

The Rambler

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Sharon Vinick at Parleys Riptide wall May, 2014. Thin climbing (5.10'ish) just above the freeway at the mouth of the Parleys Canyon.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WMC Position on Mountain Accord Blueprint

The board has developed a draft of the WMC position on the Blueprint for the Central Wasatch. Go here WMC Comments on Mountain Accord to read it. Comments are welcome.

The Mountain Accord involves both transportation improvements and proposed land exchange between the ski areas and Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County and the Forest Service is in the making and here is a link to the land trade details. [link to the land trade details.](#)

MESSAGE FROM THE PRSIDENT - William McCarvill

The Wasatch Mountain Club provides almost endless opportunities for members to enjoy outdoor recreation. Did you know that its members participate in and contribute to activities that benefit the community at large as well as our members? Here are some of the benefits you get from being a member of the WMC over a Meetup group. The Club is engaged in many places to protect and preserve your high quality recreation opportunities. We appreciate the efforts of advocacy organizations such as Save Our Canyons, Sierra Club, SUWA, Salt Lake Climbers Alliance and the like for indirectly benefiting the activities of our Club. I feel that we need to represent our member's interests on such diverse actions such as the Mountain Accord Master Trail Plan which directly affects our future in the Wasatch.

Contributions to safety, land preservation, environmental protection:

- Matching member donations to the Friends of the Utah Avalanche Center

Contributed to the purchase of Killian Canyon, Emigration Canyon and mouth of Parley land parcels.

- Contributed to the Save Our Canyons Wasatch visitor survey.

- Funded cameras at the Mt Olympus Trail Head

- Contribute to political candidates on the county council level

Membership on Government Boards Commissions and the like now and recent past

- Envision Utah's Your Utah Your Future

Mountain Accord recreation, Environment and Economic Systems as well as the Steering Committee

Master Trail Plan Committee of Mountain Accord

Little Cottonwood Canyon Master Plan

- Mountain Transportation Study

- Mill Creek Canyon Transportation Study

- Salt Lake County Foothills and Canyons Overlay Zone revision committee

- Governor's Outdoor Recreation Vision Committee

- Governor's Office of Outdoor Recreation Advisory Committee

- Envision Utah's Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow

- Big Cottonwood Canyons Bikeway Committee

- Salt Lake County Trailhead Adoption program (West Grandeur and My Olympus)

Other Connections

- Liaison with Bonneville Shoreline Trail

- Great relationship with Salt Lake Ranger District

Collaborative effort to get the Mt Olympus Trailhead reconfigured and funded by Salt Lake County

Our members are also members of other outdoor clubs and environmental organizations.

The Wasatch Mountain Club has a positive reputation for contributing to the betterment of recreation in the Wasatch. This directly benefits WMC members in providing a high quality outdoor recreation experience.

WMC Member Information

New and Prospective Members

Membership in the Wasatch Mountain Club is open anyone over 18. The club is a great resource if you want to meet others who are interested in muscle and gravity-powered outdoor sports like hiking, biking, river running, climbing, canyoneering, and, in winter, skiing and snowshoeing. We run 30 to 50 outings a month - see the activities calendar in the back of this Rambler. Most of the WMC trip organizers have decades of experience and club trips are a great way to learn about new places and to improve your skills.

Besides running trips the WMC also supports a wide range of advocacy, conservation, and trail maintenance activities that protect and enhance the natural environment and the lands we enjoy. See the President's Message in this Rambler.

Joining is easy. Go to www.wasatchmountainclub.org and look under the "General Menu" for "Join/Renew Member-ship." Dues are \$35/year for individuals.

The WMC Website

The internet is an important means of communication. The online Activities Calendar is updated as soon as an event is posted so it includes all changes and additions since the Rambler schedule was downloaded. The WMC also maintains email lists for various interest groups. The emails are used for activity-relevant announcements and especially for networking to schedule informal outings that do not appear on the official schedule.

There is much more on the website including: club administrative and historical information, downloadable forms, a gear swap, photo albums, and trip reports. Under the "Activities Menu" each major activity area has a page with general information, director and coordinator contact information, and activity-specific information such as policies and trip difficulty rating tables. Take a few minutes to explore the WMC website and see what is there.

How the WMC Runs

The WMC is a 100% volunteer-run non-profit club. The officers and directors are elected at the spring membership meeting, and they recruit and appoint coordinators and committee members who help run the club. Members volunteer to lead activities, with occasional prodding from a director or coordinator to insure a full and well-balanced schedule.

A basic principle is if you don't like something, don't just complain; volunteer to help solve the problem. You can offer your time and skills to the area director. If you want more activities of a particular type, volunteer to organize one.

Personal Responsibility

The WMC uses a combined sign-up sheet and Liability Release form for all trips. By signing you are indicating that you understand that there are risks in the outdoors. The club is NOT a guide service that looks out for you and guarantees a successful trip. Organizers offer advice on route decisions, equipment, and techniques based on their knowledge and experience. Often other trip participants have backgrounds comparable to that of the leader, and will assist as appropriate. However, all trip participants have an obligation to look out for themselves and for the others on a trip. Talk to the organizer if you are unsure of your equipment, your physical condition, or your skill level, and especially speak up if you feel what the group is doing is unsafe.

You are responsible for your personal gear such as adequate clothing, boots, and emergency supplies.

Going on a hike, bike ride, or climb with a group requires some common sense behavior. Help keep the group together. If you are ahead you should maintain occasional visual contact with whoever is next behind. Notify the organizer if you are leaving the group whether to continue to a farther destination or return early to your car.

Signing up for a Trip

If a meeting place and time are listed in the Rambler it is perfectly OK to simply show up. Generally you will see a group congregating in the parking lot about 10 minutes before the departure time. Walk up and ask if this is the WMC group going to _____. However, if you are new to the club, have questions, or just want more information about a particular trip you can contact the organizer at the phone number or email listed in the Activities Calendar.

Some club trips require advance registration. Generally these are trips into Wilderness areas where there is a group size limit, out-of-town trips where planning is needed, and technically difficult trips where the organizers want to prescreen participants for adequate training and physical condition. To register contact the organizer at the phone number or email listed in the Activities Calendar.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR SOCIAL CO-DIRECTORS

Tony Hellman and Mckinley Goreham

Hello Everyone,

Pray for snow while enjoying what we have seems to be the rallying cry in this mild winter of 2015.

In preparation for a fantastic 2015, the social directors thought a preview/recap of the diverse activities of the club would be helpful. There's something for everyone with over 1200 members participating in activities ranging from: beginner hikes to 30 day adventure in Yosemite, from crushing rapids to easy canoeing, from 500 mile bike rides to technical climbing/canyoneering or winter sports.

We currently have 3 BBQ socials scheduled as Multisport which attract 60-75 people. The kickoff date is May 25, 2015 at Storm Mountain amphitheater. Hiking, Climbing and Biking are organizing coordinated events ending with food and socializing. Hope to see you there!

On June 28 and July 19, we'll feast with BBQ and your own choice of delicious beverages at the the Majestic WMC Lodge at Brighton. On August 20, the lodge will be open for an overnight slumber party in the mountains after the annual Old Timers party. Some of the presentations have included first climbs of Ship's Rock, Everest and Conservation Efforts that benefit all members. The annual Halloween party is October 31 and is freakishly fun! Come if you DARE!

Snowshoeing, winter sports, sing a longs, canyoneering, & "spring hiking" events can be found on the WMC calendar & WMC Facebook site. www.wasatchmountainclub.org

Twenty-four people attended the first "WMC Movie nite" with presentations on Climbing Aconcagua, Sailing in Mexico and Alaskan Fishing. On March 16 (2nd Movie nite) Julie Kilgore will present her Yellowstone "After the snow" follow by Carol Masheter trip to Everest in 2014.

To further the education / safety of the club, education classes are regularly promoted and subsidized for members. This is a volunteer club ... so please get involved!

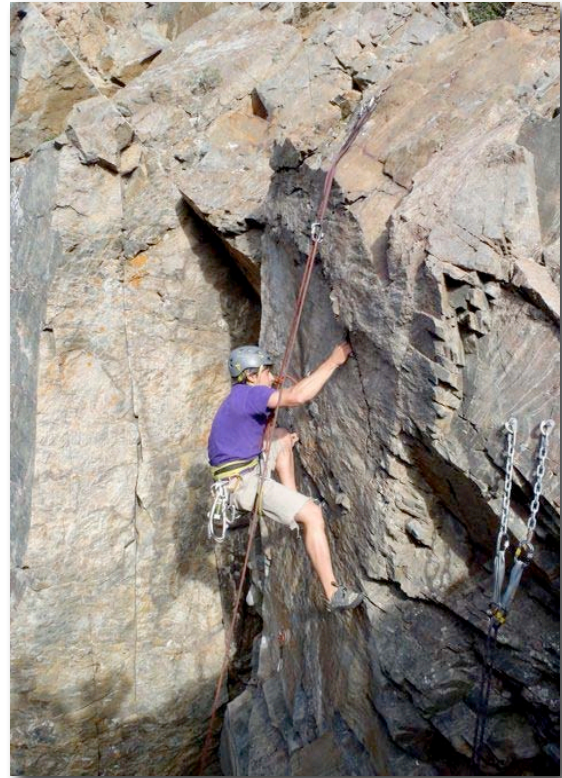
MESSAGE FROM YOUR CLIMBING CO-DIRECTORS

Steve Duncan and Matt Allen

Come join us on a Thursday evening climb this season, it's a lot of fun and a great way to meet new climbing friends. Climbers of all skill levels are welcome and most of the areas we frequent have good variety including moderate routes. Also, watch the calendar for workshops and out of town climbing and canyoneering trips.



Steve Duncan enjoying an easier (5.8) route at Redrock in Draper, June 2014. Suburban climbing next to the golf course.



Matt on Mister Sandman, Narcolepsy area, May 2014. Hard climb (5.10A) near Storm Mountain in Big Cottonwood.

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MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOATING CO-DIRECTORS

Aymara Jimenez and Kelly Beumer



The Wasatch Mountain Club has a very active rafting and canoeing community. Since the club was founded in the 1920's, club members have enjoyed yearly trips to some of the most pristine rivers in the West and beyond.

As with all other Club programs, rafting activities are volunteer based. The organizers and participants put in their own time, money and effort to make all the trips happen. Boating Club members meet in January of every year to discuss rivers, times and applications that must be submitted in order to secure private river permits.

Trips are announced via our Planning Party that occurs every March, the WMC Rambler and online Activity Calendar and the WMC-boat email list. Those wanting to participate in any trip must register and coordinate with the trip organizer in order to guarantee a spot on the trip.

White-water rafting is a cost-prohibitive, high time investment, equipment intensive activity that is dangerous if one does not know what they are doing. The Wasatch Mountain Club's Boating Program provides a platform for members to share and improve skills, knowledge and equipment to ensure fun and safety on the water. To this end, the club offers activities that cater to novice and experienced boaters alike.

As boating is equipment intensive, the Club owns several rafts, canoes, and related equipment for daily and overnight trips. Boating equipment is rented to members at rates which pay replacement and maintenance costs. Thus, the boating program is self-sufficient.

Each year the Club puts together one or more Beginner's Boating trips. These trips are enjoyed by

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members of all skill levels, but are geared more as the perfect stepping stone for those interested in getting involved in the rafting community. These trips introduce the different boats found on the river, safety procedures, and overall protocols to raft in a safe way. They are also an opportunity to hone your skills in the company of more experienced boaters. The Gray Canyon stretch of the Green River is a Club's favorite to introduce newcomers to rafting. This year, our beginner trip is scheduled for May 15-17, 2015.

One of our most popular river trips is the yearly trip to Idaho to run the Payette River. This yearly tradition puts beautiful scenery, fun rapids and the wildest 4th of July party you will ever attend into a memorable 4-day trip.

Club members have been very lucky to have run several trips into one of the world's most coveted rivers, the Grand Canyon. This trip offers a once in a lifetime experience that should be on any boaters bucket list.

Aside from white water rafting trips, the Boating Program puts together flat water/easy canoeing trips. From weekly Jordan River runs, to seven-day flat water trips to rivers like Stillwater Canyon in Southern Utah, canoeing is a great way to see the smaller rivers of the West.

Individuals interested in joining the Club's Boating Program should ensure they are registered to the Boating Email List. Communication between members through this platform is diverse; from boating opportunities, trip reports, water level announcements, gear swap notification, and preservation literature that ensures we take an active role in our community to preserve the water and lakes we enjoy.

Whatever your boat choice is, the Wasatch Mountain Club's Boating Program is a great way to interact with like-minded individuals that above all have a deep love for our environment and choose to appreciate it through the rivers and lakes that make up our beloved Mountain West.

