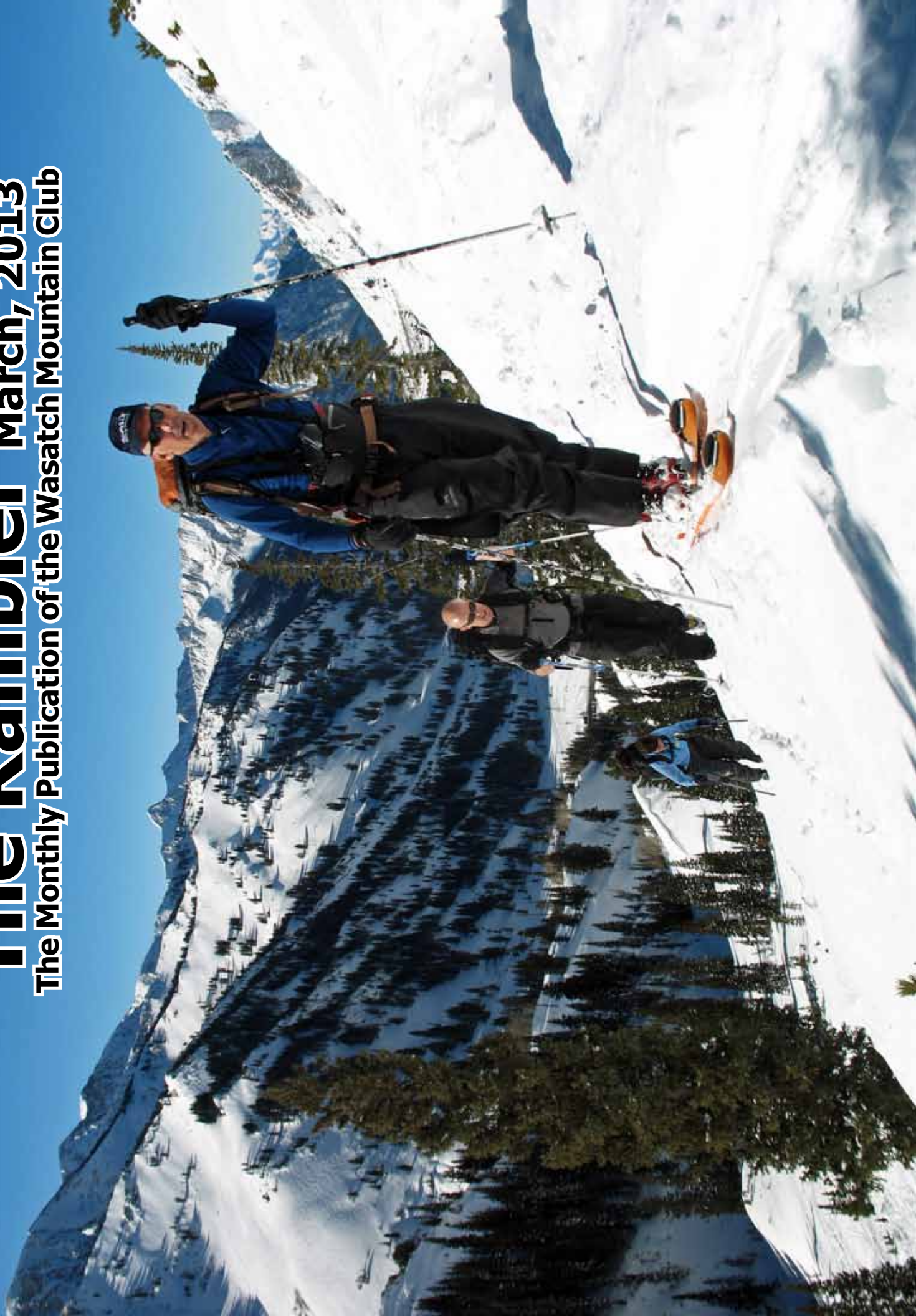


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and Sue Berg**

**Robert Myers Ski Tour
from Alta to East Bowl of Silver Fork
using UTA Bus system both ways**

January 17, 2013



To achieve a high quality printed Rambler, I have been advised by our publisher to please avoid using camera phones to produce your pictures. Despite the high quality of the newer phones, when you start resizing the pictures, the quality drastically diminishes.

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.

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Are You Relying On Your Trip Organizer For Avalanche Safety?



Deirdre Flynn, Snowshoeing Coordinator

We have many fine organizers in the WMC, but did you know that they are not guides? They are club members, just like you, who have volunteered and taken on the responsibility of organizing a trip. Perhaps a little clarification of roles will help.

Organizers are responsible for planning the destination and the general route, helping people understand what the outing involves so they can decide for themselves if they should be on the trip, making sure everyone signs the release form, getting everyone to the trailhead, and making sure everyone returns at the end. Organizing requires no more avalanche skill than participating. What it does require are organizing skills and knowledge of the area.

Participants should be responsible for their own safety by taking the proper gear, checking avalanche reports, assessing the route and conditions and participating in group decision making. You may have a different risk tolerance than others on the trip. This needs to be talked through and you need to make the best decision for yourself. Participants also have a responsibility to judge their own fitness and preparedness for an activity.

The group should be working as a team to assess conditions and make decisions for safe travel. The less knowledgeable can learn from the more knowledgeable, but everyone's opinion matters and everyone should have some knowledge. Further, conditions can change throughout the day and are variable in different areas – especially in winter. It is difficult to accurately predict the safety of a given route in the parking lot. You make your best decision based on the information you have (experience, avalanche report), but then re-assess as you travel and modify accordingly. Groups need to watch for signs of instability and make judgment calls as they proceed. Wind loading, new storm snow, daytime heat, among other factors, can change what was a safe route into a potentially dangerous path. This takes coordinated communication by all participants.

To help reinforce these responsibilities I have decided that for MOD or higher snowshoes the following statement will be included in the write up: "Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment." Not all MOD snowshoes involve risk and some NTD snowshoes do, but as a general rule of thumb MOD snowshoes pass through or near more risky terrain than NTD outings.

You should always inquire with the organizer if in doubt.

Note: more guidelines and responsibilities for participants and organizers are listed on the club website.

PRE-SEASON BIKING MEETING/SOCIAL PIZZA PARTY

Riders All...come join us for our annual bicycling planning pizza party on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, at Rocky Mountain Pizza. We'll begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. because the meeting room is only available to us for 2 hours. We had a great turnout last year which really helped us have a great bicycling season! Let's do it again this year! Come express your desires for the new season!

Organizer: Robert Turner
Phone: 801-467-1129
Email: r46turner@gmail.com
Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2013
Meeting Place: Rocky Mountain Pizza - 3977 South Wasatch Boulevard, SLC
Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.



BOATING SEASON PLANNING PARTY

Rafters

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.

Canoes

Duckies

Winter's snow is summer's white water

BOATING DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

By Zig Sondelski

March 5th Planning Party, Black Canyon Hot Springs, More Permits, Training

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 we can provide is a willingness to share our permits, to participate in training, to help out with river trips and to improve our skills. New and experienced boaters are welcome to join in the fun and to sign up for river trips. As of Rambler submittal time, we have permits for two Main Salmon trips (mid and late July) and one Middle Fork Salmon (mid June). Results for the Lodore, Yampa and San Juan aren't back yet. Sign up on the WMC boating email for updates.

We are not done applying for permits!! Starting on Friday, March 1 from 8 a.m. to noon, we will need teams of people phoning in for back-to-back Saturday and Sunday Split Mountain permits for a second beginner trip. Other phone-in permit requests after March 15 will be discussed at the March 5 meeting. More details about this went out in a boating email. We will be having members applying for camping permits for both Ruby/Horse Thief and Alpine Canyons, also good beginner trips.

As you are reading this, 14 canoers are soaking in a hot spring in the Black Canyon of the Colorado River below Hoover Dam. It makes for a nice break from winter. The first trip was in 2006 and was led by Mike Budig. This year is the first year that we have three trips going and could have had two more for the size of the wait list. One of our goals for this year is to train more organizers and have more of these trips in 2014. This is one of the easier trips to organize. Remember that the best ways to get on a river trip is to be the organizer or permit holder.

Consider signing up for one of our beginner boating trips. Our first one is scheduled for May 17–19 on the Green River in Grey Canyon, near the town of Green River, Utah. Contact Zig to sign up. We expect to have other beginner trips, depending on what permits we can get and organizer schedules. Watch the Rambler and calendar and sign up on the WMC boating email list to stay informed.

We have a good start on the training program this season. Thanks to all of those who volunteered and have yet to volunteer for the training committee. The most important training will be for trip organizers and participants. There will be training in meal planning, transportation, finance, kitchen gear, safety and equipment, to name a few. There will also be mentoring, along with the organizer training. The other main training will be paddling (or rowing) different types of boats. The first lesson is that what to do with the paddle is one-sixth of what there is to know about operating a boat. What are the other five?

Next up will be reestablishing a trip committee for which we are looking for volunteers. No previous experience is necessary and we would like some people with experience as well. There will be OJT and training and mentoring. If you want to know more about the boating group, the activities and the people involved, try this for a while. Contact Zig to volunteer.

Each season, we want to run one or two river trips that are farther away in Colorado, New Mexico, Northern Idaho, California, Oregon and even farther (Alaska, the rest of the U.S. and South America). The idea is to schedule these so that every year, there is an opportunity to do some different rivers. These trips would be repeated every five or more years.

PS: I've gotten some colorful information about Bill Viavant, who attracted my attention because of the donation he made to the boating group at some time in the distant past. I saw some photos of him at the WMC lodge, sitting in the old truck at the gold camp along the Main Salmon. I will be gathering more information in the future to come up with an article. Contact Zig if you have some history to share.

HIKING DIRECTORS' MESSAGE
ORGANIZERS' HIKING/CAMPING/BACKPACKING
PRE-SEASON PLANNING PIZZA PARTY

Thursday, March 7th, Rocky Mountain 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.

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

- Mentoring new organizers
- Expanding MOD offerings
- Exploring post-activity social activities
- Importance of accurate activity write-ups
- Managing large or diverse groups
- Mt. Oly/West Grandeur Trailhead Team Support
- WMC/Community Partnerships
- Trail Maintenance Priorities
- Evening hikes
- Wilderness First Aid

We've reserved a room from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Rocky Mountain Pizza Company which is located at 3977 South Wasatch Boulevard. Pizza on us. Beverages available for purchase.

Please RSVP to Julie by e-mail (jk@wasatch-environmental.com) or voice mail (801-244-3323) so the restaurant can arrange the appropriate meeting space and quantity of pizza.

Julie Kilgore and Liz Cordova – Hiking Co-Directors

Mark Blumenthal – Evening Hike Coordinator

Dave Andrenyak – Trails Coordinator

Will McCarvill – Conservation Director

Hiking is one of the WMC's most popular activities. Join us for fabulous hikes up to mountaintops, alpine lakes or forest loops. Or come with us on a backpack or car camping trip. Hikes are organized at different levels of difficulty and cover different distances so everyone can find the right level of enjoyment. Hike organizers are all WMC members and volunteers.



