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January Snowshoe Climb to Lone Peak Summit

See article by Mike Hannan

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Announcements

BOARD NOMINATIONS

The new slate of officers was elected unanimously and the contact information in the Rambler. Thanks to both the retiring board members who served well and thanks to the new board members who stepped up and volunteered.

BOATING SEASON KICKOFF

New Boaters Wanted. Experienced Boaters Needed. The season planning meeting will be March 2 at 6:30 PM in the Wasatch Room at REI 3285 East 3300 South.

If you've thought you'd like to try boating, now's the time to start. The WMC has boats and boaters who can help you learn the skill needed.

BIKING SEASON KICKOFF

The season planning meeting will be March 18 at 6:30 PM in the Wasatch Room at REI 3285 East 3300 South.

CONSERVATION

Mountain Accord: A 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](#).

Rafters

Kayakers

BOATING SEASON PLANNING PARTY

**New Boaters Wanted
Experienced Boaters Needed**

**If you've thought you'd like to try boating, now's the time to get ready.
The WMC has boats and boaters who can help you learn the skills needed.
Together, we can plan our calendar for our favorite river trips.**

**Meeting at
REI Wasatch Room
3285 E 3300 S
Monday, March 2, 2015
6:30 p.m.**

Winter's snow is summer's white water

Canoes

Duckies

BOATING DIRECTORS MESSAGE

2015 BOATING CALENDAR PREVIEW

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 4-9	Dirty Devil/San Juan	I-II	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu
April 12-19	Labyrinth Canoe	I	Pam Stalnaker	canoepam@yahoo.com
April 18	Boat Shed Opening	0	Bret Mathews	bretmaverick999@yahoo.com
May 15-17	Beginner Gray	II	Aymara	
May 15-26	Escalante	II+	Jimenez	saymaraj@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 27--Aug 2	Middle Fork Salmon	IV	Anja Wadman	anjawadman@gmail.com
Sept 1-17	Alsek River	IV	Chris	801-776-1031
Oct 3-26	Grand Canyon	V	Steve Pace	stephenpcpace@alum.mit.edu



Uintas Snowshoe: Maya Panda, Ellen, Dave Andrenyk, Akiko Kaminura, Maria.



February snowshoe to Mt. Wolverine. Yi Qu photo.

SEASON EXTENDED TRIP PREVIEW

TRIP DATES	TRIP LOCATION	ORGANIZER	ORGANIZER CONTACT
Aor 10 -14	Maze hiking car camp	John Veranth	Veranth@xmission.com
Apr 23-26	Coyote Gulch backpack	Rick Thompson	gone2moab@hotmail.com
Jul 18-Aug 11	Muir Trail backpack	Russell Patterson	patters@xmission.com
Aug 28- Sep 6	Bike ride across Colorado	Angela Vincent	avince182@yahoo.com

Wasatch Mountain Club Biking Season Planning Meeting

Roadies, Mountain Bikers, Touring Enthusiasts – Join us for our pre-season Kickoff on **March 18, 6:30 p.m. at REI, 3285 East 3300 South, Salt Lake City.** No meal will be served this year, but we'll have light refreshments.

We know it's still winter but it isn't too early to plan some terrific rides and trips for the upcoming season. New for this season will be monthly socials. We want to plan further in advance so you can discover more spectacular scenery, towns and cycling adventures. Want to do a sponsored ride with others? Want to travel to a new place to cycle? Come with your proposal – let us know in advance so we can schedule time for you. We also plan to feature a guest speaker from REI who will discuss trends in cycling equipment.

Katie, Marcy, Diane and Jennifer

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FROM THE PRESIDENT - Will McCarville

I hate to sound like a broken record, but these final days of the Mountain Accord require your input. Comments on the Blueprint and the Land Trade can be made until March 16. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to put old problems to bed and stabilize recreation in the central Wasatch. You can find both of these either at mountainaccord.org or on our website under General Announcements and look under Conservation for the link. Please tell your board how you feel as well. Our goal is to formulate the Club's position and express it to the Mountain Accord Executive Committee.

Planning for our second 100 years continues, we now have the meetings on the Activity Page and all are welcome to attend.

