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FRONT COVER:

SHANE AND JACQUELINE BODE'S HONEY BUNNY HILL NEW YEAR'S DAY SNOWSHOE

Everyone was feeling good after their New Year's libations. We got out of the muck and into the clean crisp air of Honey Bunny Hill. L-R: Dave, Gibby, Knick, Cindy, Jacqueline, Shane, Jimmie, Jim, Mohamed, Jim, Dave, Leslie and Kerry.

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2013 WMC General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at 7:30 PM Holladay Branch Library 2150 East Murray Holladay Road

<u>Agenda</u>

Election of 2013 Governing Board

General club updates

Speakers: Dave Pacheco, Wilderness Volunteers - upcoming trips

Sherriff Jim Winder, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office, Mount Olympus Trail - potential solutions for

unprepared hikers on the mountain

Sorry - no refreshments due to library rules

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WMC BOARD ELECTIONS 2013

The elections for the 2013 Wasatch Mountain Club Governing Board will be held during the General Membership Meeting 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 at the Holladay Branch Library (2150 East Murray-Holladay Road). The new officers and directors will take over in March. Vacancies will be filled by vote of the Governing Board when a candidate volunteers.

Nominating Committee Slate for the 2013 Board

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Thanks to the Nominating Committee: Angie Vincent, Mark Bloomenthal, Ann Perry and Erin McCormick.

VOLUNTEERS & MEMBERS OF THE MOUNTAIN CLUB – THE LODGE NEEDS YOUR HELP

We will be removing snow from the roof of the lodge this winter using the methods we have developed the last few years using the snow blower for the majority of the work, but we need your help. We have been successful preserving the future of the lodge this last summer, now we need your help preventing the ravages of winter snow and all it brings.



We plan to work during the week and we need to hear from you. If you can help, give me a call and we can arrange times to do the work. You can reach me, Robert Myers, at robertmyers47@gmail.com or phone (H)801-466-3292 or (C)801-651-9965.

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.

UTAH AVALANCE CENTER DONATION By Will McCarvill, Conservation Director

Last year the Wasatch Mountain Club donated over \$6,000 to the Utah Avalanche Center through matching funding through Conservation. This goes to a great cause - keeping our members alive! Our skiing and snowshoeing activities depend on knowing what the snow is like so we can enjoy the winter Wasatch safely. Checks should be made out to the Utah Avalanche Center and sent to our Club office (1390 South 1100 East, #103, Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2443) so we can see what we need to match. Matching will only be applied to donations received by February 15th, so don't wait if you want your donation doubled. The Center deserves your help, so please make our contribution much greater than \$6,000.



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BOATING DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE BY ZIG SONDELSKI PERMIT PIZZA PARTY, MARCH 5th PLANNING PARTY LES JONES SCROLL MAPS

Thanks to all of you who joined us at the Permit Pizza Party and submitted permit applications. (If you aren't familiar with the process, many rivers now require a permit obtained through a lottery.) This year, we simplified things a bit and focused mainly on five rivers difference. We got around 120 permits from about 45 people who joined the party. OUTSTANDING!!! Hopefully, we can get at least two permits from these many applications. Please send in applications for the other rivers that we did not focus on if you are interested the March 5th (Tuesday) Planning Pizza Party is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at the Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church located at 3280 East 3900 South. Pizza, soft drinks and dessert will be provided by the boating group. What all of us can provide is a willingness to share our permits, to participate in training, and also help out with river trips to improve our skills.

I recently passed on some scroll river maps to John Veranth, who was willing to get them in archival collections in town and around the state. We are familiar with the current river maps in waterproof paper booklets, but what did people use for a river map when the sport was just beginning? Thus begins the story of Les Jones...

Les Jones, of Heber City, Utah, was an engineer and avid river runner. Jones began running rivers at the age of eleven. He built a kayak, running most rivers solo, and taking movies from a film camera mounted on a football helmet.

By the early 1950's Les began taping USGS maps together and filling in the missing contours (early USGS maps were usually detailed only to the headwaters of the planned impoundment). Les began using aerial photos, USGS maps and his own drawings and notes to trace and draw detailed maps on scroll paper strips 7-10 inches wide. The maps were not waterproof and faded in sunlight, so they had to be well protected. Later, his maps were copied onto waterproof Mylar.

Jones copied a river profile on the map above the river segments, labeling rapids and features on both. The maps contained rapid ratings, drawings of major rapids, Powell and other historic river camps, historic inscriptions and other detailed information.

Les made one of the first maps to contain conservation messages. His Flaming Gorge/Red Canyon map included a message opposing Marble Canyon Dam below Lees Ferry and Bridge Canyon Dam in the Grand Canyon and supporting the Wild Rivers Bill.

Jones never advertised his maps, one found out about them through word of mouth. His maps covered just about every river segment on the Colorado Plateau (and other western rivers); even segments like Flaming Gorge - now damned. Although somewhat inaccurate by today's standards, Les Jones maps were loving works of art and a boon to river runners seeking information.

Next month, I hope to have more information about Bill Viavant and one of the many things he did for the boating group. Could some of the boaters who knew Bill share some history and a photo or two about him with me for a write-up?

BOATING SEASON PLANNING PARTY

Rafters

Canoes

Kayakers

New Boaters Wanted

Experienced Boaters Needed

If you've thought you'd like to try boating, now's the time to get ready.

The WMC has boats and boaters who can help you learn the skill needed.

Together we can get the permits for our favorite trips.

Planning meeting at Mount Olympus Church 3280 East 3900 South Tuesday, March 5, 2013 6:30 p.m.

