Working the ridge of the tooth



the exact spot at the "gum" of the tooth where there is a hidden chute to the top.



The group kicks

The group kicks

back on top. R-L:

back on top. Harris:

Julie: Dr. Harris:

Julie: Smith: Luke:

Brett Smith: Arck

Spedden.



### FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

#### 58. Utah Mines Coalition

Most people who have hiked to Lake Solitude in Mill F South Fork have noticed or visited the remains of the Solitude tunnel above the west shore of the lake. Not too many years ago there was a prominent waste rock dump drawing the visitor's attention, but it has since been graded down to the point of insignificance. The tunnel could be considered a monument to the memory of the Utah Mines Coalition. Although the company was in existence for less than four years at the end of the first decade of the twentieth century, it had a tremendous impact upon the mining scene in Honeycomb and Mill F South Forks in the Big Cottonwood Mining District, and ultimately in the mining operations in the Little Cottonwood district as well. It was incorporated on 29 December 1908 by four mining engineers and a banker to develop a group of five patented and four unsurveyed mining claims in Honeycomb Fork. Within three months time it took over the Black Bess Mining Company, adding five more



Lake Solitude and the remnants of the dump at the Solitude Tunnel on the other side.

patented claims, consolidating most of the important claims in the upper reaches of Honeycomb Fork. In spite of the fact that the company began operations early in the winter, it managed to install machinery and facilities so that it could begin work in earnest in the spring of 1909. The base of its operations was on the old Buckeye Junior claim, where a shaft and tunnel had been started in the 1870s. That tunnel, close to the west shore of Lake Solitude, was extended in an attempt to exploit the ore body the Black Bess company had been working through its 350 foot deep shaft, but at a considerably greater depth. Near the end of 1910, with a length of 3000 feet, the tunnel had intersected the ore body and teams were busy hauling ore down Big Cottonwood Canyon.

At that same time the company took a big step in modernizing the motive power for its machinery by converting from gasoline engines to electric motors. This was the first major use of electricity by the mining industry in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Nearly twenty years earlier, in 1891, H.C. Goodspeed had installed a small hydro-electric plant to provide power for electric drills and fans in the Reed and Goodspeed tunnel in Mill D South Fork, but it operated for only a short time. Then in 1895 Robert M. Jones built the Stairs Power Plant farther down Big Cottonwood Canyon, but it was intended to provide electricity to the city, not to mines. Across the divide to the south the Columbus Consolidated Mining Company had constructed the Columbus power plant on Little Cottonwood Creek between Maybird and Hogum Forks and started generating electricity on the Fourth of July 1904, but it provided power only to mines at Alta. Electricity finally became available in upper Big Cottonwood Canyon as a result of new power plants constructed in Snake Creek Canyon and at Hailstone along the Provo River by entrepreneur Jesse Knight. The first, smaller plant provided electricity to Park City and the Daly-Judge Mining Company, while the second provided power for the Silver King Coalition. Its lines were extended across the mountain to the head of Big Cottonwood where they were routed to the Utah Mines Coalition site at Lake Solitude. On Thursday, 29 December 1910, the machinery began running with electrical power. The company was destined to have the only Big Cottonwood mine using this source of power for the next three years. Then the Alta Tunnel & Transportation Company in Silver Fork installed electrical driven machinery and a power line was run to it from Lake Solitude via Honeycomb Fork.

While the Utah Mines Coalition company appeared to be well prepared for operation throughout the winter, all that ended on the last day of January, 1911, when an avalanche of very wet, heavy snow came down the slopes above its tunnel and crushed the buildings around the portal. There were twenty-two men at the mine and somehow all but six of them escaped unscathed. Three men were killed while three others were injured, and the mine was put out of operation for at least two months until the ice and debris could be cleared away. Then, to avoid further damage and destruction from snow avalanches, the tunnel was enlarged near the entrance to allow the compressor plant, blacksmith shop, assay office and company office to be moved inside. During the following summer the men were housed in tents while a new boarding house was built some distance away, out of danger from avalanches. Winter boarding facilities were provided inside the tunnel. Only ore bins and loading stations remained in the immediate vicinity outside.

In spite of all the difficulties encountered during the winter in restoring a working environment, by mid June when the canyon roads were finally opened, the company had between 250 and 300 tons of ore stockpiled for shipment. The Solitude tunnel was driven ever farther under Honeycomb Fork and the divide into Grizzly Gulch, opening impressive ore bodies all the way. Late in the season it was reported they had twenty teams busily hauling ore to the smelters. The Utah Mines Coalition was making a big name for itself, but its days of operating as an independent entity were numbered. In December 1911 a consolidation of several big mining properties in

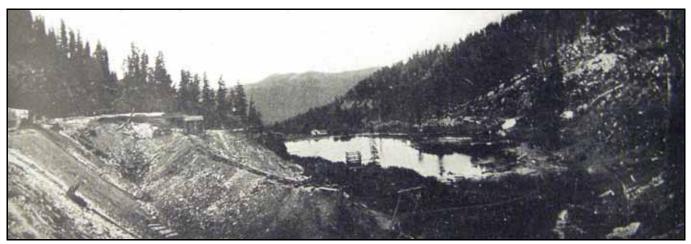


The big waste rock dump from the Solitude tunnel rises above the south shore of Lake Solitude. Leasers' tents are on the dump

Grizzly Gulch and Big Cottonwood, including the Utah Mines Coalition, was announced. The new company, incorporated in Delaware, took the name of Michigan-Utah Mining Company. The two men who had worked during the previous year to implement the consolidation were from Michigan, hence the inclusion of that state's name in the new company's title. The merger did not come as much of a surprise to either the mining or the financial communities; word of the possibility of such an action had been circulating since 1909, less than a year after the formation of the Utah Mines Coalition company. In fact, it almost appears that the company was formed for the purpose of a merger. Perhaps to stimulate the process, Utah Mines Coalition threatened a suit against the City Rocks Mining Company, alleging the latter was removing ore from the former's property. The ore in question was in the Black Bess claim, which straddled the Honeycomb Cliffs, part being in Grizzly Gulch and part in Honeycomb, with each of the two companies working their side of the claim. The City Rocks tunnel, going through the southern half of the Black Bess claim, continued on into the northern half, and miners passed freely from one side to the other. And about this same time the long Solitude tunnel connected to the lower City Rocks workings through a 300-foot raise, allowing underground passage all the way from Lake Solitude to Grizzly Gulch. The suit was likely a friendly one because it helped implement the merger, which included both parties involved. Also, once the merger was complete, the first president of the new company was the same man who had been president of the Utah Mines Coalition.