Below is our 2015 Boating Schedule; be sure to contact the organizer if you would like to attend the trip. Our Boating Shed Opening Work Party is April 11, 2015 at 9:00 am at the Club's boat shed on 4340 S 300

W. Come out and help us get the gear ready for the 2015 season!

See you on the river!



Season Boating Calendar

AS OF
March 4
2015

2015 BOATING CALENDAR

TRIP DATES	TRIP LOCATION	CLASS RAPIDS	ORGANIZER	ORGANIZER CONTACT
Mar 2-	Planning Party	0	Kelly Beumer	kellybeumer@gmail.com
Mar 5-8	Black Canyon	I	Rick Thompson	gone2moab@hotmail.com
April 2-4	San Juan SI-MH	2	Wanda Gayle	wgayle@sisna.com
April 4-9	Dirty Devil/San Juan	I-II	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu
April 11	Boat Shed Opening	0	Bret Mathews	bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
April 12-19	Labyrinth Canoe	I	Pam Stalnaker	canoepam@yahoo.com
April 28	Adventure Gear Fest	0		http://www.adventuregearexpo.com
April 18	Utah Whitewater Gear Swap	0	Utah Whitewater Gear	At the Gear Fest
April 28- May 1	Upper Salt	III-IV	Al Livecchi	animalerdoc@earthlink.net
May 8-10	Glen Canyon-Lees Ferry	1	Kathy Jones	cooperdog1@comcast.net
May 9, 10	Swiftwater Rescue Fundamentals		U. Community Ed	https://umarket.utah.edu/um2/uuc ep/
May 15-17	Beginner Gray	II	Aymara Jimenez	saymaraj@gmail.com
May 15-26	Escalante	II+	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu
May 19	Desolation	II-III	Mark McKenzie	mdm571830@gmail.com
May 28-31	White River	I+	Martin/Kelly Beumer	kellybeumer@gmail.com
June 5-9	Grande Ronde	II-III	Mike Budig	mlbudig@gmail.com
May -June	San Rafael 2 day	I	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu
May -June	Muddy Creek 5-6 day	I-III	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu
July 2-5	Payette	III	Rick Thompson	gone2moab@hotmail.com
~July 18-25	Lower Salmon	IV	Kelly Beumer/Mike Budig	kellybeumer@gmail.com
July 27- ~Aug 2	Middle Fork Salmon	IV	Anja Wadman	anjawadman@gmail.com
July 31- Aug 3	Leigh Lake Grand Teton	I	Kathy Jones	cooperdog1@comcast.net
Aug 28-30	South Fork Snake Canoe	I	Kathy Jones	cooperdog1@comcast.net
Sept 1-17	Alsek River	IV	Chris	801-776-1031
Sept 24-30	Stillwater/Cataract Canyon	I-IV	Bob Cady	rcady@xmission.com
Sept 11-14	Ruby Horsethief	I	Rick Thompson	gone2moab@hotmail.com
Oct 3-26	Grand Canyon	V	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu

MESSAGE FROM YOUR HIKING CO-DIRECTORS

Julie Kilgore and Donn Seeley

The WMC began as a hiking club and hiking remains highly popular. If you are new to the club there are a few things you should know. First, be prepared with proper clothes, boots, and essentials in your pack. Some hikes require advance registration with the organizer due to difficulty, skill required, or Wilderness group size limits. However, for many hikes you can just show up at the meeting point. If you are unsure of your ability you should contact the organizer and discuss in advance.

April is an odd in-between month, but there are a few hikes posted already! Foothill hikes and west desert hikes are a great option this time of year and we need organizers. The best way to post an activity is to sign in on the website, and under the “Member Menu” you will select “Volunteer to Organize and Activity.” Once you submit that form, it will come to us for approval and will then be posted on the website. We have until the 10th of each month to get the next month’s activities posted and printed in the Rambler.



We will have a hike organizers planning and mentoring session at the club lodge on April 9th at 6 p.m. See the web calendar posting for details. We’ll go over club policies and guidelines for organizers and participants, but we really want to focus this year on encouraging new organizers and posting more co-organized activities. Send me an email with your RSVP so we can plan for food.

In partnership with the Salt Lake County Parks and Recreation, the WMC hiking group has adopted two trailheads – Mount Olympus and West Grandeur. If you frequent those trailheads and are interested in being part of the “Trailhead TLC Team,” let me know. There are several trailhead tending needs like picking up trash and graffiti cover. If you’re an early riser/hiker, one of the current needs is assisting with opening the gate at the West Grandeur trailhead.

The WMC plays an active role in lots of things going on in our community that are related to the enjoyment of our amazing outdoors. There are lots of opportunities to volunteer for various community boards and

committees. If you have an interest in the extension of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail, land preservation above Top of the World Drive, supporting the Forest Service with tending to Wilderness areas, or assisting with bird counts in urban green space, send me an email and I’ll get you plugged in.

Happy Hiking and we’ll see you on the trails!



Member Profile

Donn Seeley has a reputation for leading some of the most interesting multiday trips to the west desert and other areas less visited by the WMC. He has been on the WMC board multiple times over the years and is now one of the hiking co-directors. When I was President I regarded Donn as an expert on Roberts Rules of Order

Profile by John Veranth, Trustee.



MESSAGE FROM YOUR TRAIL MAINTENANCE COORDINATORS

David Andrenyak and Bret Smith


One of the purposes of the Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) is to encourage the preservation of our natural areas (WMC Constitution, Article II). One of the ways that this mission is fulfilled is by participating in trail maintenance. WMC trail maintenance takes place at several levels. The most basic level is to use trails responsibly. No littering. Pack out what you bring in. No user created short cuts. Avoid hiking off trail to get around muddy wet spots. Do not remove flowers or anything that belongs in the natural areas. Following these guideline will help protect our mountains and forests. We are all familiar with these guideline and we observe them. Still, it is good to review good hiking practices that relate to trail maintenance at the start of the hiking season.

Another level of trail maintenance is that participants on WMC hikes perform nontechnical trail maintenance work that does not require tools. This work includes collecting and hauling out trash, removing small rocks and branches from the trail space. Please use care when doing this especially when removing rocks off trail sections that traverse across steep slopes. We do not want a removed rock to roll and hit another hiker. If clipping nuisance vegetation that is growing into the trail space, the clippings need to be



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removed off of the trail tread. Also, vegetation needs to be pruned back far enough so that there are no sharp protruding sticks or branches that can impale a hiker. Any major trail maintenance needs to be performed by the appropriate agency such as the U.S. Forest Service (USFS). Related to this is to report any trail problems to the appropriate managing agency. WMC members can do this by emailing the WMC trail maintenance coordinator and describe the problem. The WMC trail maintenance coordinator will notify the appropriate managing agency.

The WMC is a dedicated participant in trail maintenance activities that are organized by the USFS, Cottonwood Canyons Foundation (CCF), and Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee (BSTC). These activities involve trail building and major trail maintenance where tools are used. Last July, the WMC worked with the USFS Wilderness Rangers and Salt Lake County Search and Rescue officers to improve the saddle to summit section for the Mount Olympus hike. Because that section of the hike is not an official maintained USFS trail, many “false path” have been created over the years. These false paths had lead many unwary hiker to treacherous terrain and resulted in lost hikers along with tragic accidents. For the improvement project, WMC members helped to build 12 Forest Service standard cairns that defined the appropriate route to the summit. The WMC participants worked to close off the false paths. In addition WMC member hauled up water and tools to the project site. That was a tremendous effort because the trail/ route was steep and it was a hot July day. Also, WMC member were posted at the trailhead to inform other hikers that the saddle to summit section was closed because of the work project.



One of the rock cairns that was constructed for the Mount Olympus route improvement. (L to R) George and Chris Frazier, Lana Christiansen, Julie Kilgore.



Some of the team that worked to improve safety on the upper section of the Mount Olympus hike. Standing (L to R) : Brett Jeppeson (USFS), USFS Wilderness Ranger, John Knoblock, Brett Smith, Dave Andrenyak, SLCo Search and Rescue Officer, Bruce Chistenson, USFS Wilderness Ranger, Karen Perkins. Seated (L to R) Julie Kilgore, USFS Wilderness Ranger, Nancy Martin.

The WMC has been a major participant and supporter of National Trails Day activities that are organized by the CCF. Last year the WMC was the lunch sponsor for that event. WMC member also worked on other CCF organized projects such as plant restoration at Silver Lake-Brighton, trail building at Alta, rerouting of the Lambs Canyon trail. The WMC has worked with the BSTC to build the new sections of the Bonneville Shoreline trail. Last year, the section from the Mount Olympus to the Z trail in Olympus Cove was completed.

For 2015, trail maintenance activities will be listed in the Rambler and in the WMC web site calendar. Thank you to all WMC members that hike responsibly and participate in trail maintenance. Let's keep up the effort.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR BIKING CO-DIRECTORS

Diane Rosenberg, Marcy Allen, and Katie Kunz

It's getting to be that time again - time to give your bike a "SPRING" cleaning as we've turned our clocks ahead waiting impatiently for the warmer weather to arrive so we can hit the roads.

For both new members and old we will be offering a variety of weekly road rides listed in the Rambler and on our web based WMC monthly activity calendar. These vary from NTD (not too difficult) to MOD (moderate) and all the way up to MSD (most difficult).

New this season will be MONTHLY SOCIALS. These will give you an opportunity to ride 20 - 25 NTD to MOD miles, socialize and eat everyone's pot luck goodies. In fact, we already have one scheduled in April thanks to Robert Turner! Robert's social will also include a do it yourself flat tire repair clinic so if you've been hesitant about riding alone due to your nonexistent tire repair skills then this social is just for you! Not only will you learn how to repair flats this season, but you can also become one of the "chain gang" and attend Carl Kunz's chain maintenance class in May. Get faster speeds (we wish) by keeping your chain cleaned and lubed!

Due back by popular demand from last season Marcy Allen will once again feature her CLIMBING SERIES. These will be a series of 8-10 different climbs in the Wasatch Front and Back. We will wait until we get a good base of miles in before starting, but count on mid June or the beginning of July for a start time. We will crown a KOM (king of the mountain) on each one, but watch out as the winner may have to buy lunch!

For both oldies and newbie's Cheryl Soshnik will once again be offering a 2 day SELF SUPPORTED BIKE TOUR to Rockcliff Recreation Area at Jordanelle State Park in June. These are for people who like to show off how much gear they can carry on a bike ride! Angie Vincent follows up with a 10 day self supported tour across Colorado in August and September. Angie refers to this tour as a self supported "credit card" trip where you have the luxury of spending nights in hotels. For the rest of us minimalists Katie Kunz is repeating her Bear Lake camp and bike trip in June along with Robert's Huntington Canyon trip in July.

Whether or not you enjoyed our WEEKLY E-MAIL BLASTS last season you will



Wolf Creek Pass Climbing Series Finale

L to R: Sara, Jeff, Frank, Mary, Marcy, Craig, Tina, Kneel, Brian

be happy to hear that we are continuing them! We will wrap up the previous week's events and give you the run down on the current week's events. In addition to our weekly blasts we will be sending out a special "ALERT" e-mail requesting organizers to submit their rides one week prior to our Rambler deadline. Not only will your ride be on our activity calendar, but it will also appear in the Rambler.

Speaking of rides you must realize the club is counting on YOU to organize them in order for us to be able to offer a variety of rides every week. You are the heart and soul of our program. If you have an idea for a new ride, want companionship on your favorite ride or want to help others ride you should consider becoming a ride organizer. You can pick your favorite ride or you can log onto our WMC website, select Mountain and Road Bike under the Activities menu and click on Find a Road Bike Ride to Organize. Use the links on the next page to find a ride based on name, rating or starting location. If you've never organized a ride now is the time to step up and commit as you just might like it!

Finally, as they say in show biz, "that's a wrap!" We are looking forward to our upcoming season and welcome new members!

See you on the road!