Duckies

Winter's snow is summer's white water

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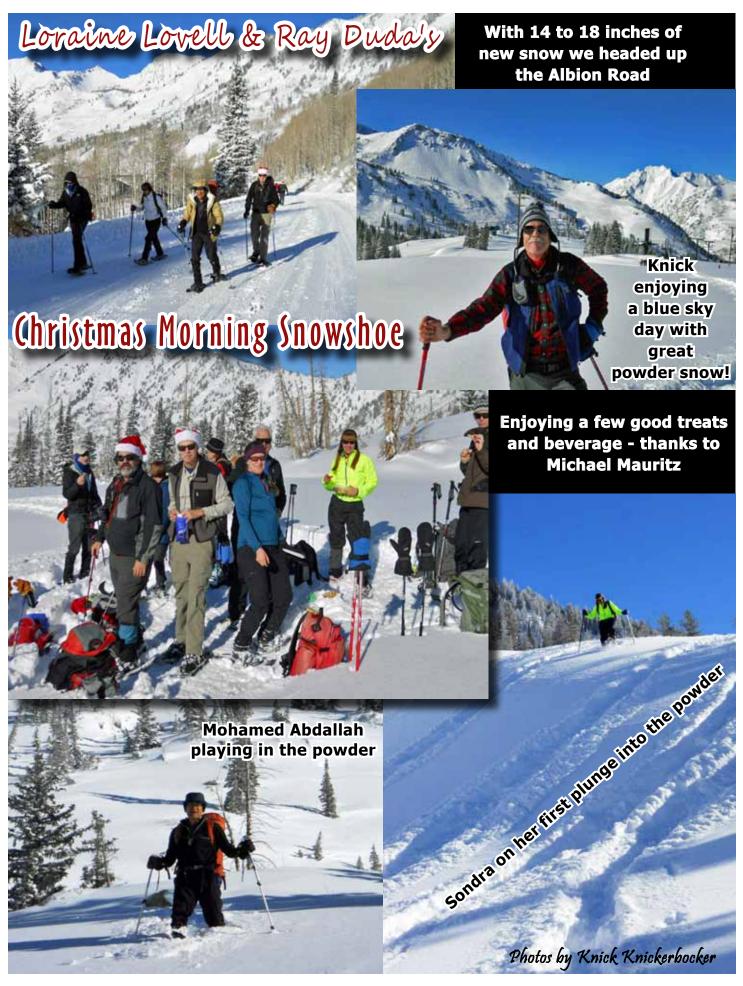
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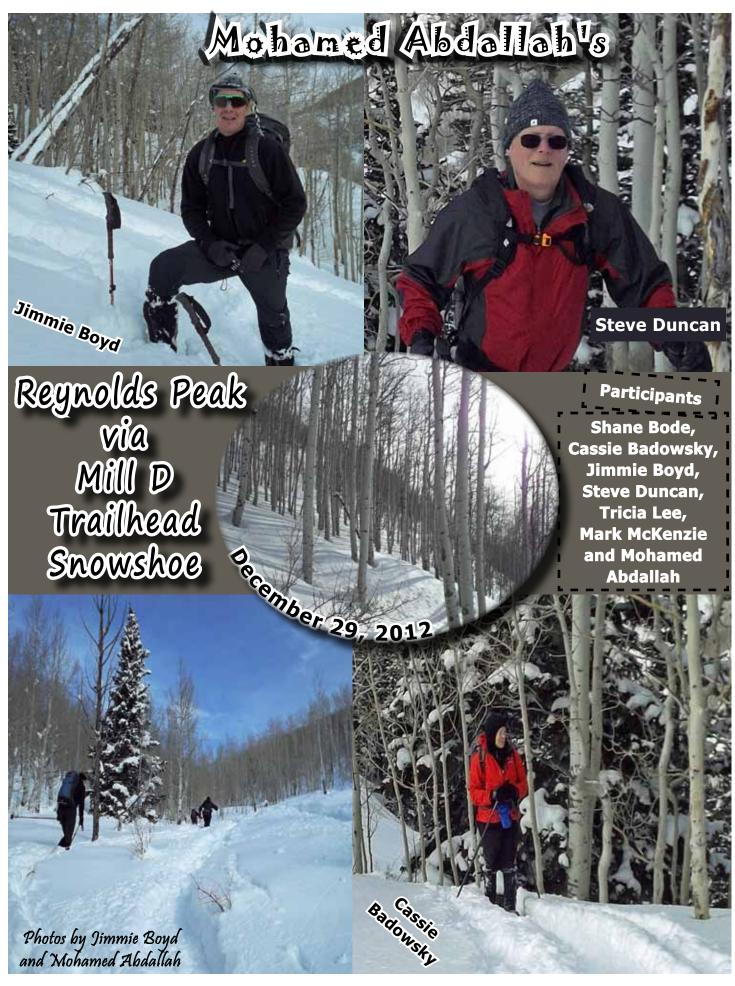
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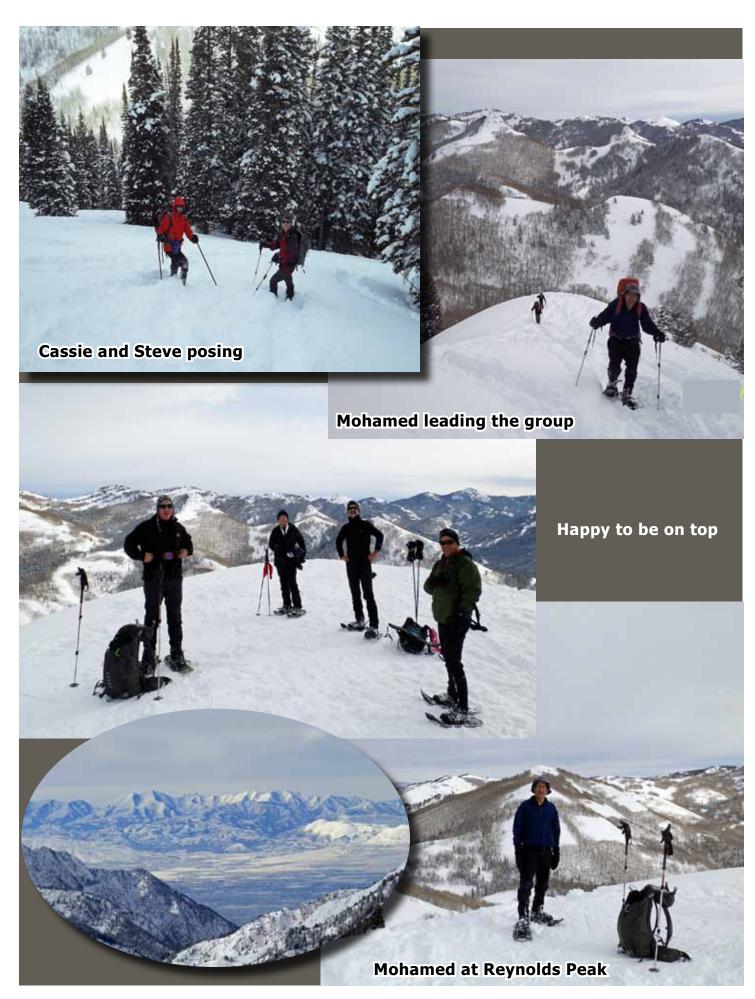


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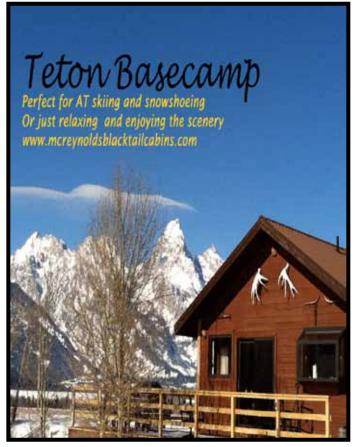




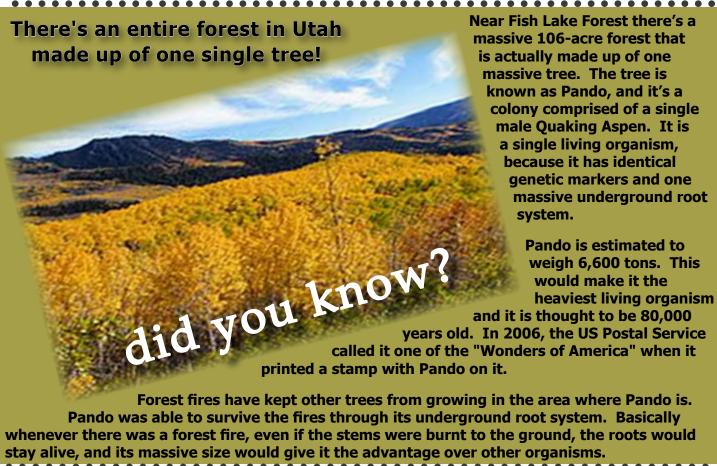
















FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

73. Columbus Consolidated Mining Company, Part II

At the annual stockholders meeting of the Columbus Consolidated Mining Company, held the first week of January, 1904, the reports were nothing but favorable. The underground workings had been expanded and



Fig. 1. This photograph, taken late in 1903, shows the large 35' x 80' building under construction to house an electrically driven compressor as well as a machine shop and blacksmith shop. It also shows the recently completed boarding house and the small steam driven compressor installed in 1902. The view is up canyon, with the south fork going off to the right in the distance. (Salt Lake Mining Review photo)

in condition to be used, the machinery was hauled up the canyon to Alta, where work on the mill building had already begun. Its location was on the west side of the Howland tunnel.

Alta received its first electricity from the

great quantities of ore, both first class and milling grade, were exposed, with a considerable amount of first class ore shipped to the smelters. The surface improvements were the most visible, including the boarding house, the building to house a new large compressor and shops, and the hydroelectric power plant under construction four and a half miles down the canyon. Also announced at the meeting was the plan to immediately begin construction of a concentrating plant capable of treating 100 tons of second class ore a day. The machinery for the mill was purchased locally, much of it being old, but serviceable equipment from the Kearns and Weber mill at Park City. When it was decided to increase the mill capacity to 150 tons a day, additional machinery was purchased from the Tesora mill at Tintic. As soon as the roads were in condition to be used, the machinery was hauled up the canyon to Alta, where work on the

Alta received its first electricity from the Columbus power plant during the last week of

June 1904. As soon as connections could be made, the newly installed compressor began running, providing compressed air to the Columbus mine at first, but soon to many of the other mines in the vicinity. It also wrapped Alta in its mantle of pulsating sound that would continue for another thirty years. The concentrating mill didn't make use of the electrical power until the end of October. All the machinery had been installed before that time, but couldn't be used until the four electric motors had been received, installed and all connections made. The mill began running and producing concentrates after surprisingly few start-up problems. Its first shipment was made in mid-November, presumably from ore extracted in the Howland tunnel, because the underground connection to the Columbus mine was not made until the end of that month. After that time all ore was taken out through

the Howland tunnel and placed in bins in the mill building or into a newly constructed bin for first class ore. The concentrates were stored in other bins in the mill until they could be taken down canyon to the smelter

With the mill running three shifts, it was concentrating about 120 tons of crude ore each day. Its importance to the company was shown by the report at the end of the next year, 1905, which stated that the company started the year about \$60,000 in debt, and ended it free from all encumbrances. This was in spite of the construction of a new office building and a three-story boarding house, the last major additions to the surface facilities.