While the consolidated company was incorporated in December 1911, financial matters delayed its implementation and the Utah Mines Coalition continued to operate as an independent company for another three months. During that time it was announced the Solitude tunnel would be used to surface. (Univ. of Utah Special Collections) ship all ores from the new company by way of Big Cottonwood Canyon. But in the spring of 1912, after the Michigan-Utah organization took over,

it was decided to construct a new aerial tramway down Little Cottonwood Canyon, and once that was completed all ores would be shipped over it. The Solitude tunnel would be used only to remove waste rock, thus putting an end to the major role the tunnel would play in the mining scene.

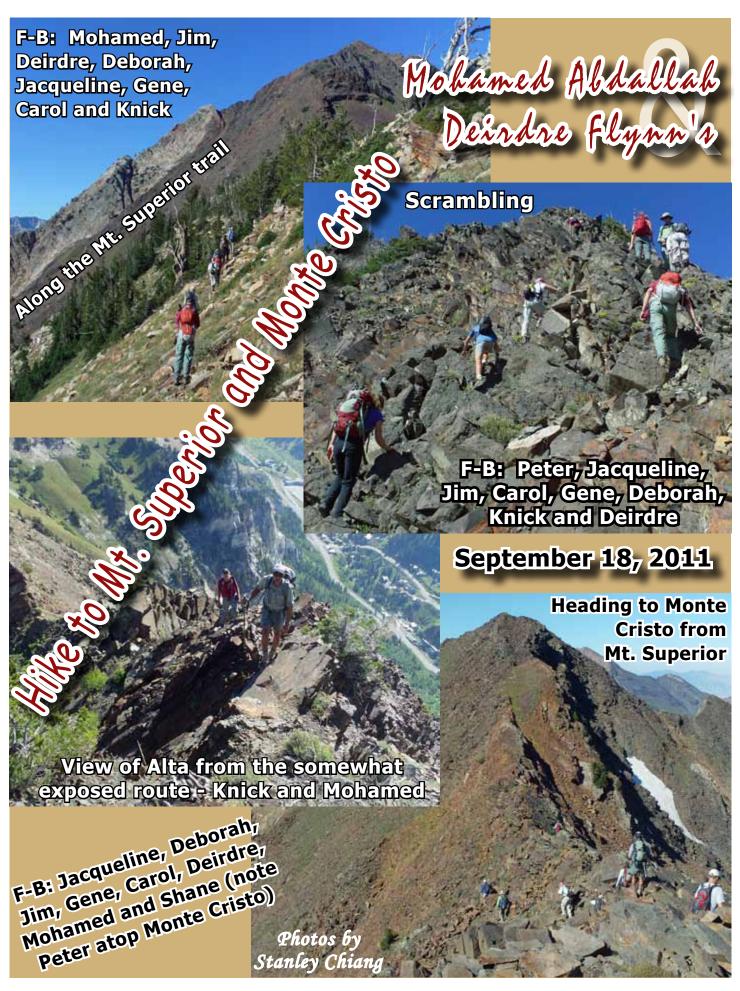


Lake Solitude with the Solitude Tunnel on the left, as it appeared around 1913. (Salt Lake Mining Review)

In the years that followed the Michigan-Utah company used leasers to work many sections of its property. With this activity the Solitude tunnel again came to the fore, it being one of the primary leaser sites. In 1918 it was reported that leasers were living in tents near Lake Solitude and taking out fine silver-lead ore, but even they were taking their ore through the underground passage to Grizzly Gulch and sending it down on the aerial

Today the Solitude tunnel is barely visible above the south side of Lake Solitude. The cut down and graded waste rock dump still remains, and the tunnel portal, choked with large boulders, continues to arouse the curiosity of its many visitors.

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# SAVE OUR CANYONS ULLR BALL

Have you recently found yourself standing inside the walk-in freezer at your neighborhood gas station with your eyes closed, imaging yourself on the top of a snowy Wasatch peak? If so, listen up: you need to stop daydreaming. You're not getting any closer to winter standing next to

those frosty beverages. What you can do is attend Ullr (oo-ler) Ball, a pray for snow party hosted by Save Our Canyons! Get out of the freezer section and come down to Squatters Pub on Tuesday, November 15th at 7 p.m. to honor Ullr, the Norse God of snow. The event will feature food, drinks, live music by Matteo and Holy Water Buffalo, prizes, a killer auction, and a ski/board wax station! Tickets are \$12.00 in advance or \$15.00 at the door and can be purchased by calling (801) 363-7283, or online at saveourcanyons.org.

