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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Check www.wasatchmountainclub.org for latest announcements

Bear and Rattlesnake Awareness

Learn about what it means to be Bear Aware and Rattlesnake Aware!

WMC teams up for San Rafael Swell Service Project

The WMC and the Sierra Club teamed up on a San Rafael Swell service project with the BLM. You can view a video of the Prickly Pear Service Project [here](#).

Rambler Articles

The Rambler editor needs more submittals of trip writeups and other WMC-specific content. The Rambler is what the members make it. Send feedback on the Rambler to Rambler@wasatchmountainclub.org or contact any board member.

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NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH WMC!

Give back to your community and volunteer your time with the Wasatch Mountain Club. WMC values your time and skills, and we look forward to working with you!

The WMC Rambler has been published as a pdf and available on line since March 2005. The club could use a team of volunteers who can provide a couple of hours each month (or more if time permits) to scan old Ramblers for uploading to the WMC website.

Contact Julie Kilgore for details. [801-244-3323](tel:801-244-3323) or jk@wasatch-environmental.com.





Ask for Snow and You Shall Receive!

WMCF would like to give a big THANK YOU to everyone who attended this year's Pray for Snow Party at the lodge! We snowshoed and skied, dined on brats and chili, drank hot buttered rum, and played Polish poker well into the night.

And look! It worked! The Wasatch has been a cold, snowy, winter wonderland ever since. Let the season begin!



We hope you will join us again next year to celebrate the arrival of winter, and to enjoy the company of friends new and old in a place rich with tradition – the Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge.

UTAH AVALANCHE CENTER MATCHING DONATION

Again this winter, the Wasatch Mountain Club Board has agreed to match, from Club funds, donations by Club members to the Friends of the UAC, to a maximum of \$3,000. Last winter, we raised more than \$6,000 as a matching fund to help keep the UAC going and providing all of us with the snow safety information we need! To make your donation eligible for this matching, please write your check payable to: Friends of the UAC , and mail it to: WMC Treasurer 1390 South 1100 East, #130 Salt Lake City UT 84105 The Club Treasurer will total up the donations received this way and write a Club check to match the funds collected. The Friends of the UAC is a 501(c)3 under IRS rules, so your donation might be eligible for a tax deduction. Thanks for your support.



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BOATING PERMIT PARTY

**New Boaters Wanted
Experienced Boaters Needed**

**If you've thought you'd like to try boating, now's the time to get ready!
Join us as we get together and kick off the 2017 season. Together we can get the permits
for
our favorite rivers.**

**The WMC has boats and boaters who can help you learn the skills needed.
Dinner will be provided.**

**Our Permit Party will be held at:
The Junior League of Salt Lake
526 East 300 South
Tuesday, January 10, 2017
6:30 p.m.**

Winter's White Snow Is Summer's White Water

Canoes

Duckies

MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Appalachian Trail Thru-Hike

By Louis and Julie Melini

Unbeknownst to many people, Julie and Lou Melini don't always travel by bicycle. In 2016, we hiked the 2,189-mile Appalachian Trail (AT), leaving Springer Mt., Georgia on March 24th and summiting Mt. Katahdin in Baxter State Park, Maine on Sept. 15th.

The Appalachian Trail hike was the result of a comment made following a 2004 70-mile High Uinta Wilderness backpack trip. One of us put that trip in perspective by stating; "We only have to do this 30 more times to equal an Appalachian Trail thru-hike".

So the seed was planted. It grew over 12 years with a little nurturing, coming to full maturity in 2016. Lou retired for the trip in 2014 with Julie retiring from one of her 2 jobs early in 2016 and off we went. We slept 121 days in a tent, 5 in AT shelters and the other 50 in an assortment of hostels, motels and private homes. We wore out a combined 5 pair of shoes, ate 200+ packages of Knorr Sides (a staple of our evening meal), burned through 16 8-ounce fuel canisters, and met dozens of absolutely wonderful people.

We had read about the culture and beauty of the Appalachian Trail though both were exceeded by our experience. The AT was also more difficult than we ever imagined, both physically and mentally. We have reentered normal society, though life will never be "normal". With all due respect to Mr. Bryson, **our** hike was a much greater "Walk in the Woods".