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Fig. 2. This photograph, taken in the second half of 1904, after the Columbus Power Plant was operating, shows the boarding house and the big compressor house with its compressor have been removed. The faint line across the slopes above the buildings is the right of way for the old Alta horse tramway, later to be used for the Little Cottonwood highway. (Courtesy Utah Historical Society)

Tony Jacobson had a concern for the safety and well being of his miners. His provision of the crude draft stove to provide fresh air in the early Columbus tunnel was one indication of this. After the compressors were



3. Columbus Consolidated mill as it appeared during the later stages of construction, about August 1905. The ore bins at the front corner are not yet completed. A trestle, enclosed in a snow shed, leading to the portal of the Howland tunnel is seen behind the building at the upper left. The view is toward the (Salt Lake Mining Review photo)

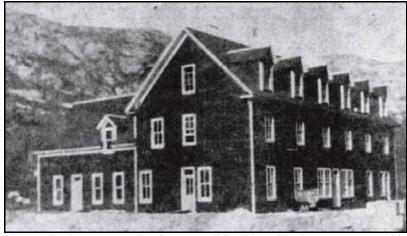
available to drive pneumatic tools, the exhaust from the tools served the same purpose. A bunkhouse was built to house the miners in 1903, but as the operations expanded, that initial building became too small for the increased number of men. In his mining experiences before coming to Alta, Jacobson had suffered many of the discomforts of the average miner's life. He knew the best way to keep good men on the job was to provide good accommodations. And that is exactly what he did with the new boarding house. It was in a style almost unknown in mining communities, certainly never before seen in the Little Cottonwood Mining District. A Salt Lake Tribune reporter called it a "model of convenience and comfort."

The new boarding house was built almost as an addition to the old one, but with its larger size the appearance was that the smaller building was added to the larger one. It was 75 by 35 feet in size and three stories high above the basement. The main floor had a dining room 40 by 20 feet in size, allowing a large number of men to be served at one time. The interior walls were covered with composition board and wainscoated, giving a modern appearance. The third floor, being under the roof, had its useful space increased with the provision of six dormers on each side. Iron bedsteads and mattresses were provided for the occupants. The building was variously reported to accommodate between one hundred and one hundred fifty men. Between the mine and the mill a large number of men were employed by the company. In the summer of 1906 that number was reported to be over one hundred.

The basement of this building held rooms for storage of meats, vegetables and other stores. But it also had a room with a large cement lined pool, variously reported as a great plunge bath and a swimming pool. It is not likely it resembled a swimming pool as might be expected today, over a century later, but it did provide a means to bath or just relax, since the water was kept at a warm temperature with steam pipes. The building also had tub baths, wash bowls and all other features of sanitary plumbing, presumably also in the basement. And, of course, the building was provided with electric lighting.

The office building constructed at the same time was placed between the big compressor building and the new boarding house. It was a two story building, somewhat smaller than the first boarding house. It had three dormers on each side of its roof, a distinguishing characteristic allowing this structure to be identified over the next three decades or more. More will be said about this building in future articles.

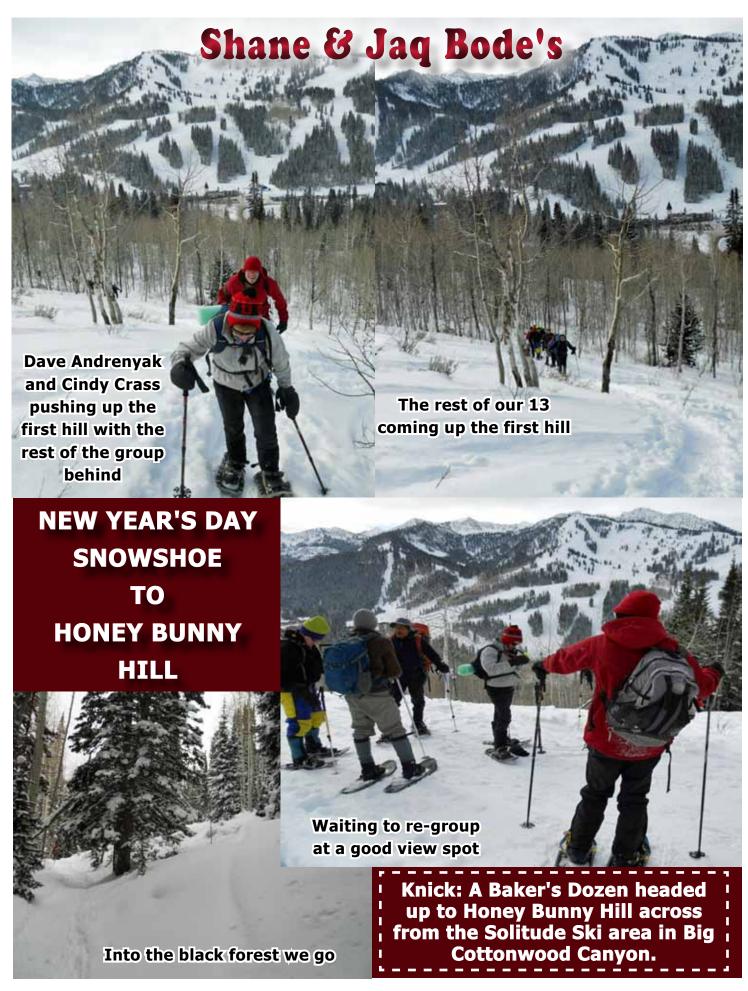
These structures were a harbinger of things to come. They resulted from a new mode of mining, one on a scale far exceeding what had been seen in the past. Almost all earlier mines had boarding houses, or bunk houses, but with operations that involved only a few men the buildings did not have to be very big. Or comfortable. Now that the Columbus company showed what a modern boarding house could be, other mining companies built structures of similar size. They included the Continental Alta and Michigan-Utah up in Grizzly Gulch, and South Columbus Consolidated directly across the canyon. Since the latter company was under control of the Jacobson Fig. 4. The three-story Columbus Consolidated boarding house constructed in Consolidated building.

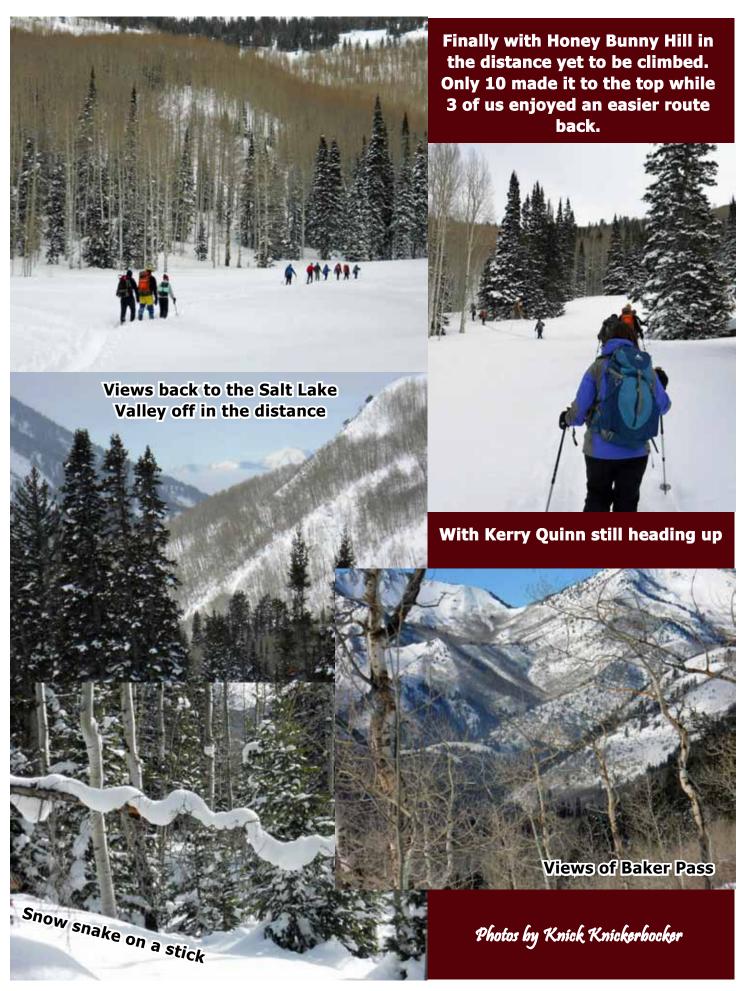


brothers when its boarding house was built, 1905 is seen here from the southwest. It was built onto the old smaller bunkhouse it was an identical copy of the Columbus on the left. That structure, which is seen in Figures 1 and 2, had a dormer added to the roof during the two years of its existence. (Salt Lake Herald photo)

While the surface building may have been impressive, the important work of the company was taking place underground where the ore was being sought and extracted. However, success does not come without problems, both of which will be discussed in the next episode.