Group enjoying the treats



Group enjoying the conversations and the day

Phyllis Anderson and Vince DeSimone in full costume

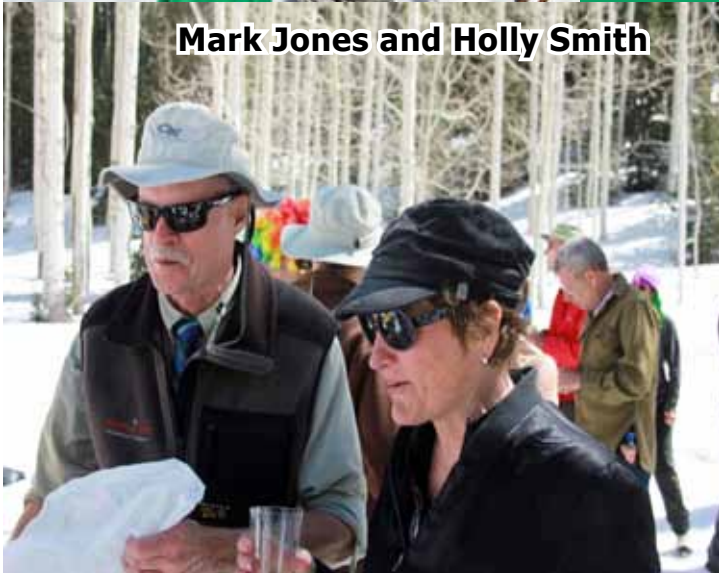


Snowshoe - Gourmet Social at Willow Lake

March 30, 2013

It's time for the annual gourmet snowshoe. Your hosts are Mark Jones (801-410-4163), Holly Smith (801-272-5358), and Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669). Rated NTD for exercise and EXT for kitchen skills. Join your fellow club members for an easy snowshoe followed by some fine dining - a highlight of the snowshoeing season. Wear a costume if you wish to celebrate the end of another great season and the coming of spring. Black tie and costumes are optional. Meet at 10 a.m. at the 6200 South & Wasatch Park-n-Ride and carpool to the Willow Lake trailhead. Bring a gourmet dish to share and don't forget the wine to toast the coming of spring. Bring your shovel to help make a table. Skiers are welcome, too!

Mark Jones and Holly Smith



Barb Hanson in costume to celebrate the end of a great season



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.

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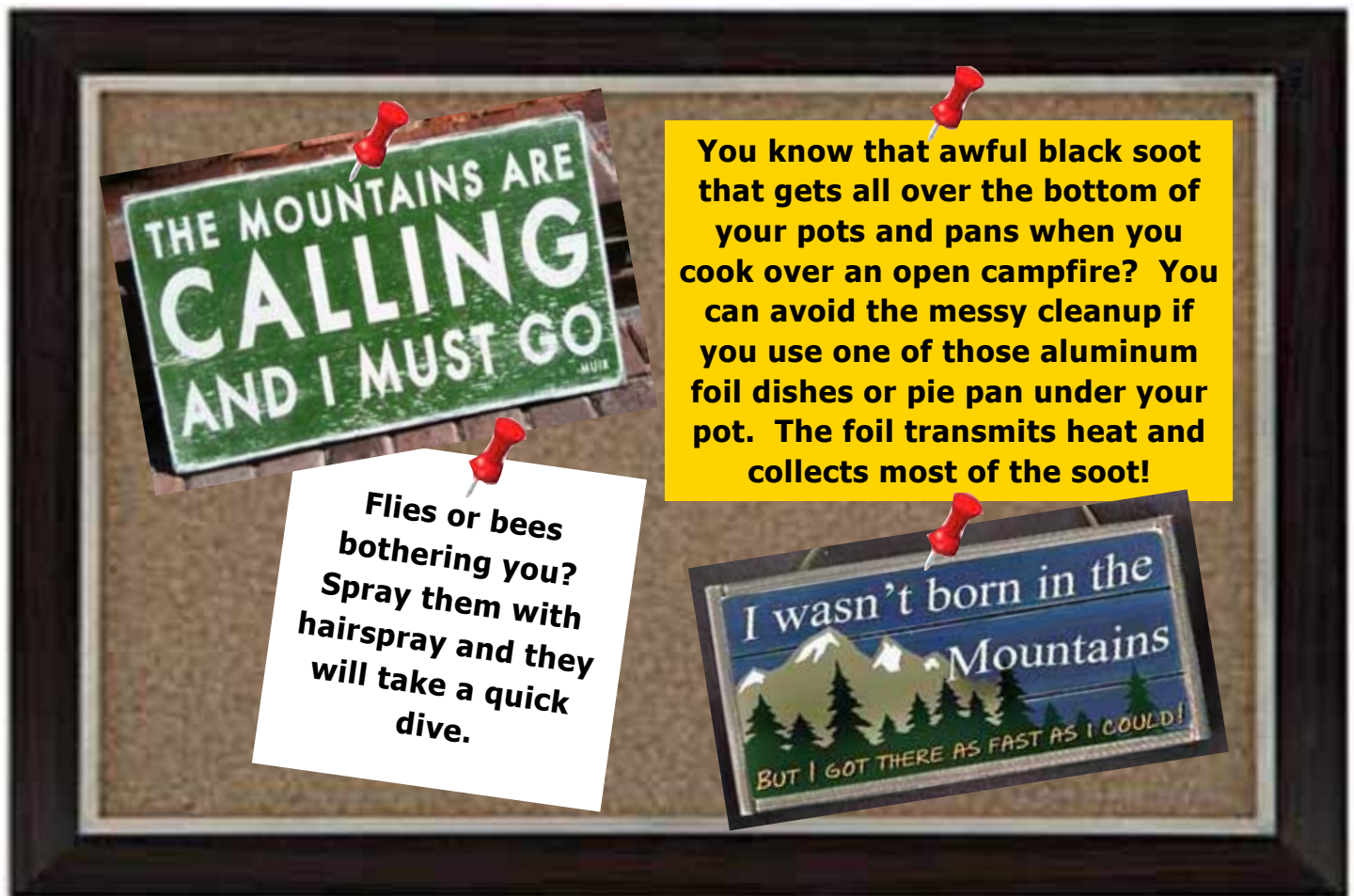


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Little Water Peak

Snowshoe

L-R: Dave (nearest), Mark, Leslie and Mohamed leading the way (near the tree). Reynolds Peak is just left of center.

January 3, 2013

Above the smog!

Jim: All participants made it to Little Water Peak on a beautiful springlike day (unconcerned with the Superbowl). Participants: Mohamed Abdallah, Mark McKenzie, Leslie Woods, Eric Somer, Carol Masheter and Dave Andrenyak.

*Photos by Jim Kucera
and Carol Masheter*

Little Water Peak is located near the upper east end of the ridge dividing Mill Creek Canyon on the north from Big Cottonwood Canyon on the south. The peak is easily accessible from either of these canyons. The peak lies a short distance to the east of Dog Lake, a popular summer hiking and mountain biking destination.

During the summer hiking season Little Water Peak makes for an easy non-technical hike which can be completed in a couple of hours or less, an ideal summit destination for casual hikers. In the winter the peak and surrounding area is a very popular destination for backcountry skiers, and also makes an excellent objective for winter snowshoeing, particularly when avalanche danger might make attempts at larger nearby peaks ill-advised.

The peak is a close neighbor of Reynolds Peak, which lies approximately 1.25 miles to the southwest, on the opposite side of Dog Lake. The summit offers excellent views of all the summits comprising the Big Cottonwood Canyon ridge to the south, and of the Brighton and Solitude ski areas.



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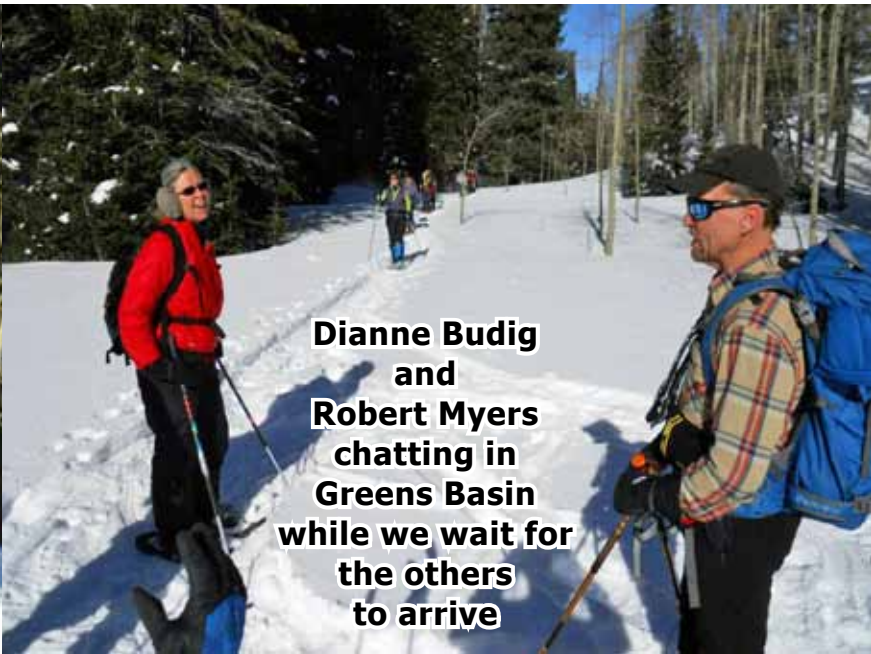
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**Some of the group enjoying
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**Dianne Budig
and
Robert Myers
chatting in
Greens Basin
while we wait for
the others
to arrive**

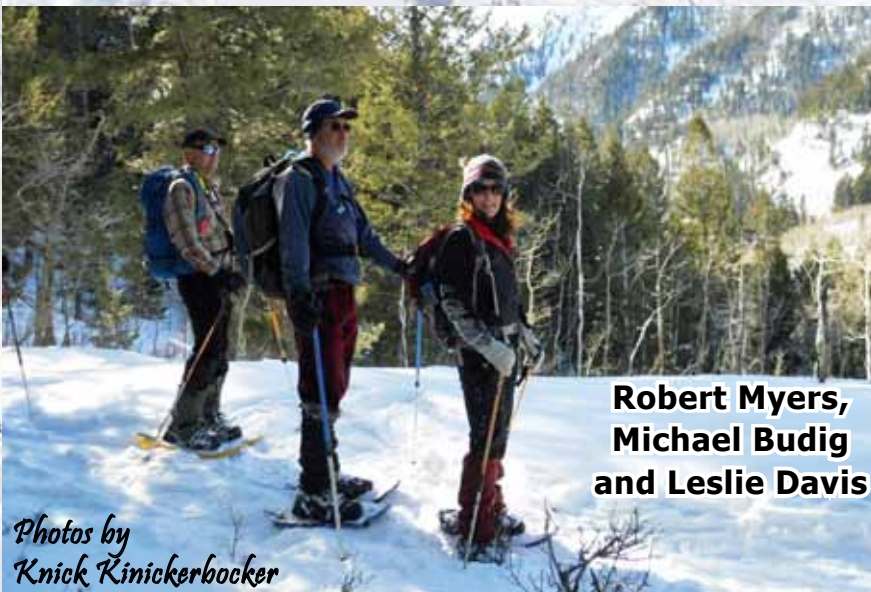
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**Dustin Gilbert
smiling
ear-to-ear
tells it all.....**



**Our group enjoyed some welcome sunshine and a snack
before we head out to plunge down through the trees**



**Robert Myers,
Michael Budig
and Leslie Davis**

*Photos by
Knick Kinickerbocker*

Pete's Rock

Commemorative Sign is Up!



On January 12, 2013, the Wasatch Mountain Club, in partnership with Salt Lake County and the O'Dell Petersen family, hosted the dedication in the parking lot of the Mount Olympus trailhead. Mother Nature arranged for the inversion to move out, but the trade-off was a whopping snowstorm. Salt Lake County came to the rescue with a snowplow and salt truck so the group of 30 could get into the parking lot.

Several members of the Mt. Olympus trailhead adoption team helped prepare the

parking lot, provided snacks and warm drinks, set up a space heater, and led a post-dedication snowshoe. It was a wonderful morning!

About 15 members of the Petersen family, spanning three generations, attended the dedication. Our friends at KSL Outdoors stopped by to document some of the activity.



Several WMC board members and club members attended, as well as Salt Lake County representatives Wayne Johnson and Angelo Calacino.

But the real treasures came from the Petersen family. Pete's son, Ron Petersen, encouraged several family members to share recollections of their

grandfather. As each told a different story, the WMCers were impressed that part of the family tradition was to summit Mount Olympus when they turned 10!