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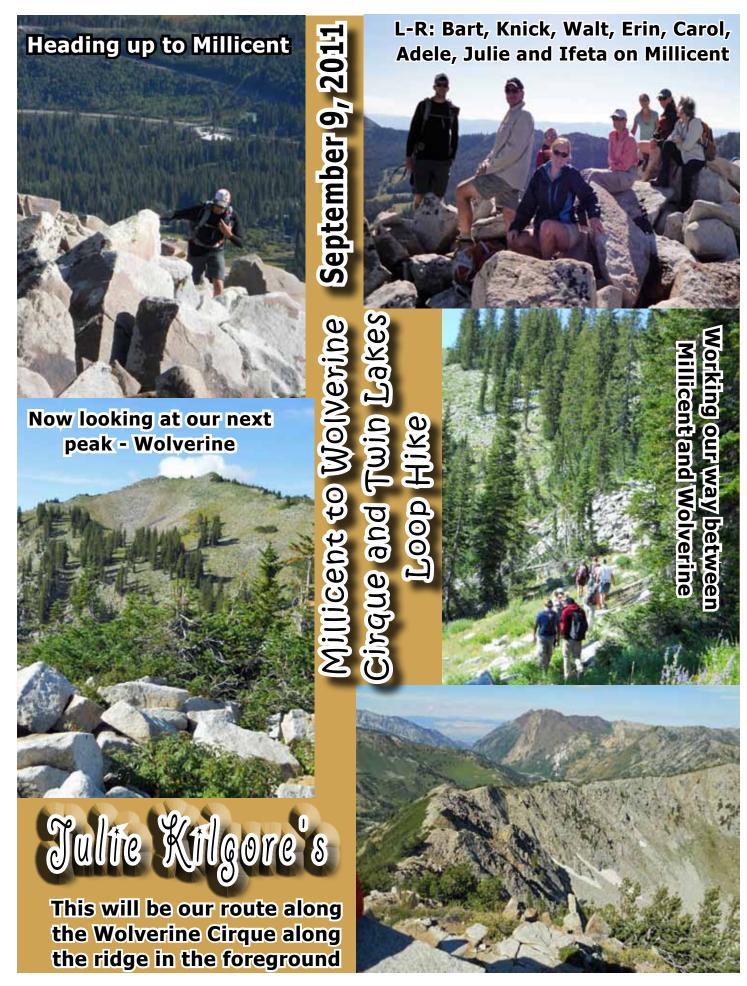
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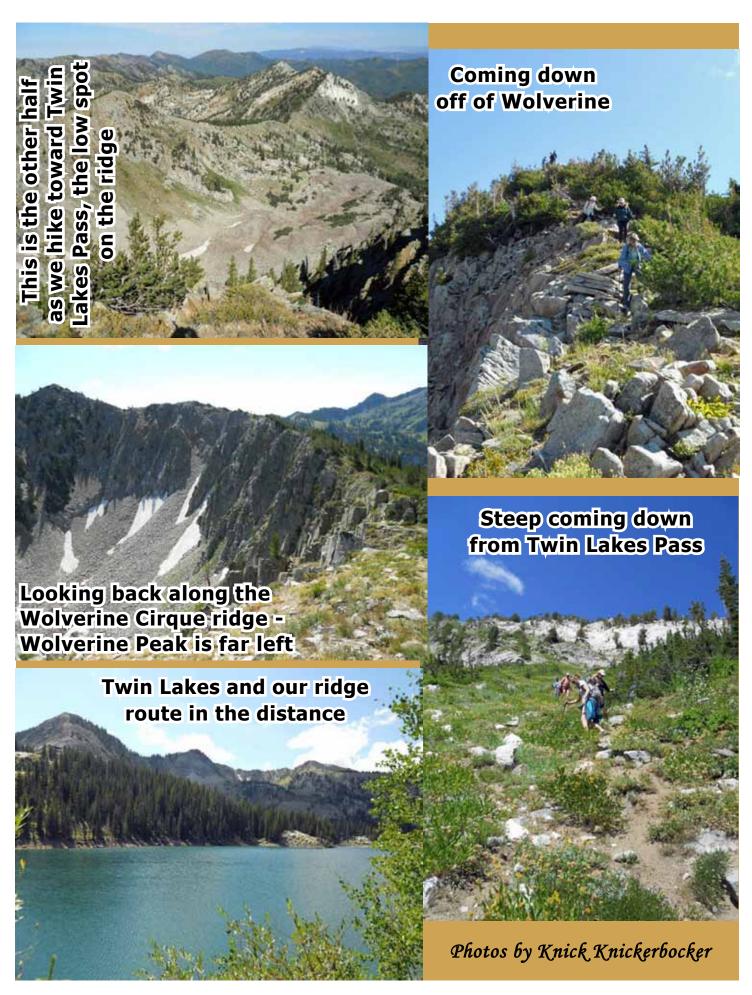
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