. © Faint Trails by Charles L. Keller







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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

0.1-4.0 > Not Too Difficult (NTD)

Lightly Strenuous

4.1-8.0 > Moderate (MOD)

Moderate to Very Strenuous

8.1-11.0 > Most Difficult (MSD) Very Strenuous, Difficult

11.1+ > Extreme (EXT)

Very Strong, Well-Seasoned Hikers

B > Boulder fields or extensive bushwhacking

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

R > Ridgeline hiking or extensive route finding

S > Scrambling

X > Exposure

W > Wilderness area, limit 14

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

Directions to Meeting Places

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ACTIVITIES LISTING

See online Calendar for updated and additional events and trips

Date Activity

Feb 2 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod

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

Organizer: Shane and Jaq Bode 801-647-2917 shanejaq@Q.com

Shane and Jaq will lead a MOD snowshoe today. Bring your 10E's and avalanche safety gear.

Feb 2 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at - mod+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

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

Show and go skiing on a variety of MOD and MOD+ terrain. Exact location TBD. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. Must be comfortable with various snow and weather conditions. Duration 5-7 hours. Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Feb 2 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – ntd+

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

Organizer: Mark Jones 801-410-4163

Meet Mark at 6200 S Wasatch park and ride for an NTD+ snowshoe most likely in the Greens Basin area. Bring your 10 E's.

Feb 3 Nordic Ski Tour: Strawberry Peak (daniel's) – mod – 10.0 mi Loop – 1750' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun Meet: 10:15 am at Parleys Way former Kmart lot - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

Tour will start at Daniel's Summit. This tour is a 'sunset' special- note later meeting time.

Feb 3 Snowshoe - Cottonwood Canyons - mod

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

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

Jim will lead a MOD snowshoe at a place of his choice dictated by the snow & weather conditions. Bring your 10 E's including avalanche safety gear.

Feb 3 Snowshoe Mod Organizer's Choice – mod – Moderate pace

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

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

Come out today to join Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or knick.sold@comcast.net) for an enjoyable snow-shoe tour into the woods of the Wasatch canyons. Depending on weather and snow conditions plan accordingly and come prepared. Meet Knick at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride by 9:00

Feb 3 Nordic Ski Tour-towards Soapstone Bench – ntd+ – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 1600' ascent – Slow pace

Sun Meet: 9:00 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com

We will park along the Mirror Lake Highway at the turnoff for Pine Valley, Go down to the Provo river, cross it, cross a sagebrush flat toward the hills, then strike an old jeep trail that does a rising traverse up to the top of Soapstone bench. Whether we actually make to the top depends on snow conditions, previous tracks, how many people are willing to help break trail, etc.

Feb 3 Snowshoe: Millcreek - ntd

Sun Meet 9.00

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

Meet Tom at Skyline for an NTD snowshoe in Millcreek Canyon today. Bring your 10 E's and dress in layers.

Feb 3 Alpine Ski Tour Tele/at - mod

Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Suzanne Schroader 801-810-7789 elemental-07@hotmail.com

Show and go skiing on MOD terrain. Exact location TBD based on conditions. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. Reasonable but steady pace and elevation.

Feb 4 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Foothill Blvd Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Mon

Meet: 5:30 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. Trailhead is at or near

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

There is no better way to unwind from a dreary winter workday than an evening foothills hike. There are three ridges and multiple routes to choose from above Foothill Boulevard near the "H" rock. Yak trax, micro-spikes, or similar lightly studded footwear are required (these are short but very steep hikes). Bring a headlamp or flashlight, though we seldom need it when we have the stars, the moon, and city lights (even if inversion is set in, we'll get above it). Dogs ok if prepared for winter conditions. Plan on a 5:30 p.m. departure and a 7:30 return.

Feb 5 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 5 Snowshoe: Park City Environs – mod

Tue

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

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

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

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Feb 6 Bob Wright Memorial Death Valley Winter Escape Road Bike

Wed –

Meet: Registration required

Feb 10 Sun

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

Join us at Furnace Creek Campground for bike rides, hiking, ranger programs, sightseeing, car camping and gourmet group dinners for this annual winter escape below sea level. Carpooling is encouraged, and registration is mandatory. Limit of 28 participants in our 7 pre-reserved campsites. The sites are reserved Wednesday through Saturday nights. Contact Cheryl for further details and to register for this annual event.

Feb 7 Avalanche Education: Women's Uac Advanced Skills Backcountry 201

Thu -Meet: 6:00 pm at Red Butte Garden

Feb 9 Organizer: Devin Dwyer devin@utahavalanchecenter.org

Sat

This course is designed for women who have either taken a class or spend a decent amount of time in the backcountry and would like to brush up on there skills. The Utah Avalanche Center has teamed up with SheJumps to bring you this women's only course. Advanced Avalanche Skills class is a means of furthering the skills taught in the Backcountry 101 class and to spend time with avalanche professionals honing and refreshing your existing skills. You will leave this class understanding the most recent thinking about safe travel in avalanche terrain and with a heightened awareness of the avalanche issues we face in Utah. Evening Session: Thursday, Feb7, 2013 -6pm-9pm @ Red Butte Garden. Field Session: Saturday, Feb 9, 2013 - 8:30am-5:00pm @ Brighton. \$130

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Feb 7 Alpine Ski Tour - Substitute Leader Needed, Please Volunteer - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu Meet: Registration required

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

THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons and dependent on weather and snow conditions. Start at 9:00 A.M. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your equipment. To participate you must have a beacon, shovel, probe and the knowledge of how to use them. Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 8. If you are new to BC skiing, please call to discuss whether you have the experience and are prepared for the tour.

Feb 7 Free Uac Avalanche Awareness Talk

Thu

Meet: 7:30 pm at Black Diamond Equipment, 2092 East 3900 South, Salt Lake City 84124

Organizer: Linda Karz 801-278-0233

Need A quick avalanche refresher? Or looking for some basic avalanche education? Come join the Black Diamond and Utah Avalanche Center for a free avalanche awareness talk on the evening of January 3d at 7:30 pm. As an added treat, there will be 15% off any snow safety gear purchases on the night of the class.

Ski Meeting/social: Free Uac Avalanche Awareness Talk Feb 7

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Feb 7 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Wasatch Boulevard Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu Meet: 5:30 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard (Approximately 3000 South)

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

Julie will continue this series of winter weeknight hikes with Thursday night hikes departing from the West Grandeur trailhead area. With at least four different routes heading up the mountain, and one trail going down to a nature area hidden tucked bewteen the freeways, there are lots of options. Yak trax, micro-spikes, or similar lightly studded footwear are required (these are very short but steep hikes). Bring a headlamp or flashlight, though we seldom need it when we have the stars, the moon, and city lights (even if inversion is set in, we'll get above it). Dogs ok if prepared for winter conditions. Plan on a 5:30 p.m. departure and a 7:30 return.

Feb 8 Free Uac Avalanche Awareness Talk

Fri

Meet: 7:00 pm at Kirkham's Outdoor Products, 3125 South State St., South Salt Lake UT 84115

Organizer: Bryan Smail 801-486-4161

This multi-media talk has an exciting 15-minute video on avalanches plus a 1/2hr. PowerPoint on how to stay alive in avalanche terrain including terrain, snow stability, safe travel and rescue. 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 those who attend Kirkhams will be offering a 20% coupon for all avalanche related equipment good for 1 week from the date of the clinic.

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Feb 9 Snowshoe: Silver Fork - ntd

Sat

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

Organizer: Gretchen Siegler 801-661-5635 gsiegler@westminstercollege.edu

Gretchen is leading today's NTD snowshoe in Silver Fork Canyon. The group will meet at 6200 S Wasatch at 9am. The group will arrange to carpool to the upper part of the Silver Fork Lodge parking lot where Gretchen will meet them and everyone will sign in. Dress in layers and bring your 10 E's.