TRIP REPORTS

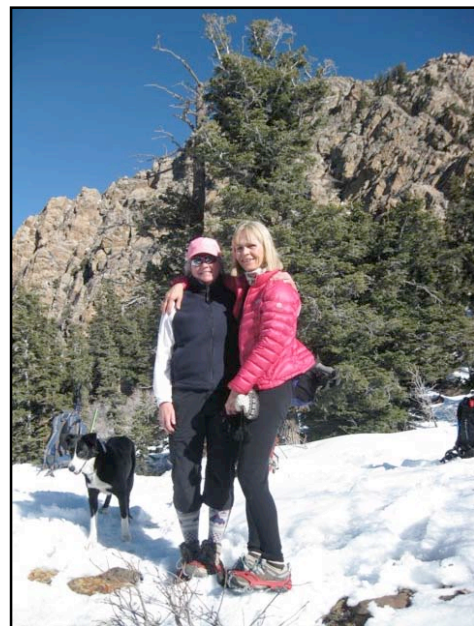
Dennis Goreham's Mt. Olympus hike, 03/10/15

Submitted by Susan Kirby

We started at Mt. Olympus trailhead at 8:00 am. It was a brisk morning before the sun hit the trail and we made good time. After Blister hill we put on micro spikes up through the pine trees where there was still snow. We reached the saddle in the sun and enjoyed the view on this flawless day. We hiked to the peak and enjoyed a short rest and lunch before heading down. Participants were Dennis Goreham, Barbara Gardner and her dog, Jim Kucera and Susan Kirby.



Jim and Dennis on the peak



Barb and Susan on the saddle.

Bryce Canyon Trip Report

Story and photos by Tony Hellman

A trip of a lifetime! One very awesome adventure off the “Bucket List” thanks to the Wasatch Mountain Club is how I feel after snowshoeing in Bryce Canyon, Feb 28-March 1, 2015. The trip began in early December with advance planning so accommodations could be reserved at Ruby’s Inn at the entrance of Bryce Canyon. The Winter Warmer special saved about ½ of the cost of lodging while allowing the group to close knit. The group of 20 arrived over various days and consisted of Novices to the Pro’s like Jim Kucera, the WMC’s Snowshoe Coordinator. A high five to Rick Thompson and Jim for all their help.



Barb Gardner, Susan Allen, Robert Myers, Alfred Kessi on the trail.

While snow was hoped for, the usually mild 2015 winter threaten too much sunshine and little snow. Then mother nature took over and 20 inches of light, fluffy, wonderful, gorgeous, awesome, beautiful snow showcased the incredible National Park called Bryce. It was winter. I uncovered the car five times in two days and everyone was giddy. The group rendezvoused in the Hotel Lobby and we carpooled into Bryce while allocating the National Park passes so extra fees were avoided. Day 1 consisted of Peek A Boo loop. Day 2, either a rim trail or Queen’s garden. Day 3 Tower Bridge. Saturday was a group potluck by the pool and hot tub with lots of smiles, stories and laughter. The beauty of Bryce must be experienced ... the memory of 20 inches of snow on Bryce with unbroken trail is and will be unforgettable.



Group photo names, L to R Michael Naegle, Robert Myers, Susan Allen, Alfred and Meredith Kessi, Dana, Rod Collins, Rick Thompson-Organizer Extradinaire!, Tony Hellman, Giulia Roselli, Nancy Martin, Terry Baker, Jen Angel, Jim Kucera, Lilia Bremer, Front row: Barbara Gardner, Luce Forte, Michele

Boulder, UT Multisport Open Weekends

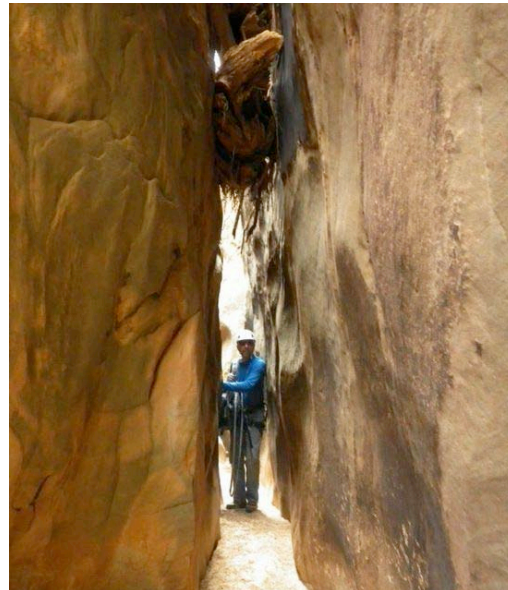
The last few years John and Martha Veranth have been organizing Spring and Fall WMC weekends at their cabin-in-progress in Boulder, Utah. The location provides a convenient base camp for hiking, canyoneering, and biking day trips. Bike riders enjoy the Burr Trail, but the “paved” road is not as level as it looks, and few manage to go all the way to Capitol Reef and back. Nearby hikes range from the half hour walk to the Balanced Rock right behind the property to all-day explorations of the Escalante Canyons. Popular technical canyons include Micro Death Hollow and Egypt 2. A highlight of the events is the over abundant shared potluck dinners in the evenings. On the last day many participants do a short hike then visit the excellent museum at Anasazi State Park right in Boulder. The base camp format allows accommodating a range of interests and abilities including both expert canyoneers and accompanying guests who just want to relax. WMC Boulder weekends in 2014 are scheduled for Easter (see April listings), May, and September



The April 2014 Canyoneering weekend group relaxing inside.



Lick Wash day hike.



Bret Mathews at the end of Micro Death Hollow technical section.



John V in the narrows of Boulder Creek

2014 Huntington Canyon – Scofield Road Bike Trip

The 7th annual Huntington Canyon—Scofield Road Bike weekend trip took place July 11-13. We camped again up top in Flat Canyon Campground since the campgrounds in Huntington Canyon itself are still closed due to continuing flash flood and debris flow danger caused by the fires that occurred there two years ago (summer 2012). In fact, a flood/debris flow the day before closed the road down Huntington Canyon until late in the evening the day we arrived. Fortunately, it didn't affect us: that is precisely why we camped up top where the roads are not subject to floods and closures.

We had another great time as you can see from these pictures (courtesy of Chris Winter).



Deirdre (R) checking out Dave's (L) motorized mountain/dirt bike contraption.



L-R: Mohamed, Deirdre, Carrie and Rick examining their bike rack setup.



Evening group socializing. L to R: Rick, Turtle, Jacqueline, Chris K (her back, anyway), Carrie, Deirdre (sitting).

Flat



repair. And they still look like they are enjoying themselves anyway. L-R: Dave S, Cheryl, Rick, Carrie.



L-R: Jacqueline, John and Rod chillin' in camp. John and his ferocious guard dog.



Carrie (I think) about to make the turn toward Clear Creek. Skyline coal mine operations in the background. This is where the coal is loaded onto railroad coal cars.



Cheryl and Mike bookending the Clear Creek welcome sign. It really is a little bit of heaven.



Chris W is all smiles as he peddles through the charming little town of Clear Creek.



One of the local residents (part-time only; there aren't any full time residents anymore; the last one died a year or two ago) putted over to us on his ATV and gave us a fascinating history lesson of the town and surrounding area. Back in the day, it was a company town complete with company store where residents had to do all their purchasing. They even burned one man's suit because he bought it elsewhere. Paying rapt attention are (L-R) Turtle, Cheryl (obscured behind Turtle), Mike, Rick and Carrie.

Index of Faint Trails of the Wasatch Article by Charles Keller

This outstanding series of articles on historic trails in the Wasatch has been written and published in the Rambler over many years. Here is an index of the issues in which the articles appeared. Many thanks to Charlie for all the effort researching and documenting these trails and for leading hikes on them.

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Resources on the WMC Website

Many things formerly published in the Rambler are now online and can be downloaded when needed
This include:

- Membership Application (Printed this month only)
- Membership Renewal form (Printed this month only)
- Hike Rating List - a detailed compilation of distances and elevations and combined numerical rating prepared by Trustee Emeritus Dale Green. Alternative calculation of hikes exist, but Dale's list is the one club members are most familiar with.
- The Membership Directory (Member log in required) The current data base is searchable and an archive version is available for download.

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.



Julie Kilgore and Phyllis Anderson on top of the Waterpocket Fold in Capitol Reef National Park.

FAINT TRAILS IN THE WASATCH

FTW 95. Emma Mine, Part II

As related in the previous Faint Trails article, the United States Marshal for the Territory of Utah, by virtue of writs of execution of the Territorial Third District Court, sold the Emma mine property at public auction to Charles G. Lincoln, the highest bidder. In March 1877 a Marshal's Deed was issued and Lincoln became the owner of the mine. He held it for seven and one-half months, during which time it remained idle. However, during this time much was happening behind the scenes, some events dating back a half dozen years.

In the summer of 1871, shortly after the Emma Silver Mining Company of New York was organized, Prof. William P. Blake, a geologist and mining expert of some renown, visited Trenor W. Park at the latter's office in New York City. Having heard stories of this unbelievably rich mine in Utah, he had a desire to visit it and observe for himself. An arrangement was made for him to inspect the mine and provide a report about his observations. Blake went to Utah and spent more than two weeks making a detailed inspection, recording his measurements and drawing maps of the various levels. He determined the mine was not on a true fissure vein, but that the ore body was a deposit, or pocket, completely surrounded by limestone. He gave an analogy of a piece of fruit in jelly, where the fruit represented the ore body and the jelly the surrounding limestone. His conclusion was that the ore could not extend indefinitely in any direction. He wrote a letter to Gen. W. W. Baxter, Park's partner in this venture, and mailed it from Salt Lake City. In the letter he marveled over this unbelievable mine, causing the letter to appear as a favorable report. On reflecting about this, he wrote a second letter and mailed it to both Baxter and Park. In this one he said that when the ore in the cavity was exhausted, it might not be possible to find another. In other words, the mine as it existed had a limited life. Understandably, the second letter was not forwarded to the prospective purchasers in England, but excerpts from his first letter were used in the prospectus for the sale of the mine.



Fig. 1. Trenor W. Park

In 1873 while he was in Europe on business, Blake visited the London office of the British Emma company, and left copies of his two letters. In the Spring of 1874 General R. M. Gardiner took over the chairmanship of the company and with the information in the Blake letters, the dismal news from the mine in Utah and advice of eminent counsel, he instituted a suit in the Circuit Court for the southern district of New York against the vendors – Trenor W. Park, H. Henry Baxter and William M. Steward – charging fraud and requesting recovery of the entire \$5,000,000 purchase price. He also instructed mine manager Attwood to allow no one to visit the mine or to disburse funds to anyone - i.e., Park.



Fig. 2. Gen. H. Henry Baxter

While much of the complaint was based upon Prof. Blake's report, there were others who saw the same thing. When the Emma claim was surveyed for patent in February 1871 the surveyor, Charles L. Stephenson, attempted to determine the direction of the lode, as was the custom at that time. He had some difficulty doing that and as a result the claim received a dogleg shape, running generally northeast and southwest. Other claims that had a definite vein to follow ran northwest and southeast. Stephenson, in describing the mine, commented, "the whole mine as developed show the ore deposits to be very irregular, nearly as wide as long and symptoms of walls on all sides." And later in 1871, about the time the British bought the mine, a writer for Crofutt's Western World stated, "it is generally conceded that the 'Emma' is not a 'true fissure vein,' but merely an immense deposit or 'pocket' of ore."

Before the British completed the Emma purchase, Trenor Park, either through misgivings about the mine or through altruism, insisted the purchasers conduct their own inspection of the property. He even helped arrange for Prof. Benjamin Silliman of Yale college to go to the mine and report on it. It cost about \$3,000 to telegraph Silliman's long optimistic report to London. Park also persuaded some of the potential heavy investors to travel to Utah to see the mine, and all returned home greatly impressed. However, they were not miners.

Almost immediately after the Circuit Court suit was filed Park retaliated by filing the suits against the company that caused the mine to be attached by the United States Marshal and for all practical purposes halted further operations.

The jury trial for the British suit did not begin until mid-December 1876, over two years after it was filed. By that time Park had initiated the suit that caused the Emma mine to be sold to Charles G. Lincoln at the U.S.

Marshal's public sale. But by this time the plaintiffs had less interest in the mining property than in getting their five million dollars back. And all indications were that they would be victorious when the trial ended.

In February of 1876 an Emma Mine Investigation hearing began in the United States House of Representatives. While that hearing was authorized to inquire into the involvement of General Robert C. Schenck, the United States minister at the Court of St. James, the examinations of the many witnesses were enough to convince most observers that the British had been the victims of a great swindle. That atmosphere prevailed during most of the trial in New York City. In the last week of the five month long proceedings the counsel for the plaintiff recalled Prof. Blake, apparently in an attempt to strengthen their case, but his questions were ruled out, which was a turning of the tide.

In his summary, the counsel for the defense made several strong points, the first being that all of the defendants were directors of the British company and therefore were part of the company. If this action were maintained, he said, it would be the first time in the history of jurisprudence that a company could sue itself. Another point was to discredit Prof. Blake and to support Prof. Silliman's report that stated the mine was a true mineral vein, which the British had called a "great crowning fraud." Yet, the defense continued, out of the thousands who had visited the mine, only Prof. Blake had called it a "pocket." Apparently his summary was convincing because on 29 April 1877 the jury returned a verdict for the defendants.