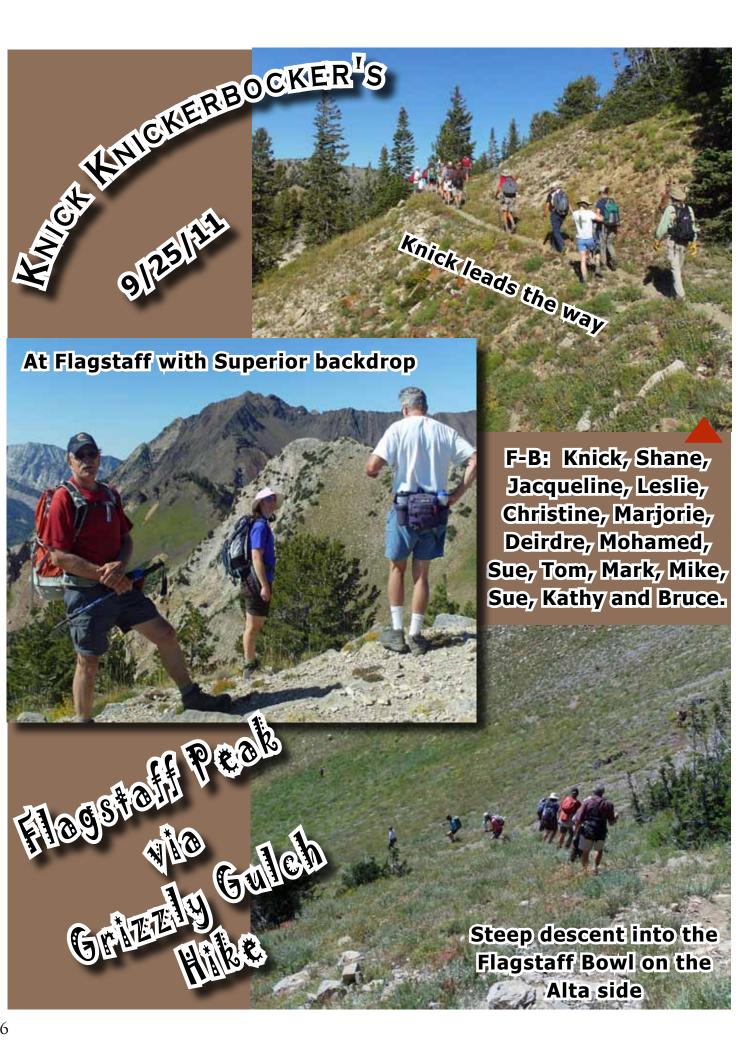
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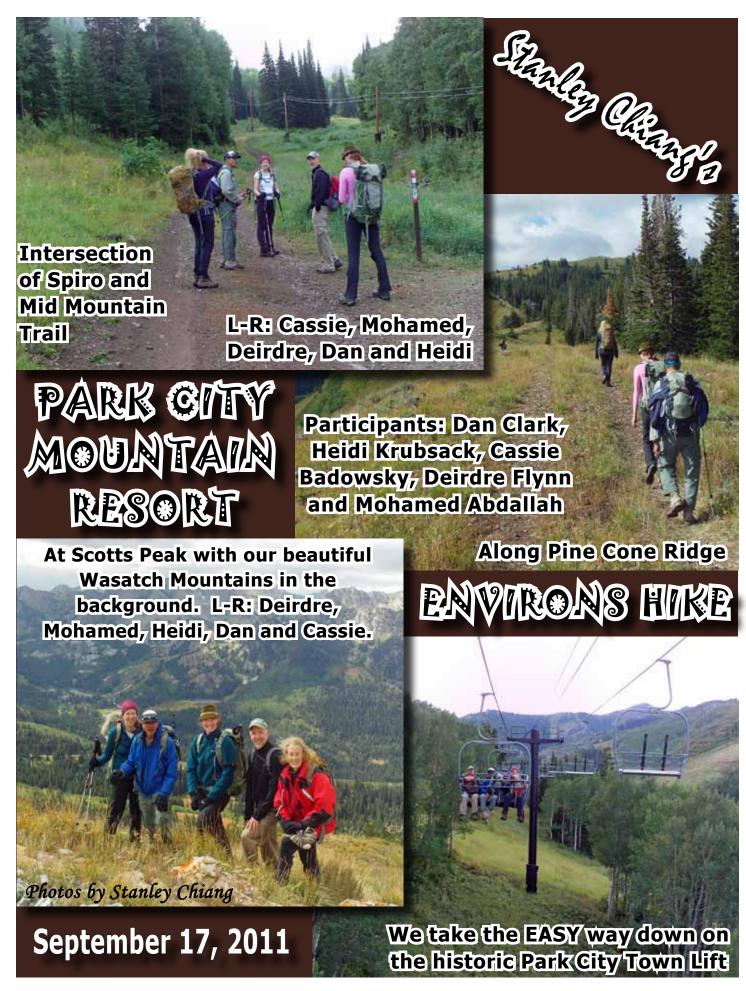
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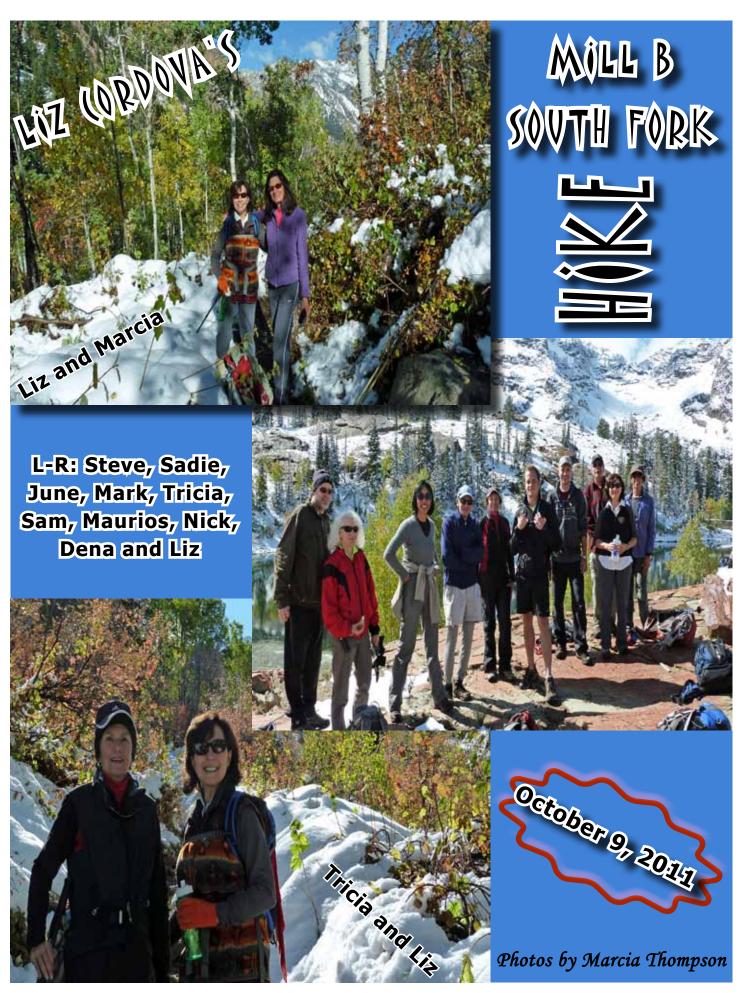