IN MEMORIAM

Louise Hollander 1927-2015

Louise Hollander, a life member of the WMC and the wife of Milt Hollander, passed away on January 21 2015. A service is planned for April 11, 2015 at St Stephens church in West Valley City at 4615 S 3200 W. Service will start at 11:00 with reception following. She is survived by her husband, Milton Hollander, two children, two grandchildren, five great grandchildren, and extended family. She was a genealogist, ski instructor, teacher about birds, rocks, flowers, and trees as well as the neighborhood grouch, activist, and friend.

Please refer to: www.affordablef&c.com for additional details. The obituary for Louise Hollander appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune. <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/saltlaketribune/obituary.aspx?pid=174007800>



John Riley 1917 - 2015

John E Riley passed away on January 23. He attended Friends School in Wilmington and MIT on scholarship in Chemical Engineering. He went to work for Hercules Powder Company New Jersey and eventually transferred to Salt Lake City Bacchus plant in black powder, dynamite and solid fuel rocket propellant. That's right, a rocket scientist! John was active with Wasatch Mountain Club hiking and ski touring and climbed Mt. Fuji, Mt. Kilimanjaro, Ayres Rock and Kings Peak. - Funeral services were on January 31 at All Saints Episcopal Church.

His obituary appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune. <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/saltlaketribune/obituary.aspx?pid=173988168>

WMC Annual Lone Peak Winter Trek – January 31, 2015

Participants: Jim Kucera, Donovan Lynch, Julia Majkrzak, Benjamin Stokes, Dominik & Sabina Swoboda, Jim Thompson, Michael Hannan (organizer)

It was 5:45 a.m. Dark. Eight loaded packs, eight motivated mountaineers, all ready to tackle a long day which would include using snowshoes and eventually crampons and ice axes. Lone Peak is a daunting goal, regardless the season; winter conditions turn mole hills into mountains. Winter transforms this hike from an event into a true adventure, from a challenge into a bald-faced dare.

Headlamped and enthusiastic we filed up the squared log steps near the restrooms to begin what would be a 12-hour exercise in endurance. Turn-around time was 2:30 p.m. Fifty minutes to “the first rock outcropping.” Moderate pace. In faint dawn light we climbed above a valley now shrouded in clouds and fog. Icy patches made for occasional but not dangerous sketchy sections.



After one hour thirty-six minutes we were aligned on the “prominent ridge” of the Cherry Canyon logging trail. The first blasts of cold north wind began to provide mild irritation. More snow, deeper drifts and occasional postholing became the norm. Lumpy irregular tongues of snow in the mahogany forest. Hot dog: boot it up sugar hill; don’t need no stinking switchbacks. While taking a brief break at the 3rd rock outcropping we admired the ocean-like cloud deck below; a giant standing lenticular cloud hovered over Utah Lake like an eerie flying saucer. On

On the summit ridge, nearing the Crux

North wind continued to test our resolve. The transition toward the Draper Ridge route provided even deeper drifts, the kind which supported our weight until we pivoted forward. Then a sudden plunge of two to three inches tempted one to utter words unseemly for a family-friendly publication. Thirty minutes of this was enough. At the base of Ennis Peak we donned snowshoes and smiled for pictures at its summit (9,320’).

Down to Cowboy Camp, deeper snow with faint tracks. Donovan led to the western edge of the massive cirque defining the higher Lone Peak domain. Julia’s knee began complaining; we coaxed her to stick with us until the cache point at 10,700+’ and Jim Thompson gallantly took her pack to help reduce the knee strain. We were a united group with a united purpose. As we traversed high on the northwestern slopes of the cirque we felt the wind now coming from an easterly direction. We found joy in marvelous views to our southeast and beyond of the snowy summits of Box Elder and Timpanogos peaks, angled chunks rising menacingly from the grayed clouds draping their shoulders.

We reached the cache point, an area just above the Big Willow Canyon headwall and 200 yards west of the drop-off into Bells Canyon. Here the east wind, cold and rude, made the change from snowshoes to crampons unpleasant, but we had to do it. Like I said - a hardy group. No complaints, just layering up and taking care of business. Packs lightened down to bare necessities we launched the summit push. Sixteen

crampons wrapping 16 boots. High on the summit ridge spindrift was spiraling upward in delicate milky tornadoes. We were way ahead of the turn-around time.

In summer the time from the cache point to the summit is 30 to 40 minutes. January 31st is not summer; today's time was one hour ten minutes. Three opted to observe from the beginning of the crux while five ventured the remaining 200 horizontal and 75 vertical feet to the summit block, a granite cube layered on top with several inches of granular snow the consistency of table sugar. Short sections with wind-blown snow heaped up like the spikey Mohawk haircut of a wayward teen provided interesting climbing where inching along was welcome. Time was not of the essence; safety trumped everything.