Having this disagreeable litigation and trials behind him, Trenor Park in the next few months organized and incorporated The American Emma Mining Company in the state of New York, with himself as president and his factotum, Charles Lincoln, as secretary. Lincoln then transferred the Emma mine into the new corporation. Little work other than maintenance was done in the mine, but its dumps were worked under lease with considerable success. Shortly after its incorporation, the American Emma company took a lease on the Bay City Tunnel, whose portal was 900 feet from the Emma tunnel in a southwesterly direction, over 300 feet lower, and whose underground workings ran very close to those of the Emma. During the late summer of 1879 the Emma buildings were taken down and moved, together with all the machinery, to the portal of the Bay City Tunnel. The machinery included two fifty horsepower engines and boilers, air compressors, pumps and other appliances. With this move the Bay City also assumed the name of Emma, so that reports of activities at the Emma could have referred to either location.

Meanwhile, in England, the liquidator of the Emma Silver mining Company (Limited), which was still in existence, announced that all litigation affecting the company had been amicably disposed. The company was



Fig. 3. Bay City Tunnel buildings and waste rock dump as they appeared at the beginning of the twentieth century. By that time all the Emma mine operations and activities were located here.

then re-registered as the New Emma Silver Mining Company, Limited, and in January 1882, as part of the settlement the American Emma Mining Company transferred its property to the new British company. This appeared to be a culmination of all actions taken by Trenor Park over the previous years, all taken to somehow make things right with the British stockholders. If he felt relief by having the entire Emma affair, one that lasted eleven years, behind him, he didn't have much time to rejoice, for later that year he began to suffer ill health and died on 13 December 1882 while on the Pacific Mail steamer, San Blas. He, his wife and some friends were on a pleasure tour, hoping it would improve his health. Trenor W. Park was 59 years old.

Over the years some Emma company stockholders, even some of the directors, saw Park as the Devil incarnate, the man responsible for all the grief and misfortunes they suffered. Many of his actions appeared to

be made in his own interests, yet in retrospect there were reasons for everything he did. When he died he was a well-known and respected capitalist. He had been a successful lawyer during his younger years, spending eleven years in California, where he amassed his fortune. Upon returning east he became an investor in mining, railroad and banking enterprises. Among other things he was president of the Panama Railroad Company, a director in the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and the Hudson River Tunnel Company. Of his many successes during his life, the Emma mine affair was one that brought him the most grief.

There is more to the Emma story and its effect upon the Alta community, much of which will be addressed in future Faint Trails articles.

Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation



Wanted: Board Members

The Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation is looking to fill 4 positions to serve on their board of directors for a 3-year term.

The objective of the board is to preserve the Lodge that was established by the Wasatch Mountain Club and entrusted to the Foundation in 2010. The foundation is a 501(c) 3 organization and uses the money from donations, fundraisers, and rentals to maintain and improve the building as needed. Positions are volunteer and will be filled before the end of 2014.

Open Positions

IT Director (IT infrastructure is basic and needs only moderately experienced person)

Lodge Rental Coordinator (Tasked with taking and maintaining the reservations for the Lodge)

Fundraising (Someone who is willing to coordinate events large and small to raise the funds necessary to keep the Lodge running)

Lodge Maintenance (Willing to plan and lead project teams aimed at maintaining the Lodge)

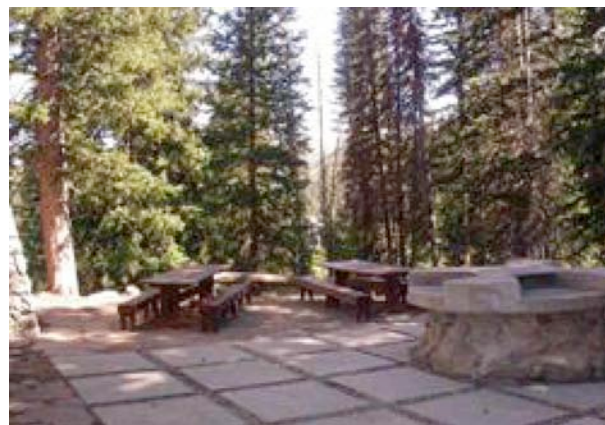
Contact Robert Myers for more information or to apply

RobertMyers47@gmail.com



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Summer Picnic Venue



Consider the historic Wasatch Mountain Lodge for your family reunion or company picnic. Special, discounted weekday rates are available and there are many open dates for this coming summer. Visit our website at <http://wasatchmountainclubfoundation.org/>

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

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.

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).

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

Wasatch Mountain Club Activities Listings

Date	Activity
Apr 1 Wed	Wmc Board Meeting <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103 <i>Organizer:</i> Will McCarvill 801-942-2921 president@wasatchmountainclub.org Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the boards attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting. Pre-meeting dinner at Fiddler's Elbow 6PM. All are welcome.
Apr 2 Thu – Apr 5 Sun	Kayaking Upper San Juan – class II – 27.0 mi <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at TBD <i>Carpool:</i> 10:00 am at TBD <i>Organizer:</i> Wanda Gayle 801-486-3875 wgayle@sisna.com Self-supported paddling trip from Sand Island to Mexican Hat. Drive to Bluff and camp at Sand Island on April 1 after shuttling vehicles to Mexican Hat (41 miles one way). Put in Thursday morning April 2. Take out and return to Salt Lake City on Sunday, April 5. Trip dependent on weather conditions and discharge of at least 400 cfs. Duckies and experienced campers best. Pre-trip meeting two weeks prior to determine costs and equipment. Room for 4 people.
Apr 3 Fri – Apr 5 Sun	Easter Multisport Car Camp - Boulder – mod – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> John Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

A hiking and biking base camp at Veranth's cabin in Boulder UT. Usual format: carpools arrive independently Thursday night or Friday morning, depart Sunday afternoon or stay until Monday. Group potluck dinners Friday and Saturday. Planned full-day hikes: Lower Muley Twist from Burr Trail to The Post (Saturday), and the slickrock mesas along Deer Creek (Friday). Suggestions for shorter and alternative hikes can be provided. See separate listing for planned bike rides. Email to get the logistics sheet and be on the mailing list for updates.

Apr 4 Sat

Let's Get Started! Co-organized Beginner/family Hike To Lower Bells Reservoir – ntd- – 3.0 mi – Slow pace

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

Organizer: Randy Long and Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 (julie) Jk@wasatch-environmental.com

Hike up the Little Cottonwood Canyon moraine about a mile to this pretty little lake, then walk the shoreline around it. This hike is open to anyone but is geared toward introducing new people to the Wasatch Mountain Club, or to hiking as an activity. Children 8 and older OK. There will be two organizers on this trip to make sure nobody gets behind, and to help with any questions or concerns.

Apr 4 Sat

Service Hike-mount Olympus Trailhead Clean Up And Hike – 2.0 mi

Meet: 8:00 am at Mount Olympus Trailhead

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

We will meet at the Mount Olympus trailhead around 8:00 am. To help fulfill the WMC's commitment to care for the Mount Olympus trailhead, we will clean up the trailhead for about 1.5 hours. Then, lets go for a hike. One hike suggestion is to travel on the Mt. Olympus (Mount O) trail to the stream crossing. Another is to hike on the BST. In addition to the 10 Es, please bring work gloves and wear long pants. I will not turn away anyone that shows up only to hike. If you want to hike only, show up by 9:30 am. To minimize the risk of vehicle break ins at the Mount Olympus trailhead, do not store any valuable in your vehicle. I will bring some refreshments. Please email me if you are planning to attend

Apr 4 Sat

Co-organized Early Season Hike To Lake Blanche – mod – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 2700' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

Organizer: Yi Qu and Christine Miller 801-503-5252 (Yi) or 385-229-0737 (Christine)
yiqu1@hotmail.com

There is likely to be snow on the trail to Lake Blanche, but it's a popular route so it should be well packed. Come prepared with microspikes or yak tracks, and there still might be some post-holing here and there.

Apr 5 Sun –
Apr 10 Fri

White Water Rafting San Juan Or Dirty Devil – class II+ – 50.0 mi

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Steve Pace 801 363 8180 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu

I have a S.J. permit + campsite reservations for a launch @ M.H. on Sun. (Easter 4/5) Take out at Clay Hills mid-day 4/10. Duckies Only!! If there is sufficient water (175cfs) will consider shifting trip to the 54 mile reach on the DD from H'ville to Poison Springs on approx the same dates, same gear, same food. Anyone who is interested will need to pay for \$20 permit on S.J. that may go unused. I will arrange for commercial shuttles in either case. If you're interested contact me by the first week of March.

Apr 5 Sun

Easter Sunday Snowshoe Or Hike - Burch Hollow – mod

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

Organizer: Catherine Groseclose 801-541-5463 catcog@gmail.com

The might be a hike or it might be a snowshoe. Either way, it will be a great day.

Apr 5 Sun	<p>Mountaineering - Cascade Mountain Via Crow's Foot Couloir – ext – 13.0 mi – 6000' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Benjamin Stokes 801-839-8993 benjamin.t.stokes@gmail.com</p> <p>Join Ben Stokes and Sam Grant for an ascent of one of the longest couloirs in the Wasatch. Crampon and ice axe experience required. Snowshoes and/or micro-spikes may be necessary for the approach through Rock Canyon. This excursion is highly weather dependent and will be cancelled or postponed if there are not safe conditions. Plan on a very early start.</p>
Apr 5 Sun	<p>Avenues Area Hike – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Popperton Park (east of 11th Avenue and Virginia Street)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Gretchen Siegler 801-661-5635 gsiegler@westminstercollege.edu</p> <p>Early April is a good time for a foothills hike in the Avenues area. Dogs ok.</p>
Apr 6 Mon	<p>Hike North Ridge Of Bells – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Bell Canyon Trailhead (the one with the restrooms), approximately 9600 South and east of Wasatch Boulevard</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Explore the lower section of the ridge between Little Cottonwood Canyon and the lower Bells reservoir. With the city lights in view, this should make a nice sunset and city-light night hike. This will be a short but very steep hike. Bring flash lights and appropriate layers. This is a watershed, so no dogs tonight. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return.</p>
Apr 7 Tue	<p>Dawnbreakers Hike – mod-</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:30 am at Parking lot at base of West Grandeur. East on 3300 S. Cross over I-215 toward the Elementary school, then follow the road LEFT onto Wasatch Blvd to the end parking lot. DO NOT BRING ANY VALUABLES THAT WOULD BE LEFT IN YOUR CAR.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> jk@wasatch-environmental.com (801) 842-9646</p> <p>Early risers join me for a maximum 2 hour hike. A great way to start your day with fresh air and cardio. This will be a moderate pace dependent on participants You're welcome to hike at your own pace. Meeting Time is 7:25am, departing 7:30am sharp, returning at 9:30.</p>
Apr 7 Tue	<p>Evening Hike - Salt Lake Overlook – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Terry Baker 801-904-2621</p> <p>There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure.</p>
Apr 9 Thu	<p>Hike Organizer Planning/mentoring Get-together At The Wmc Lodge: Rsvp Required</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at WMCF Lodge at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon, see the Web Link below for the exact location. Bring yak trax or micro-spikes if you have them. If not, still come and we'll group together to get everyone the short distance back to the cars.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore/Donn Seeley 801-244-3323/801-706-0815 jk@wasatch-environmental.com; donn@xmission.com</p> <p>Want to organize this year but maybe not quite sure yet? We'll go over organizer and participant policies and guidelines, answer questions, share suggestions, establish some co-organizer teams, and schedule some May hikes. Food and sodas on us. Please RSVP by e-mail or voice mail so your hiking directors can arrange the the appropriate quantity of food. Arrive anytime between 6 and 6:30.</p>
Apr 9 Thu	<p>Parley Ridge - Grandeur Peak, Church Fork Peak, Mt Aire Long Day Hike – msd – 12.0 mi Shuttle – 5000' ascent – Moderate pace</p>

Meet: 7:00 am at Meet at the parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Boulevard (Approx. 3000 South) at 7:00 a.m

Organizer: Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com

Hopefully snow is firm and we can make good time on this long ridge hike. Start up west ridge of Grandeur Peak, over Church Fork Peak, and finish on Mount Aire, then down Elbow Fork to Mill Creek road to walk out to gate. Maybe soft snow and certainly a little bushwacking. Be prepared with snowshoes just in case they are needed. About 12 miles (plus road section) and about 5000 feet elevation gain. Must register and assist with shuttle.