Lou and Julie Melini

Photo Credit Chet Strange and Parker Michels-Boyce for Outside Magazine

WILLOW HEIGHTS SNOWSHOE

December 4, 2016

Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura

Eight people participated in the Willow Heights Snowshoe organized by Greg Lott on December 4. We started from the trailhead near Solitude and snowshoed on a maintained trail which has low elevation gain for a while. Then we went off-trail toward the ridge. It became windy and cloudy as we neared the ridge so we had lunch below the ridge. Six of us made the ridge and took a different route to make a loop. The hike took approximately 4 hours 40 minutes (distance – 5.87 miles, elevation gain – 2,551 ft).



From left, Leslie, Jim, Akiko and Greg

SUGARLOAF PEAK HIKE

November 20, 2016

Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura

Jim Kucera (organizer), Carol, Muhammad, Deirdre, Mohammad, Greg, Keith, Ying and Akiko hiked to Sugarloaf Peak at Alta on November 20. It was posted as snowshoe or hike but there was not enough snow for snowshoe. It was quite warm for November but very windy. Some of us decided not to continue to the peak because of the wind and those of us that did go up made a hasty retreat. We had lunch at Germania Pas and Jim, Greg, Muhammad and Akiko hiked to Cecret Lake from there and reported that Cecret Lake was only half frozen. On the way back to the parking lot, we encountered a few snow showers. The hike took approximately 4 hours and 11 minutes (distance – 6.65 miles, elevation gain 2,483 ft).



Braving the wind on the peak. From left, Greg, Carol, Ying, Akiko, Keith

EVEREST BASE CAMP TREK, NEPAL

October 20 - November 7, 2016

Report by Zig Sondelski

Photos by trek members

Ice had formed in my water bottle in my room and only froze more as we started our 5 AM trek up Kala Patar on day 9. We had spent the night at a tea house in Gorak Shep, the last village on the trek to Everest Base Camp. This was the coldest day of our trip, and with the early start and altitude at destination(18,500'), it was our longest trekking day as we started back down the valley after this hike up.

Our adventure started in January, 2016, when Michael Budig found a great Living Social deal and we got the "buy 3 get one free" offers (same as Kilimanjaro a few years earlier). After the discount, the TOTAL trip cost was about \$2500 (\$1900 for LAX/Doha/Lukla flights and the trek (lodging, breakfast, guides, fees and porters) and \$600 for travel to LAX, lunches, dinners, tips and souvenirs). Our 14-member group was large enough to be only WMC members. By the numbers, the trek was almost 80 miles round trip with 18,000' of gross elevation gain (9000' net). The plan was to hike up in 8 days (including 2 acclimation days) and hike down in 4 days.

Preparation included training and a monthly get-together to share Nepalese/Indian food, ask questions and share answers and research. Training ranged from hiking Mt Elbert in Colorado to para sailing, rafting, bicycling, backpacking and yoga (lots of cross training).

Nepal is half way around the world and is about the same latitude as Florida, so the landscape stays greener higher up than expected and farming is done everywhere a plot can be made flat (Nepal is pretty self-sufficient in food). The air portion took about 20 hours flying time going east with a 10-hour layover in Doha, Qatar (sign up for the free city tour before leaving home). Most of the group opted for an extra day in KTM (Kathmandu) to recover, explore, stock up and repack to meet the weight limit for the Lukla flight (they do weigh in) and for the helper (porter) loads. Extra gear was left with the KTM hotel for our return.

Day 1 started with the flight to Lukla, transferring gear to the helpers and hiking mostly downhill from Lukla to Phakding. The flight to and especially the landing in Lukla was as exciting as the YouTube videos show it. The landing strip is hemmed in by mountains, is short, steep (the runway slopes uphill and ends in a rock wall when landing), and is usually closed in the afternoon due to clouds so it is really busy in the morning. The day 1 hike was short, easy, sunny and warm. Our first teahouse was pretty typical of the remainder: clean, tidy, \$4 shower, breakfast included, reasonably priced dinner (good food and plenty of it), a wood stove in the dining room that burned one load of wood (or yak dung) each evening, piled stone construction, thin walls, single beds with decent foam pads, thick quilts to supplement our sleeping bags with open doors and windows for fresh air (brrr). Prices got higher as we did. Day 2 was a tough day, regaining the altitude we lost the previous day plus a long steep climb up to Namche Bazaar, where one could buy an imitation of any outdoor brand imaginable. One common item