Feb 9 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat

Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 10 Snowshoe: Little Black Mountain - mod

Sun 🔥

Meet: 9:00 am at Terrace Hills Trailhead

Organizer: Carrie Clark and Rick Gamble 801-931-4739 dr_carolyn@yahoo.com

Join Carrie and Rick on a hike or snowshoe to Little Black Mountain today. Depending on the snow cover you may want to bring Yak trax, microspikes and / or snowshoes. Meet at 1027 Terrace Hills Drive (84103). To get to Terrace Hills take 11th Avenue to Terrace Hills Drive (890 East).

Feb 10 Afternoon Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sun

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

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

Jean will lead an afternoon snowshoe to a destination suitable for the conditions. Beginners are welcome. Bring your 10 E's and dress in layers for your comfort.

Feb 11 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Foothill Blvd Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Mon

Meet: 5:30 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. Trailhead is at or near

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

Julie will select another route above Foothill Boulevard near the "H" rock. Yak trax, micro-spikes, or similar lightly studded footwear are required (these are short but very steep hikes). Bring a headlamp or flashlight, though we seldom need it when we have the stars, the moon, and city lights. Dogs ok if prepared for winter conditions. Plan on a 5:30 p.m. departure and a 7:30 return.

Feb 12 Snowshoe: Park City Environs - mod

Tue

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

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

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

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Feb 12 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at - mod+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 14 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Wasatch Boulevard Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu

Meet: 5:30 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard (Approximately 3000 South)

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

Julie will continue this series of winter weeknight hikes, choosing a route departing from the West Grandeur trailhead area. Yak trax, micro-spikes, or similar lightly studded footwear are required (these are very short but steep hikes). Bring a headlamp or flashlight. Dogs ok if prepared for winter conditions. Plan on a 5:30 p.m. departure and a 7:30 return.

Feb 14 Alpine Ski Tour - Substitute Leader Needed, Please Volunteer - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 16 Nordic Ski Tour: Middle Fork Of Blacks Fork (winter Camping) - msd - 38.0 mi Out & Back - 4250' ascent -

Sat - Moderate pace

Feb 18 Meet: Registration required

Mon

Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721

A 3-day/2-night exploratory winter ski camp towards Tokewanna Peak (13,000 ft.) via the Middle Fork Of Blacks Fork over President's Day Weekend. Winter access is from Meeks Cabin Reservoir (parking at 8,750 ft.) on the Wyoming border. This is a 3.5 hour drive from Salt Lake City via Evanston, WY. We will plan to set up a base camp a mile or two beyond the 3 forks (7-8 miles in). The ski towards the peak (20-24 miles RT) up the long drainage will require trail breaking with full day packs on Sunday. Total round-trip distance including the peak is 36 to 40 miles. Backcountry nordic (hybrid) skis/boots and 3-pin bindings work best. Proper winter clothing and gear is a must. Headlamp, beacon, shovel, and skins required. Pre-requisite: Previous winter camping experience and participation on a previous Uinta ski tour this season. Maximum of 6 (by February 9th).

Feb 16 Snowshoe: Cardiff Fork – ntd – Slow pace

Sat

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

Organizer: Barry Quinn 801-272-7097

Barry will lead a slower paced snowshoe in Cardiff Fork. Bring a snack or lunch. He will stick to safe areas with big trees (not venturing into the bowl). However, if you have avalance gear please bring it. It's always better to be safe.

Feb 16 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - mod

Sat

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

Organizer: Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 Agm1144@yahoo.com

Mohamed will pick a suitable destination to go on today's Mod snowshoe. Bring your 10 E's, beacon, shovel and probe. .

Feb 16 Nordic Ski Tour-Lily Lake Ski Trails - ntd - 8.0 mi Loop - 400' ascent - Slow pace

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com

The Lily Lake ski trials are a system south of Evanston along the Mirror Lake Highway. This day will be the 3rd or 4th annual 25th anniversary of the Bear River Outdoor Recreation Alliance (BRORA). In addition to nice trail skiing through the trees, there will be potluck food and drinks available at a warming hut and two of the Brora yurts. You can go as far and fast as you feel like going (although the closest yurt is 1-1/2 miles from the trail-head).

Feb 16 Boulder Utah Car Camp - ntd+

Sat – Meet: Registration required

Feb 18

Mon

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

Presidents Day weekend at Veranth's cabin in Boulder. February is unpredictable, but most years there is reasonable hiking on south-facing slickrock areas. If not, we can go snowshoeing up on Boulder mountain. The cabin provides indoor cooking and bathroom, dormitory accommodations in the garage, and plenty of tent sites and parking for camper vehicles. Contact me by email and I will put you on the list for updates at the time approaches.

Feb 16 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

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

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Feb 17 White Fir Pass Snowshoe - ntd - Out & Back

Sun

Meet: 9:00 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

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

White Fir Pass Snowshoe

Feb 17 Afternoon Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice - ntd

Sun

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

Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129

Join Robert for a pleasant afternoon snowshoe. He will meet at 1 pm. The destination will depend on the conditions of the day.

Feb 17 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 be leading today's MOD snowshoe group. He will choose a destination suited to the conditions of the day. Bring your beacon, probe, shovel, and 10 E's for this outing.

Feb 18 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Foothill Blvd Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Mon

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Feb 19 General Membership Meeting

Tue

Meet: 7:30 pm at Holladay Branch Library. 2150 East Murray Holladay Road

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

AGENDA: Election of 2013 Governing Board; General club updates. SPEAKERS: **Dave Pacheco, Wilderness Volunteers - upcoming trips.**Salt Lake County Sheriff' - Mount Olympus Trail - potential solutions for unprepared hikers on the mountain. Sorry - no refreshments due to library rules.

Feb 19 Snowshoe: Park City Environs - mod

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

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

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Feb 19 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at - mod+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Tue Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 21 Snowshoe And X/c Ski Bryce Canyon

Thu - Meet: 9:00 am at meeting @ Rubys Inn

Feb 24 Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

If you've heard how beautiful the red rock of Bryce is in the snow, but haven't ever been down there to see it, here's your chance- a mid winter snowshoe and or X/C ski tour to Bryce Canyon. We'll stay at the warm and cozy Rubys Inn, just outside the park, and take advantage of the fee free 30+ km of trails, which have a ski track and snowshoe space, both inside the park, and in the adjoining national forest. Plan to drive down thursday afternoon or evening, and spend two full days seeing and skiing the area, and returning home on sunday. Have to work Friday? Come down friday after work, and still get in saturday and another good hike on sunday before leaving. Free thursday? Come down early that day and get in an extra day exploring. There are lots of trails, including groomed track, and loop options, so you can go to see it all and get a workout, or you can just go to see it, and kick back and take advantage of the many amenities, including the spa, hot tub and indoor pool. This trip has been a huge hit the last two years. Half price rates @ Rubys Inn in this offseason make it an affordable getaway, on top of being one you won't forget. Sign up with Rick before making hotel reservations.

Feb 21 Alpine Ski Tour: Uac Backcountry 101 Avalanche Class – mod

Thu – Meet: 6:00 pm at Red Butte Garden

Feb 23 Organizer: Devin Dwyer devin@utahavalanchecenter.org

Evening Session: Thursday, January 3, 6-9PM,Red Butte Garden. Field Session: Saturday January 5, 8:30AM-5PM, Brighton Resort. Backcountry 101 is a designed for those new to the back country and those wanting a ground- up refresher. Heavy on practical, usable skills and local information, this is a great place to start building your avalanche skills. You will leave this class understanding the basics of safely travelling in avalanche terrain and sporting a great foundation for learning more. \$130.

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Thu

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Feb 21 Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu

Meet: Registration required

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

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Feb 23 Mount Olympus Winter Hike - msd - 7.5 mi Out & Back - 4200' ascent - Moderate pace

Sat

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

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

The Mount Olympus trail gets a lot of traffic, so some or all of the route can be well-packed if it has been a few days since the last snow storm. Depending on conditions, this hike could be anything from a MOD to an MSD. Some years the group makes the peak, some times it's no fun by blister hill. Micro-spikes, yak tracks or some variation of lightly studded footwear will be necessary.