Apr 10 Fri Bikeutah Summit - Biking Meeting/social

Meet: 8:30 am at Provo Library at Academy Square, 550 North University Avenue, Provo

Organizer: Diane Rosenberg 858-336-7901 dlrosenberg@mac.com

The theme of the seventh Annual Summit is "Two Wheels, One Love" focusing on getting more people on bikes, creating safer spaces and more a equitable environment for those who choose to ride or do so out of necessity. Gary Fischer, the father of mountain biking, will be the keynote speaker. This day long summit (8:30-5:00) will bring together everyday riders, bicycle and trail advocates, bicycle manufacturers, city planners, government officials, representatives from Utah's tourism industry, local cycling clubs and staff from shops. The weblink, below, will be updated when registration opens.

Apr 10 Fri – Apr 14 Tue Maze Car Camp & Day Hikes – mod+ – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

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

Day hikes from a 4WD campsite in the Maze District of Canyonlands. Destinations include the Chocolate Drops, the Fins, and the Confluence trail. Drive down to Hite on Thursday night and drive back to the highway on Tuesday morning. Group size depends on having a second 4WD vehicle so register early.

Apr 10 Fri – Apr 12 Sun Yellowstone Hike-paced Bike Ride – 30.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace

Meet: Registration required

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

Join Julie for this annual pre-season road bike trek into 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, intentionally taking about 4 hours for a 30-mile round trip. Plan B will be dictated by whatever Mother Nature is dishing out that morning. Whatever the conditions, Ron's fried chicken will be waiting upon the return. Come prepared for every combination of sun/snow/rain/wind/hot/cold. Base camp is the Kilgore cabin in Island Park, which can hold about 12 people depending on the make-up of the group. Because of the limited space, RSVP priority will be given to WMC members.

Apr 10 Fri Sing-a-long And Pot Luck Supper

Meet: 6:30 pm at 4742 S Kaitlyn Ann Cr (810 W)

Organizer: Angie & Don Vincent, La Rae & Bart Bartholoma, Frank Bernard 801-281-3160, 801-277-4093 dvince182@yahoo.com; roosiebear@gmail.com; frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Our gathering this month is graciously being hosted by Angie and Don (Vince) Vincent. We will circle the wagons at 6:30 at 4742 S Kaitlyn Ann Cr(810 W) See directions below and please adhere to parking requests.) Come prepared to have an evening of fun, food and entertainment! Bring something to share (appetizer, salad, entree, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. If you play an instrument, bring that as well! Following dinner we'll have our Sing-A-Long. If you haven't attended before, you have no idea how much fun you are missing out on. If you have, you will certainly want to be there! We'll wrap it up by 10 PM. Directions: exit off I-15 at 4500 South, go west on 4500 south 0.2 miles, turn left (south) at first light onto 500 West. Go 0.4 miles, turn right (west) at first light onto 4800 South. Drive 0.4 miles and turn right (north) at the top of the hill onto Shelbourne Lane. Shelbourne curves right and ends. Turn left on Kaitlyn Ann Circle. Second house on the left, 4742 South Kaitlyn Ann Circle. Please park in driveway, visitors parking or on 4800 South. Parking is prohibited on the subdivision streets. Questions: Don or Angie 801-281-3160 dvince182@yahoo.com, La Rae or Bart 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com, Frank Bernard frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Apr 11 Sat

Boat Shed Opening Work Party :)

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

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

It's time for the annual opening of the Boating Shed! Since most of our gear is in pretty good shape it will not take very long to roll up the boats and check the rest of the gear. If it is pouring rain the alternate date is April 25.

Apr 11 Sat

Millcreek Canyon Hike – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Loop – 700' ascent – Slow pace

Meet: 9:00 am at Parking area just west of REI on 33rd South.

Organizer: Bruce Christenson 801-824-0131 b.c.com@hotmail.com

April 11, a good morning for a walk. Millcreek Canyon loop. NTD+ 2-3 hours hiking time. Bruce Christenson organizer 801-824-0131. Slow pace to enjoy the mountain and each others conversation and company. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear, bring water and a snack and Yaktrak or similar just in case. We will meet in the parking area just west of REI on 33rd S.. Be a little early to to carpool and leave promptly at 9am. Call Bruce 801-824-0131 for any questions.

Apr 11 Sat

Hike Ferguson Canyon – mod – Out & Back – 3000' ascent – Slow pace

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

Organizer: Cassie Badowsky 801-278-5153

Hike at a Saturday Morning leisurely but steady pace up Ferguson Canyon to the meadow. Bring microspikes for whatever snow may still be in the upper part of the drainage.

Apr 12 Sun
– Apr 18
Sat

Flat Water - Labryrith Canyon, Green River - 7 Days – flat water – 64.0 mi

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Pam Stalnaker 801-425-9957 canoepam@yahoo.com

Flat water, self-supported paddling/camping trip from Crystal Geyser to Mineral Bottoms - 64 water miles. Experienced canoe/kayak campers only. We will establish meal groups, and each group will be responsible for their own gear. The weather is variable as is the water level. This is part of one of the premier flat water paddling/camping trips in the country. There will be a mandatory pre-trip meeting two weeks prior to the trip, date TBD. Canoes work best, but kayaks are a possibility. There is a \$100 deposit due when accepted. That will cover the shuttle fee. Additional cost will be your share of the food, hotel the night before (we meet at 8:00 in Moab), car pool (if needed), the shared rental of the river toilet, shuttle for boat (if solo), and rental of a boat (if needed). There is room for four people in additional to the organizers.

Apr 12 Sun

Grandeur Peak From Church Fork Day Hike – mod – 5.6 mi Out & Back – 2370' ascent – Moderate pace

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

Organizer: Phyllis Anderson 801-733-4806 paisnow@comcast.net

This will be a slower to moderate paced hike (not a turtle hike). Fast hikers are welcome IF someone will step forward to organize the faster group. Otherwise, you will be expected to stay with the main group. So far, snow looks unlikely but there can be quite a bit on the ridge. Be prepared with good boots and possibly spikes.

Apr 12 Sun

Hike Mill D – ntd

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

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

Enjoy a spring stroll up Mill D, going as far as conditions allow and the group is inclined. Bring yak trax just in case there is some residual snow.

Apr 13
Mon

Millcreek Hike – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

Organizer: Terry Baker 801-904-2621

Terry will pick an evening hike in the Millcreek Area

Apr 14 Tue

Evening Hike - Avenues Twin Peaks - Teens Welcome – ntd

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

Organizer: Steve Wall 954-816-6241

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

Apr 15
Wed

Evening Hike - Millcreek / Organizer's Choice - Dogs And Teens Are Welcome! – ntd

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

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 8012552784

Well mannered dogs along with their well mannered owners are welcome. Please bring water for yourself and your four-footed friend and poop bags for your dog. Please bring a leash in case circumstances arise where it is needed. This hike is open to the dog-less as well. Teens welcome!

Apr 16 Thu

Evening Hike - Hughes Canyon – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

Organizer: Steve Carr 801-261-5787

Join Steve for this great hike! Prompt 6:15 departure

Apr 18 Sat

Annual Cold Fusion Couloir Hike To North Timp – msd – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 4500' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Hannan 385-207-1248 michaelthannan@gmail.com

Depending upon snow conditions we may or may not need microspikes, snowshoes, crampons and ice ax. VERY early start is typical. We usually carpool from the South Towne Mall area. Crampon and ice ax experience a must. Poor weather will require a postponement to a later date. Email is the preferred method for registration.

Apr 18 Sat

Co-organized Slow Pace Draper Hike- Hidden Valley Park Towards Corner Canyon – ntd- – 2.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace

Meet: 10:00 am at Hidden Valley Park, 11600 South Wasatch Boulevard, adjacent south of the LDS church house

Organizer: Randy Long and Lynette Brooks 801-523-6225 (Lynette)

The group will start at Hidden Valley Park and hike south on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail for 2 mostly level miles to a great view of the Draper LDS Temple and the south end of the valley. This is a good hike for beginners or those just dusting off hiking boots from last year!

Apr 18 Sat	<p>Hike Avenues Twin Peaks – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Popperton Park (east of 11th Avenue and Virginia Street)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Dave Rabiger 801 964-8190 drabiger@utah.gov</p> <p>There are a lot of approaches to the Twin Peaks located above the Avenues. This hike will follow the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from Popperton Park near Shriners Hospital, up a canyon and to the pass, then leveling out for about one mile before meeting the traditional route that then goes to the top. Dave will have his dog, and other canine hiking companions are welcome.</p>
Apr 18 Sat	<p>Day Hike - Ennis Peak - Exploratory – mod+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Orson Smith Park. 42625 S Highland Drive, Draper.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com</p> <p>Mod to Mod+. This less-hiked peak has a beautiful view of Lone Peak. 9am departure from the Cherry Canyon trailhead at Orson Smith Park in Draper. 12625 S Highland Drive, Draper. Cherry Canyon is relatively steep; the exploratory part will be on the return.</p>
Apr 19 Sun	<p>Road Bike: Afternoon Ride, Flat Tire Repair Clinic & Potluck Social – ntd – 22.0 mi Loop – 240' ascent – Slow pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 1:00 pm at 221 E Claybourne Ave (2770 S), Salt Lake City. My house is about 1 1/2 blocks east of the Reams on State Street. There is plenty of parking in the Central Park Community Center lot across the street from my house.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Turner 801-560-3378 r46turner@gmail.com</p> <p>Let's have a nice, mellow ride and potluck social to help get the biking season off to a good start. And since most of us are likely to get a flat sometime during the season, let's practice how to repair one, too. First, we'll gather at Robert's house to stash goodies for the post-ride meal. Then we'll have a little hands-on flat repair clinic in the parking lot across the street (bring your tire repair tools) before heading off on our mostly flat 20-25 mile NTD ride. We'll ride it at a slow to moderate pace. Don't want to work TOO hard early in the season :-). Bring whatever you like for the potluck: main course, appetizers, salads, dessert, whatever. It is, after all, a potluck. I'll probably have some stew simmering away in my crockpot while we're off on our ride. Antelope stew this time, I think. Hope to see you there!</p>
Apr 19 Sun	<p>Hike - Organizer Choice – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Tom Mitko 801-277-7588</p> <p>Tom will pick a destination good for conditions of the day and the make-up of the group.</p>
Apr 19 Sun	<p>Organizer's Choice Moderate Pace Mod Or Msd Hike</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Carol Masheter 801-493-9114 carol_masheter@hotmail.com</p> <p>Carol is leaning toward West Grandeur, Church Fork Grandeur, perhaps part way up Mt. Olympus, to the summit, conditions permitting, participants willing.</p>
Apr 20 Mon	<p>Slideshow - 3 Trip Presentations And Surprise Special Treat – 112.0 mi – 1000' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at 6965 S Union Park Ctr, Ste 160 Midvale UT 84047</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com</p>

The Third monthly movie night of WMC trip pictures / small presentations will be Feb 16 and continue on the third Monday of every month. Location, directions and presenters to be in the WMC calendar. The plan is 3 presenters with a 20 minute slide

Apr 20 Mon	Evening Hike – ntd+ – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Mt. Olymous Trailhead, 5789 Wasatch Boukevard <i>Organizer:</i> Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 Michele.stancer@gmail.com The Mt. Olympus trail to the stream crossing is a nice end-of-the-day workout.
Apr 21 Tue	Evening Hike - Little Cottonwood Trail - Teens Welcome – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride <i>Organizer:</i> Steve Wall 954-816-6241 There will be a 6:15 departure.
Apr 22 Wed	Evening Hike - Millcreek - Organizer's Choice – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S) <i>Organizer:</i> Keith Markley 207-344-9989 There will be a prompt 6:15 departure.
Apr 23 Thu – Apr 26 Sun	Backpack Coyote Gulch – mod – 15.0 mi Shuttle <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com Coyote Gulch is one of the gems of the Escalante area, and must be seen to be believed: beautiful red rock, arches, and a cool stream oasis in the desert. Fifteen miles spread over three days makes for a moderate workout, the longest day is the first, at 8.5 miles, and the shortest day is the last, starting right out with a half a mile grunt up a sand hill trail to the exit "crack". Plan to keep the group small and manageable, there is some sand road, so 4WD drivers will be given preference over 2wd, but we only need 3 4wds. Drive down on thursday, I plan to leave at noon to get there and set up before dark, but a followup group could come down after work and find our camp at the Red Well trailhead. Friday we will hike in to the Jacob Hamblin Arch, where there is water and a toilet. Saturday we will continue on down canyon, past the Coyote Natural Bridge, visiting the nearby indian ruins and artwork, and hopefully it will be warm enough for a swim at the exotic Black Lagoon, before hiking on down canyon to camp near the exit trail junction. Those with the energy and will can hike the mile on down to the confluence with the Escalante River, last year three of us hiked up into the opening of Stevens Arch. Sunday morning we will get an early start to get the uphill section in before it gets hot, which will give us time to stop for a couple of hours on the way back out the Hole in the Rock Rd to stop and run through Peekaboo and Spooky, two short and delightful little slot canyons that we drive right by, on our way to being home sunday night.
Apr 23 Thu	Evening Hike - Mt. Olympus – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Mt. Olympus trailhead on Wasatch Blvd. <i>Organizer:</i> Anne Polinsky 801-466-3806 Join Anne for this hike to the stream (and back). There will be a prompt 6:15 departure.
Apr 25 Sat	Graham Peak Day Hike – mod – 13.0 mi Out & Back – 3300' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> John Hamann 575-437-6303 john.hamann@us.af.mil We'll meet somewhere in SLC at an appropriate location at 7 AM. We will then drive west on I-80 to Exit 4. Then drive north on the Silver Island Loop Road to the trailhead. From there, Graham Peak is a Class 2 off trail hike with some minor rock scrambling. Please contact me by April 1 if you want to go. The summitpost link is below.
Apr 25 Sat	Slow-pace Dog Hike To White Fir Pass – ntd+ – Out & Back – Slow pace

Meet: 10:00 am at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

This should be any easy hike assuming there is not alot of snow, but being yak trac or micro spikes just iin case. Dogs welcome but not necessary. Teenagers interseted in hiking are also welcome.