It was an honor for the WMC to lead the effort of memorializing the story behind Pete's Rock, and a reminder of how important it is for the WMC to continue its leadership role in the stewardship of our public recreational lands.



WMC Annual Winter Lone Peak Adventure

January 26, 2013

Organizer: Michael Hannan *

Participants:

Matt Van Horn *

Judy Zachary *

Wayne Pullman *

Andrew McCauley *

Glen Mackey *

Sam Grant *

John Badila *

J.J. Acker

Sean Crowther

Jacob Moon

Darin Wilson

*Asterisks indicate the summit visitors

O-Dark Thirty, the meeting time for intrepid mountaineers wishing to spend 10 to 12 hours of a precious Saturday plodding 12+ miles whilst gaining over 6,500' elevation. The goal: Lone Peak, one of the more remote yet inviting Wasatch peaks, any time, any season. Winter conditions create unique challenges for many climbs and Lone Peak is certainly no exception.

For various reasons four of our initial group stopped short of the 11,253-foot summit boulders. Between 1:15 p.m. and 1:25 p.m., eight hardy crampon-shod ice-ax-wielding climbers took turns shinnying up the 45° 4-foot slab of granite to perch atop the snowy fogged-in summit block. At the time the visibility had deteriorated to about 150', so awe-inspiring views were shunted quickly into the dream-on category. Yet even with the less-than-ideal conditions each of the eight was elated to have made the ascent successfully, the only obstacles to a total success being the delicate scramble back across the crux and the 6-mile return trip to the ugly valley inversion.

Perhaps it was fitting that we reach the summit in the clouds, for 7 1/2 hours earlier we had departed the Orson Smith TH in a 25° fog thicker than split-pea soup. Packs included the gear we would eventually utilize: crampons, ice ax, snowshoes and plenty of warm clothing to ward off the winds we knew would greet us somewhere along the Draper Ridge. The Draper Ridge protrudes into the southeastern skyline like a gigantic dorsal fin, and it seems to relish the idea of having unrelenting winds scour it from any direction, preferably north to south or vice versa.

Headlamps provided light for the first 1+15 as we plied the lower trail and then the Cherry Canyon Logging Trail. Next came the eleven or so switchbacks, the angling southward traverse punctuated with switchbacks leading to what some call the First Rock Outcropping. It was here we strapped on the snowshoes, tucked the headlamps away and continued upward in serpentine fashion as the dawn of a new day revealed the enormity of the inversion below us, filling the Salt Lake Valley with cheap clam chowder.

The anticipated wind, southeasterly for the most part, greeted us in rude fashion as we approached the Third Rock Outcropping (7,900'). From there it was easy to follow the trail because most of the loose snow had been blasted off the ridge, leaving behind a ribbon of packed white in the trail rut. We made a group decision to top out on Enniss Peak (9,322') en route, and we reached this wind-blown objective at the 3+50 point. Hooray, only about 3½ hours until the summit!

The east slope of Enniss, the sprawling meadow like a large white flannel blanket west of Cowboy Camp, the meandering upward track of the drainage, the entry into the Lone Peak Cirque and the seemingly endless climbing traverse were made enjoyable by very tolerable breezes and a persistent sun which at times nearly broke through the thinning gray overcast. Our first view of the summit was disappointing because clouds enveloped the entire summit area. Thirty minutes later the clouds had decided to move on and we enjoyed a splendid vista of the west face of Lone Peak and its rugged,

daunting spires, frosted with rime ice and super-cooled snow crystals. Hopes were high that we'd have exactly these conditions once we reached the summit. But it was not to be.

A few of us changed into crampons and stowed our snowshoes at 10,300' but others opted to tough it out across an icy steep slope and leave the changing for the normal cache point at 10,700', just south and slightly above the top of the Big Willow Canyon headwall. We reached the cache point 13 minutes after noon and once again found that wind was taking advantage of the Venturi effect and making things downright cold. Not to fret – this is often the case and higher the winds die back to friendly breezes.

The march to the summit from this location takes 45 minutes to an hour or more depending upon many factors. Andrew decided to take the stay-on-the-ridge route today, and with the visibility being so spotty it was probably a good choice. We inched and minced around and over the summit ridge boulders, ice ax handles clanking irregularly like eerie wind chimes. We reminded ourselves that the south ridge leading to the crux often spawned dangerous cornices, so staying over or west of sure signs of terrain was critical.

The crux. Ah, yes, the crux. The point at which many ardent hiking enthusiasts find their desire to reach the summit run smack-dab into a brick wall called fear. For us the most intimidating aspect of the crux was the limited visibility. There is something about not being able to at least see the summit that casts doubts in one's mind: what if the summit is no longer there? Perish the thought, for we saw it a mere two hours ago! Oh yeah, that's right ... Judy and Matt placed a nifty boot pack across the two main mini-saddles of snow and found that the "east route" around and under the big bad boulder was very doable. There was a layer of 2" or 3" of grainy snow atop all of the boulders but it was never slippery because of ice. Still, care and caution were the watchwords of the crux climb, both heading up and returning.

At the summit subdued elation, high fives and obligatory picture-taking filled the better part of 10 minutes. Taking less than 35 minutes to descend to the cache point we then broke up into smaller groups for the lengthy return to civilization and pollution. The return trip was about 3½ to 4½ hours and basically uneventful. All seemed to enjoy the experience, even those who didn't have the chance to partake of the summit. And all returned safe and sound, the major objective of all of our outdoor undertakings, right?

Editor's Note: Lone Peak is the monarch of the Wasatch Mountains. It is the centerpiece of Utah's first congressionally designated Wilderness Area. The Lone Peak Wilderness was established in 1977 as part of the Endangered American Wilderness Act and includes 30,088 acres in the Wasatch Range. This rugged 11,000+ foot summit huge massif is clearly visible from North Salt Lake to Provo. It rises abruptly above the valley floor and affords one the luxury of sitting in a glacial, alpine cirque just miles from the city. The cirque is ringed with near vertical granite walls and offers climbing ranging from Class 3 to 5.10 YDS. Lone Peak is considered by many to be the "hardest" 11,000 foot peak in the Wasatch due to the mileage and elevation gain required to sit atop its summit. (From Summitpost.org)

**The Lone Peak cirque before
it clouded up (Photo by
Andrew McCauley)**



*Photos by
Michael Hannan*

**Matt knows that there is
still more work to do!**



**At 12.25 changing
gear at the cache
point, readying for
summit bid**



**At cache point
Wayne checks his gear**



**At the cache point
Sam Grant puts his
best foot forward**



**Andrew McCauley
at the cache point**



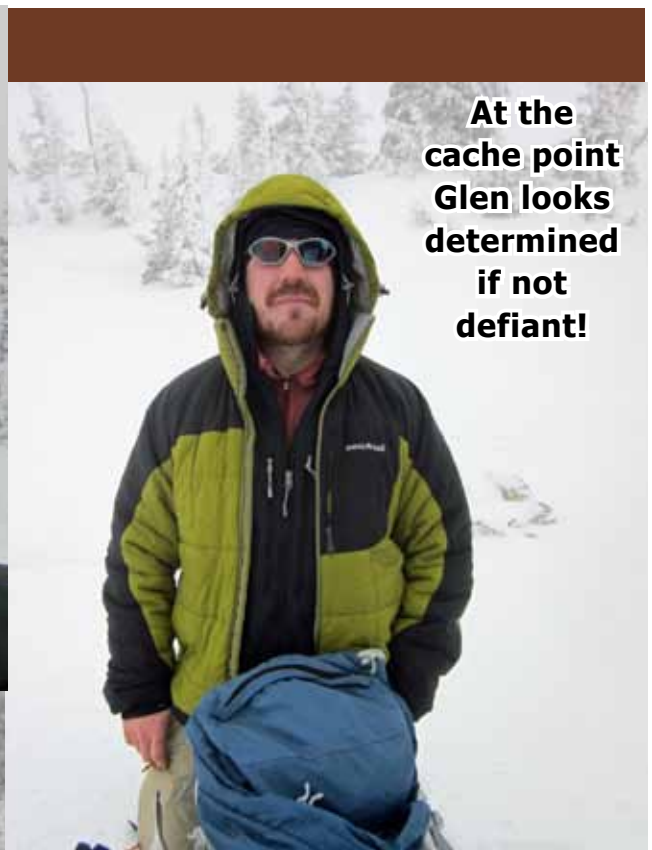
**Michael Hannan at the
cache point, 10,700'**

**Matt is definitely ready
for the summit push**

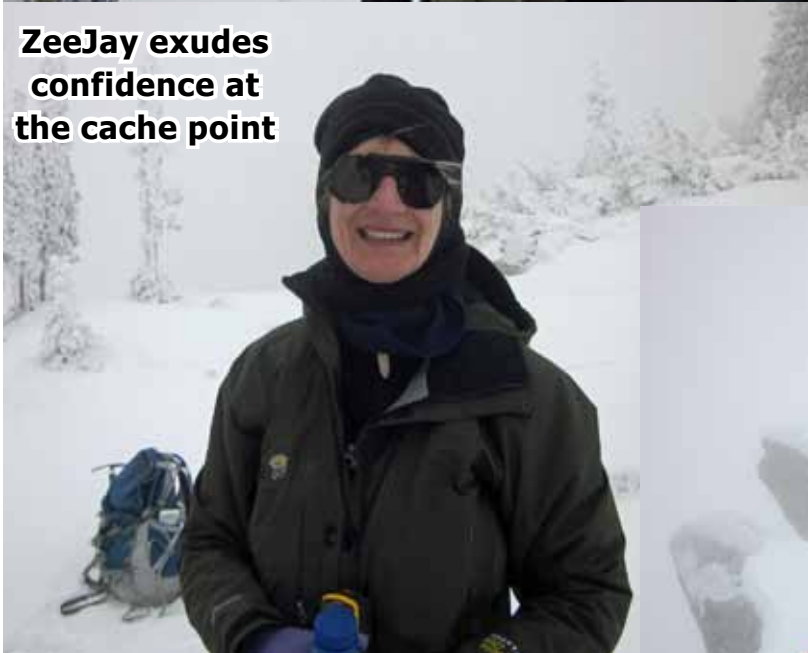




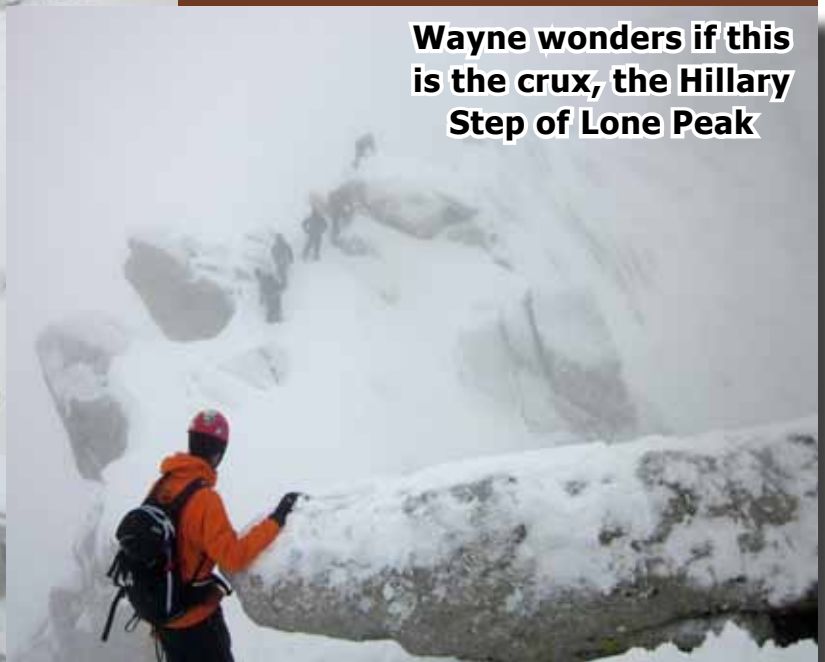
John is smiling at the cache point - why?