purchased was down booties. Day 3 was acclimating, with a hike up to Everest View Hotel, visiting the Sherpa museum, then back to Namche. Day 4 went to Deboche with a stop at the Tengboche Monastery, requiring boots off and no photos in order to enter. This day was the same distance and elevation gain as day 2, but so evenly distributed it was difficult to imagine it was the same. The rhododendron forests weren't blooming this time of year. Day 5 got us a little out of the Khumbu Valley to Dingboche where there is a fine French bakery and Day 6 was an acclimation day. Day 7 saw us back in the Khumbu Valley past the climber memorial to Lobuche. It was difficult to tell where the Khumbu Glacier started as it was so covered with rocks. Day 8 was an earlier start and longer day as we headed to Gorak Shep, on to Everest Base Camp and back to Gorak Shep for the night. Base camp on the Khumbu glacier was marked with prayer flags and a few rock piles as it wasn't climbing season. We couldn't see any evidence of the deadly avalanche and the area was quite clean which was amazing considering how large the camp becomes during the climbing season. Day 9 was a 5 AM start for 7 of the team hiking to Kala Patar for the sunrise and our best view of Everest, then back to Gorak Shep to join those who remained and on down to Pheriche. It was a long day, about 13 miles after the early start – about what had taken us 2 days to hike up. Day 10 to Namche was another long haul with plenty of great views down the valley. A few arrived as it was getting dark. Day 11 was a “regular” hike back to Phakding and Day 12 was a morning hike to Lukla and a chance to explore the village, where almost all supplies for the valley are flown in and carried up the trail. Day 13 was a flight back from Lukla to KTM to really get warm again. The good weather allowed us to stay on schedule and not use any of our 3 contingency days on the back end. They were spent in KTM to recover, have laundry done, see more sights, shop and discover more great restaurants, coffee shops and bakeries.



12 of our group back in Lukla



Ama Dablam, visible for most of our trek.

To see more pictures and learn more about the trek, please join us at a presentation scheduled for the February 8, 2017, General Membership Meeting.

More information can be found on the WMC web site General Menu/Trip Directory by typing “Nepal” in the Title Search block and selecting search.

Team members were Bill Banner, Arthur Klinkenberg, Mike Dege, Jim Hansen, Katrina Easton, Lisa Verzella, Bret Mathews, Irene Yuan, Benjamin Sondelski, Shanni Baraki, Nathan Sondelski, Elly Rudasi, Barbara Boehme and Zig Sondelski. Thanks to Bob Norris and other WMC members who were kind enough to share their experiences, offer advice and answer our many questions.



Yaks are as soft as they look!

SCOTT'S PASS & GUARDSMAN'S PASS SNOWSHOE

December 3, 2016

Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura

Jim Kucera organized a snowshoe to Scott's Pass and Guardsman's Pass on December 3. Thirteen people participated. We started from the Scott's Pass trailhead. We had lunch at Scott's Pass. From Scott's Pass, we followed the county line to peak 10026 (aka "Tricounty Peak"). Four of us went to Guardsman's Pass off-trail and continued off-trail to back to the trailhead. Other people took a different way and mostly snowshoed on the road. The snowshoe took approximately 3.5 hours (distance – 4.42 miles, elevation gain – 1,431 ft).



Snowshoeing off trail. From left, Jim, Megan and Taylor.

DESOLATION LAKE SNOWSHOE

Dave Andrenyak, Organizer

December 11, 2016

Trip report by Akiko Kamimura

Nine people participated in the Desolation Lake Snowshoe on December 11. We started at the Mill D trailhead. There was a lot of fresh snow from an earlier snowstorm and it was still snowing that morning. In fact, after we passed the Y junction, we had to break trail in the fresh snow. Leslie and Deirdre did the most of the hard work. Leslie, Deirdre, Mohammad, Muhammad, and Akiko got to Desolation Lake earlier than others and had lunch there. After waiting for the others for a while, we headed back down the trail. The snow finally stopped, the sun came out and the temperature rose. Near the lake, we met Dave and Cory and three big moose. It was a pleasant 5 hour snowshoe.



Dave snowshoeing in fresh snow.

On the way back from the Lake. From left, Muhammad, Mohammad, and Leslie.