Feb 23 Snowshoe: Pine Hollow To Tibble - mod

Sat

Meet: 9:00 am at Kohler's @ 5353 W 11000 N, Highland

Organizer: Andy Beard & Jude Elizondo 801-216-4597 judeelizondo@aol.com

Andy and Jude are shaking things up and leading a snowshoe in the South end of the valley today. They will meet at the Kohler's grocery store in Highland which is in the Southwest corner of the intersection of the Alpine Highway and the road to American Fork Canyon. The snowshoe is probably 7 to 8 miles round trip and will require a car shuttle. Come play in an area the club doesn't often explore on snowshoes!

Feb 23 Moonlight Ski- Albion Basin – ntd – 5.0 mi Loop – 900' ascent – Slow pace

Sat

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

Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com

Just a nice but cold excursion around Albion Basin in the Moonlight.

Feb 23 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at - mod+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

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

Show and go skiing on a variety of MOD and MOD+ terrain. Exact location TBD. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. Must be comfortable with various snow and weather conditions. Duration 5-7 hours. Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Feb 24 Snowshoe: Dog Lake - ntd+

Sun

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

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

Join Dave on a snowshoe to Dog Lake in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Dress in layers and bring your 10E's.

Feb 24 Snowshoe Mod Organizer's Choice – mod – Moderate pace

Sun

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

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

Depending on weather and snow conditions, Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or knick.sold@comcast.net) will take the group to a fun destination or perhaps today is a good day for a loop through the powder in the canyons. Come prepared for a little fun in the snow covered mountains and trees. Meet at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride at 9:00.

Feb 25 Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Foothill Blvd Area - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Mon

Meet: 5:30 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. Trailhead is at or near

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

Julie will select another route above Foothill Boulevard near the "H" rock. Yak trax, micro-spikes, or similar lightly studded footwear are required (these are short but very steep hikes). Bring a headlamp or flashlight, though we seldom need it when we have the stars, the moon, and city lights. Dogs ok if prepared for winter conditions. Plan on a 5:30 p.m. departure and a 7:30 return.

Feb 26 Snowshoe: Park City Environs - mod

Tue

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

Carpool: 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

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

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

Feb 26 Alpine Ski Tour, Tele/at – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Tue

Meet: Registration required

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

Show and go skiing on a variety of MOD and MOD+ terrain. Exact location TBD. Beacons, shovels, probes, skins & tele or AT gear and knowledge of their use required. This is not a beginning tour. Must be comfortable with various snow and weather conditions. Duration 5-7 hours. Reasonable but steady pace. Maximum group size of 10.

Feb 28 Yurt Snowshoe Trip In Idaho - mod

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Mar 3 Sun

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

The yurt is a short distance outside of Ketchum, Idaho. It features plenty of downhill and touring terrain plus great views of the Boulder Mountains. We will drive up on Thursday and spend one night in a hotel. Friday we will snowshoe our food, clothes and sleeping bags 4 miles into the yurt and spend two nights. The yurt is fully equipped with beds, complete kitchen, stoves, wood and a sauna. You must have avalanche safety gear and be knowledgable about traveling safely in avalanche terrain. Contact Deirdre for more information.

Feb 28 Canyoneering, Canoeing And Hotubbing - class I - 13.0 mi

Thu – *Meet:* Reg

Meet: Registration required

Mar 3 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Time for another annual classic- the first of March Canyoneering Canoeing Hot tubbing trip to the Black Canyon, down by Vegas. A wonderful getaway from winter weekend- spend it scrambling, canyoneering, canoeing and luxuriating in scenic backcountry hot tubs; leaving your snow boots and parkas home, and hanging out in your Tevas, T shirts and shorts. We will drive down thursday morning, check into our nice Hacienda Hotel, near Boulder Dam, at off season rates (last year we paid 19.99 for a room w/ 2 queens), and then drive over and check out the dam, and the stunning new bridge over the dam. After dinner together at the casino buffet, we will get our gear together for an early morning rollout to meet the outfitter who will be driving us through the national high security zone to the foot of the dam, where we will launch our rented canoes and kayaks. There is not much real canoeing involved, it is almost all flat water, we will spend the first night camped at the mouth of a canyon less than a mile from the put in, and then saturday morning meander another mile to a second exploratory canyon, where we will spend the day in an energetic and athletic climb/scramble up Boy Scout Canyon, before paddling another mile down to camp saturday night @ the third canyon, Arizona Hot Springs, with more hot springs and pools. Sunday morning we will paddle for 3 hours down to the takeout, where the outfitter picks us up and will bring us back to pick up our cars at the hotel, and then we will boogy for home sunday afternoon. Actually you'd better not plan on leaving all of your snow gear home- a couple of years ago, after kicking back in our swim suits all weekend, coming home we ran into a major blizzard around Beaver, and struggled around vehicles parked on the shoulders and in the barrow pits, before we made it back home. It is still winter. Here. The fee for the 3 day canoe rental, the 17\$ per person launch fee and the launch and pick up shuttles comes to \$80 per person. I had to pay half of this to get the reservations, so a \$40 nonrefundable deposit is required to get onto this trip. This trip is full with a long wait list.

Feb 28 Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark - mod- - Out & Back - Moderate pace

Thu Meet: Registration required

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

THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons and dependent on weather and snow conditions. Start at 9:00 A.M. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your equipment. To participate you must have a beacon, shovel, probe and the knowledge of how to use them. Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 8. If you are new to BC skiing, please call to discuss whether you have the experience and are prepared for the tour.

Mar 5 **Boating Season Planning Party: Permit Lottery Results**

Tue

Meet: 6:30 pm at Mount Olympus Presbyterian Church - 3280 E 3900 S

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

We will meet on Tuesday, March 5 to pool our hard-won river permits and pay any remaining fees. New boaters are welcome. Whether or not you were lucky enough to have won a permit, come to this meeting so we can put together our season's trips. Pizza, drinks & dessert will be provided (gluten-free, too).

Mar 7 Black Canyon Canoeing Trip - class I - 13.0 mi

Thu – Meet: Registration required

Mar 10 Grandleski 801

Sun Organizer: Zig Sondelski 801-292-8332 zig.sondelski@gmail.com

Once again, there is enough demand to have a second Black Canyon canoeing-canyoneering-hot tubbing trip. This trip is the second weekend in March. Black Canyon is south of Las Vegas on the Colorado River below Hoover Dam. As Rick describes the trip "A wonderful getaway from winter weekend - spend it hiking, scrambling, canoeing and luxuriating in scenic hot tubs, leaving your snow boots and parkas home and hanging out in your Tevas, T shirts and shorts." We will drive down Thursday morning, check into the Hacienda Hotel near Boulder Dam, then check out the dam and the new bridge over the canyon. After dinner together at the casino buffet, we will get our gear together for an early Friday morning rollout to meet the outfitter who will be driving us through the national high security zone to the foot of the dam, where we will launch our rented canoes. On Friday and Saturday we spend most of our time exploring side canyons and hot springs with short stretches in our canoes between them. On Sunday morning we will paddle and explore for 3 hours down to the takeout (Willow Beach), where the outfitter picks us up and brings us back to our cars at the hotel. We will drive home Sunday. Plan on temperatures from the 40's at night to 90's in the day. Canoes carry a fair amount of gear so it is almost like car camping. We will be renting a van for some of the people. This is one of the easiest trips we do so there will be opportunities for people to get involved and learn about organizing trips. Sign up soon because NPS permits are required with your name on them and we have learned that they go fast.

Mar 7 Hike Season Planning/pizza Party!

Thu Meet: 6:30 pm at Rocky Mountain Pizza Company 3977 South Wasatch Boulevard Next to Dans 6:00 to 8:00

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

Join your hiking directors for an organizers planning party and pizza! Whether you are a well seasoned veteran organizer or thinking about organizing your first activity, come share your thoughts and ideas as we launch the 2013 hiking/camping/backpacking season. Pizza on us. Beverages available for purchase. Please RSVP by e-mail or voice mail so the restaurant can arrange the appropriate meeting space and quantity of pizza.

Mar 10 Nordic Ski Tour-mill D North Fork To Mill Creek - mod+ - 12.0 mi Loop - 3300' ascent - Slow pace

Sun Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com

We will spot a car or two at the top of the Mill Creek road, then go back down to the 6200 South ParkNRide to catch the bus up Big Cottonwood Canyon. We will get off at Spruces, go up Mill D to Lake Desolation, climb up on the ridge above the lake, then go north along the ridge until we find a good place to drop into Mill Creek Basin. We will then go down the basin and the canyon to the car(s) we spotted in the morning.

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.