At the cache point Glen looks determined if not defiant!



ZeeJay exudes confidence at the cache point



Wayne wonders if this is the crux, the Hillary Step of Lone Peak



Judy, Matt, Andrew and Sam pick their way up the crux



Conquering heroes - Glen Mackey and Sam Grant atop Lone Peak



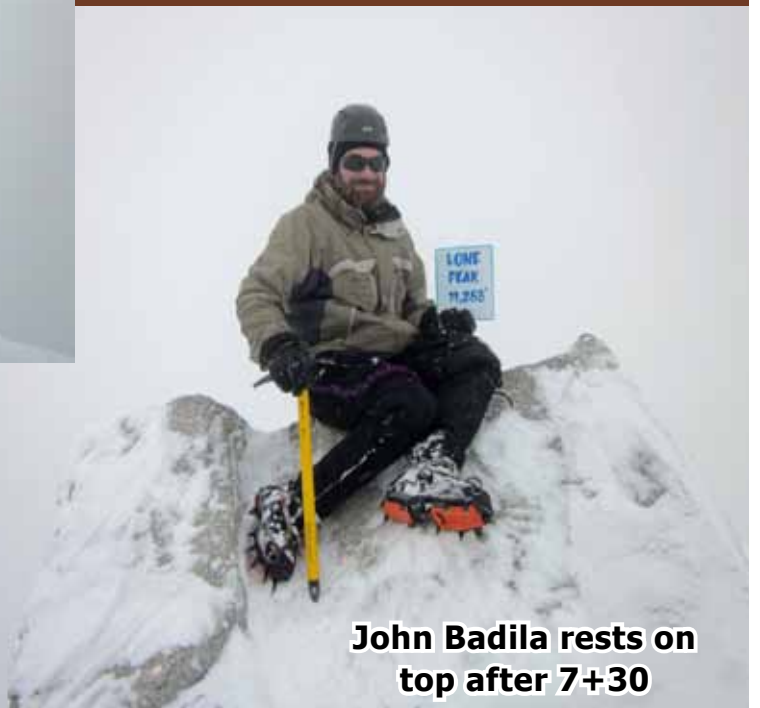
Andrew McCauley smiles at the summit



Wayne Pullman celebrates his first ever summit of this tough peak



Michael Hannan on the summit



John Badila rests on top after 7+30

*Shane &
Jacqueline Bode's*

East Ridge of Willow Lake Area Snowshoe



**Dave lets another group pass that
were headed up to backcountry ski**



**Jacqueline
and Shane
starting out
in zero degree
weather**

**Participants: Shane and
Jacqueline Bode, Mohamed
Abdallah, Dave Rumbellow
and Knick Knickerbocker**

January 13, 2013



**Even the sun
wasn't very warm
today - Jacqueline**



Dave bundled up and ready to go



Shane



*Photos by
Knick Knickerbocker*

Mohamed, Dave, Jacqueline and Shane



Knick: Shane heading back early - mighty cold. Sixteen degrees when we got back to the Solitude parking lot.

FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

74. Columbus Consolidated Mining Company, Part III

While the surface workings of the Columbus Consolidated Mining Company may have been impressive, the important work was going on below the surface, down in the subterranean passages of the mine. Mention has



Fig. 1. This photograph, taken sometime between 1908 and 1912, shows the Columbus Consolidated buildings at the Columbus tunnel. From left to right they are: the big compressor building, seen in an earlier photo, but now sporting two dormers on the roof and an annex at the rear; the office building with three dormers on each side of the roof; and the large boarding house with six dormers on each side and an annex which was the original boarding house built in 1903, now with an additional two-window dormer on its roof. The low building with a sloping roof on the left was a barn; the purpose of the small building at front center is unknown. (University of Utah, Special Collections)

been made of the original Columbus tunnel being only about 150 feet long when Jacobson took an option on it. In less than two years it had been driven to 600 feet, but with drifts and winzes run to explore ore deposits, the total underground workings had increased to nearly 1100 feet. Some ore was shipped to the smelters during these first years, but only that produced as a byproduct of the exploration and development work. It was not until the concentrating mill was operating and the connection was made between the Howland and Columbus tunnels at the end of 1904 that shipments began in earnest. During the 1906 season many teams were kept busy hauling ore down the canyon to the smelters. In July of that year it was reported sixty-eight teams were employed and twenty-five more were required, but not available. These may not all have

been four-horse teams, but a team of that size could haul five to six tons on each trip. Shipments slowed during the winter when impeded by heavy snowfalls and muddy roads, but in spite of that twenty-eight teams were being used in January of 1907.

Much of these heavy shipments were made possible by the concentrating plant, which was treating as much as 150 tons of milling grade ores during a three-shift day. To provide this amount of raw material the underground workings were being continually expanded. When an ore deposit was encountered, it was explored by drifting and sinking to determine its extent. If it went deep enough, a new tunnel level was established as a base for further operations. In this way the mine had a 100 level in early 1905, a 200 level before the end of that year, a 300 level in early 1906 and a 400 level later that year. Levels were often numbered in round hundreds, although their actual vertical depth was usually much less than that. In this case it could have indicated the distance down the large incline connecting the various levels. The 400 level received much attention because of its exceptionally rich deposits. While depth may have yielded riches, it also imposed problems, for water accumulating in the levels could not drain naturally as it could in the main tunnel. As a result electrically driven pumps were installed in each level to pump the water up and out.

The heavy shipments of 1905 and 1906 enabled the company to pay off its encumbrances and, to the joy of its investors, announce its first stock dividend of 15 cents a share in December 1906. This was followed by additional twenty cent dividends in March, July and September of 1907. As one reporter commented, "80 cents a year on \$5 stock is not bad." But the good times were not destined to continue. During that year metal prices began to fall, reaching a point where Tony Jacobson chose to suspend shipment of all but the highest grade ores, shut down the concentrating mill and reduced the number of miners employed, leaving only those who would continue development work, mostly at the deepest levels of the mine. In addition, he suspended further payment of dividends. This did not please the stockholders, causing the eastern investors to attempt taking over the company at the 1908 annual meeting. However, Jacobson and his local supporters managed to retain control.

What was happening was but an indication of things to come. From this point on the company was destined to suffer many problems, punctuated by an occasionally snippet of good news. One of the continuing problem areas was water in the mine. For instance, development work in the 400 level came to an end in May of 1908 when the miners tapped a big water course. Over 600 gallons per minute gushed out of what the miners called a bug-hole; it could have been handled by the two pumps at that level, but one of them broke and the water rose to the 300 level. Two attempts to lower the water were unsuccessful due to equipment failures, allowing the

incline to fill up again. Finally, a third attempt was successful and the miners were able to return to work in the lowest level after a delay of over two months.

Another problem was that of hauling ore from the mine to the smelters. The very rough and steep canyon road was bad enough when it was good, but heavy winter snows and deep spring mud made the road all but impassable. In an attempt to bypass the problematic road in the upper half of the canyon, Jacobson turned to the aerial tramway of the Continental-Alta company. This tramway has a story of its own, but suffice it to say that in the winter of 1904-05 it was constructed by that company to run between its mine at Grizzly Flat and Tanner Flat, five miles down the canyon. It operated for one season before being totally wrecked by snowslides in the winter of 1906. It was completely rebuilt in 1907. Since it ran right past the Columbus Consolidated ore bins, a loading station was installed there and the tramway was used to move ores from the mine down to newly constructed ore bins at Tanners Flat, allowing the teamsters to avoid the difficult road above that point. This arrangement worked well a little over one year until the tramway was again wrecked by snowslides in the winter of 1910. By that time the combination of low metal prices, limited shipments, lost time due to flooding and equipment failures placed a huge burden on the finances. As a result an assessment of 25 cents per share was imposed in March of 1911, and another one of 10 cents in October. Then another water source was struck, flooding the 400 level again. The pumps were handicapped by a lack of electrical power due to low creek flow at the power plant, so the water continued to rise until it was at the 200 level. New pumps were ordered and another ten cent assessment was called. The winter had passed before the pumps were back in operation and the water was finally below the 200 level in June. But by that time the stockholder's meeting had been held and the Salt Lake people, including the Jacobson brothers, were voted off the board. As a result they left the company and moved on to other endeavors.

The new management didn't have much more success with the mine's problems. They managed to make sporadic ore shipments, albeit at a much lower level than had been seen in previous years. By the end of the 1912 year they gave up fighting Nature; they pulled the pumps and closed the mill. Then, as if Mother Nature gave them one more challenge, in the early morning darkness on Saturday, 11 January 1913, the big boarding house caught fire and burned to the ground. About two dozen men fled the fire in their night clothes, finding themselves out in the snow with the temperature at ten degrees below zero. None was severely injured and they were able to find shelter and clothing in other buildings in the area. But the boarding house was a total loss.



Fig. 2. The Columbus Consolidated boarding house burned down about a year and a half before this photograph was taken. It had been located on top of the dump to the right of the compressor and office buildings. See Figure 1. (Courtesy Utah Historical Society)

Several months before the boarding house fire rumors of a consolidation began to circulate. They soon became fact when, on 8 February 1913, the Wasatch Mines Company was incorporated as a consolidation of the Columbus Consolidated, Superior Alta and Flagstaff mining companies. On the 3rd of March the Columbus Consolidated properties were transferred to the Wasatch Mines Company in exchange for stock in the latter organization. And with that transaction, the Columbus Consolidated Mining Company ceased to exist. Then, about a year and a half later, on 7 September 1914 the concentrating mill was destroyed by fire, taking with it all the snowsheds and small buildings except the big ore bin that had been used for shipping grade ore. Now the only visible reminders of the late company were the compressor and office buildings.

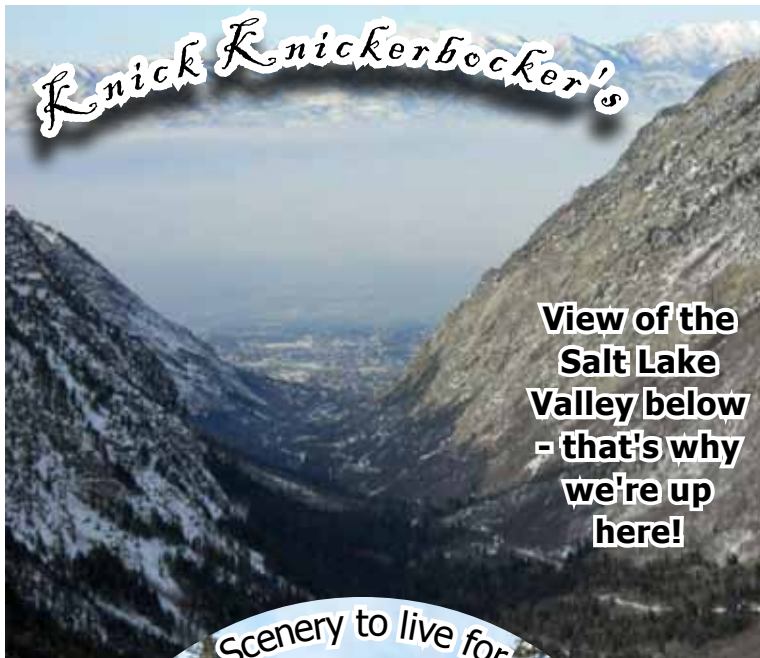
Within two years of its formation, the Wasatch Mines Company began driving its long drain tunnel, this being one of the major purposes for the company's formation. The need for a deep tunnel to drain the Alta mines was recognized for many years. Tony Jacobson actually started such a tunnel in 1907, placing its portal in Superior Gulch, some distance west of the Columbus Consolidated workings and nearly 600 feet lower. After it had been driven a distance of 400 feet the venture came to a halt. A faulty survey had indicated the portal to be on Columbus Consolidated ground when, in fact it was on Alta Superior property.