Lone Peak summit at 1:34. Donovan, Ben, Jim, Jim #2 and Michael. Happy to be there. Wind had backed off for a time; Mother Nature taking pity, maybe. Pictures, high fives, more pictures. Then the careful step-by-step return, each trying to leave a usable boot pack for those to come. At 2:20 we were gathered back at the still-windy and cold-soaked cache point, reversing the routine we had struggled through two hours earlier: crampons off, ice axes stowed, snowshoes on, trekking poles in hand, packs re-packed, food eaten. Let's get the heck out of this unyielding wind!

Total time to the summit had been 7+41; the total time back to the darkening parking lot was 3+58. A happy mood prevailed throughout the descent, each knowing that something which could have easily yielded failure had instead been an unqualified success, maybe even a feather in each one's figurative cap. A red-letter day, a hole-in-one. We wore smiles you could a mile.

As we reached the TH, we shared a tone of subdued joy, not only for making our goal but perhaps more for the hike now being officially over. Two quick pictures to document all of eight of us being among the living and then it really was over. How long until we can do this again?



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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)

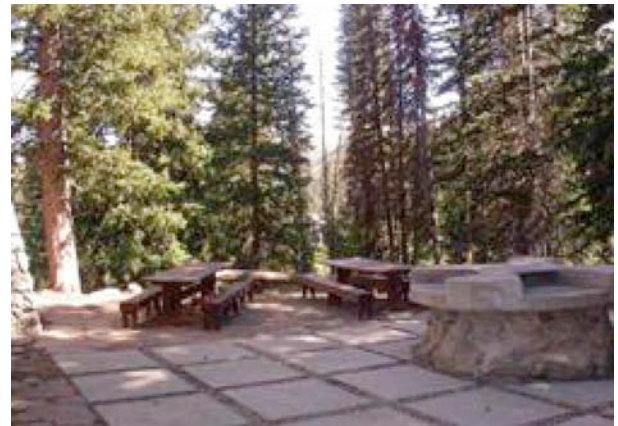
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www.WasatchMountainClubFoundation.Org

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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
Mar 1 Sun	<p>Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 agm1144@yahoo.com</p> <p>Weather and snow conditions will dictate the destination. Everyone is responsible for avalanche safety (we are organizing not guiding). Not sure what that means? There are many good avalanche safety classes being offered by the UAC and other organizations - take advantage of one! Bring appropriate safety gear and know how to use it. Please note: meet 10 minutes before the hour so that we can leave promptly at 9:00 am.</p>
Mar 2 Mon	<p>Boating Season Planning Party 2015</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:30 pm at REI Wasatch Room 3285 E 3300 S</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kelly Beumer 801-230-7967 kellybeumer@gmail.com</p> <p>Bring your hard won, well deserved permits. Also, if you would like to organize a trip on a non-permit river or other body of water, come with the details! We'll discuss and plan the season, create a schedule, get the trips into the events calendar, talk about snow pack and river flows, and what ever else you have on your mind. This is a great time to get your name in consideration for trips you would like to participate in, as well. All WMC members are invited. Be sure to sign up for the club's boater email notification system by following the link under the member menu. Pizza will be served!</p>
Mar 2 Mon	<p>Pre-season Conditioning Hike - Pencil Point – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 1500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p>

The days are getting longer so we're going to tackle a different foothills ridge each Monday night, working our way farther south each week. Conditions will dictate the route and the distance, but will be no more than 2 hours. Dress in layers and bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear for these short but very steep hikes. Dogs ok.

Mar 3
Tue

Alpine Ski Tour: Tue Ski Backcountry – mod+

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Micheal Kligman 801.566-7105 kligman@xmission.com

Weekly MOD+ ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM starts most of the time. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential. Please e-mail Mike Kligman Monday (the day before) by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies should plan on calling or e-mailing ahead to discuss trip requirements and their avy skills and gear.

Mar 3
Tue

Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod

Meet: Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.

Mar 4
Wed

Wednesday Snowshoe – mod

Meet: 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)

Organizer: Larry Hall 801-386-0854 larryhall9@msn.com

Join Larry for a pleasant day on the snow. Come prepared for your own comfort and safety. Organizer's choice.