BURCH HOLLOW HIKE

November 26, 2016

Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura

There was a huge turnout after Thanksgiving for the “day after TG” hike. Fifteen people showed up for the Burch Hollow Hike in Millcreek Canyon organized by Steve Duncan, all hoping to work off some calories from the day before. The trail was mostly snow covered and packed and the temps were comfortable. We had a short break at Burch Hollow and took group photos. The hike took approximately 3 hours (distance – 6.22 miles, elevation gain – 2,595 ft).



Front row – Mohammad. Middle row, from left, Steve, Muhammad and Ying. Back row, from left, Deb, Terry, Bob, Leslie, Carol, Deirdre, Yi and Keith.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Activity</i>
Jan 1 Sun	<p>New Year's Day Snowshoe - Little Water Peak – mod – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 2100' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 Wasatch Boulevard)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com</p> <p>Little Water Peak via Mill D North / Dog Lake. Celebrate the New Year. We'll do a loop if conditions permit. Bring your 10 E's and avalanche safety gear.</p>
Jan 2 Mon	<p>Snowshoe To Enniss Peak (9,320') – mod – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 4600' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 am at Orson Smith TH in Draper at about 12500 South 2000 East. Take 1300 East south to the roundabout near Draper Park. Proceed east on Pioneer Road to the 4way stop. Proceed south for 2.5 blocks and look for the Orson Smith TH sign on the left.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Michael Hannan 385-207-1248 michaelhannan@gmail.com</p> <p>Begin the New Year with a nice hike to the so-called halfway point of a route to Lone Peak. On a good-weather day views from Enniss are spectacular and include the west cirque of Lone Peak, Box Elder Peak, Mt. Timpanogos, Utah Lake and the Oquirrhs. Depending upon snow conditions micro spikes are recommended as are, of course, snowshoes. Conditions on the Draper Ridge can be cold, especially if wind is a factor. The restroom at the TH is normally open. Co-sponsor of this activity is Lana Christiansen, iaccount4u@gmail.com. Given normal weather conditions the r/t time shouldn't exceed 7-8 hours.</p>
Jan 3 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way</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>
Jan 4 Wed	<p>Wednesday Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour – mod+ – Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 proctorgtr@aol.com</p> <p>Weekly Mod+ ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 am starts most of the time. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avalanche skills are essential. Please email Chris by Tuesday 5 P.M. the day before for meeting place and time. Newbies should plan on discussing trip requirements. avalanche skill sets and their equipment.</p>
Jan 5 Thu	<p>Alpine Ski Tour: Thurs Ski Backcountry – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Weekly backcountry alpine ski tour in the local Tri-Canyons. These trips start out as MOD's and move towards MOD+ Tours which require experience in using your equipment, good alpine techniques using skins, experience with avalanche beacons, selecting good routes, as well as safe terrain. Please email or call by Wednesday evening for time and meeting place. If you have not been on one of my trip, you should call ahead of time.</p>
Jan 7 Sat	<p>Willows Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour – mod+ – Out & Back</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Sharon Vinick 801-865-4614 outdoorsharon@yahoo.com</p>

Join for a day in the powder for a mod + pace. Wear proper clothes and be avy prepared w beacon, probes and avy knowledge. Subject to change based on weather vans avy conditions.

Jan 7 Sat Snowshoe - Mormon Pioneer Trail – ntd – 5.0 mi

Meet: 9:30 am at Meet in the parking lot behind (north of) the Beans and Brews coffee shop at 3300 South 3255 East. The parking lot is west of the REI parking lot.

Organizer: Susan Allen 801-466-3292 sallen400@gmail.com

Let's snowshoe the Mormon Pioneer Trail (aka California Trail aka Pony Express Trail). The trail parallels the portion of Big Mountain Road (SR65) going from the road closure gate above Little Dell Reservoir to Affleck Park. NTD+ pace.

Jan 7 Sat Alpine Ski Tour Modish Wandering – mod – 3000' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com

Wandering around the Cottonwoods depending on snow conditions. You must have avy gear and know how to use it. Limit 5. You must also be competent skiing down hill. Typical meeting time is 8:30AM

Jan 8 Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod

Meet: 8:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Organizer: Leslie Woods 801-352-0338 woodslk@aol.com

Organizer will determine a place to snowshoe after evaluating the snow conditions. MUST have avalanche beacon, probe and shovel and know how to use them.

Jan 8 Back Country Avalanche Terrain Workshop And Tour. Training – mod – Out & Back – 3000' ascent – Moderate pace

Meet: Registration required

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

This is an informal workshop that will go into the backcountry and evaluate and discuss avalanche terrain and how to minimize risk while getting a few laps in at the same time. AT/Tele/Splitboard. Standard avalanche gear and knowledge how to use it required.