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# A LITTLE ABOUT US . . .

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.

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

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Organizer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Only activities approved by the appropriate WMC director can be listed in The Rambler. Direct submissions to the Editor are NOT accepted. To submit 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)

Very Strenuous, Difficult

X > Exposure

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

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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.

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# **ACTIVITIES LISTING**

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips

#### Date Activity

#### Nov 1 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Tue Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

Just ask for the Wasatch Mountain Club people at the front desk and they will point us out. Beginners welcome.

#### Nov 3 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Thu Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

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#### Nov 5 Social: Utah Snow And Avalanche Workshop

Sat Meet: 1:00 pm at The Depot (13 North 400 West, SLC)

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

Modeled after the International Snow Science Workshop, USAW provides a venue for experienced skiers, sledders, and avalanche professionals to get together, along with those new to the game, to take a closer look at the underbelly of the avalanche dragon. Join us to geek out on snow science, learn from the pros & each other, & reconstruct a few close calls from last season to discuss what can be learned from those experiences. Admission includes free parking, afternoon refreshments, and an after event social. Ages 21+ only.

#### Nov 5 Snowshoe Or Hike - mod

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

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Organizer: Shane and Jaq Bode 801 272-7412 shanejaq@q.com

This will be a hike or snowshoe depending on conditions and the organizer's choice. Stay tuned for more details closer to the date published either to the web or sent by the email list. Or just come prepared for either event!

### Nov 5 Hike Antelope Island's Frary Peak – mod – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 2100' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: 8:30 am at 2100 South Trax Park & Ride

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

This is a great time of year to visit Antelope Island's high point (named after George Frary who was a home-steader on the Island in the late 1800s). The bugs should be gone, the bison should be mellow, the big horn might be spotted, and the calm lake water views from the top are fantastic. There will be a per-car park entrance fee.

#### **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.

#### Nov 5 Road Bike: Rainbow Gardens - mod

Sat

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

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

This 52 mile ride is to Rainbow Gardens at the mouth of Ogden Canyon for lunch. Our itinerary is to ride UTA's FrontRunner train back to Salt Lake. However, riders desiring a longer ride can forego the train ride and return along the same course for 96 miles. Our route north includes spinning along three bike paths, a teeny tiny climb through Fruit Heights and stops along the way to regroup. (Cyclists riding their bikes back will face additional climbs on their return.) This ride snakes adjacent to the Weber River to its confluence with the Ogden River along the Weber River Centennial Parkway Trail – and showcases over 10 miles of Ogden City's trail system – to include some especially scenic sections. We'll detour into Ogden for warm-up drinks before returning. Bring lunch money, and for cyclists riding the train, money for the train ride back. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in Salt Lake at UTA's Central Station, located at 330 South 600 West, at 9:00am.

#### Nov 5 Snowshoe Or Hike: Quarry Trail - ntd

Sat

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

Organizer: Brett Smith 801-994-1832 brettsmith 459@yahoo.com

Brett Smith will take a walk along the quarry trail today. Please bring footwear appropriate for the conditions - snowshoes, yak trax/spikes or boots. Should be a fun and historical trip!

#### Nov 5 Day Hike - Lady Mountain In Zion Np - msd - 2.2 mi Out & Back - 2600' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: 8:00 am at Zion Adventure Co. across from Zion Campground

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

This is one of the best hikes in Utah in my humble opinion. Today's obscure route to the summit of this Zion landmark was once a popular and maintained trail, equipped with chains and other safety devices, much like those found along the popular Angels Landing Trail. Completed in 1924, this amazing route up the steep mountainside was the first trail constructed by the park leading to one of the rims. Imagine adventurous women of the 1920's in their heels and long dresses as they hiked up the route. It was abandoned in the 60's because it too hard for the NP to maintain. The summit of Lady Mountain offers grand views of Zion Canyon. You must bring a harness and a locking carabiner. We will belay you over the 2 - 5th class spots. This is a spectacular hike with the finest panorama of views.

#### Nov 6 Snowshoe Or Hike Big Cottonwwod Canyon – ntd+

Sun

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

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801 255-2784

Tom will pick a suitable destination in Big Cottonwood Canyon. It will be somewhere between an NTD and a MOD-. Call Tom closer to the date for more info and to find out if you will need yak trax/spikes, snowshoes or just boots.

#### Nov 6 Snowshoe Or Hike: Organizers Choice - mod

Sun

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

Organizer: Diane Dedrickson 801-571-0205 dianededrickson@mcleodusa.net

Diane will pick a location in Big Cottonwood Canyon for today's MOD activity. Come prepared for hiking or snowshoeing.

#### Nov 8 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

Just ask for the Wasatch Mountain Club people at the front desk and they will point us out. Beginners welcome. Voters get belayed for free.

#### Nov 10 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Thu Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

Just ask for the Wasatch Mountain Club people at the front desk and they will point us out. Beginners welcome.

#### Nov 12 Snowshoe Or Hike In Utah County - mod

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Call for meeting time and location

Organizer: Andy Beard and Jude Elizondo 801-216-4597

Andy and Judy have been exploring some fun trails in Utah County. They'll pick a hike or snowshoe that is appropriate for the conditions. Give them a call for the meeting time and location - listed as 9am only because a time was required to post online. It will be in the morning rather than afternoon.

#### Nov 12 Hike In Capitol Reef - mod

Sat –

Meet: Registration required

Nov 13 Sun

Organizer: Margaret Fahey 801-702-7873 redrockmiss@yahoo.com

Margaret Fahey invites WMC members to join her in Torrey Utah for the weekend to hike. You can stay in her guest room for a small fee too. You are free to hike on your own or join her on Saturday for a hike in Capitol Reef. Giver her a call or email for more details.

#### Nov 12 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sat

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

Organizer: Ray Duda and Loraine Lovell 801-255-0085 loraine4travel@yahoo.com

Ray will pick a scenic place for an NTD snowshoe today. If there's no snow, he will make it a hike. Bring your 10 E's and come prepared to have a good time.

#### Nov 13 Nordic Ski Tour: Upper Reaches Of The Uintas - ntd+ - Out & Back - Slow pace

Sun

Meet: Registration required

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

Early season cross-country ski tour to/from the Crystal Lake Trailhead area, depending on conditions. If snow is lacking, this will be a nordic walking workout. The plan would be to explore the route into the upper North Fork of the Provo drainage from Crystal Lake today in anticipation of a mid-season ski marathon loop from the Winter Closure Parking. Dogs OK.