Mar 5
Thu –
Mar 8
Sun

Canyoneering, Canoeing And Hot Tubbing Vegas – class I – 13.0 mi

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

Time for another annual classic- the first of March Canyoneering Canoeing Hot tubing trip to the Black Canyon, down by Vegas. A wonderful getaway from winter weekend- spend it scrambling, canyoneering, canoeing and luxuriating in scenic backcountry hot tubs; leaving your snow boots and parkas home, and hanging out in your Tevas, T shirts and shorts. We will drive down thursday morning, check into the Railroad Pass Hotel & Casino just before Boulder City, at off season rates (\$47 a night, 2 Queens), and then drive over and check out the dam, and the stunning new bridge over the dam. After dinner together we will get our gear together for an early morning rollout to meet the outfitter (715 am) who will be driving us through the national high security zone to the foot of the dam, where we will launch our rented canoes. There is not much real canoeing involved, it is almost all flat water, we will spend the first night camped at the mouth of Gold Strike canyon, less than a mile from the put in, and then saturday morning meander another mile to a second exploratory canyon, where we will spend the day in an energetic and athletic climb/scramble up Boy Scout Canyon, before paddling another mile down to camp saturday night @ the third canyon, Arizona Hot Springs, with more hot springs and pools. Sunday morning we will paddle for 3 hours down to the takeout, where the outfitter picks us up and will bring us back to pick up our cars at the hotel, and then we will boogy for home sunday afternoon. Actually you'd better not plan on leaving all of your snow gear home- a couple of years ago, after kicking back in our swim suits all weekend, coming home we ran into a major blizzard around Beaver, and struggled around vehicles parked on the shoulders and in the barrow pits, before we made it back home. It is still winter. Here. The fee for the 3 day canoe rental, the per person federal launch fee and the launch and pick up shuttles comes to \$100 per person. I have already paid half of this to get the reservations, your \$100 nonrefundable payment is required to get onto this trip. Mail me a check, at 8267 so 1280 E, sandy, ut 84094.

Mar 5

Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark – mod – Out & Back – Moderate

Thu	<p>pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons. We meet & depart at 8:30 a.m. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your shovel, beacon & probe(level one or two avalanche course) Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 10. If you are new to BC skiing, please call. We do 4000 ft. of elevation and go out for around six hours of skiing.</p>
Mar 5 Thu	<p>Winter Evening Hike - Mill Creek – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancycmartin@gmail.com</p> <p>Organizer's choice - bring headlamp, clothing and footwear appropriate for the weather. Prompt 6pm departure. Dogs Welcome!</p>
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Snowshoe To The Pass: Catherine, Twin Lakes, Or Scotts – ntd+ – 1.5 mi Out & Back – 1300' ascent – Slow pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Larry Nilssen 801-572-3964 mtns2live@yahoo.com</p> <p>One of these will have good snow and (possibly) sunshine, a happy combination. Distance and vertical is approximate.</p>
Mar 8 Sun	<p>Snowshoe-organizer Choice – mod- – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 8:45 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-582-6106 andrenyakda@aim.com</p> <p>We will go where it is appropriate and good for the conditions. Please remember the 10 Es and snow safety equipment. Plan to meet at 8:45 am and we will depart to the trailhead at 9:00 am.</p>
Mar 8 Sun	<p>Snowshoe Ntd+ Organizer's Choice – ntd+ – 4.0 mi – Slow pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Knick Knickerbocker 801-891-2669 Knick.Sold@comcast.net</p> <p>Come join Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or knick.sold@comcast.net) for an easy paced (please - NO fast pacers) tour in Big Cottonwood. Knick will find a safe and fun place to go for today's tour, weather and avalanche conditions permitting). Meet at 6200 South & Wasatch park-n-ride by 9:00 am. NOTE: Distance to be determined, but count on at least 4 up to 6-ish.</p>
Mar 9 Mon	<p>Pre-season Conditioning Hike - North Parleys Ridge – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 1500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>The days are getting longer so we're going to tackle a different foothills ridge each Monday night, working our way farther south each week. Conditions will dictate the route and the distance, but will be no more than 2 hours. Dress in layers and bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear for these short but very steep hikes. Dogs ok.</p>
Mar 10 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.</p>
Mar 10	<p>Mt. Olympus, Midweek, Day Hike – msd- – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent –</p>