Jan 8 Alpine Ski Tour, Powder Park Tba – ntd+ – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 2000' ascent – Slow pace

Meet: 10:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Organizer: Brian Barkey 801-394-6047 brianbarkey@gmail.com

This will be a relatively easy tour to one of the places starting from Spruces parking lot. The goal is to YoYo depending on the snow conditions. Skins, shovels and beacons required.

Jan 9 Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

Meet: 6:00 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate

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

Half of the night-hike season is over! Every day there is another minute of daylight, but we're not seeing that on the winter night hikes just yet. Start your new year out with another variation of this brisk and steep 2-hour outing along the ridge behind the "H" rock. Bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear. Bring a flashlight and dress in layers. Dogs ok.

Jan 10 Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod

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

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

Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 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.

- Jan 10 **Boating Permit Application Party 2017 - Dinner Provided**
Tue *Meet:* 6:30 pm at 526 East 300 South - SLC Park on the street or in the Steel Encounters parking lot on the North side of the road.
Organizer: Aymara Jimenez 435-764-4496 saymaraj@gmail.com
Join us as we talk about the upcoming boating season! 2017 is here and in order for us to boat this Summer, we need permits! Help us by applying online, and by using the power of our shared numbers, perhaps the river gods will smile on us and we'll get the permits we want! This is also a great time to catch up with boating friends you may not have seen since the season ended, and to enjoy some FREE dinner! We will be meeting at the same location as last year: 526 East 300 South in the Junior League of Salt Lake Building. We hope to see you all there!!
- Jan 11 **Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod-**
Wed *Meet:* 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com
We'll find a nice loop with some trail breaking. I like to explore places infrequently visited. Snow safety gear recommended but not required.
- Jan 11 **Wednesday Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour – mod+ – Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace**
Wed *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Chris Proctor 801-485-1543 proctorgtr@aol.com
Weekly Mod+ ski tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 am starts most of the time. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avalanche skills are essential. Please email Chris by Tuesday 5 P.M. the day before for meeting place and time. Newbies should plan on discussing trip requirements. avalanche skill sets and their equipment.
- Jan 12 **Evening Hike - Living Room - Dog Friendly – ntd**
Thu *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Natural History Museum of Utah, 301 Wakara Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84108. We will park and meet in the museum parking lot in the south east corner of the parking lot.
Organizer: Sue Jensen 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com
6pm departure from the Natural History Museum of Utah. Be prepared for varied weather and bring a headlamp or flashlight.
- Jan 12 **Moonlight Snowshoe - Out & Back Ntd – ntd – 4.0 mi Out & Back – Moderate pace**
Thu *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3231 E Upland Dr (3760 S)
Organizer: Knick Knickerbocker 801-891-2669 Knick.Sold@comcast.net
Come out and Join Knick Knickerbocker (801-891-2669 or Knick.Sold@comcast.net) for this evening moonlight snowshoe tour to a location dependent on weather and safety conditions. Knick plans a fun evening in the moonlit snow. Dress warmly in layers and come prepared. Make sure your snowshoes fit your boots before you arrive. Meet Knick & other like minded shoers at Skyline High School east parking lot to carpool by 6:00 pm.
- Jan 12 **Alpine Ski Tour: Thurs Ski Backcountry – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace**
Thu *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com
Weekly backcountry alpine ski tour in the local Tri-Canyons. These trips start out as MOD's and move towards MOD+ Tours which require experience in using your equipment, good alpine techniques using skins, experience with avalanche beacons, selecting good routes, as well as safe terrain. Please email or call by Wednesday evening for time and meeting place. If you have not been on one of my trip, you should call ahead of time.