Apr 25 Sat

Hike To The Falls, Dry Creek, Alpine Utah (meet In Draper) – ntd – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 1460' ascent – Slow pace

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

Organizer: Larry Nilssen 801-572-3964 mtns2live@yahoo.com

This is a seldom done NTD with an Alpine, Utah County trailhead. The falls should be roaring. A nice morning hike, but maybe a little more than 1.7 hours. The WMC description says: DRY CREEK FALLS (LOWER): difficulty 3.2, distance 3.0, time: 1.7 hours, elevation gain 1,450', average gain/miile: 967 and final altitude: 7,150

Apr 26 Sun

Desert Peak & Tangent Peak Day Hike – mod – 5.0 mi Out & Back – 2200' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: John Hamann 575-437-6303 john.hamann@us.af.mil

We'll meet at an appropriate location somewhere in SLC at 7 AM. From there, we will drive west on I-80 to Exit 62, then north to Lakeside. Once we reach Lakeside, we drive 25 miles west along the RR tracks to the Newfoundland Mountain Road. From there, we drive south along the west side of the mountains to the trailhead. The climb will be a Class 2 off trial hike with some minor rock scrambling. After Desert Peak, we will try the nearby Tangent Peak, which is a short easy hike. We will need 4WD vehicles to reach the trailheads. The summitpost links are below. Please contact me before April 1 if you want to go.

Apr 26 Sun

Hike - Organizer Choice – ntd

Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

Organizer: Tom Mitko 801-277-7588

Tom will pick a destination good for conditions of the day and the make-up of the group.

Apr 26 Sun

Hike - Wire Mountain – mod – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 2100' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: 9:00 am at Bonneville Shoreline trail trailhead across the street from the Hogle Zoo. (Sunnyside Av.)

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

This hike offers great views of the Central Wasatch, Emigration, and Red Butte Canyons. I am planning that we go up the south ridge route that starts at the Bonneville Shoreline trailhead across the street from the Hogle Zoo. If conditions permit, we can return by way of the Georges Hollow route. The south ridge route is steep but well defined. Energetic dogs and energetic children accompanied by their parents are welcome. Be aware that there is no reliable water on either route. Also the hike travels through rattlesnake habitat. I offer that be begin to hike at 0900.

Apr 27
Mon

Organizer's Choice Evening Hike – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

Organizer: Keith Markley 207-344-9989

Keith wants to leave his options open, but he'll find a nice evening hike.

Apr 28 Tue

Evening Hike - Salt Lake Overlook - Teens Welcome – ntd

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

Organizer: Steve Wall 954-816-6241

Join Steve for this club favorite in Millcreek Canyon. Teens welcome. There will be a prompt 6:15 departure.

Apr 29
Wed

Evening Dog Hike: Millcreek Canyon - Teens Also Welcome – ntd

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

Organizer: Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784

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

Apr 29
Wed

Evening Hike - Avenues Twin Peaks – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at Trailhead on Terrace Hills Drive in the Avenues

Organizer: Erin McCormack 801-891-3739

Directions to the meeting place: From 11th Avenue, about 5 blocks east of I Street, go north on Terrace Hills Drive (900 East) to the cul-de-sac. There will be a prompt 6:15 pm departure.

Apr 30 Thu

Evening Hike - Rattlesnake Gulch – ntd

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

Organizer: Anne Polinsky 801-466-3806

There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure.

May 2 Sat

Terry Rollins Memorial Road Bike – ntd+ – 30.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace

Meet: 9:00 am at Weather Bureau Building at 2200 W North Temple

Organizer: Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com

In memory of Terry Rollins, who passed away in 2013, this will be the 2nd annual ride to Salt Air. This classic ride was one of Terry's favorites and we want to share the ride and memories of our dear departed friend.

May 2 Sat

Snow Travel And Ice Axe Self Arrest Training Class – mod – 4.0 mi – 1000' ascent

Meet: 7:45 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

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

Hopefully there will be still be some snow left! Carol Masheter, Lubos Pavel, Brad Yates and anybody else who wants to help will be teaching basic alpine snow travel, self arrest with ice ax and crampon basics. We will practice on ski runs at Alta which will be closed by this time of year. Ice ax required, crampons optional and wear clothing practical for rolling around in the snow! If you do not own or are unable to borrow an ax, the club has a limited number to rent (\$5.00) for the class, please reserve in advance. Post class an optional short hike with more glissading practice will follow.

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May 4 Mon

Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at Draper Town Center UTA Trax parking lot (enter from 12300 South at about 1200 East)

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

In May we will start another season of hiking in the Draper area. Come out and explore the south end of the valley. It's easy to get to Draper on TRAX so this year we will meet in the parking lot of last Draper TRAX stop. One train arrives as 5:49 and another at 6:04. Either will do. Then the group will carpool the trailhead with those of us already down south. Trains head back to Salt Lake as late as 10:30 and we won't be out that long! The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older. Dogs on leash are ok for most hikes, though occasionally we'll have a hike that goes through a watershed and those will be posted as such. Tonight, we'll start with the Cherry Canyon area. Maybe One-Hour Rock, maybe a stroll along the BST.

May 5 Tue

Evening Hike - Dog Lake Via Butler Fork - Teens Welcome – ntd

Meet: 6:00 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

Organizer: Steve Wall 954-816-6241

There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure.

May 6 Wed

Evening Hike - Grandeur Peak Loop - Teens Welcome – ntd+

Meet: 6:00 pm at Grandeur Peak trailhead at north end of Wasatch Blvd (approx 3000 S)

Organizer: Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com

There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure. Steep hike with beautiful views of the valley. Teens welcome.

May 8 Fri –

Escalante Area Canyoneering – mod+

May 10 Sun

Meet: Registration required

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

Basecamp at Veranth's cabin in Boulder UT. Similar format to last year, but Rick Thompson promises to come this time. Possible all-day canyons include MicroDeath Hollow, Egypt 2, Main and Center. There is also shorter warm-up canyoneering nearby. Drive down Thursday night, return Sunday or Monday. Number of participants in the canyons will be limited by the number of experienced leaders, but extra guests are welcome at the cabin and can day hike. Camp on my property or sleep in the house which has working electricity and plumbing. Potluck dinners in the evening.

May 8 Fri –

Kayak/canoe - Colorado River, Glen Canyon Dam To Lees Ferry – flat water – 15.0 mi

May 10 Sun

Meet: Disseminated via the Boating email list

Organizer: Kathy Jones 801-518-4227 cooperdog1@comcast.net

Trip starts and ends at Lees Ferry. Backhaul to the dam by Colorado River Discovery. 2 nights. 15 miles of moving flat water. No rapids, but the water is COLD! Designated camps with composting toilets & fire rings (bring your own firewood). Leave SLC area early on Friday May 8th in order to arrive at Lees Ferry before the 2:30pm backhaul time. Take-out and drive home on Sunday May 10th. Approximately a 6-7 hour drive from SLC to Lees Ferry. Some of the trips costs are \$15 per car Glen Canyon National Recreation Area entrance fee, \$25/person & \$22/boat for the backhaul + \$25 flat rate for the group's camping gear.

May 10 Sun

Slow Pace Day Hike, South Fork Of Dry Creek – mod – 6.2 mi Loop – 2700' ascent – Slow pace

Meet: 10:00 am at University of Utah Stadium west parking lot next to the TRAX station

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

Leaving from the Jewish Community near the University Hospital, we will go up the Bonneville Shoreline trail to South Fork Dry Creek and on to the ridge, then run down the ridge to Mt Van Cott, and back to the car. Long pants are advisable due to some dense thickets of scrub oak on the ridge. Hopefully this year the weather will allow me to lead this hike.

May 12 Tue

Bike Maintenance: Chain Maintenance Clinic

Meet: 6:30 pm at 3627 East Granite Bench Ln. in Sandy (exit off Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd.). Please note this address does NOT appear on Google maps. It shows up on Map Quest or Bing, and perhaps your GPS unit.

Organizer: Katie Kunz 801-272-0392 katieslack@xmission.com

Regular maintenance of your chain is necessary to keep your drive training functioning properly and to prolong the life of your cassette and other components. Carl Kunz will host this clinic that reviews the basics of chain maintenance and tools of the trade. He will demonstrate how to replace a worn chain and how to repair a damaged chain when you encounter an on-the-road emergency. He will also discuss the relative merits of different types of lubricants. If you know you need to replace your chain, feel free to bring your bike and a new chain and Carl will guide you through the process. No tools are required for this clinic, which will be conducted in Carl and Katie's garage at their home in Sandy. Feel free to bring a sandwich and a beverage. Please RSVP to get the gate code.

May 12 Tue Evening Hike - Lambs Canyon - Teens Welcome – ntd

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

Organizer: Steve Wall 954-816-6241

There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure. Teens welcome.

May 13 Wed Evening Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd

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

Organizer: Steve Carr 801-261-5787

There will be a prompt 6:15pm departure.

May 15 Fri – May 17 Sun Gray Canyon Beginner Training Trip – class II- – 8.0 mi

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

Organizer: Aymara Jimenez/Donnie Benson saymaraj@gmail.com; dmbenson13@gmail.com

Besides being a fun river trip this trip introduces you to WMC Boating trips. On a commercial boating trip the Guides do everything for you (inflate the boats, make the meals, guide you down the river, ...) but on Club trips there are no paid guides. Hence everybody on the trip contributes to completing the tasks that need to be done. Club members will share with you what they know about running rivers. This should include how to "read the river", throw a throw bag, right a flipped raft, paddle a paddle boat/paddle a duckie (inflatable kayak)/row an oar rig, what it's like to swim a rapid, and other safety skills. Non-river skills you will learn about are what personal gear works well on river trips, how to make group meals using the WMC Boating's kitchen, what gear the club owns (and is available for cheap private rentals when it's not being used on a club trip). This trip is done on the Green River Daily. That's the stretch of the Green River that's just North of the town of Green River. It's also the last part of a Deso-Gray Canyon river trip. Hastings Road (1200 East) is the Green River street name that takes you to the put-in/camp. From the gas stations at the first exit it's 2.7 miles thru town to that street. As you cross the Green River bridge, go past the motels on the left the road, and then the road will make a slight rise, and near the top of that rise is the street you make a left on. Mileage: Boating shed to gas stations at first exit: 180; gas stations to camp: 12; camp to put-in and back (the shuttle): 18 round trip; total miles: 420. Day two suggested itinerary: Do a hearty breakfast so that everyone can take down their tents and partially pack up while breakfast is cooking. You can eat a late lunch in camp after the run (take snacks!). You won't be doing much the second day except refining and reinforcing what you learned on day one so your time on the river will much shorter that day. This will also get you back to SLC at a decent hour. Contact Donnie to sign up.

May 16 Sat Rock Climb - Trad Gear Workshop – mod+

Meet: Registration required

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

This date has 1 opening - Tired of clipping bolts and yo-yo top roping? Climb a bit and learn about trad gear placement and strategy. In order to participate you need only be an experienced outdoor climber wanting to learn trad climbing. Also needed: experienced trad climbers to serve as mentors. Must be WMC member to participate.