The story of the Columbus Consolidated is largely a story of Tony Jacobson. He was involved in at least eight other companies in the Little Cottonwood district, during and after his tenure at the Columbus company. In each case he was the first president of the company and was accompanied by his brother, A.O. Jacobson. Tony died on 28 October, 1915, following an operation for a respiratory condition he had suffered for the previous two years. His brother carried on the Jacobson mining tradition for another twenty five years.

Welcome New Members

Alfred Balch
Serena Young
David Owen
Kerri Taracena
Jackii Pellett
Jason Anderson
Christopher Ross
Curtis Kennedy
Frank King
Lawrence Day
Eileen Gidley
Sean Crowther
Jillaire Ingebretsen
Daniel Smith, III
Trevor Tanner
Christopher Holt
Jay Cowen
Maya Pandya
Sal Ciro
Sarah Schuster-Johnson
Aymara Jimenez
Bruce Beck
Kathleen Parker
Rod Edelman

Steve Seliger
Thomas Lake
John Arlen
Joshua Bently
Elizabeth Greene
Darrin Lythgoe
Christine Pembroke
Jeanette Klodzen
Dave Pacheco
Don Pruett
Don Greenfield
Jeffrey Marshall
Dustin Gilbert
Mary Whittington and Jean Rengstorf
Matt and Suzan Chaffin
Dennis and Brenda Gemmell
Christina Richards and Keith Lane
Tim Harris and Jenifer Lingeman
Matthew and Amy Goff
John Branecki and Danya Pastuszek
Jeff Smith and Johnna Reynolds
Peter and Adriana Vars
Kevin and Pam Stalnaker



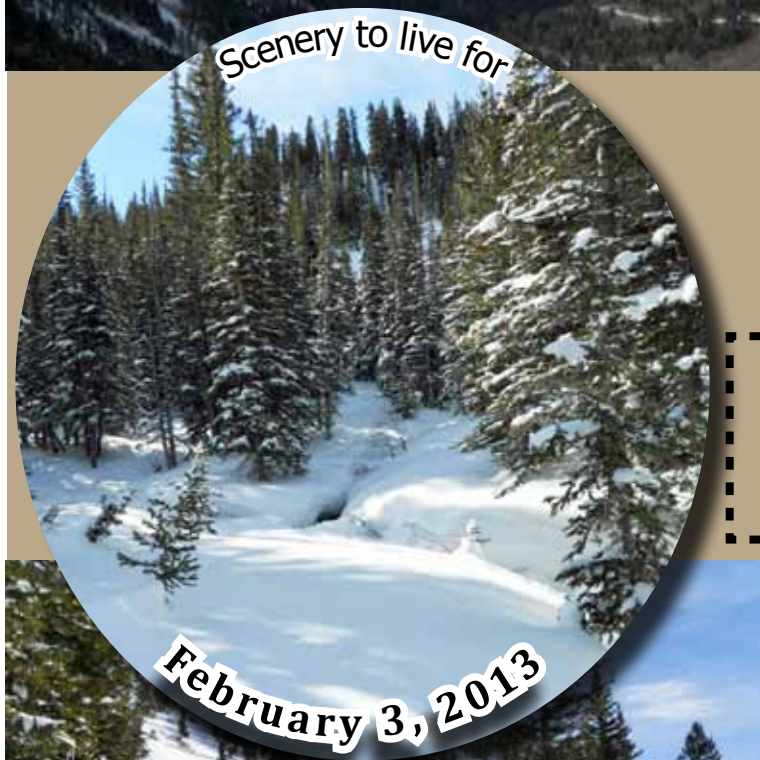
Knick Knickerbocker's

**View of the
Salt Lake
Valley below
- that's why
we're up
here!**

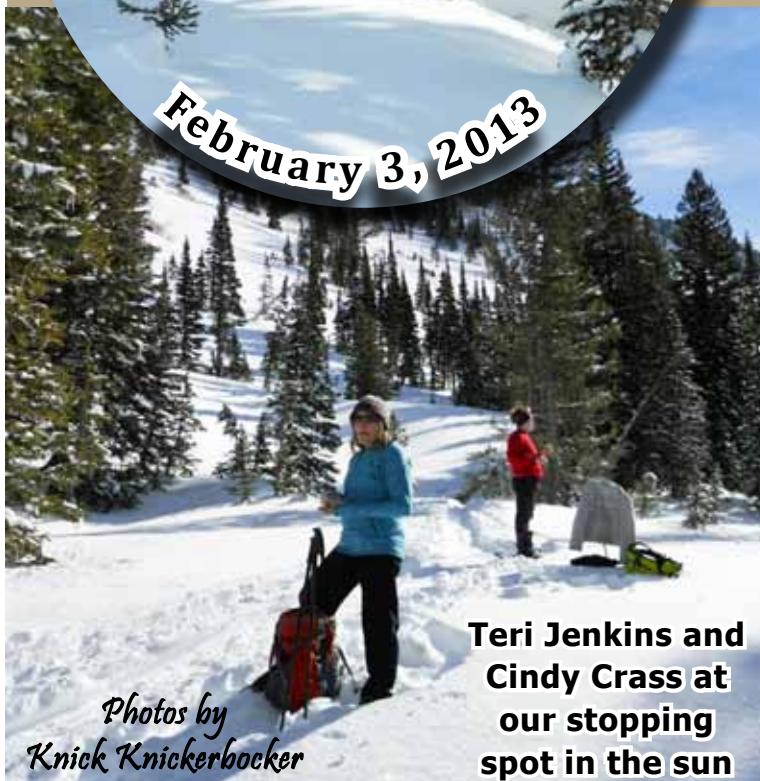


**Teri Jenkins on the Maybird
Bridge with a little snow on top**

**Knick: Four of us headed up toward
Red Pine Lake, but only made it to the
Maybird Bridge (myself, Cindy Crass,
Teri Jenkins and Jennifer Edgar)**

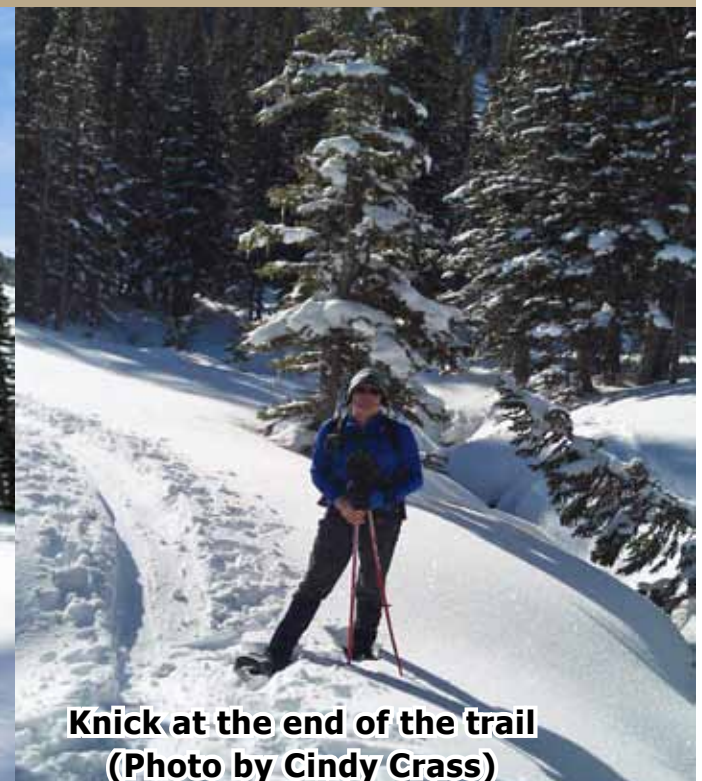


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*Photos by
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**Teri Jenkins and
Cindy Crass at
our stopping
spot in the sun**



**Knick at the end of the trail
(Photo by Cindy Crass)**

Cassie Badowsky's

Wolverine Cirque Snowshoe

**Katie Slack, Cassie Badowski,
Henri DeBaritault and Cindy Crass
to name a few**

**Jimmie Boyd and Knick
(behind camera) taking
a break on the way
up to Catherine Pass
through Albion Basin**

Finally Catherine Pass ahead

**Here they come
- heading up to
Catherine Pass**

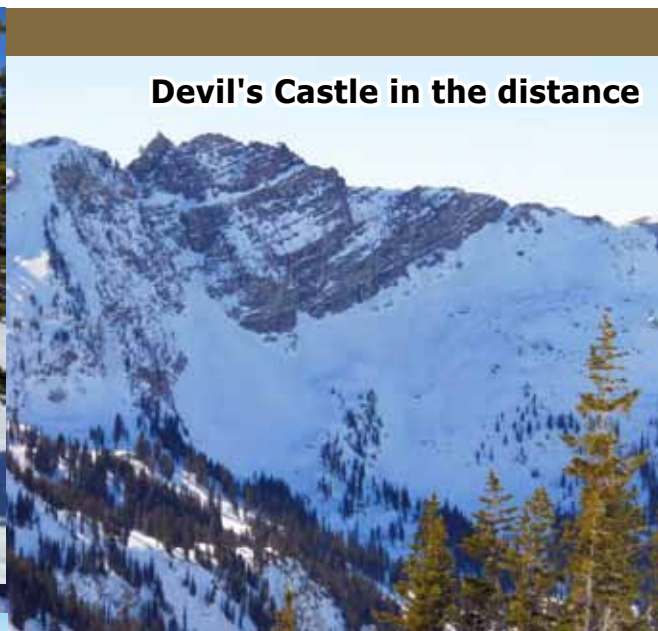
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**Catherine
Pass
finally
behind
us**

**Heading up
a very steep
spot on
Tuscarora!**



Now with Wolverine highest point upper right in the back- here we come for our lunch spot



Devil's Castle in the distance



Yep, that's Knick!



We had snowshoed up the valley below (Albion Basin) from right to left and looped around to this point

Photos by Knick Knickerbocker



Heading down and around the Wolverine Cirque



Knick: This loop snowshoe tour was about 8 miles with about 2,000 feet of elevation gain - felt like 3,500+

Dave Andrenyak's Millcreek Canyon Nordic Ski Tour

January 19, 2013



Photos by Dave Andrenyak



WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO FIND IN MILLCREEK CANYON:

Here's a family walking in the snow. Here are two hard-core cross-country skiers, both of them in stretchy Lycra and expensive fleece vests. Here are two backcountry skiers headed into the high country. Here's a young couple on snowshoes, maybe even on a first date. Here are two cross-country skiers with a tangle of dogs snooping through the snow. It's Sunday afternoon, and it seems like everyone is out.

Sun blazes through the trees. The creek runs full and ice-crusts. Snow piled high on trees sifts down. The occasional car cruises by. Every city has a great park, but Salt Lake City's Millcreek must be one of the best.

For years, Millcreek Canyon has been a refuge for city dwellers. When the first white people came into the Salt Lake Valley in the 1840s they headed up the canyon to cut trees - hence the name 'mill.' Later, families came up to picnic and play and escape the heat. More recently, people have built summer homes and planned ski areas, though the summer homes are few in number and generally well hidden, and the ski area thing never worked out.

Millcreek is the most heavily wooded of all canyons abutting Salt Lake City. The Salt Lake Valley is basically desert and when settlers showed up in the 1840's, they found trees only right along watercourses. The canyons east of town were logical places to turn. At the height of its use, there were 20 sawmills in Millcreek Canyon plus a few gold mines, and a well-used road chugged up about seven miles of the canyon, and had sidetracks that wound up side canyons.