Jan 14 Sat	<p>Snowshoe - Reynolds Peak – mod <i>Meet:</i> 8:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Yi Qu 801-503-5252 yiqu1@hotmail.com Join us for this club favorite. Co-organized with Jim Kucera. Be prepared for your own comfort and safety.</p>
Jan 14 Sat	<p>Alpine Ski Touring - Introductory Class – ntd+ – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (c) robertmyers47@gmail.com INTRODUCTORY TO BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOURING - You should have PRIOR experience in resort skiing, using AT equipment or with your Nordic backcountry ski equipment. If you just outfitted yourself in new ski equipment, here is the opportunity. This is not designed as a beginner's class rather this is an introduction to backcountry skiing and you should have some experience on your skis, so that you can enjoy the trip. I strongly suggest an avalanche beacon, shovel, but they are not necessary. Call email to register by Friday evening for meeting place and time.</p>
Jan 15 Sun	<p>Snowshoe -- Moose Flats – mod+ – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 1700' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Terrace Hills trailhead of Bonneville Shoreline Trail (1027 Terrace Hills, SLC, 84103). <i>Organizer:</i> Rick Gamble & Carrie Clark 801-931-4739 skithebrd@yahoo.com Join Carrie and Rick on a snowshoe/spikes-hike to Moose Flats (on the shoulder of Little Black Mountain above the Avenues Twins). TRAILHEAD DRIVING DIRECTIONS: From 11th Avenue, turn uphill onto Terrace Hills Drive (890 East). Terrace Hills Dr is just west of the graveyard and just east of the fire station on 11th Ave.</p>
Jan 17 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod <i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list <i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way <i>Organizer:</i> 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.</p>
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Jan 18 Wed	<p>Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod <i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Liz Cordova liz1466@live.com Weather and avalanche conditions will determine the destination, so I will post an update online a few days in advance. All things being equal, I prefer trails in the sunshine.</p>
Jan 19 Thu	<p>Evening Hike Millcreek Overlook – ntd – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 700' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride <i>Organizer:</i> Terry Baker 801-904-2622 05miata@gmail.com</p>

Given the possibility of lots of snow be prepared for winter hiking. Dress warmly and we'll have a good time. Lets Leave at 6 PM

- Jan 19 **Alpine Ski Tour: Thurs Ski Backcountry – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace**
Thu
Meet: Registration required
Organizer: Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com
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- Jan 21 **Winter Hike: West Grandeur Foothills – mod+**
Sat
Meet: 9:00 am at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride
Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
Let's make a day out of exploring the various trails meandering throughout the foothills below and approaching West Grandeur. At some point, we should make the summit, then can hightail it back down. If inversion is in, we'll head up Millcreek and approach Grandeur from Churchfork. Bring micro-spikes and plan on 5 hours or so.
- Jan 21 **Alpine Ski Tour, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace**
Sat
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Steve Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net
Easier tour but not for beginners. We'll stay in safe terrain likely in the Mill D or Willow Heights area. Estimated miles and vertical gain. Avalanche gear required.
- Jan 21 **Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod**
Sat
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Larry Hall 801-386-0854 larryhall9@msn.com
Join us for a nice hike in the snowy Wasatch. Be prepared for your own comfort and safety.
- Jan 21 **Alpine Ski Tour Modish Wandering – mod**
Sat
Meet: Registration required
Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com
Wandering around the Cottonwoods depending on snow conditions. You must have avy gear and know how to use it. Limit 5. You must also be competent skiing down hill. Typical meeting time is 8:30AM
- Jan 22 **Snowshoe: Organizer's Choice – mod**
Sun
Meet: 8:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Deirdre Flynn 801-466-9310 deirdre.flynn@marriott.com
Mohamed Abdallah and Deirdre are co-organizing this snowshoe. All participants are responsible for safety. Be prepared with snow safety equipment (beacon, shovel, probe) and knowledge of how to travel safely in avalanche terrain. With responsible travel we hope to have an enjoyable and safe day! Email with any questions.
- Jan 22 **Dog Lake Snowshoe – ntd+**
Sun
Meet: 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com
Snowshoe to Dog Lake with Michael and Dianne Budig. Please address questions by email.
- Jan 23 **Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**
Mon
Meet: 6:00 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate

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

A brisk and steep 2-hour outing along the ridge behind the "H" rock. If there is inversion, we'll go up Millcreek until we're out of it. Bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear. Bring a flashlight and dress in layers. Dogs ok.

Jan 23 Dog Hike: Millcreek Monday – ntd+

Mon *Meet:* 9:00 am at Meet at the trailhead; I'll post specifics online in advance.

Organizer: Liz Cordova liz1466@live.com

Let's get the dogs out. I prefer the pipeline, in the sun, above the inversion, but conditions will factor in, so I'll post an update online, with the trailhead.

Jan 24 Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod

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

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

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

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Jan 25 Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod-

Wed *Meet:* 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

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

We'll find a nice loop with some trail breaking. I like to explore places infrequently visited. Snow safety gear recommended but not required.