Tue	Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at Mt. Oly trailhead on Wasatch Blvd. <i>Organizer:</i> Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com Microspikes or yaktrax are often handy on spring ascents of Olympus. There is a bit of scrambling toward the top of this steep hike. Depending on conditions, you might want an ice axe.
Mar 11 Wed	Wednesday Snowshoe – mod <i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard) <i>Organizer:</i> Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com An appropriate place will be chosen for today's adventure (probably in one of the Cottonwood Canyons). Bring your 10 Es and avalanche safety gear.
Mar 12 Thu	Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons. We meet & depart at 8:30 a.m. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your shovel, beacon & probe(level one or two avalanche course) Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 10. If you are new to BC skiing, please call. We do 4000 ft. of elevation and go out for around six hours of skiing.
Mar 12 Thu	Winter Evening Hike - Mt. Olympus – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Mt. Olympus Trailhead <i>Organizer:</i> Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancycmartin@gmail.com To the first stream and back. Meet at the trailhead; bring headlight or flashlight, clothing and footwear appropriate for the weather. Prompt 6pm departure. Dogs welcome!
Mar 13 Fri – Mar 15 Sun	Canyoneering 201 – mod <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com So, you've been on the 101 trip, and you're looking to learn some more as well as step it up into some more varied, strenuous and challenging canyons. This is a trip for you. Back to North Wash, where there are dozens more great canyons, for another round. Drive down after work friday (some of us may go down a day early, on thursday), do canyons on saturday and sunday, and then come home sunday night.
Mar 14 Sat	Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard) <i>Organizer:</i> Tom Mitko 801-277-7588 Join Tom on today's snowshoe. If snow is not fresh, may want to bring microspikes or similar traction footwear (in addition to your 10 E's).
Mar 15 Sun	Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod- <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard) <i>Organizer:</i> Teri Jenkins 801-661-4452 teridawnjen@gmail.com Join Teri for today's adventure on snowshoes. Be prepared with your 10 E's.
Mar 16 Mon	Slideshow - 3 Trip Presentations & Info Wmc Site & Wmc Facebk Page – 100.0 mi – 10000' ascent <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at 6965 S Union Park Ctr. Ste 160 Midvale UT 84047 (first floor) <i>Organizer:</i> Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com The Second 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
Mar 17	Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod

Tue	<p><i>Meet:</i> Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.</p>
Mar 18 Wed	<p>Biking Meeting/social: Pre-season Planning</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:30 pm at REI on 3300 South</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Katie Kunz 801-272-0392 katieslack@xmission.com</p> <p>We invite all roadies and mountain bikers to attend the 2015 planning meeting at the REI Mill Creek on 3300 South. Stay tuned for details.</p>
Mar 18 Wed	<p>Wednesday Snowshoe – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Larry Hall 801-386-0854 larryhall9@msn.com</p> <p>Join Larry for a pleasant day on the snow. Come prepared for your own comfort and safety. Organizer's choice.</p>
Mar 19 Thu	<p>Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons. We meet & depart at 8:30 a.m. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your shovel, beacon & probe(level one or two avalanche course) Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 10. If you are new to BC skiing, please call. We do 4000 ft. of elevation and go out for around six hours of skiing.</p>
Mar 19 Thu	<p>Last Night Of Winter Evening Hike - West Grandeur – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Trailhead parking lot at the north end of Wasatch Blvd (approximately 3000 S).</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancycmartin@gmail.com</p> <p>Bring flashlight or headlamp and footwear appropriate for the weather. Prompt 6pm departure. Spring starts tomorrow! Dogs welcome.</p>
Mar 21 Sat	<p>Rappelling Class For Canyoneering – ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 1:00 pm at Dogwood Picnic area wall. Park along the highway, outside the picnic area entrance, 1 mile up BCC on the right. Walk into the area and up canyon through it, 100 feet past the last picnic table is the wall, we will meet on top of it</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com</p> <p>Learn to rappel, and open the door to all kinds of new experiences and places. With proper instruction it is safe and easy- your fears are quickly banished. Whether you have never done it, or did once long ago and are not sure you remember, this is a great opportunity to learn not only how to do it, but also to be comfortable and safe on rope. Dogwood is the first picnic area in Big Cottonwood Canyon, just 1 mile up the canyon, on the right. Park on the highway to avoid a picnic area use fee, cross the bridge, walk thru the site, up canyon, and follow a trail 50 yards past the last table to the climbing wall, and sign in on the Club sheet. A harness, helmet, leather gloves, locking carabiner and a descending device are needed, I have a few extra harnesses for folks who do not have and are unable to beg, borrow, or steal one, for a 5\$ rental/equipment replacement fee, but you need to make those arrangements with me in advance, as there is a limited number available. If you are renting gear from me, you should try and be there 15 minutes early, by 12:45, so we can get you outfitted before the class. This class is held</p>

in the afternoon to allow you to attend the Black Diamond Fall Sale/Parking lot swap meet that morning (800am) to hook up with some good gear, cheap, in advance.