About five miles of Millcreek Canyon's road is plowed in the winter - this takes the driver past a Boy Scout camp, two restaurants, the Church Fork, Thayne Canyon and Porter Fork trailheads, and the Box Elder and Maple Cove picnic grounds. Past five miles, the road is gated and not plowed, a gracious gift to skiers and snowshoers. (From Utah.com)

Forest Service Complaints

- A small deer came into my camp and stole my bag of pickles. Is there a way I can get reimbursed? Please call."
- "Escalators would help on steep uphill sections."
- "Instead of a permit system or regulations, the Forest Service needs to reduce worldwide population growth to limit the number of visitors to wilderness."
- "Trails need to be wider so people can walk while holding hands."
- "Ban walking sticks in wilderness. Hikers that use walking sticks are more likely to chase animals."
- "All the mile markers are missing this year."
- "Found a smoldering cigarette left by a horse."
- "Trails need to be reconstructed. Please avoid building trails that go uphill."
- "Too many bugs and leeches and spiders and spider webs. Please spray the wilderness to rid the area of these pests."
- "Please pave the trails so they can be plowed of snow in the winter."
- "Chairlifts need to be in some places so that we can get to wonderful views without having to hike to them."
- "The coyotes made too much noise last night and kept me awake. Please eradicate these annoying animals."
- "Reflectors need to be placed on trees every 50 feet so people can hike at night with flashlights."
- "Need more signs to keep area pristine."
- "A McDonald's would be nice at the trailhead."
- "Too many rocks in the mountains."
- "The places where trails do not exist are not well marked."



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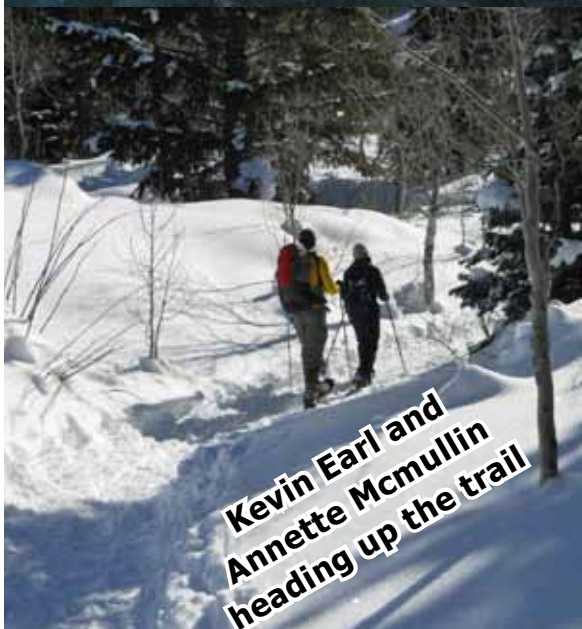
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This is what our inversion/smog looked like at 9:00 a.m.



Most of our group hitting the SUN light



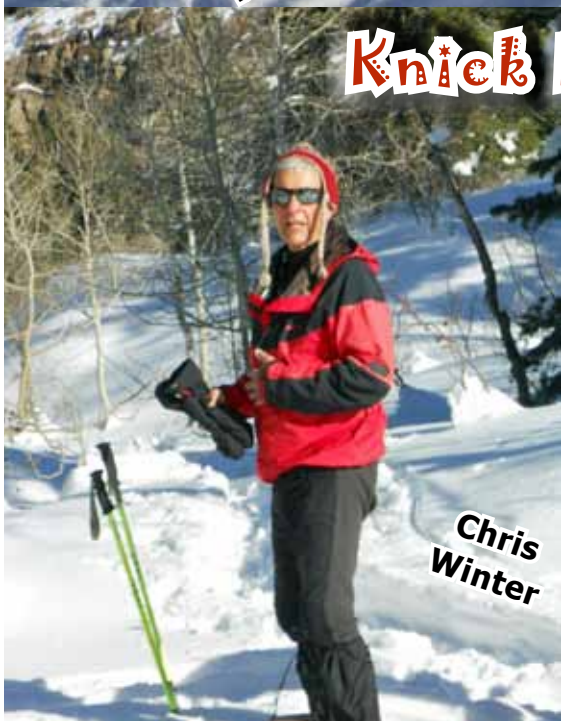
Kevin Earl and Annette McMullin heading up the trail



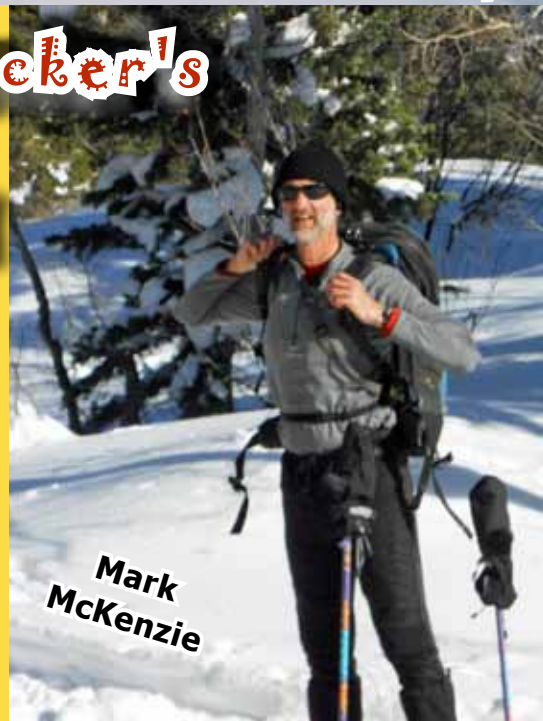
Taking a break with five ahead of us (L-R: Kevin Earl, Annette McMullin, Katie Slack, Chris Winter and Mark McKenzie)

Knickerbocker's

SNOWSHOE TOUR INTO BROADS FORK



Chris Winter



Mark McKenzie



Enjoying our sun soaked lunch spot

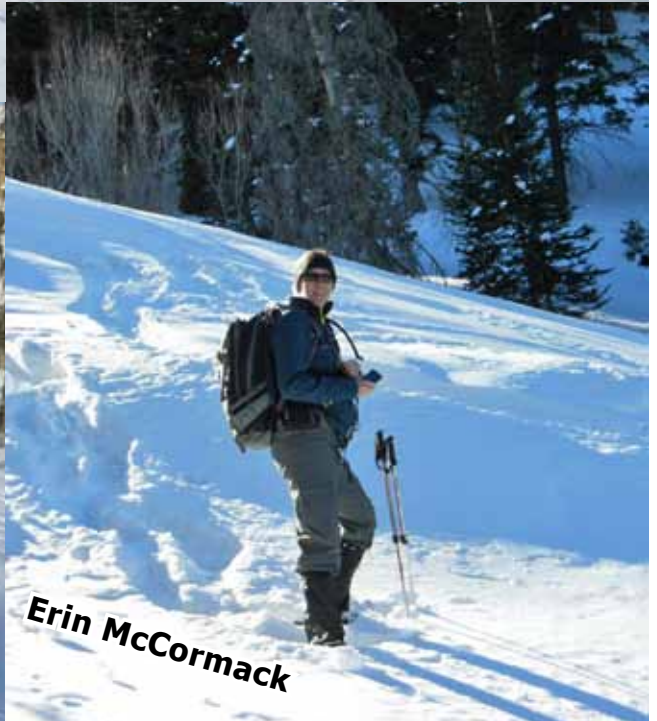


Beautiful views!

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Another wonderful day and group



Erin McCormack



Twin Peaks above



Enjoying the views and the warm sun

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Rules and Regulations:

1. **Dogs & Children** are not allowed on WMC activities, except when specifically stated in the activity description.
2. **Car pool rates:** Gas plus \$0.15/mile, shared by everyone in the vehicle (including driver) on 2WD roads, OR gas plus \$0.25/mile on 4WD roads.

Notice to Non-Members: Most WMC activities are open to prospective members except when specifically stated in the activity description.

Find out about unofficial activities on our email lists. Activities formed with these lists are for members only. Lists are to be used only for the scheduling of outdoor activities. Any use of this service for any other purpose, such as advertising, SPAM, jokes, etc, will result in the loss of privilege. To subscribe: Once logging into the website, click on “Email Lists” on the left-hand side. Then follow the online instructions. (Boaters: E-mail the Boat Director—inside front cover—for more information.)

Group size limits in wilderness: Some National Forest ranger districts limit the size of group hiking in wilderness areas. For such hikes, the hike listing will indicate the maximum number of participants (not including the organizer). Please help our organizers on hikes with group size limits by arriving promptly and being understanding if you cannot be accommodated on the hike because of a limit.

Activity Difficulty Rating

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

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

Directions to Meeting Places

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

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

Butler Elementary: 2700 E just south of 7000 S

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

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

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

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

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

Parleys Way K-Mart Parking Lot: 2705 Parleys Way. From Parleys Way, turn north into the parking lot; or from Foot-hill 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

Mar 2 **Snowshoe: Greens Basin From Silver Fork – ntd+**

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

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

Join Gretchen on a less used route to the Greens Basin cabin from lower Silver Fork. 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.

Mar 2 **Snowshoe Organizer's Choice – mod – Moderate pace**

Sat *Meet:* 9:30 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

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

Come out and join Erin McCormack for a fun filled adventure. Will there still be snow? Erin isn't certain, so please come prepared with snowshoes AND microspikes/yaktrax for maximum flexibility in destinations. If there is snow, participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment. Note the meeting time is 9:30 am.

Mar 2 **Training - Shelter Building / Winter Camping**

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Park N Ride at 9400S & Highland(2000 E) next to Walgreens.

Carpool: 9:00 am at Park N Ride at 9400S & Highland(2000 E) next to walgreens.

Organizer: Fred Schubert 801-649-3691 Fred@UtahRox.Com

3 - 4 hours at Spruces Camp Ground Dress for the cold with not a lot of activity compared to snowshoe/hike. Shelter building Types of shelters: Igloo (made from form)· Igloo made from cutting blocks · Quinzee · Ice Cave· Trench (you can throw pack and branches on the roof to insulate) Winter camping / considerations - Robert Ging will be instructing, I am simply helping & posting this.

Mar 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.

Mar 3 **Alpine Ski Tour, Multi Canyon – msd- – Shuttle – Fast pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

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

Multi Canyon Tour. dependent on snow conditions Ideally LCC to Millcreek. Beacon, Shovel and standard AT/ Tele gear required. Will use ski bus to access BCC or LCC. Contact via email only.

- Mar 3 Sun Baker Pass From Butler Fork Th Snowshoe – mod – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 2259’ ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: Christine Fraizer 801-262-7152 cbfraizer@comcast.net
 Join George and Chris Fraizer on a club standard (chosen because we’re looking forward to lots of sunshine). Bring the 10 Es, beacon, shovel, and probe. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain and are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety.
- Mar 3 Sun Afternoon Snowshoe: Organizer’s Choice – ntd**
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. Dress in layers for comfort and bring your 10 E’s.
- Mar 3 Sun Road Bike: Centerville Pancakes – ntd – 26.0 mi Out & Back**
Meet: 10:00 am at Agricultural Building, 300 North Redwood Road (1700 West)
Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliot887@msn.com
 This early season ride is a 26 mile out and back event to Centerville for a pancake breakfast. Depending upon road conditions we’ll ride along the Jordan River and Legacy Highway trails or the “traditional route” on roads – or some combination of the two. Meet Elliott (801) 969-2846) at the Agricultural Building, 300 North Redwood Road at 10am.
- Mar 4 Mon Flashlight/moonlight Hike - Foothill Blvd Area – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**
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.
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.
- Mar 5 Tue Boating Season Planning Party: Permit Lottery Results**
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 5 Tue Snowshoe: Park City Environs – mod**
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. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment. Carpool from SLC from the Parley’s Way Walmart parking lot at 9:15 am.