#### Nov 13 Afternoon Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sun

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

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129

Robert Turner will lead an afternoon snowshoe outing today. Meet him at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride to join the fun.

#### Nov 13 Organizer's Choice Hike – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sun

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

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

Possibly Grandeur, West Grandeur, Mt Olympus to Blister Hill, or Burch Hollow. Stay low to avoid much snow is the plan, but I'll post the destination closer to the date, so check the website for specifics. Spikes or trax would be good to have.

#### Nov 13 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 autumn trek 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 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.

#### Nov 15 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Tue Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

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#### Nov 17 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

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Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

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#### Nov 18 Sing-a-long And Pot Luck At Joan Hatch's Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at Joan Hatch's condo on third floor at 1841 Paschal Circle. Directions are included in the above description

*Organizer:* Joan Hatch, Frederick Tripp or Frank Bernard 801-916-6603 or 435-649-4507 or 301-461-0161 joan-hatch27@yahoolcom; fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Joan Hatch has offered to host our November 18th 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. Please bring a chair (card table or camp) to ensure adequate seating. Following dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long - think folk music, campfire songs, joke songs, songs from Broadway musicals, etc. Acoustic instruments are welcome. Joan's condo is on the 2nd floor above the garage (3rd floor) at 1841 Paschal Circle. Directions: Start on Foothill Drive about midway between E. 1700 South and E 2100 South. Paschal Circle is on the east side of Foothill Drive just south of Laurelhurst Drive and north of S. 2600 E. Parking is limited in the Circle but is available on Foothill Drive, Laurelhurst Drive and other nearby streets. 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 Joan Hatch at 801-916-6603 or email at joanhatch27@yahoo.com or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 or 301-461-0161 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink.net

# Nov 19 West Desert Day Hike - Dugway Range Adventure - mod - 8.0 mi Out & Back - 3000' ascent - Moderate pace Sat

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Gregory Bronder gdbkcb03@comcast.net

It is a perfect time to visit the West Desert. We will drive out the historic Pony Express Route and tackle some seldom visited peaks. Expect spectacular views, a few bumpy roads, and cross country travel. I plan on summitting Pyramid Peak, Castle Peak, and Table Mountain. We will meet in Tooele

#### Nov 19 Snowshoe Or Hike - mod

Sat

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

Organizer: Shane and Jaq Bode 801 272-7412 shanejag@q.com

This will be a hike or snowshoe depending on conditions and the organizer's choice. Stay tuned for more details. Or just come prepared for either event!

#### Nov 19 Doggie Snowshoe Or Hike In Millcreek - ntd+

Sat Meet: 10:00 am at 3900 S Wasatch park and ride

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801 255-2784

Tom will pick a suitable destination in Millcreek Canyon. Call Tom closer to the date for more info and to find out if you will need yak trax/spikes, snowshoes or just boots.

#### Nov 20 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun

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

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

Karen Perkins is joining the snowshoers for an early season outing. Meet her at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride at 9am with your 10 E's, avalanche beacon, probe and shovel.

#### Nov 20 Road Bike: Layton - mod

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Utah Agricultural Building, 300 North Redwood Road, Salt Lake City

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

This 58 mile ride is to Einstein's in Layton for lunch/brunch/bagels. This ride features mostly easy flat to rolling terrain, a tiny climb thru Fruit Heights, and a swift decent off the east bench down to Layton. Bring lunch money. Riders preferring a shorter ride have the option of turning around in Farmington for an out-and-back 34 mile ride. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at the Utah Agricultural Building at 300 North Redwood Road (1700 West) at 9:00am.

#### Nov 20 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sun

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

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

Tom is picking the destination today. To join him, meet him at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride. As always, bring your 10 E's and avalance safety equipment.

#### Nov 22 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

Just ask for the Wasatch Mountain Club people at the front desk and they will point us out. Beginners welcome.

#### Nov 24 Thanksgiving Morning Snowshoe - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu

Meet: 9:15 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

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

Flexibility is key this time of year. Join Rick Kirkland for an early season snowshoe or late season hike before the big meal. We will post the destination a few days beforehand, so check the website or call to find out what gear to bring. Rick moves fast, but Liz and Norm will take it slower on this trip. Meet at 9:15 for a prompt 9:30 departure.

#### Nov 25 Snowshoe: Bcc After The Turkey Trot - ntd

Fri

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

Organizer: Mark Jones 801-486-5354

Avoid the shopping mayhem and join Mark for a post-Thanksgiving snowshoe in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Work off some of the big meal you ate the day before and bring your leftovers to snack on or share!

#### Nov 26 West Desert Day Hike - Tintic Mountains - mod - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3000' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat Meet: Re

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Gregory Bronder gdbkcb03@comcast.net

Enjoy a day of peakbagging after Black Friday. We will attempt to summit several sub 8000 foot peaks in the Tintic Mountains. In particular, Pinyon Peak, Lime Peak, and possibly Bismark Peak. These summits are favorable to late fall hiking with open terrain and little avalanche danger. The range is located near Eureka in Juab County.

#### Nov 26 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat

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

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

Join Deirdre and Mohamed for a moderate snowshoe. Meet at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride. Bring your 10E's and avalanche safety equipment.

#### Nov 27 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sun

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

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

Mark will assess the conditions and pick an optimal destination for today's snowshoe. Meet him at 9am at the 6200 S Wasatch park and ride to find out where he's headed. Bring your 10 E's, avalanche beacon, shovel and probe.

#### Nov 29 Rock Climb - Drastic Plastic @ Momentum - mod - 50' ascent

Tue

Meet: 6:00 pm at Momentum

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

Just ask for the Wasatch Mountain Club people at the front desk and they will point us out. Beginners welcome.