Jan 26 Evening Hike Dog Friendly - Mt. Olympus – ntd+ – Fast pace

Thu *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Wasatch Blvd at approximately 5800 S; east side of the road. There are signs marking the trailhead.

Organizer: Sue Jensen 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com

6pm departure from the Mt. Olympus trailhead on Wasatch Blvd. Be prepared for varied weather and bring a headlamp or flashlight. Dog friendly.

Jan 26 Alpine Ski Tour: Thurs Ski Backcountry – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace

Thu *Meet:* Registration required

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Jan 28 Winter Mountaineering Lone Peak Climb. Snowshoe And Crampon – ext – 14.0 mi – 6800' ascent

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

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

Gear: microspikes, snowshoes, crampons, ice axe. Exposure: some moderate during the final 1/2 mile. This activity is all day with a departure time no later than 6 a.m. Poor weather, avalanche risk and/or sketchy snow conditions generally may force postponement to the following Saturday. WMC members will be given priority. I will establish a turn-around time and we will adhere to it. Please use email to register.

Jan 28 Sat	<p>Snowshoe, Broads Fork To The Meadow – mod- – 4.7 mi Out & Back – 2040' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Steven Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net</p> <p>Come and enjoy the great views from the meadow.</p>
Jan 29 Sun	<p>Snowshoe - West Uintas</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way, Salt Lake City, UT</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com</p> <p>The West Uintas has some great areas for snowshoeing. The forest and mountain scenery is beautiful. From the West Uintas, there are some interesting views looking back at the Wasatch. We will chose a tour off from the Mirror Lake Highway. There is a one way drive time of around 1.5 hours. Expect an activity time of 4-6 hours (NTD to MOD). Participant should bring the usual 10 Es. Snow safety equipment is recommended. Energetic dogs and energetic teenagers accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. There is a Mirror Lake Highway recreation fee of \$6.00. America the Beautiful and other federal area passes can be used for this trip. Non drivers are expected to share with the travel expenses. Lets meet at 8:00 am and plan to depart at 8:15 am</p>
Jan 30 Mon	<p>Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain – ntd+ – Out & Back – 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. The trailhead is a gate</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>A brisk and steep 2-hour outing along the ridge behind the "H" rock. If there is inversion, we'll go up Millcreek until we're out of it. Bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear. Bring a flashlight and dress in layers. Dogs ok.</p>
Jan 30 Mon	<p>Mt. Olympus Dog Hike – ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Mt. Olympus trailhead, but check online before heading out.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Liz Cordova liz1466@live.com</p> <p>Let's take the dogs on one of the various loops from the Mt. Olympus trailhead. If there's an inversion, we might have to postpone, so I'll post specifics online.</p>
Jan 31 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way</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>
Feb 2 Thu	<p>Alpine Ski Tour: Thurs Ski Backcountry – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Weekly backcountry alpine ski tour in the local Tri-Canyons. These trips start out as MOD's and move towards MOD+ Tours which require experience in using your equipment, good alpine techniques using skins, experience with avalanche beacons, selecting good routes, as well as safe terrain. Please email or call by Wednesday evening for time and meeting place. If you have not been on one of my trip, you should call ahead of time.</p>