Mar 21 Sat	Stansbury Island Day Hike – mod – 5.0 mi – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at Meet at Julie's office at 2410 West California Avenue, just west of the I-215 California Avenue exit <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 Jk@wasatch-environmental.com With just a little effort that takes you beyond the shooting pits, Stansbury Island is amazing! This will be an exploratory hike / scramble along the island ridgelines, possibly to the high point. The hike will be steep and off-trail, but the views of the lake are unbeatable. Plan on 5 to 6 hours of hiking time. Dogs ok.
Mar 21 Sat	Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard) <i>Organizer:</i> Mohamed Abdallah 801-466-9310 agm1144@yahoo.com Weather and snow conditions will dictate the destination. Everyone is responsible for avalanche safety (we are organizing not guiding). Not sure what that means? There are many good avalanche safety classes being offered by the UAC and other organizations - take advantage of one! Bring appropriate safety gear and know how to use it. Please note: meet 10 minutes before the hour so that we can leave promptly at 9:00 am.
Mar 21 Sat	Alpine Ski Tour Red Pine (avy Conditions Permitting) – ntd+ – 8.0 mi – 2500' ascent <i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride <i>Organizer:</i> Alfred Balch 801-942-1614 fredbalchgm@gmail.com Ski to Red Pine lake, weather and avy conditions permitting
Mar 22 Sun	Snowshoe, Organizer's Choice. – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 1300' ascent – Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard) <i>Organizer:</i> Larry Nilssen 801-572-3964 mtns2live@yahoo.com High Snow is usually the best snow - Probably one of the Passes
Mar 23 Mon	Pre-season Conditioning Hike - Dragon's Tail – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 1500' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Parking Lot at North End of Wasatch Boulevard (Approximately 3000 South) <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com The days are getting longer so we're going to tackle a different foothills ridge each Monday night, working our way farther south each week. Conditions will dictate the route and the distance, but will be no more than 2 hours. Dress in layers and bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear (just in case) for these short but very steep hikes. Dogs ok.
Mar 24 Tue	Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod <i>Meet:</i> Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list <i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com

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Mar 25 Wednesday Snowshoe – mod

Wed
Meet: 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)
Organizer: Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com
 An appropriate place will be chosen for today's adventure (probably in one of the Cottonwood Canyons). Bring your 10 Es and avalanche safety gear.

Mar 26 Alpine Ski Tour - At, Snowboard Or Telemark – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Thu
Meet: Registration required
Organizer: Robert Myers 801-466-3292 (H) or 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com
 THURS. BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOUR: weekly MOD (moderate) ski tours. Destination generally in Big or Little Cottonwoods Canyons. We meet & depart at 8:30 a.m. This is not a beginner ski tour and requires good conditioning, skiing skills and familiarity with your shovel, beacon & probe(level one or two avalanche course) Call or e-mail Robert by 7:00PM on WED. evening, for the meeting place. Group limited to 10. If you are new to BC skiing, please call. We do 4000 ft. of elevation and go out for around six hours of skiing.

Mar 26 Pre-season Conditioning Evening Hike – ntd

Thu
Meet: 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3151 E Upland Dr (3760 S)
Organizer: Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com
 Bring flashlight or headlamp and footwear appropriate for the conditions. Mill Creek - Organizer's choice. Prompt 6pm departure. Dogs welcome.

Mar 27 Canyoneering 101 – mod-

Fri –
Meet: Registration required
Mar 29
Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com
Sun
 An Introduction to Technical Canyoneering. The North Wash is a great place to get started and learn some of the basics of canyoneering, with experienced and well trained guidance- there is something for everyone in these wonderful southern utah sandstone slots. We will drive down Friday after work, and do canyons Saturday and Sunday, returning home Sunday night. If this is your first trip, you need to have taken one of the club rappelling classes as a prerequisite.(there is another on March 21).