#### Dec 4 Nordic Ski Tour: North Of Iron Mine Mountain (uintas) – mod+

Sun

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

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

MLH Winter Parking 14 miles east of Kamas. Tour follows Iron Mine Mountain jeep road (north slope) on early season snowpack. The terrain opens up for good views and several options in the high country above 10,000 ft. Expect extra cold temperatures and little sun. Contact trip organizer if driving from Park City area. Carpools can be arranged for seperate return times (NTD+ to MOD+). Remember MLH parking fee (\$3) and be prepared to share the cost of transportation. Dogs OK. Lightweight backcountry touring gear with scales, skins, or swix (grip wax) and 10 E's. Meet at 8:15 am for a prompt 8:30 am departure.

#### Dec 9 Viice Ski Factory Open House Social

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at 7030 South 400 West, Salt Lake City, UT

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

WMC members are invited to an open house at the VIICE ski factory on Friday December 9, at 6 PM to view the ski manufacturing process and check out a FREE pair of demo skis for the weekend. Our head ski designer, Scott Berry, will explain each step in the manufacturing process and members will watch the "lay up" process and the skis being put into the press, and also the final trimming and tuning stages. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Please RSVP to Jim Berry at 801-560-5601 or by email at jamesberry7899@comcast.net

#### Dec 18 Holiday Sing-a-long And Potluck Dinner At Cindy Crass' Home

Sun Meet: 5:30 pm at 2244 East 11620 South - Directions are in the description above.

*Organizer:* Cindy Crass, Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard Cindy at 801-530-7331 or Fred Tripp at 435-649-450 fredg-tripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

DECEMBER 18 - SUNDAY: SING-A-LONG POT LUCK DINNER, definitely NTD. Come and join the holiday spirit at a potluck dinner and Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long. We'll meet at 5:30 PM at Cynthia Crass' home for appetizers with pot luck dinner to follow. Turkey and ham have already been offered, so please bring a nice appetizer or a dinner side dish/salad/dessert to share with four to six others. BYOB. Also, please bring a folding chair or camp chair to ensure adequate seating. For those who wish to sing Christmas carols we'll have words and guitar chords for some popular songs. Acoustic musicians are always welcome to join in - an electric piano is also available. DIRECTIONS: Take Wasatch Blvd south and about 12000 south it starts running east and west rather than north and south. At the bottom of the hill watch for 2220 East SCHOOL ZONE - turn right and go north two blocks, turn right on 11620 South and go to 2244 second house on the right. Coming south on 1-15 take the 11400 South exit. Go east on 11400 South past 1300 East to 1700 East. Turn right (south) to a traffic light at Wasatch Blvd. Go left on Wasatch (east) to 2220 East SCHOOL ZONE and turn left and go north 2 blocks to 11620 South. Turn right (east) to 2244 which is the second house on the right. Coming north on I-15 take the 12300 South exit and go right (east) to the traffic light at Wasatch Blvd. Turn right to 2220 East SCHOOL ZONE and turn left (north) and follow directions above. Questions or would like more information call Cindy Crass at 801-530-7331 or Fred Tripp at 435-645-4507 or email Frank Bernard at frankbernard55@earthlink.net

#### Jan 15 Nordic Ski Tour: Shingle Creek (uintas) - mod+ - 16.0 mi Out & Back - 2400' ascent - Moderate pace

Sun Meet: 7:45 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Cross-country ski tour. The route offers challenging terrain up to the 10,062 saddle overlooking Erickson Basin. Generally, lighter weight backcountry touring gear (with scales or skins) is used, however skiers need to make their own gear choices. The choice of gear should be based on the individual's skill level matched to gear weight to ensure safe and efficient travel. Beacons and shovels required. Pre-trip stop at Kamas Coffee for drinks and gear check. The organizer plans to set a track on this route several days before the trip. Contact trip organizer if driving from Park City. Meet at 7:45 am for a prompt 8:00 am departure.

#### Jan 29 Nordic Ski Tour: (uintas) - mod+

Sun Meet: 7:45 am at Parleys Way

Meet: 7:45 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Organizer's Choice.

#### Feb 3 Death Valley Mid-winter Road Bike Escape - mod- - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Fri – Meet: Registration required

Feb 7

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

The Bob Wright Memorial Death Valley Bicycle and Camping Trip is a great mid-winter escape from the snow, to (sometimes) sunny warm Death Valley. We will reserve six campsites at Furnace Creek for 5 days and 4 nights. Daily bicycle rides include Bad Water, Scotty's Castle and Stovepipe Wells, with options for hiking as well. Trip size is limited to 24 participants, so if interested contact me ASAP and no later than Dec 10 for details on paying the reservation deposit or getting on the wait list. Contact me at the number listed, or my new SLC number is 801.623.2329

#### Feb 5 Nordic Ski Tour (uintas) - mod+

Sun Meet: 7:45 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Organizer's choice.

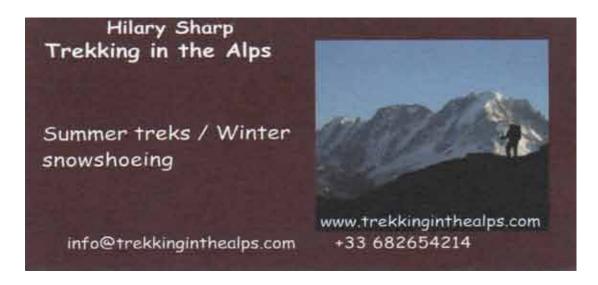
#### Mar 10 California Dreamin' Car Camp - mod

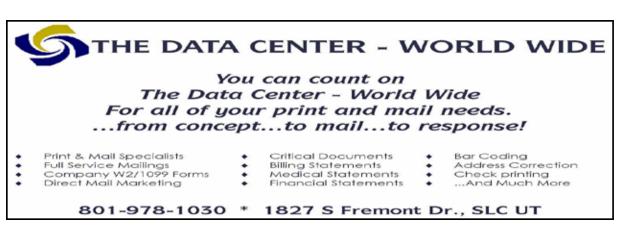
Sat – Meet: Registration required

Mar 17

Sat Organizer: Aaron Jones 801-467-3532 ajonesmvp@msn.com

Savor the beauty of Joshua Tree National Park and experience the wonderland of Anza Borrego Desert State Park. Anza Borrego is a springtime dreamscape of palm trees, wildflowers, and waterfalls. The leader has one campsite for two tents reserved for 3/13-3/16. Any additional sites should be reserved immediately.