- Mar 5 Alpine Ski Tour: Tri Canyons – mod**
 Tue *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 proctorgtr@aol.com
 TUE SKI BACKCOUNTRY: Weekly MOD ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. Early season tours are contingent on snow conditions. 8 AM starts. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential. Call or e-mail Chris Proctor Monday by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies should call or mail ahead to discuss trip requirements.
- Mar 6 Governing Board Meeting**
 Wed *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 1190 South 1300 East
Organizer: John* Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com
 Monthly meeting-new directors start their term.
- Mar 7 Black Canyon #2 Canoeing Trip – class I – 13.0 mi**
 Thu – *Meet:* Registration required
 Mar 10 *Organizer:* Zig Sondelski 801-292-8332 zig.sondelski@gmail.com
 Sun
 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 Texas, 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:* 6:00 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 7 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 7 **Social - Couples Dance Lessons – 0.1 mi – 1’ ascent**
 Thu – *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 3360 South Redwood Road Salt Lake City, UT 84119 (801) 972-5447
 Mar 14 *Organizer:* Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com
 Thu
 Join Tony and other adventurous souls for socializing and learning to “Couples Dance” (singles welcome) at the Westerner from 7 to 9:30 on Thursdays starting Feb 7th, 21, 28 March 7 & 14 th. No cost / no cover before 8 pm. Taught by instructors (Kurt and Amiee) who cater to the beginners to intermediate. Nite club two, Two step, country swing, night club two, etc. Meet on the dance floor or the south side of the dance floor at the the table of Leanne. Or just ask for Tony of the WMC ...I’ll be wearing my white cowboy hat (versus hiking shoes) ps: tennis shoes are very hard to dance in! Hard sole shoes recommended. Smoking is banned in the bar. Yeah!
- Mar 8 **Canyoneering 201 – mod+**
 Fri – *Meet:* Registration required
 Mar 10 *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com
 Sun
 If you actually not only survived a 101 trip, but enjoyed it and are interested in the challenge of stepping it up a notch to the next level, then this is your trip. Held again in north wash, you will need all of that NW equipment for the next go around.
- Mar 8 **Social - Line Dance Lessons (single?) – 0.1 mi – 1’ ascent**
 Fri – *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 3360 South Redwood Road Salt Lake City, UT 84119 (801) 972-5447
 Mar 21 *Organizer:* Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com
 Thu
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- Mar 9 **Snowshoe Organizer’s Choice – mod – Moderate pace**
 Sat
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 801-278-5153 cassie@hesstravel.com
 Join Cassie for today’s MOD level snowshoe. She will choose an appropriate destination based on the conditions of the day. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment.
- Mar 9 **Snowshoe: Organizer’s Choice – ntd**
 Sat
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: Deirdre Flynn 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com
 I can’t go far as I’m working my way back from an injury so the length will be NTD. However, I would like to get in a good workout so expect the pace to be at the MOD level and expect that we will go someplace with a decent amount of elevation gain. If there is a sub group of people who would like to go slower, that would be fine as long as one person is willing to co-organize the slower group. This will be a good outing for anyone looking to get back earlier than normal. You should bring avalanche safety gear, know how to use it, and know how to travel safely in the Winter backcountry.

Mar 9 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.

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.

Mar 10 Snowshoe Mod Organizer's Choice – mod – Loop – 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 and join Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or knick.sold@comcast.net) for a fun filled adventure. Since this is an MOD tour: "Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment." Knick has a couple of loop places in mind, but it will all depend on weather and snow conditions. Come prepared. Meet Knick at 6200 South & Wasatch Park-n-Ride by 9:00 am.

Mar 10 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 will most likely head to Big Cottonwood Canyon and select a destination suitable for the day's conditions. Bring your 10 E's and come prepared for your own comfort and safety.

Mar 10 Road Bike: Daybreak Cruise – ntd – 32.0 mi Out & Back

Sun *Meet:* 10:00 am at Taylorsville Recreation Center, 4948 South 2700 West

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliot887@msn.com

This ride is an out and back event from Taylorsville on 2700 West with a loop on the south end through Daybreak. If the Oquirrh Lake trails are snow free, we'll spin around the lake before leaving Daybreak. Plan on a 25 to 32 mile ride (depending upon Daybreak Trail availability) and a stop midway for warm-up drinks/snacks/brunch/lunch. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at Taylorsville Recreation Center, 4948 South 2700 West at 10am.

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

Mar 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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Mar 12 Alpine Ski Tour: Tri Canyons – mod

Tue *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 proctorgtr@aol.com
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Mar 13 Social/bike Season Planning Party

Wed *Meet:* 6:30 pm at Rocky Mountain Pizza - 3977 Wasatch Boulevard.
Organizer: Robert Turner 801-467-1129 r46turner@gmail.com
Riders All...come join us for our annual bicycling planning meeting and pizza party social on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, at Rocky Mountain Pizza. We'll begin promptly at 6:30 pm because we can only have the meeting room for 2 hours. We had a great turnout last year which really helped us have a great bicycling season. Let's do it again this year! Come express your desires for the new season!

Mar 14 Black Canyon #3 Canoeing Trip – class I – 13.0 mi

Thu – *Meet:* Registration required
Mar 17 *Organizer:* Bruce Richardson 801-942-2564 bellcyn1@gmail.com
Sun We now have a THIRD Black Canyon canoeing-canyoneering-hot tubbing trip scheduled. Read more details about this trip in Rick's description for the first trip. This third trip is the third weekend in March and is already full. However, we still are accepting names for the wait list for all three trips as the wait list has been shortened by the third trip and by some replacements. As an added bonus to trip #3, Chuck James (801-209-0725 or jamesgang1971@comcast.net) has volunteered to house people at his home in St. George if you want to start down on Wed, March 13. Contact Chuck if you are interested. Another added bonus is a planned stop on Thursday at "Valley of Fire" Nevada State Park north of Las Vegas to do a 4 hr hike from Mouses Tank to the Cabins on the way down. To get on the wait list contact Zig Sondelski at zig.sondelski@gmail.com

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.

Mar 14 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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Mar 14 Conditioning Hike - Wasatch Boulevard Area – mod- – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard (Approximately 3000 South)

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

The days are longer and spring is springing! Are you ready for the hiking season? Julie will finish this series of Thursday night foothill hikes, choosing a route departing from the West Grandeur trailhead area. These are very short but very steep out-and-back hikes, so each person can pick a pace that fits. Dogs ok. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return. The WMC has adopted the West Grandeur Trailhead area, so the group can spend a few minutes each night with cleanup or spurge attack.

Mar 14 Social - Couples Dance Lessons – 0.1 mi – 1' ascent

Thu – *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 3360 South Redwood Road Salt Lake City, UT 84119 (801) 972-5447

Mar 21 *Organizer:* Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com

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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 to approximately 8300 south and turn east (just past fire station on left if coming from the north) on Kings Hill Drive. Continue south to Randy's home at 8610. Randy's house faces 8620 South. 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 15 Social - Line Dance Lessons (single?) – 0.1 mi – 1' ascent

Fri – *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 3360 South Redwood Road Salt Lake City, UT 84119 (801) 972-5447

Mar 21 *Organizer:* Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com

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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 well-stocked 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.

Mar 16 Canyoneering Prep-rappelling Class

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Learn to rappel, and open the door to all kinds of new experiences and places. With proper instruction it is safe and easy- your fears are quickly banished. Whether you have never done it, or did once long ago and are not sure you remember, this is a great opportunity to learn not only how to do it, but also to be comfortable and safe on rope. Dogwood is the first picnic area in Big Cottonwood Canyon, just 1 mile up the canyon, on the right. Park on the highway to avoid a picnic area use fee, cross the bridge, walk thru the site, up canyon, and follow a trail 50 yards past the last table to the climbing wall, and sign in on the Club sheet. A harness, helmet, leather gloves, locking carabiner and a descending device are needed, I have a few extra harnesses for folks who do not have and are unable to beg, borrow, or steal one, for a 5\$ rental/equipment replacement fee, but you need to make those arrangements with me in advance, as there is a limited number available. If you are renting gear from me, you should try and be there 15 minutes early, by 12:45, so we can get you outfitted before the class. This class is held in the afternoon to allow you to attend the Black Diamond Fall Sale/Parking lot swap meet that morning (800am) to hook up with some good gear, cheap, in advance.

Mar 16 Snowshoe: Desolation Lake – mod – Out & Back – Slow pace

Sat *Meet:* 9:30 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride

Organizer: Ellen Jenkins 801-673-6235 ellenjenkins@yahoo.com

Join Ellen for a fun and friendly snowshoe to Desolation Lake. If you don't like club snowshoes that race to the end, this one is for you. Ellen will be going at a slow pace and will re-group along the way. Come enjoy a fun, social outing while still getting plenty of exercise.

Mar 16 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod

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

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

Jim will be leading the moderate paced MOD snowshoe today. He will choose a destination suitable for the conditions today. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment.

Mar 16 Road Bike: St. Patrick's Day Ride – ntd – 14.0 mi Out & Back

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Sugarhouse Park near the 15th East entrance. 15th East 2100 South.

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliot887@msn.com

This is a social ride into town to view the Hibernian Society's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. We'll launch from Sugarhouse Park, spin thru the University of Utah, and dart across the lower Avenues to a vantage point downtown at the Gateway. Our itinerary will include visiting area establishments participating in the day's celebratory mood for brunch/lunch following the parade. Bike locks recommended. Wear something green and meet Elliott (801-969-2846) inside Sugarhouse Park near the 15th East Entrance at 9:00am.

Mar 16 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.

Mar 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. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment

Mar 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. Dress in layers for comfort and bring your 10 E's.

Mar 17 Road Bike: City Creek Canyon – ntd+ – 28.0 mi Out & Back – 1600' ascent

Sun *Meet:* 10:00 am at Sugarhouse Park near the 15th East Entrance

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliot887@msn.com

This is a 28 mile ride up scenic City Creek Canyon from Sugarhouse Park. We'll spin thru the University of Utah, zip across the lower Avenues and pedal up Memory Grove on our way to City Creek. We'll regroup at the top of the pavement at Upper Rotary Park or until stopped by snow on the road; then, on our return we'll stop for brunch/lunch at the Cucina Deli in the Avenues for warm-up drinks/brunch/lunch. Cyclists should plan on a ride of about 28 miles and 1600 feet of climbing assuming we can ride to Upper Rotary Park. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) inside Sugarhouse Park close to the 15th East entrance at 10:00am.

Mar 18 Hike Pencil Point 1 – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Mon *Meet:* 6:00 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.

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

Conditions will dictate which route to take. Either way, this is a short but very steep out-and-back hike, so each person can pick a pace that fits. Dogs ok. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return.

Mar 19 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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Mar 19 Alpine Ski Tour: Tri Canyons – mod

Tue *Meet:* Registration required

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

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

Mar 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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Mar 21 Conditioning Hike - Wasatch Boulevard Area – mod- – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu *Meet:* 6:00 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 finish this series of Thursday night foothill hikes, choosing a route departing from the West Grandeur trailhead area. These are very short but very steep out-and-back hikes, so each person can pick a pace that fits. Dogs ok. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return. The WMC has adopted the West Grandeur Trailhead area, so the group can spend a few minutes each night with cleanup or spurge attack.

Mar 22 Canyoneering 101 – mod

Fri – *Meet:* Registration required

Mar 24 *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Sun
This is an introduction to technical canyoneering. The North Wash is a great place to get started and learn some of the basics of canyoneering, with something for everyone in these wonderful southern Utah sandstone slots. We will drive down Friday after work, and do canyons Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday night. If this is your first trip, you need to have taken one of the club rappelling classes as a prerequisite. (there is another on March 16). This trip is full, on paper, but there are often cancellations, so there will be a wait list.

Mar 23 Exploratory Hike - Traverse Ridge – mod- – Fast pace

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

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

Enjoy the open space while it lasts along the ridge line between Salt Lake and Utah Counties. The group will hike along the rolling high points of Traverse Ridge following an old service road from Corner Canyon to Point of the Mountain, then exploring open country on the return. This is a great hike for the dogs, full of open space and few if any other hikers. Bring micro spikes or yak tracks, and gators. There are many short but steep sections that will probably have ice/snow/mud. Plan approximately 4 hours.