Mar 28 Annual Gourmet Snowshoe - Ntd - Fun – ntd

Sat
Meet: 10:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)
Organizer: Mark Jones 801-410-4163 hikermjr@aol.com
 It's time for the annual gourmet snowshoe to Willow Lake. Your hosts are Mark Jones 801-410-4163, Holly Smith 801-272-5358, and Knick Knickerbocker 801-891-2669. Rated NTD for exercise and EXT for kitchen skills. Join your fellow club members for an easy 1.6 mile snowshoe followed by some fine dining - a highlight of the snowshoeing season. Wear a costume if you wish and come celebrate the end of another great season and the coming of Spring. Black tie and costumes are optional. Meet at 10:00 AM and carpool to the Willow Lake trailhead. Bring a gourmet dish to share and a shovel to help make a table. Snowshoers and skiers of all abilities are welcome and bring a friend to introduce them to the club.

Mar 28 Nordic Ski Tour: Kings Peak – msd – 32.0 mi Out & Back – 4500' ascent – Fast pace

Sat
Meet: 5:00 pm at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way
Organizer: Larry Swanson 801-583-4043 oldswaney@gmail.com

That larger than life character - Harold Goodro - used to call high performing WMCers "goats". With that in mind this is the 42nd annual "running of the goats" in Henrys Fork. As usual we will meet (optional) on Friday night for possible car-pooling at the Walmart parking lot on Parleys Way about 5:00pm and leave shortly for Evanston and JB's restaurant (also optional), a couple of long blocks from the first Evanston exit (#3) and next to the Days Inn. The only required registration is by sign-out at the HF parking area where we camp. Headlamps are mandatory. We start before dawn and finish after dark. Bring lots of water (2 to 3 liters) and protection from the sun is important. Climbing skins can be handy but not essential. Standard touring gear is best. Turn-around is generally 2:00pm with 4:00pm mandatory no matter where you are. Elkhorn Crossing (NTD) or Gunsight Pass (MOD) are the usual turn-around points. The entire trip is scenic with great views. It is a classic! We carry out all waste paper, including TP, so plan for it. The first part of the trip is sheltered so we start out no matter the weather. Everyone goes up and down on the same route for safety. Contact Larry or Steve (801-272-5750, stephenswa@gmail.com) if you plan to leave extra early or go in the day before to a high camp.

Mar 29 Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice - mod

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

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

A destination will be chosen based on the conditions of the day. Come prepared for your own comfort and safety. Snow safety gear (beacon, shovel and probe) is recommended.

Mar 30 Pre-season Conditioning Hike - Houndstooth Ridge To Ferguson Canyon

Mon **Overlook - ntd+ - 2.0 mi Out & Back - 1500' ascent - Moderate pace**

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

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

The days are getting longer so we're going to tackle a different foothills ridge on Monday nights, working our way farther south each week. Conditions will dictate the route and the distance, but will be no more than 2 hours. Dress in layers and bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear (just in case) for these short but very steep hikes. Dogs ok.

Apr 3 Easter Multisport Car Camp - Boulder - mod - Moderate pace

Fri - *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 5 *Organizer:* John Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com

Sun A hiking and biking base camp at Veranth's cabin in Boulder UT. Usual format: carpools arrive independently Thursday night or Friday morning, potluck dinners Friday and Saturday. Planned full-day hikes: Lower Muley Twist from Burr Trail to The Post, and the slickrock mesas along Deer Creek. 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 9 Hike Organizer Planning/mentoring Get-together At The Wmc Lodge: Rsvp

Thu **Required**

Meet: 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.

Organizer: Julie Kilgore/Donn Seeley 801-244-3323/801-706-0815 jk@wasatch-environmental.com/donn@xmission.com

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.

Apr 10 Bikeuteah Summit - Biking Meeting/social

Fri *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.

Maze Car Camp & Day Hikes – mod+ – Moderate pace

Apr 10 Fri – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 14 Tue *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.

Yellowstone Hike-paced Bike Ride – 30.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace

Apr 10 Fri – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 12 Sun *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.

Sing-a-long And Pot Luck Supper

Apr 10 Fri *Meet:* 6:30 pm at Angie and Don Vincent

Organizer: La Rae Bartholoma 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com

Details will follow

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

Apr 12 Sun – *Meet:* Registration required

Apr 18 Sat *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.

Boat Shed Opening Work Party :)

Apr 18 Sat *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 rained the alternate date is April 25.