The Wasatch Mountain Club is a great place to meet new people interested in the outdoor activities that you enjoy. In addition to the many physical activities, the club also supports several social outings, picnics, potlucks, trip slideshows, live music, and of course, parties. Anyone can suggest a social event. The social committee would love to hear your suggestions and accept your participation. If you have a trip talk to present, just let us know. Below are examples of yearly parties - we hope to see you there.

# WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill ou	it both sides of the page.	Print legibly, please.	
I am applying for membership as:	Single Couple		
Name: Applicant 1:		Birth date:	
Name: Applicant 2:		Birth date	
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Applicant 2: Main phone:	ema	ail address:	
our address list to WMC-Board approved we stipulation that they do not continue to use the "Members Only" area but not made ava Only" area and provided to Board-approve organizations.  YOU NEED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING In to the WMC site and select your level.	the list or provide it to of ailable to other organizated d organizations, or (3) no G ACTION: Once you l	other. You may opt to (1) have your actions, (2) have your address published ot have your address on the WMC rothave been notified that your application	address published on d on the "Members ester nor given to other on has been accepted,
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Enclosed is \$ for application payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.	n fee and first year's due	s. Check or money order only. Pleas	se 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

## SNOWSHOE BASICS, Thursday, November 17th, 7pm

Are you looking for a fun winter sport? Join REI staff for a class on the basics of snowshoeing. We will focus on selecting appropriate gear and finding out where to go snowshoeing in your area. If you've ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport! 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, visit our website at www.rei.com/Sandy or call (801) 501-0850.

#### SALT LAKE - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

#### SKI/BOARD TUNE & WAX BASICS, Tuesday, November 1st, 7pm

Wax on! Learning to wax your skis or board will help you increase your fun on the slopes. This\_presentation will focus on the basics of waxing, including base preparation, structure, major and minor repair, and stone grinding. Our expert technician will also explain how and why waxes work.

#### KNOW BOUNDARIES: Build Your Backcountry Skill Set, Thursday, November 3rd, 7pm

When exploring new zones, having the right gear is essential. But understanding how to push the limits without exceeding your boundaries is everything. Our mission is to provide insight on how to stay safe when crossing the line into the backcountry. REI, The North Face and industry professionals have joined together to present an introductory presentation that will help grow your snow safety knowledge base. The North Face sponsored athlete, Ian Macintosh will present a short video and share their real life experiences in the Backcountry. Participants will have a chance to win product give-a-ways from The North Face and other vendors. 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, visit our website at www.rei.com/saltlakecity or call 801-486-2100.

#### SNOWSHOE BASICS, Monday, November 7th, 7pm

Are you looking for a fun winter sport? Join REI staff for a class on the basics of snowshoeing. We will focus on selecting appropriate gear and finding out where to go snowshoeing in your area. If you've ever thought about getting into snowshoeing, this is a great introduction to the sport!

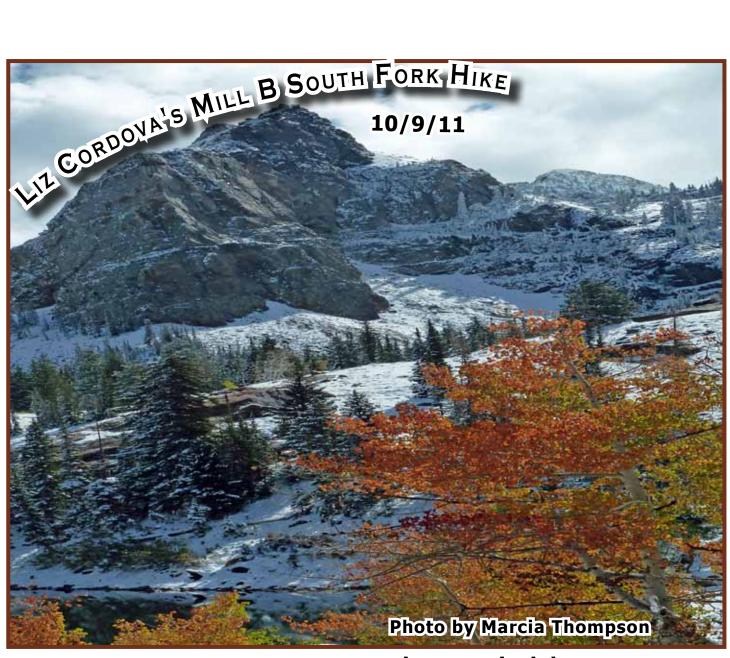
#### AVALANCHE- KNOW BEFORE YOU GO, Tuesday, November 29th, 7pm

This popular, multi-media talk includes an exciting 15-minute video on avalanche basics followed by a half-hour PowerPoint on how to stay alive in avalanche terrain. Subjects include: avalanche rescue, how avalanches work, reading avalanche terrain, obvious clues to instability, avalanche weather, safe travel practices and essential equipment. This talk is presented by the staff of the Utah Avalanche Center, who are some of the foremost avalanche experts in the country. For ages 14 and older. http://utahavalanchecenter.org/Registration is strongly recommended.

#### **CLASSES:**

#### HANDS-ON SKI/BOARD TUNE & WAX CLASS, Saturday, November 5th, 9:00am-1:00 pm

Would you like to tune your toys at home? Learn basic tuning skills from our REI certified technician while working hands-on with your own skis or snowboard. Spend four hours with an REI shop tech to learn the basics of tuning your own gear. We'll have all the tools, just bring a set of alpine skis or snowboard. Space is limited and pre-registration is required \$65 member / \$85 non-member. Class limited to 5 students. Register online or at customer service. Must be 18 years or older to register and participate in this class.



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