Mar 23 Snowshoe: Millcreek – ntd

Sat *Meet:* 9:15 am at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Doug Stark 801-277-8538 dostark@yahoo.com

Meet Doug at Skyline at 9:15 for a leisurely paced snow shoe in Millcreek Canyon. Dress in layers and bring your 10 E's.

Mar 23 Snowshoe: Dry Creek From Alpine – mod-

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Kohler's (Ridley's) @ 5353 W 11000 N, Highland

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

Andy and Jude are organizing a snowshoe in the South end of the valley today. They will head up Dry Creek Canyon which is West of Box Elder, probably to Horsetail Falls. Plan on about 4 to 5 hours round trip. They will meet at the Kohler's (will be changing name to Riddleys soon) grocery store in Highland which is in the Southwest corner of the intersection of the Alpine Highway and the road to American Fork Canyon.

Mar 23 Broadfork Snowshoe – mod – 5.0 mi Out & Back

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

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

Snowshoe to the meadow with Michael and Dianne Budig.

Mar 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.

- Mar 24 Road Bike: Millcreek Canyon – ntd+ – 13.0 mi Out & Back – 1500’ ascent**
 Sun *Meet:* 10:00 am at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)
Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com
 This is a ride up Millcreek Canyon to the snowline. The plan is to ride as far up canyon as we can until stopped by snow on the road. We'll regroup after words for warm-up drinks and bagels at Einstein's. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in the East parking lot of Skyline High at 10am.
- Mar 24 Spike Hike**
 Sun *Meet:* Disseminated via the Hike email list
Organizer: Liz Cordova liz1466@live.com
 If conditions allow, let's hike! Check the hike email list or club website for last-minute details.
- Mar 24 Alpine Ski Tour, Organizers Choice – mod-**
 Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at 6200 South & Wasatch Park & Ride
Organizer: Steve Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net
 Most likely safe areas between Mill D and Willow. Easier tour but not for beginners, avalanche gear required.
- Mar 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
 Come join Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or knick.sold@comcast.net) on this MOD snowshoe tour in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Depending on weather and avalanche conditions Knick will take you into a fun place to play in the snow. Meet Knick at 6200 South & Wasatch Blvd park-n-ride by 9:00. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment.
- Mar 25 Hike Pencil Point 2 – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**
 Mon *Meet:* 6:00 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.
Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 Whichever route was not taken the last week is the route to take this week. Dogs ok. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return.
- Mar 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. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart parking lot at 9:15 am.

Mar 26 Alpine Ski Tour: Tri Canyons – mod

Tue *Meet:* Registration required

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

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

Mar 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 28 Conditioning Hike - Wasatch Boulevard Area – mod- – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu *Meet:* 6:00 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 finish this series of Thursday night foothill hikes, choosing a route departing from the West Grandeur trailhead area. These are very short but very steep out-and-back hikes, so each person can pick a pace that fits. Dogs ok. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return. The WMC has adopted the West Grandeur Trailhead area, so the group can spend a few minutes each night with cleanup or spurge attack.

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.

Mar 30 Snowshoe - Gourmet Social At Willow Lake – ntd – Out & Back

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

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

It's time for the annual gourmet snowshoe. Your hosts are Mark Jones 801-410-4163, Holly Smith 801-272-5358, and Knick Knickerbocker 801-891-2669. Rated NTD for exercise and EXT for kitchen skills. Join your fellow club members for an easy snowshoe followed by some fine dining - a highlight of the snowshoeing season. Wear a costume if you wish to celebrate the end of another great season and the coming of spring. Black tie and costumes are optional. Meet at 10 am and carpool to the Willow Lake trailhead. Bring a gourmet dish to share and don't forget the wine to toast the coming of Spring. Bring your shovel to help make a table. Skiers are welcome, too!

Mar 30 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.

Mar 31 Road Bike: Farmington – mod – 52.0 mi Out & Back

Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Sugarhouse Park near the 15th East Entrance

Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliot887@msn.com

This is a 52 mile Easter ride out and back to Farmington from Sugarhouse Park to add length to the traditional Farmington ride. We'll zip through the University, roll across the Avenues and spin north along the Jordan River and Legacy Highway Trails. We'll take a break at Harmon's before returning. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) in side Sugarhouse Park near the 15th East Entrance at 9:00am.

Mar 31 Spike Hike

Sun *Meet:* Disseminated via the Hike email list

Organizer: Liz Cordova liz1466@live.com

If conditions allow, let's hike! Check the hike email list or club website for last-minute details.

Mar 31 Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod

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

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

Join Mohamed for today's MOD level snowshoe. He will choose an appropriate destination based on the conditions of the day. Participants should know how to travel safely in avalanche terrain, are expected to contribute to group discussions regarding avalanche safety and carry the appropriate safety equipment.

Apr 5 Canyoneering 201 – mod

Fri – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 7 *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Sun Several new canyoneering routes have been laid out in Capitol Reef in the last few years, so its time for a club trip to explore some of them. Only a three hour drive from SLC, CR is a scenic and colorful area, with a nice developed campsite in the park, so you are not going primitive camping a la north wash. We will be driving down friday after work, and coming home sunday. The routes run towards the not very complicated or difficult. This trip is full on paper, but I will establish a wait list to fill in for possible cancellations.

- Apr 6 **Road Bike: Rose Canyon – mod – 52.0 mi Loop**
 Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at Taylorsville Recreation Center, 4948 South 2700 West
Organizer: Elliott Mott 801-969-2846 elliott887@msn.com
 This 52 mile ride showcases Rose Canyon in the southwest corner of Salt Lake Valley. Our course loops through Daybreak and returns along a scenic section of the Jordan River Parkway Trail. Plan on a gentle climb of about 1800 feet as we ascend from Taylorsville to the gate entrance to Salt Lake County's Yellow Fork Park in Rose Canyon. If the trail around Oquirrh Lake is snow free we'll spin around it on our way to Rose Canyon, adding an additional 6 miles. Plan on stopping for lunch on the return. Meet Elliott (801-969-2846) at Taylorsville Recreation Center, 4948 South 2700 West at 9:00am.
- Apr 6 **Members Only: Basic Wilderness First Aid Training And Cpr**
 Sat *Meet:* 8:00 am at Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge
Organizer: Dan Christopherson, Wasatch Emergency Medical Training 801-360-5183 dan@12fingeradventure.com
 Wasatch Emergency Medical Training has partnered with the WMC to provide a one-day Basic Wilderness First Aid training and CPR. The training will be held at the WMC lodge from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The discounted rate for WMC members is \$99 per person, and will be an additional half price (\$49.50) for any member who has organized over 10 activities in the last two years (or 5 multi-day out-of-town trips). Morning snacks and beverages will be provided. For now, plan to bring your own lunch, though our social directors are looking into a possible sponsor for lunch. Class size is limited to 25, and payment must be recieved by Wasatch Emergency Medical Training to secure your spot.
- Apr 6 **Slow Pace Hike - City Creek Twin Peaks From Shriners Hospital – mod- – Slow pace**
 Sat *Meet:* 10:00 am at Popperton Park (east of 11th Avenue and Virginia Street)
Organizer: Co-Organizers Randy Long and Kathy Craig 801-733-9367 or 801-502-0465
 This is a fairly new twist to an old favorite. This hike will follow the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from Shriners Hospital, up a canyon and to a pass with panoramic views, then leveling out for about one mile before meeting the original route.
- Apr 12 **Yellowstone Hike-paced Bike Ride – 30.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**
 Fri – *Meet:* Registration required
 Apr 14 *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 Sun Join Julie for her annual pre-season road bike trek in to Yellowstone the weekend before the park is open to cars. The park service is preparing for the season so the roads will be plowed, but being flexible is key. Plan A is a SLOW MEANDERING bike ride from West Yellowstone to Terrace Springs (about 4 hours for a 30 mile round trip). Plan B will be dictated by whatever Mother Nature is dishing out that morning. Come prepared for every combination of sun/snow/rain/wind/hot/cold. Base camp is Julie's cabin in Island Park, which can hold about 12 people. Additional lodging is available in West Yellowstone.
- Apr 13 **Nordic Ski Tour: Tour To Tokewanna (high Uintas) – msd – 36.0 mi Out & Back – 4250' ascent – Fast pace**
 Sat *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Michael Berry 801-583-4721 mberryxc@earthlink.net
 Cross-country skiing. New exploratory tour via the untouched Middle Fork. We will need to park at the Reservoir on Friday night with the option to ski in the first 5- 6 miles (flat portion) that night to get a head start (36 miles round-trip from Winter Parking). Lightweight backcountry touring gear, beacon, and shovels required.

Apr 20 Majestic Mojave Springtime Sojourn Car Camp – mod

Sat – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 28 *Organizer:* Aaron Jones 801-467-3532 ajonesmvp@msn.com

Sun
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 10 River Trip Planing Meeting-beginners Trip

Fri *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.

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.

"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.

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

Sun

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

Sun

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.

BECOME A WMC MEMBER

You can join or renew online or download a membership or renewal application. Go to www.wasatchmountainclub.org Questions? Email or call. We're happy to answer.

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.

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. 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.

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 *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Sun 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 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.

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SANDY CITY - 10600 SOUTH 230 WEST

BACKPACKING BASICS, THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH, 7PM

Learn how to choose a pack, select proper clothing and footwear. Plus, we'll give you important notes on trail etiquette and Leave No Trace principles. Let REI help you understand what you will need to reach your destination.

MUD RUN BASICS, THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH, 7:00 PM

Are you thinking about trying one of the "Mud Run" events you have been hearing about? Join us for an overview of what to expect – tips for getting ready – and a list of exercises that will help you get you ready for the challenge.

TRIATHLON BASICS, THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST, 7:00 PM

Is it time to TRY a TRI? From Sprint to IronMan, triathlons offer a variety of opportunities to challenge yourself. Join us to discover the ins-and-outs of triathlons: types, distances, how to get started, how to train, and what to expect on race day.

BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS, THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH, 7PM

Routine maintenance on your bike will help your bike! This class is an informative presentation that will teach you how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire in record time and make other minor adjustments to your bicycle. No experience necessary.

SALT LAKE CITY - 3285 EAST & 3300 SOUTH

TRAIL RUNNING BASICS, TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH, 7PM

Trail running is a great change - learn the technique, training, clothing and footwear specifics to the sport of trail running.

BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS, TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH, 7PM

Routine maintenance on your bike will help your bike! This class is an informative presentation that will teach you how to lube a chain, fix a flat tire in record time and make other minor adjustments to your bicycle. No experience necessary.

MINIMALIST RUNNING BASICS, TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH, 7PM

Join us for a class that will help identify what Minimalist Running is all about, the gear, and ideas on how to get started. From fit to fashion to training tips, this class will give you the information and tools to get out there.

LOOKING INSIDE THE GREATEST SNOW ON EARTH, THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST, 7PM

Alta and the U of U have made some incredible strides with new camera technology capable of capturing individual snow flakes in 3D as they fall. In the last year they have garnered international attention. Speakers include Howie Howlett, Director of Snow Safety, Alta and researchers Cale Fallgatter and Professor Tim Garrett from the University of Utah Department of Atmospheric Sciences. This presentation organized by the Alta Historical Society.

FITNESS TECHNOLOGY BASICS, MONDAY, MARCH 25TH, 7PM

The secret to optimal fitness isn't just the amount of exercise you get, but the intensity of exercise. Join our experts to learn more about Fitness Technology components and their use and functionality in your exercise and fitness routine.

BIKE FIT AND ADJUSTMENT, TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH, 7PM

Cycling comfort and efficiency begin with a bike that fits right. This class explains the basics of bike fitting and will help you set-up your personal bike for optimal comfort. Leave your bike at home and come prepared to learn!

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Robert Myers Ski Tour, December 20, 2012. Emma Ridge, Ridge between Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons – skiing in West Bowl of Silver Fork (L-R: Greg Betenson, Ron Baron, and Robert Myers).



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