Mar 15 Sing-a-long And Pot Luck At Randy Long's Home

Fri

Meet: 6:30 pm at Randy Long's home at 8610 Kings Hill Drive. Directions are included in the event description

Organizer: Randy Long, Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 801-733-9367 or 301-461-0161 fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Randy Long has offered to host our March 15th 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. Randy's home is at 8610 Kings Hill Drive in Cottonwood Heights. DIRECTIONS: Take Wasatch Blvd south to approximately 8300 south and make a left turn (just past fire station on left) on Kings Hill Drive. Continue south to Randy's home at 8610. 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 up by 10 PM. For questions or additional information contact Randy Long at 801-733-9367 or Fred Tripp at 301-461-0161 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Mar 16 Nordic Ski Tour: Glide The Divide (co/wy) – msd – 27.0 mi Loop – Fast pace

Sat

Meet: Registration required

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

Cross-country skiing. The Steamboat Springs (CO) Nordic Council sponsors the 9th Annual 'Glide the Divide' (www.glidethedivide.com). It was named after 17th century French Canadian traders or "woods runners". The 15k, 45 k marathon (27 mi.), and 90k ultramarathon (55 mi.) ski tour/race (classic/skate) starts near Hahn's Peak Village (a national historic site). The loop courses traverse through the Routt and Medicine Bow National Forests along the continental divide and are groomed by a diehard crew for the day of the race only. For strong intermediate to advanced cross-country skiers with knowledge of competitive ski waxing techniques. The wellstocked aid stations are manned by eccentric locals. Cowboys/girls hand out provisions (complete with Charlie Daniels Band music) at the Little Red Park aid station chuckwagon for the 90k/45k. The 90k upper loop extends across the Wyoming border and back. Word has it that the aid stations become even more curious on the 90k loop through Whisky Park. The 90k/45k routes also feature the 'Good Times Feed and Espresso Bar' aid station on Farwell ('Live Free or Die') Pass before the long final descent behind Hahn's Peak. Reasonable room rates are available in downtown Steamboat. The Old Town Pub provides good buffalo burgers and microbrew. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day (weekend) in Colorado. The driving distance via U.S. 40/Vernal is the same as for Jackson Hole. NTD to EXT based on distance. Early registration ends FEBRUARY 28th, 2013. Please contact organizer by March 3rd for carpool arrangements.



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Mar 30 Nordic Ski Tour: Kings Peak - msd - 32.0 mi Out & Back - 4500' ascent - Fast pace

Sat Meet: 5:00 pm at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way

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

The 40th KPT, hosted by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 29th) at the Henry's Fork Snow-Parking area and get under way very early on Saturday morning. We meet for car pooling (optional) at the Walmart parking area on Parleys Way about 5:00 pm and leave NLT 5:30 pm for Evanston and JB's restaurant which is just a couple of long blocks from the first exit to Evanston (#3) on the right side as you approach town. It is next to the Days Inn. Registration is not required. Headlamps are mandatory (double check that they work and that the batteries are fresh). Lots of water (2-3 liters) and protection from facing directly into the sun for most of the day is also important. Standard backcountry touring gear is best. Climbing skins are often handy but not essential. We generally leave the skis at Gunsight Pass and climb the peak on foot so Vibram-type soles on your boots are usually helpful if the snow is hard. it will be a long day as we start before dawn and usually end after dark. It's not at all necessary to summit however to enjoy the ski touring in this lovely, gentle drainage and normally at least 2/3 turn around short of the peak. Elkhorn crossing is a good scenic NTD destination used by many. Gunsight Pass, 5 miles farther, is MOD+ and gives wonderful views. Gunsight Pass is the standard turn around place for most and for ALL that arrive after 2:00 pm. The summit is MSD+ chiefly because of the length of the day and the steep climb of the peak at the end. Mandatory turnaround is 4:00 pm no matter where you are on the route. We carry out ALL waste paper including TP so carry a plastic bag and plan for it. For additional information call Steve at 801-272-5750 or Larry at 801-583-4043. We will start out no matter what the weather as the trip to the basin is sheltered and makes a nice ski tour even in stormy weather. We want everyone to go up and back down on the same route (the creek route is normal) for safety reasons so check with Larry or Steve if you plan to leave extra early or ski in the night before for a higher camp.

Apr 20 Majestic Mojave Springtime Sojourn Car Camp – mod

Sat – Meet: Registration required

Apr 28 Sun

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

Explore America's most extreme desert. Travel through Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area outside of Vegas, cruise through the Mojave National Preserve, and return through Death Valley National Park. We will hike through areas steeped in amazing geology, biology, and history. Expect to see wildflowers, waterfalls, and tree covered peaks that defy the conventional view of the desert.

May 13 River Trip Planing Meeting-beginners Trip

Mon

Meet: 6:30 pm at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

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

This meeting is mandatory if you want to go on the May 17-19 Beginners Boating Trip. At this mandatory meeting we will cover logistics for the trip including forming meal teams, meal planning, gear you will need, vehicle and trailer arrangements, costs, and of course answer questions. You must contact the organizer to get on this trip. This trip always fills and there will be a waiting list. Don't think you can show up at the planning meeting and get on this trip, you must register with the organizer.

If you're a prospective member, feel free to join one or two activities to see if you like it!

Please be sure to notify the activity organizer ahead of time.

May 17 Bbq Potluck And Sing-a-long At Dudley Mcilhenny's Home

Fri

Meet: 6:00 pm at 1459 E 3900 South - Directions are in the description.

Organizer: Dudley McIlhenny or Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 801-733-7740 or 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 on Friday, May 17th. Plan to join us at 6:00 p.m. and we'll have some coals going for the BBQ. Plan to cook your own entree (hamburger, hot dogs, steak, ribs or ??) on the grill. Please also bring something to share (appetizer, salad, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. Space is very limited inside so we will be outdoors on the spacious patio. Please bring a chair (camp or card table) to ensure adequate seating. Also bring a sweater or jacket as it may get cooler after sunset. Following the potluck dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long -think folk music, campfire songs, songs from Broadway musicals, joke songs, etc. We usually start with "This Land is Your Land" and end up with "Happy Trails To You". Acoustic instruments are welcome. 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 301-461-0161 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 White Water Rafting Beginners' Trip Green River Daily – class II – 9.0 mi

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

May 19 Sun

Organizer: Zig Sondelski 801-230-3623 zig.sondelski@gmail.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, inflatable kayaks, canoes and hardshell kayaks which you can try out. Anybody got a SUP (stand up paddleboard)? 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 on Friday). The mandatory planning meeting will be at 6:30pm Monday May 13th at the boat shed. Zig Sondelski & Donnie Benson are the current organizers. Call or email them if you have questions or to sign up. You must contact the organizer to get on this trip. This trip always fills and there will be a waiting list. Don't think you can show up at the planning meeting and get on this trip, you must register with the organizer.

Jun 15 Grand Canyon Rafting Trip - Class Iii, Iv - class IV - 225.0 mi

Sat – Meet: Registration required

Jun 30 Sun

Organizer: Mark Grosser 801-953-6950 markjgrosser@yahoo.com

This is 16-day non-motorized trip. We may take out at Pearce Ferry, which would extend the trip a few days beyond 6/30. We will travel down river in a spirit of discovery, fun, adventure, teamwork, sharing, and friendship, with a close eye on safety. If interested in joining please contact Mark at the email provided. Space is limited and the following contributions will be prioritized: knowledge/experience with GC rapids; general river skills including safety, rescue, and camping; familiarity with special places to hike/explore along the river-way; compatibility with the group; suitable raft and ability to carry other passengers; trailer that can carry gear over-and-above your own; strong rowing ability but willing to also be a passenger (for bench depth); interpretive skills. Which of the above are most important will shift based on the evolving composition of the group.

Jun 21 Bbq Potluck And Sing-a-long At Judene Shelley's Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at 9847 S 2900 E, Sandy - Directions are in the description.