Slideshow - 3 Trip Presentations And Surprise Special Treat – 112.0 mi – 1000' ascent

Apr 20 Mon *Meet:* 7:00 pm at 6965 S Union Park Ctr, Ste 160 Midvale UT 84047

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

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 23
Thu –
Apr 26
Sun

Backpack Coyote Gulch – mod – 15.0 mi Shuttle

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: 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 25
Sat

Graham Peak Day Hike – mod – 13.0 mi Out & Back – 3300' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: 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 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 trail 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.

May 8
Fri –
May 10
Sun

Escalante Area Canyoneering – mod+

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 as working electricity and plumbing. Potluck dinners in the evening.

May 15

Gray Canyon Beginner Training Trip – class II- – 8.0 mi

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

May 17 *Organizer:* Aymara Jimenez/Donnie Benson saymaraj@gmail.com;
Sun 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 **Rock Climb - Trad Gear Workshop – mod+**

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

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

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May 17 **Day Hike The Pig (pfeifferhorn Including Glissade) – msd – Out & Back – 4100'**
Sun **ascent – Fast pace**

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Brad Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net

After a one year hiatus the spring classic is back, (no we are not cycling in Belgium) but rather climbing the Pfeifferhorn. A great warm up for the Beatout and a way to work on your glissading skills to boot. This years event will feature the classic glissading contest and perhaps prizes!

May 29 **City Of Rocks Rock Climbing Weekend – mod**

Fri – *Meet:* Registration required

May 31 *Organizer:* Will McCarvill 801-942-2921 will@commercialchemistries.com

Sun I got the group campsite at Upper Bread Loaves. It can hold 25. I will update as time gets closer.

May 31 **Day Hike The Beatout – ext – 15.0 mi – 6000' ascent – Fast pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

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 **Road Bike: Bear Lake Getaway – ntd**

Mon – *Meet:* Registration required

Jun 3 Wed	<p><i>Organizer:</i> Katie Kunz 801-272-0392 katieslack@xmission.com</p> <p>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.</p>
Jun 13 Sat – Jun 14 Sun	<p>Rockcliff Overnigher Bike Touring – mod- – Out & Back</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Cheryl Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com</p> <p>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</p>
Jun 24 Wed	<p>4th Of July White Water Rafting Planning Meeting – class I</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com</p> <p>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.</p>
Jun 27 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>
Jul 2 Thu – Jul 5	<p>July 4th White Water Rafting Party – class III – 25.0 mi</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com</p>

Sun	<p>The clubs 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.</p>
Jul 3 Fri – Jul 6 Mon	<p>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.</p>
Jul 18 Sat – Aug 11 Tue	<p>John Muir Trail Backpack – msd – 145.0 mi Shuttle – 10000' ascent – Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Russell Patterson 801-973-6427 patters@xmission.com Hike the John Muir Trail from Yosemite National Park to Kings Canyon National Park. We will be hiking about 8 miles per day. The John Muir Trail is one of the world's premier hikes. There are four places along the trail where you can either buy supplies or pick up supplies you have mailed in advance of the hike. Leader will need to get permits from the Park Service 24 weeks in advance so let him know before the end of January if you plan to go. The reservations cost \$5 per person. On this trip, we will also drive to view points in Yosemite, climb Half Dome and stop at Mona Lake while driving home. To get additional information about this trip, send an E Mail to Russell at Patters@xmission.com and he will send you a detailed itinerary. 34,000' elevation gain</p>
Jul 25 Sat	<p>Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+ <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> 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.</p>
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- Aug 28 **Bike Touring--ride Across Colorado – msd – 380.0 mi Shuttle – 10000' ascent –**
 Fri – **Slow pace**
 Sep 6 *Meet:* Registration required
 Sun *Organizer:* Angela Vincent 801-281-3160 avince182@yahoo.com
- 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.
- Sep 1 **White Water Rafting-alsek River Trip – class IV**
 Tue – *Meet:* Disseminated via the Boating email list
 Sep 17 *Organizer:* Chris 801-776-1031
 Thu 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 r  sum   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.
- Sep 19 **Rock Climb - Trad Saturday – mod+**
 Sat *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.
- Oct 3 **Grand Canyon Trip White Water Rafting – class IV+**
 Sat – *Meet:* Registration required
 Oct 27 *Organizer:* Steven Pace 801 363 8190 stephencpace@alum.mit.edu
 Tue 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.

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