May 17 Sun	<p>Day Hike The Pig (Pfeifferhorn Including Glissade) – msd – 12.0 mi Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Fast pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Brad Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net</p> <p>This year's addition will be in memory of Tom Walsh the founder of the PIG, those who attended during Tom's tenure are encouraged to return and share memories of Tom and the adventures we had with him. Even if you do not feel fully capable of climbing the Pfeifferhorn come along and help judge the glissade competition from a safe distance! Of course honoring Tom's rather silly traditions prizes will be awarded. For those planning on going beyond the Upper Red Pine lakes Ice ax's and preregistration will be required.</p>
May 19 Tue	<p>Tues May 19 2015 Millcreek Evening Hike Terraces – ntd – 4.0 mi Loop – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Terry Baker 801-641 7194 05miata@gmail.com</p> <p>We'll car pool from the Park and Ride at 3880 S Wasatch Blvd at 6:00 pm to the Birch Hollow Trail Head and start our hike from the trail head in the Terraces picnic area. Then follow the trail to Elbow Fork and return to Birches. Bring a flash lite and be prepared for cooler temps. Dog's OK. Older Teens are welcome.</p>
May 26 Tue	<p>Big Cttwnwd Cnyn Evening Hike-broads Fork To Bridge – ntd+ – 2.3 mi – 960' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Terry Baker 801-641 7194 05miata@gmail.com</p> <p>We'll leave/carpool at abt 6:10pm from the 6200 S P/R then park at the S turn and head up the Broads Fork T.H. We'll discuss the turn-around-time at the P/R. Cooler temps are possible, so come prepared. Older teens are invited. This is watershed so no dogs!</p>
May 28 Thu – May 31 Sun	<p>Flat Water White River Canoe Duckie – class I – 65.0 mi</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kelly Beumer 801-230-7967 kellybeumer@gmail.com</p> <p>Drive to Rangely the evening of Wed, May 26, Launch Thursday, May 27, from the BLM launch at river mile 89. Depending on the flow and boat choices, we will either take out at the Enron take out, or, if the river is low, Bonanza bridge, on Sunday afternoon. This will involve traveling 65 (or 35) miles through a mix of public and private lands, including the remote Hells Hole canyon, and camping in beautiful cottonwood groves. This river is relatively easy, and suitable for both canoes and duckies. You need to be able to carry your own gear and a share of the group gear. You need to have a sense of adventure, and experience with your craft on moving water, as this is an exploratory trip, and relatively remote.</p>
May 29 Fri – May 31 Sun	<p>City Of Rocks Rock Climbing Weekend – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Will McCarvill 801-942-2921 will@commercialchemistries.com</p> <p>I got the group campsite at Upper Bread Loaves. It can hold 25. I will update as time gets closer.</p>
May 31 Sun	<p>Day Hike The Beatout – ext – 15.0 mi – 6000' ascent – Fast pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p>

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

White Pine Trailhead to Bells Canyon. Peaks include the Pfeifferhorn, UPWOP, Chipman and South Thunder with an exit via Bells Canyon, Ice ax required, other snow travel tools will be determined on short notice. expect an 11 hour or so day.

Jun 1 Mon
– Jun 3
Wed

Road Bike: Bear Lake Getaway – ntd

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Katie Kunz 801-272-0392 katieslack@xmission.com

Rain cut short last year's mid-week getaway to Bear Lake, so let's hope for better weather and the opportunity to do all 3 rides this June. On Monday we'll meet in Hyrum, then ride the gentle incline of Blacksmith Fork Canyon to Hardware Ranch. We'll then drive through Logan to Garden City and check into our KOA reserved campsites. Tuesday's ride is the virtually flat 50-mile loop around Bear Lake; on Wednesday we'll ride Minnetonka Cave Rd. at the north end of the lake (45 miles roundtrip). The KOA campground offers full bathroom facilities, a pool, WiFi, a kitchen and pavilion, electricity, and good shade. Tent sites accommodate up to 6 people and several tents each. This trip is limited to 18 people and per person cost is factored by the number of people on each site; figure between \$10 and \$13 per person per night. KOA also offers cabin rentals and RV hookups for those who choose not to camp. A 2-BR cabin with bathroom that sleeps 6 runs about \$180 per night. Cost of RV sites varies according to configuration and hookups. NOTE: I'll make reservations for tent sites; those desiring a cabin rental or RV site must make their own reservations. Please contact me with your stated intention to either camp or make your own arrangements. Some time in April I'll collect a \$10 deposit from campers. This deposit will become nonrefundable on 5/15/15.

Jun 2 Tue –
Jun 5 Fri

Mountaineering: Climb Mount Hood, Oregon – ext – 6.0 mi – 5439' ascent

Meet: Disseminated via the Climbing email list

Organizer: Paul Brown 801-810-7346 Paul.h.brown@verizon.net

Mount Hood, Oregon (11,239 feet)- South Side route from Timberline Lodge (5800 feet) via Hogsback & Pearly Gates. WMC hiking trail rating (Daniel Smith formulas): 11.9. Depending on group decision, snow cat could be taken to 8500-foot level. I have reserved the 8-bed dormitory at the Timberline Lodge for our use the night of June 3-4.

Jun 5 Fri –
Jun 9 Tue

Grande Ronde White Water Rafting – class II+

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Michael Budig 801-403-7677 mlbudig@gmail.com

The Grande Ronde flows from Northeastern Oregon into the Snake River, to a takeout at Heller Bar. The river is wild and remote, with abundant wildlife watching opportunities. A solid class II float, this three day trip is appropriate for families, as well as duckies. A paddle boat is possible, if we have an experienced captain. Although you don't have to have kids to come on this trip, supervised kids are welcome, as long as parents are experienced boaters. There will be at least 2 kids along. Organized by Kelly Beumer and Mike and Diane Budig

Jun 13 Sat
– Jun 14
Sun

Rockcliff Overnighter Bike Touring – mod- – Out & Back

Meet: Registration required

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

Beginning and Experienced bike tourers, come to the annual Bike Touring Overnigher to RockCliff Recreation Area at the Jordanelle State Park. Ride from 'your house' or for a shorter distance, come up to Park City and bike with me. It's about 60 miles from SLC and 27 miles from Park City. We will have dinner, tell stories and plan future trips, camp overnight then bike back home on Sunday. If you are a beginning tourer and would like to borrow panniers to give bike touring a try before buying the special equipment, various members have 'loaner' gear but you will have to figure out how to attach it to your bicycle (we can help!) Contact me or Lou Melini at lvmelini@comcast.net for more information and to register

Jun 14 Sun

Road Bike: Afternoon Ride & Social – ntd+ – 26.0 mi Out & Back – Moderate pace

Meet: 4:00 pm at 3627 East Granite Bench Ln. in Sandy (exit off Little Cottonwood Canyon Rd.). Please note this address does NOT appear on Google maps. It shows up on Map Quest or Bing, and perhaps your GPS unit.

Organizer: Katie Kunz 801-272-0392 katieslack@xmission.com

Let's gather for a late afternoon ride and then enjoy a potluck dinner and games. We'll meet at the Kunz house at 4:00, then ride an almost-flat route north on Wasatch Blvd. to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail above Foothill Blvd. Riders may turn around and return at their leisure. Those returning early can play bocce ball or check out Carl's newly-constructed horseshoe pit. When we all return we'll set out our potluck contributions and enjoy a nice evening together. Please RSVP so I can give you the gate code.

Jun 19 Fri

Sing-a-long & Pot Luck Supper

Meet: 6:30 pm at Judene Shelley 9847 S 2900 East

Organizer: Judene Shelley, La Rae Bartholoma 978-223-0640, 801-277-4093

j.shelley@comcast.net; roosiebear@gmail.com

Details will follow

Jun 24 Wed

4th Of July White Water Rafting Planning Meeting – class I

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

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

You need to be at this meeting in order to go on the Payette trip- we will be making food group and menu assignments, arranging for vehicles and trailers for all of the people and gear for the trip. Plan on it taking an hour and a half, bring a pen and paper, a camp chair and a cold drink will make it a little easier.

Jun 27 Sat

Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+

Meet: Registration required

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

This date has 2 openings - Tired of clipping bolts and yo-yo top roping? Climb a bit and learn about trad gear placement and strategy. In order to participate you need only be an experienced outdoor climber wanting to learn trad climbing. Also needed: experienced trad climbers to serve as mentors. Must be WMC member to participate.

Jul 2 Thu –

July 4th White Water Rafting Party – class III – 25.0 mi

Jul 5 Sun

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The club's annual 4th of July Payette extravaganza will start by driving up to Boise on Thursday, the 2nd 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, with multiple tables, and all the comforts of home, including a hot shower. Friday, the 3rd, we will run the Payette daily section twice, with lunch in the middle, and playing musical boats between runs, to give as many people who are interested a turn in a duckie- this is a perfect place to experience paddling a river in a small boat, in one or two man duckies. Saturday we will run the beautiful high alpine and somewhat more rambunctious Cabarton section of the North Fork, with maybe some Swirly action afterwards if people are so inclined and we have enough time. After dinner back in camp, we will head over to the quaint little farm town of Crouch to join in on their raucous 4th of July festivities, a wild party that must be experienced to be believed. Then we will drive home on 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. The planning meeting for this trip will be held a week earlier, on Wednesday June 24th @ 700pm at the boat shed, which is at 4340 South Commerce Dr. (300 west) just up the street from the McDonalds. A \$100 nonrefundable deposit will be required to get your name on the list for this trip.

Jul 3 Fri – Jul 6 Mon	Rock Climb - Lone Peak Cirque Multi-pitch – 12.0 mi – 6000' ascent <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Jacobs Ladder Trail Head <i>Carpool:</i> 5:30 am at By mutual agreement <i>Organizer:</i> Frank Nederhand 678-488-3228 franka.nederhand@gmail.com Four (4) day multi-pitch climbing from the Lone Peak Cirque. Day 1 - Backpack 6 miles up Jacob Ladder Route to Lone Peak Cirque and Camp. Day 2- Climb on Question Mark Wall - climbing leader's choice (Lowe Route at 5.8+, etc.) 5-6 pitches Day 3- Climb Tom's Thumb or Main Face (5.9 to 5.10). 7-9 pitches. Day 4 - Backpack down to Trail Head for Jacobs Ladder.
Jul 10 Fri – Jul 13 Mon	Grand Teton Hiking And Classical Music Car Camp – ntd+ <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> John & Martha Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com Save the date; details to follow. A group campsite at Gros Ventre is reserved for Friday night through Monday morning. Trip will combine day hiking in the park and an evening performance at the Grand Teton Music Festival. Group limit of 25.
Jul 11 Sat – Jul 12 Sun	Road Bike: Huntington Canyon And Scofield Weekend Trip – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert Turner 801-560-3378 r46turner@gmail.com

We'll camp Friday and Saturday nights up top again in Flat Canyon campground where we camped the last three years. **DISCLAIMER:** The campground has pit toilets; and again this year it does NOT have water.-----Saturday we have a couple of good options for rides: (1) We can start at our campground and ride in the area between the upper end of Electric Lake and the top of Huntington Canyon, or (2) We can drive to the lower part of Huntington Canyon, then ride up to the summit and back down. Both are very good rides. They are in the MOD+ to MSD- categories, but you can make them easier by shortening them.-----Sunday morning we'll pack up and head for home via the Energy Loop scenic byway, stopping to ride part of it between Highway 6 and Scofield, ending with a leg up to the charming little mining town of Clear Creek (optional, but really a must do—it's just too good to miss). This ride is in the NTD+ to MOD category, depending on how far you ride.-----Contact Robert for more details and to register.-----**NOTICE:** My brother and his two children (now ages 14 and 10 and still very well behaved) who joined us the last few years will probably join us again this year. They will just camp and eat meals with us; they will do their own thing during the day. We might have a couple of dogs along, too, that will be kept on leash in the campground (campground rules require it).

Jul 18 Sat – **White Water Rafting--lower Salmon – class III**

Jul 26 Sun *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Kelly Beumer 801-230-7967 kellybeumer@gmail.com

The Lower Salmon, from Vinegar Creek to Heller Bar on the Snake, offers an exciting class III float long after the upstream runs drop too low. Much of the run is far more remote and unpopulated than the more popular runs, offering an excellent wilderness experience through frequent class II-III rapids, rolling grasslands and basalt canyons. We will start the trip with an 8 hour drive to Riggins, ID and launch the next day. Due to the class III rapids, and remote location, this is not a beginner run. Experienced IKs are welcome, and we may do a paddle boat if we recruit a qualified captain. Organizers, Budigs and Beumers

Jul 25 Sat **Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+**

Meet: Registration required

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

Tired of clipping bolts and yo-yo top roping? Climb a bit and learn about trad gear placement and strategy. In order to participate you need only be an experienced outdoor climber wanting to learn trad climbing. Also needed: experienced trad climbers to serve as mentors. Must be WMC member to participate.