- Feb 4 Sat **Alpine Ski Tour Modish Wandering – mod**
Meet: Registration required
Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com
 Wandering around the Cottonwoods depending on snow conditions. You must have avy gear and know how to use it. Limit 5. You must also be competent skiing down hill. Typical meeting time is 8:30AM
- Feb 6 **Death Valley Road Bike Car Camping Winter Escape – mod**
 Mon – *Meet:* Registration required
 Feb 10 *Organizer:* Cheryl Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com
 Fri The annual Bob Wright Death Valley Winter Escape might be escape from a no-snow winter, but we'll see! It's a getaway to the warmth and fun of car camping, daily road biking, hiking, small group cooking, and having a good time at the Furnace Creek campground. The group has reserved tent camping sites, but you are welcome to reserve RV and camper sites, cabins or motels as well. There will be a planning meeting in January (date to be announced) to establish carpools, cooking groups, and pre/post trip extensions. The six group tent sites are almost full. Call for more information or to register, let me know if you have made your own reservation at Furnace Creek to join us for the bike rides and hikes, happy hours and campfires.
- Feb 8 **General Membership Meeting, Social, Board Election, And Presentation**
 Wed *Meet:* 6:00 pm at REI Meeting Room, 3285 East 3300 South
Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 The Wasatch Mountain Club is directed by its By-Laws to hold two general membership meetings a year, so we might as well make them useful, informative, and fun! The schedule is as follows: 6:00-6:30 Member Social with refreshments & Outdoor Retailer Show N Tell; 6:30-7:00 Present Pa Parry Award, Board Business, and 2017 Board Election; 7:00-8:00 WMC Nepal Trek Presentation; 8:00-8:30, Q&A, Closing Social.
- Feb 9 **Motel Car Camp: Yellowstone Wolf & Wildlife Watching - 4-6 Days – ntd**
 Thu – *Meet:* Registration required
 Feb 12 *Organizer:* Robert Turner; Julie Kilgore Robert: 801-560-3378; Julie: 801-244-3323
 Sun r46turner@gmail.com; jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 Join us for some winter wolf and wildlife watching in Yellowstone Park. Last year was so good we want to do it again. We saw wolves, foxes, coyotes, bighorn sheep, eagles; even a couple of moose and one very active weasel. ----- Trip length: Leave Thursday afternoon; return home by Sunday night if you have to get back to work or whatever; stay until Monday or Tuesday if you have more time and would like to stick around. ----- We'll motel it in Gardiner, MT, and drive into the Park each day on the road between there and Cooke City, 4 miles east of the northeast entrance. It's the only road kept open in Yellowstone in the winter. We might see wolves anywhere along that road, but the most likely place is Lamar Valley. ----- Note that this is a WMC members only trip. If you are not a member, you can still come by joining the club first :-). ----- Some other noteworthy considerations: We'll get up very early each morning (about 5:00am) and the mornings will probably be very cold (zero or less). ----- The best way to find wolves is to drive the road, so we won't spend much time hiking, snowshoeing or whatever on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday morning. ----- If you are able to stay until Monday or Tuesday, bring your skis, snowshoes or whatever for sure so you can enjoy some time trekking around in Yellowstone's spectacular winter wonderland. You should have plenty of time for that on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. ----- The drive to Gardiner in the winter is about 500 miles since we can't go through the Park to get there, so we will leave Thursday and drive about halfway that night. Plan to leave anytime in the afternoon, but no later than 5-6pm. ----- Robert Turner and Julie Kilgore will be your co-organizers. Contact one of them for more details and to register.
- Feb 15 **Belize Islands And Jungle Multi-activity Event**
 Wed – *Meet:* Registration required

- Feb 25 Sat *Organizer:* John & Martha Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com
Mark your calendar for a February 2017 trip to Belize, an English-speaking country in Central America with a wealth of outdoor activities. Time will be divided between snorkeling, diving, and birding in the cays and hiking, canoeing, birding and visiting archeological sites from a jungle lodge. Email to be on the list for the planning meeting in December. Airfare plus lodging estimated \$2500/person
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- Feb 23 Thu – Feb 26 Sun **Canyoneering, Canoeing And Hot Tubbing Vegas – mod – 13.0 mi**
Meet: Registration required
Organizer: Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com
Time for another annual classic- the Canyoneering Canoeing Hot tubbing trip to the Black Canyon, down by Vegas. A wonderful getaway from winter weekend- spend it scrambling, canyoneering, canoeing and luxuriating in scenic backcountry hot tubs; leaving your snow boots and parkas home, and hanging out in your Tevas, T shirts and shorts. We will drive down thursday morning, check into the hotel just before Boulder City, at off season rates and then drive over and check out the dam, and the stunning new bridge over the dam. After dinner we will get our gear together for an early morning rollout to meet the outfitter (700 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 boogie 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. In Utah. Note that this trip has traditionally been on the first weekend in March, but two years ago there were 150 people camping at Arizona Hot Springs, it was a zoo- everybody wants to do this trip. I figured it must be a first of March Spring Break thing, so last year I decided to move it up a week, the weather wasn't any different one week earlier, and we had a little more solitude, at least less of a crowd, doing it in February. The fee for the 3 day canoe rental, the per person federal launch fee and the launch and pick up shuttles comes to \$110 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. With only 7 canoes, for 14 people, the trip fills up fast, get on board now.

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(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: _____

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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:

Check # _____ Amount Received _____ Date _____ By _____

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