Organizer: Judene Shelley or Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 978-223-0640 or 435-649-4507 or cell: 301 461-0161 j.shelley@comcast.net or fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Judene Shelley has offered her home and yard for a potluck BBQ and a Sing-A-Long. Plan to join us at 6:30 p.m. and we'll have the grill going for the BBQ. Plan to cook your own entree (hamburger, hot dogs, steak, ribs or ??) on the grill. Please also bring something to share (appetizer, salad, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. Bring a sweater or jacket as it may get cooler after sunset if we stay outside for the singing. However, if the weather is bad or it gets too chilly we will be inside. Following the potluck BBQ dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long -think folk music, campfire songs, songs from Broadway musicals, joke songs, etc. We usually start with "This Land is Your Land" and end up with "Happy Trails To You". Acoustic instruments are welcome. DIREC-TIONS: Take I-15 exit onto 9000 South and proceed east. 9000 S will curve south and become 9400 S and just after Highland Drive it becomes S Little Cottonwood Road. Take a right turn onto Mt. Jordan Road and a left onto 9800 S then right onto 2900 E to 9847. From the east side take Wasatch Blvd south to a right turn onto E Little Cottonwood Road. Turn left onto E 9800 S and left onto 2900 E to 9847. 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 our hostess Judene at 978-223-0640 or email at j.shelley@comcast.net or Fred Tripp at 435-649-4507 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at Frankbernard55@earthlink.net. Be sure to add your name to our email list to receive updates for this and future Sing-A-Longs. Just go the WMC web site: Click on Member Menu; Click on EMAIL LIST SUBSCRIBE & UNSUBSCRIBE; Log In, follow the directions to subscribe and select the "SOCIAL" category. When finished return to Member Menu and Log Off.

Jun 26 Payette 4th Of July River Trip Planing Meeting

Wed

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

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

You must make this meeting to go on the trip. At this meeting we will iron out the logistics for this trip, including vehicle and trailer arrangements, and food groups to plan the menus and purchase the foods for the trip.

Jul 4 July 4th White Water Rafting Party – class III

Thu –

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

Jul 7 Sun

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The clubs annual 4th of July Payette extravaganza will start by driving up to Boise on Thursday, the 4th of July. After a short shopping stop at the local Sierra Trading Post, and dinner in town, we will proceed to set up camp in the very nice Hot Springs forest service group campsite, and then head over to Crouch to join in on their raucous 4th of July festivities, a wild party that must be experienced to be believed. Friday we will do two day runs on the Main Payette. Saturday we will run the beautiful high alpine and somewhat more rambunctious Cabarton section of the North Fork. Then we will drive home on Sunday. 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. 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 a week earlier, on Wednesday June 26th @ 700pm at the boat shed, which is at 4340 South Commerce Dr. (300 west) just up the street from the McDonalds. A \$50 nonrefundable deposit will be required to get your name on the list for this trip.

Nov 15 Potluck Dinner And Sing-a-long At Judene Shelley's Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at 9847 S 2900 E, Sandy - Directions are in the description.

Organizer: Judene Shelley or Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard 978-223-0640 or 435-649-4507 or cell: 301 461-0161 j.shelley@comcast.net or fredgtripp@gmail.com or frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Judene Shelley has offered to host a potluck dinner and a Sing-A-Long on Friday, the 15th. Plan to join us at 6:30 p.m. and please bring something to share (appetizer, salad, entree, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. Following the potluck dinner we'll have a Sing-A-Long -think folk music, campfire songs, songs from Broadway musicals, joke songs, etc. We usually start with "This Land is Your Land" and end up with "Happy Trails To You". Acoustic instruments are welcome. DIRECTIONS: Take I-15 exit onto 9000 South and proceed east. 9000 S will curve south and become 9400 S and just after Highland Drive it becomes S Little Cottonwood Road. Take a right turn onto Mt. Jordan Road and a left onto 9800 S then right onto 2900 E to 9847. From the east side take Wasatch Blvd south to a right turn onto E Little Cottonwood Road. Turn left onto E 9800 S and left onto 2900 E to 9847. 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 our hostess Judene at 978-223-0640 or email at j.shelley@comcast.net 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.

Dec 6 Social: Pot Luck Dinner And Sing-a-long At La Rae And Bart Bartholomas' Home

Fri Meet: 6:30 pm at 5904 S. Tolcate Woods Lane - Directions are in the description.

Organizer: La Rae and Bart Bartholoma, Fred Tripp or Frank Bernard La Rae or Bart at 801-277-4093 or Fred at 301-461- La Rae or Bart at bartbartholoma@netscape.net or Fred at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at fr

DECEMBER 6 - FRIDAY: HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG AND POT LUCK DINNER, definitely NTD. Come and bolster the holiday spirit at a potluck dinner and Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long. We'll meet at 6:30 PM at La Rae and Bart Bartholoma's home for appetizers with pot luck dinner to follow. Turkey, Ham and Pumpkin Pie have already been offered, so please bring a nice appetizer or a dinner side dish/salad/dessert to share with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. 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: 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 (before the underpass.) 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.) Questions or would like more information call La Rae or Bart Bartholoma at 801-277-4093 or email bartbartholoma@netscape.net or Fred Tripp at 301-461-0161 or email at fredgtripp@gmail.com or Frank Bernard at frankbernard55@earthlink.net

The Wasatch Mountain Club has a vibrant boating program and owns boats and gear to fully equip club boating trips. The club schedules a wide variety of trips from daily runs to weeklong river trips. Trips range in intensity from serene flat-water canoe trips to challenging class IV-V whitewater.



The Wasatch Mountain Club, formed in 1920, is an organization of outdoor enthusiasts who engage in recreational activities as well as social gatherings and conservation efforts.

Check out our activities calendar and join us for an adventure!

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
- Conservation pursuits

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

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.

SNOWSHOES FOR SALE, NEW MSR vincedesimone@yahoo.com 435-649-6805

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SANDY CITY - 10600 SOUTH 230 WEST

Avalanche Awareness: Know Before You Go, Tuesday, February 12th, 7pm

This popular, multi-media talk includes an exciting 15-minute video on avalanche safety 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 a representative of the Utah Avalanche Center. Ages 12 and older. 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.

SALT LAKE CITY - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

How to Select a GPS, Tuesday, February 5th, 7pm

During this class you will receive a simple and non-technical overview of how the GPS system works, features common to handheld trail units, and an explanation of map download options and their use.

7 Easy Raptors Everyone Should Know, Thursday, February 7th, 7pm

Join Hawkwatch International to learn how to better identify 7 common raptors seen in our area. Have you ever been enjoying a wonderful winter activity, seen a beautiful raptor flying overhead, and wondered what it was? Join us for this classroom presentation and PowerPoint to learn how to identify the most common raptors along the Wasatch Front. HawkWatch International's Education and Outreach Director Nikki Wayment will help you discover the beauty of raptors and how to begin distinguishing them from one another. Hawkwatch will also raffle off a copy of "Hawks At A Distance: Identification of Migrant Raptors" by Jerry Liguori. This program is appropriate for ages 8 and older.

The Science of Avalanches, Tuesday, February 12th, 7pm REI

Presentation by Bruce Tremper, long-time Director of the Utah Avalanche Center and author of Staying Alive in Avalanche Terrain. The talk has been very popular for many years because it covers the geeky side of avalanches in a simple, understandable way. Designed for students who already have a good grasp of avalanche basics but want to know why avalanches behave the way they do. Bruce explains complex, scientific concepts in simple ways using models, graphics and simple explanations for the non-scientist. Bruce will NOT cover basic avalanche subjects like terrain, rescue, safe-travel or other basic subjects. Ages 14 and older.

Ski - Snowboard Waxing Basics, Thursday, February 14th, 7pm

Taking care of your skis/board will help you have a great time on the slopes. This class will focus on a wide variety of subjects including base preparation: structure, major and minor repair and stone grinding. Our expert technician will also go into an in-depth examination of how and why waxes work. You do not need to bring your personal skis or snowboard to this class.

The History of Save Our Canyons, Thursday, February 28th, 7pm

Alexis Kelner is one of the founders of Save Our Canyons and noted ski historian and one of the modern pioneers of backcountry skiing in Utah. He has a keen knowledge of the Wasatch and brings us a unique perspective of skiing in Utah and its history. Alexis is on the board of Save Our Canyon and has also been an active board member of the Wasatch Mountain Club. He is the author of "Skiing in Utah, a History" and coauthor with David Hanscom of the backcountry skiing guides "Wasatch I, Wasatch II and Wasatch III".

CLASSES: GPS Navigation Basics, Thurs., February 21st, 6:00-8:00pm, REI Salt Lake City

We will review the features to consider when choosing a receiver and introduce you to some of the fun and practical applications of using a GPS unit. At session end, you will get hands-on experience with a GPS. If you own a GPS unit, please bring it to the class. This is an in-store class. Limited to 18 participants. Cost \$20 REI members, \$40 non-members.