Jul 26 Sun – **White Water Rafting: Middle Fork Of The Salmon River – class IV- – 104.0 mi**

Aug 2 Sun *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Anja Wadman 801-388-2214 anjawadman@gmail.com

Middle Fork Details: We will meet at Boundary Creek on Sunday July 26. River Dates Monday July 27, 2015 to Sunday August 2, 2015 Put in Boundary Creek and Take out Cache Bar. Will be using a shuttle company to shuttle vehicles estimated cost will probably be around \$400 per person with the shuttle being the most expensive item. Estimating shuttle \$200+ per vehicle, permit fees \$28 per person, food \$100-200 per person, gas, Idaho Invasive permit stickers, propane, etc.). The Middle Fork of the Salmon is 104 miles of free flowing wild and scenic river. It is a moderate to fast-paced technical whitewater river section. It requires moderate to high rafting skills. It is classified as a Wild River, very remote, high mountain river. We will be camping at Boundary Creek (July 26, 2015) and put in around 9-10 AM the next morning. Each Boat will have to get an Idaho Invasive Species Sticker before the trip as they are not available at the launch sites. No sticker=No floating. We will do group breakfasts and dinners. Lunches will be on your own. More details to come. Will be watching water run-offs as this might be lower than normal water level year. Will coordinate group gear and whatever we lack we will rent from the WMC kitchen gear. I am the permit holder. Deposit of \$200 per person will be due in June. Will have a waiting list if there is a huge interest.

Jul 31 Fri – Aug 3 Mon	<p>Kayak/canoe-leigh Lake, Grand Teton National Park – flat water</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Disseminated via the Boating email list</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kathy Jones 801-518-4227 cooperdog1@comcast.net</p> <p>Backcountry camping and paddling in GTNP. Drive up Friday and camp somewhere in the park. Pick up backcountry permit and maybe paddle on Jenny Lake? Head to the String Lake trailhead early Saturday morning. Paddle up String Lake to the portage trail, then portage to Leigh Lake. 100 yard portage trail. Backcountry campsite is reserved for Saturday & Sunday nights. Paddle out Monday morning and drive home. Campsite is on the eastern shore of the lake with a nice beach. Swim, fish, paddle, hike, chill out, whatever you want. Backcountry rules apply....any food or coolers must fit in the provided bear box, or be in an approved bear canister. No toilets at campsite, so we will need to bring a groover. Costs include....park entrance fee, park boat fee, Wyoming invasive species sticker.</p>
Aug 22 Sat	<p>Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com</p> <p>Tired of clipping bolts and yo-yo top roping? Climb a bit and learn about trad gear placement and strategy. In order to participate you need only be an experienced outdoor climber wanting to learn trad climbing. Also needed: experienced trad climbers to serve as mentors. Must be WMC member to participate.</p>
Aug 28 Fri – Sep 6 Sun	<p>Bike Touring--ride Across Colorado – msd – 380.0 mi Shuttle – 10000' ascent – Slow pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Angela Vincent 801-281-3160 avince182@yahoo.com</p> <p>This will be a 380 mile ride from Grand Junction, CO to Denver, CO (about 55 awesome miles per day.) Enjoy MSD days in the saddle with plenty of sightseeing and time for enjoying gorgeous scenery. A large portion of the trip will be on bike paths and there are a few steep climbs over passes (McClure, Vail, and Loveland Passes--a total of over 24,000 ft of climbing for the trip). You should therefore plan on riding a touring bike or a rig with very low gearing. This is a self-supported credit-card trip (we'll be staying in hotels each night). The trip itself will be limited to 10 riders and I guesstimate that it will cost around \$500 per rider for food, transportation and lodging. Trip includes 6 days of riding and 1 day off in the middle with travel days on each end. Registration required and a deposit of \$100 due NLT Mar 1. Contact Angie for more information if you're interested in this adventure.</p>
Sep 1 Tue –	<p>White Water Rafting-alsek River Trip – class IV</p>

Sep 17 Thu	<p><i>Meet:</i> Disseminated via the Boating email list</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Chris 801-776-1031</p> <p>Put in approximately 1 September 2015 dependent upon permit drawing. Glaciers, Grizzly Bears, Mountains and Icebergs amidst a profusion of wild flowers. This 16 day trip will have multiple layover days for mountain-based exploration with an emphasis on mountaineering. Research this trip thoroughly prior to committing. This is a Serious trip, 2 notches above a Grand Canyon Trip. Estimated cost \$3-4K based on your personal arrival in Whitehorse Yukon. \$300 nonrefundable deposit will be deposited into the trip escrow account. Passport and Drysuit required. Team members need to be 100% committed to hard work. This is an expedition not a vacation. In case of road closure, glacial surge, landslide etc. the Tatshenshini River is the backup river. Participants need to provide a written or verbal river résumé with specialized skills listing and watercraft specifics. This is a once-in-a-lifetime sensory overload experience on the most spectacular river trip in North America. All equipment needs to be in Salt Lake City Utah approximately 1 August 2015 to be broken down and packaged for long haul truck transport to Canada. Three weeks of your schedule needs to be reserved for this unique endeavor. Contact Chris @ 801-776-1031. The last time this trip was listed it filled within one month.</p>
Sep 19 Sat	<p>Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com</p> <p>Tired of clipping bolts and yo-yo top roping? Climb a bit and learn about trad gear placement and strategy. In order to participate you need only be an experienced outdoor climber wanting to learn trad climbing. Also needed: experienced trad climbers to serve as mentors. Must be WMC member to participate.</p>
Sep 24 Thu – Sep 30 Wed	<p>White Water Rafting- Canyonlands – class IV – 118.0 mi – 260' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com</p> <p>7 days from Mineral Botom on the Green River to Hite on Powell Reservoir. Four days of floating through beautiful canyons, one day of very good rapids, 2 days of floating down to Hite unless I can find a outboard motor to rent somewhere. Weather should still be nice though not as hot as summer.</p>
Oct 1 Thu – Oct 24 Sat	<p>Nepal In The Fall. The Three Passes Trek – mod+ – 65.0 mi Loop – 10000' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Bob Norris 801-943-6039 bobnepal@comcast.net</p> <p>Join Bob for a true high altitude adventure in the greatest mountains in the world! The trek features crossings of three passes ranging from approx. 5000 meters to 5500 meters. They are Chola, Rengola, and Kongmala. Tentative dates Oct. 1-24th. Contact me for detailed itinerary and any questions. 801-9436039 bobnepal@comcast.net</p>
Oct 3 Sat – Oct 27 Tue	<p>Grand Canyon Trip White Water Rafting – class IV+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Steven Pace 801 363 8190 user031147@aol.com</p>

GRAND CANYON Trip will consume essentially all of October, 2015. Launch Sat. 10/3. Take out at Pearce 10/27. Commercial shuttles, may try to do most food in SLC. If you're interested send me an email and phone contact info and indicate relevant river experience and potential boating and any common gear you could bring by 3/2/15. A meeting/Skype session will be held in SLC later in March. Initial deposits will be due and gear lists, vehicles, participants, menus, etc. will be settled by mid-June or earlier. My preference will be for folks with big water and extensive desert camping experience, who are not "logistically complicated", i.e. can help with prep, do not require special meals, who within reason might donate common-use gear to the effort, etc. I am permit holder.

Oct 9 Fri Sing-a-long & Pot Luck Supper

Meet: 6:30 pm at 1981 S 1500 West Woods Cross

Organizer: Pam & Kevin Stalnaker, La Rae Bartholoma, Frank Bernard 801-425-9957, 801-277-4093 canoepam@yahoo.com; roosiebear@gmail.com; frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Details will follow

Oct 24 Sat Rock Climb - 43rd Annual Tradapalooza – mod+ – 300' ascent

Meet: Registration required

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

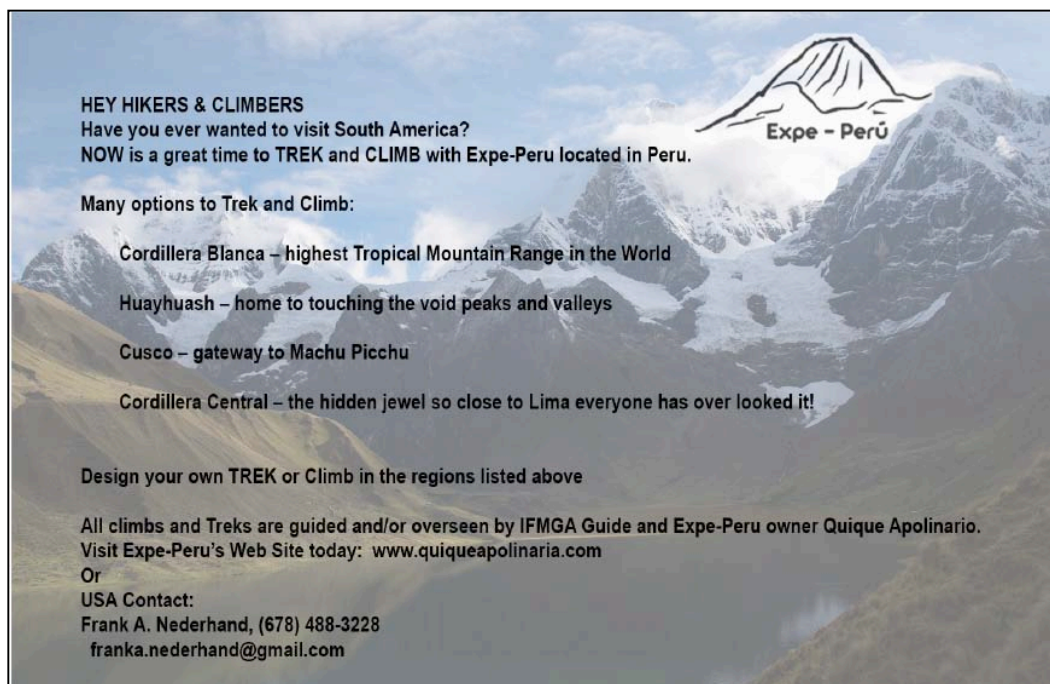
PBR braised bratwursts and some climbing to boot. This will be a trad climbing activity, and not geared towards sport or top rope climbing. Participants should have experience leading or following trad routes. Must be WMC member to participate.

Dec 4 Fri Christmas Sing-a-long & Pot Luck Supper

Meet: 6:30 pm at 5904 Tolcate Woods Ln (2930 E)

Organizer: La Rae & Bart Bartholoma, Frank Bernard 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com; frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Details will follow



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Wasatch Mountain Club Beginner/Family Hikes



The Wasatch Mountain Club organizes a variety of beginner and family hiking opportunities. These hikes are open to anyone, but they are geared to introducing new people to the Wasatch Mountain Club, or to hiking as an activity. There are at least two organizers on these trips to accommodate a variety of fitness levels, to make sure nobody gets left behind, and to help with any questions or concerns. If you're new to the club, these are good hikes to get you started. If you're a seasoned clubber, come out and share your passion for hiking.

Beginner/Family Hike to Lower Bells Reservoir: Saturday April 4, 2015:

Meet at the Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride
10 a.m.
Julie Kilgore (801-244-3323)

The Wasatch Mountain Club is an outdoor recreation club for adults dedicated to fostering an awareness of the scenic beauties of the Wasatch and encourage preservation of our natural areas.

Visit our website at www.wasatchmountainclub.org



WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Do not use for renewals.)

Please read carefully and completely fill out both sides of the page. Print legibly, *please*.

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birth date*: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birth date*: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

PRIVACY INFORMATION: The WMC defaults to listing your name, address, phone and email in a *Member Directory*. This information is only available to current members, and to access it they must either log in to the WMC website (www.wasatchmountainclub.org) or request a printed copy from the Membership Director.

YOU NEED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTION: To not have your address, phone, and/or email listed in the *Member Directory* – if you don't have computer access or need help contact the Membership Director, otherwise on the WMC website use the **Member Menu > Privacy & Activity Preferences** webpage.

Membership dues:

- \$40.00 for single membership (Annual dues \$35.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
 - \$55.00 for couple membership (Annual dues \$50.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
 - \$25.00 for student membership (Annual dues \$20.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
- Student members must be full-time student.

Enclosed is \$_____ for application fee and first year's dues. Check or money order only. Please make checks payable to Wasatch Mountain Club.

How did you learn about the Wasatch Mountain Club: _____

* Your birth date is only used to verify you are at least 18 years old and membership age statistics.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)

Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgement of Risk and Release from Liability

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature 1 _____ Date: _____

Signature 2 _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application to:

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

Leave blank for office use:

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