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MARY'S NIPPLE CAR CAMP

JULY 4, 2019

*Organized by Donn
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Seeley*

Mary's Nipple is one name for a striking 10984-ft peak that rises above Salina Canyon in the Wasatch Plateau. Other names for it

are Molly's Nipple and Musinia Peak. It looms prominently above both I-70 and US 89 near Salina. Wikipedia says: "Mollie's Nipple or Molly's Nipple is the name given to as many as seven peaks, at least one butte, at least one well, and some other geological features in Utah. Some sources claim there are eleven geological features in Utah that bear this name. At least some of those names are attributed to John Kitchen -- a pioneer of an early exploration of Utah, who named them to commemorate a nipple of his wife Molly."

Since the peak is at the end of a south-pointing ridge, I figured that it would be high enough to be cool when the lowlands were hot, but exposed enough that most of the snow would be melted away. I picked it as the highlight for a July 4th car camp this year.

I drove down on Wednesday afternoon, July 3rd, with my dog Toby. I was surprised to discover an empty campground in Salina Creek for the 4th -- not only were there 24 vacant sites, but neither Stanley nor Beth were there. It turns out that Stanley paused at the campground, but not seeing me there, he continued up Skyline Drive looking for me, until he was stopped by a nasty wash-out. At that point he returned to the campground and finally found me. I was grateful for the report on the road conditions! Beth arrived a bit later.

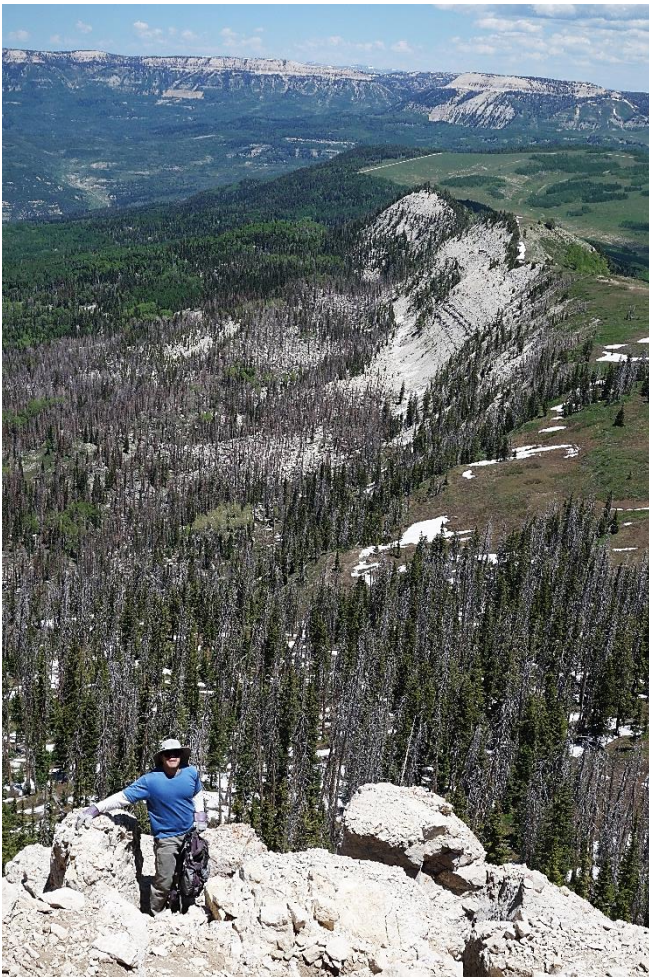
On Thursday morning, we set off to hike the high ridge of White Mountain, at the top of the Salina Creek basin. After scouting the wash-out, I managed to drive across it without falling into any of the ruts or getting stuck in the mud. The road was subsequently blocked by a snowdrift about two miles below the saddle, where we piled out of the vehicle and walked. It was awesomely peaceful without all of the ATVs and 4-wheelers. We scrambled up the crag of Peak 11071 and got a tremendous view north over the (snowy) plateau, west to Sanpete Valley and south to Mt Terrill and Mt Hilgard. There appears to be a huge old landslide in upper Twelvemile Creek to the north, interrupting the thick green forest.

We then walked south through snow patches onto White Mountain proper. We discussed the origins of snow snakes and cursed the slippery sun cups on the snowfields. The land pinched out in a crag above

Baseball Flat, on the next step below, but Beth found a route down, and we survived more snow slogging to reach the vehicle and headed back to camp.

Giulia and Tony arrived a bit later. Like Stanley, they had driven up the sketchy road looking for my vehicle. Giulia's car is a Honda Civic, however, so she gets bonus points for navigating the mudholes and ruts with no clearance. (Next time, I'll be smart and put up a WMC note at the campground entrance, for redundancy's sake.)

On the way up Mary's Nipple on Friday, Tony saw a cougar in the woods below Nipple Ridge. Fortunately it was headed away from us. The stroll along the ridge was a bit muddy with some snow patches, but it was hard to complain about the vast fields of spring beauty flowers. Toby the dog was stymied by the short class-3 scramble through the final cliff band; Beth and Stanley helped me out by stopping to take care of Toby on their way down so that I could zip up the final hundred yards for my own visit to the summit. Tony and Giulia made dinner in a Dutch oven, and I was impressed at how successful it was. I may try that on my next trip.



On Saturday, we drove east to the broad plateau above Quitchupah Creek and Convulsion Canyon. The flowers were extreme -- I kept stopping to marvel at them, and take pictures. Our first stop was the Jack Addley Monument, a charming and sweet hand-built marker for a young man who was killed by lightning in 1938 (along with his horse). The monument is just a hundred yards away from the rim above Convulsion Canyon, where we could look down on the noisy and dirty Sufco coal mine. The view in the other direction was much nicer, with ponderosa pine, aspen and mountain-mahogany trees scattered among green expanses of manzanita. We drove on across even more flowery meadows to the rim of the north fork of Quitchupah Creek. We parked in the forest and walked along the top of the cliffs among bristlecones and ponderosas. The view was very fine: we could see up to the high plateaus and down 1500 ft to the bottom of the gorge. In the distance we could see the Henry Mountains, the San Rafael Swell and (with binoculars) the La Sals. There is no trail along the rim, so we did have to thrash in some places through manzanita and mountain-mahogany, but judging by the relatively minor scabs on my legs, the bushwhacking wasn't very awful. We had lunch at a high point along the cliff that was near a mysterious and seemingly bottomless hole in the ground. On the way back to the

vehicles, we saw even more unfamiliar and pretty flowers.

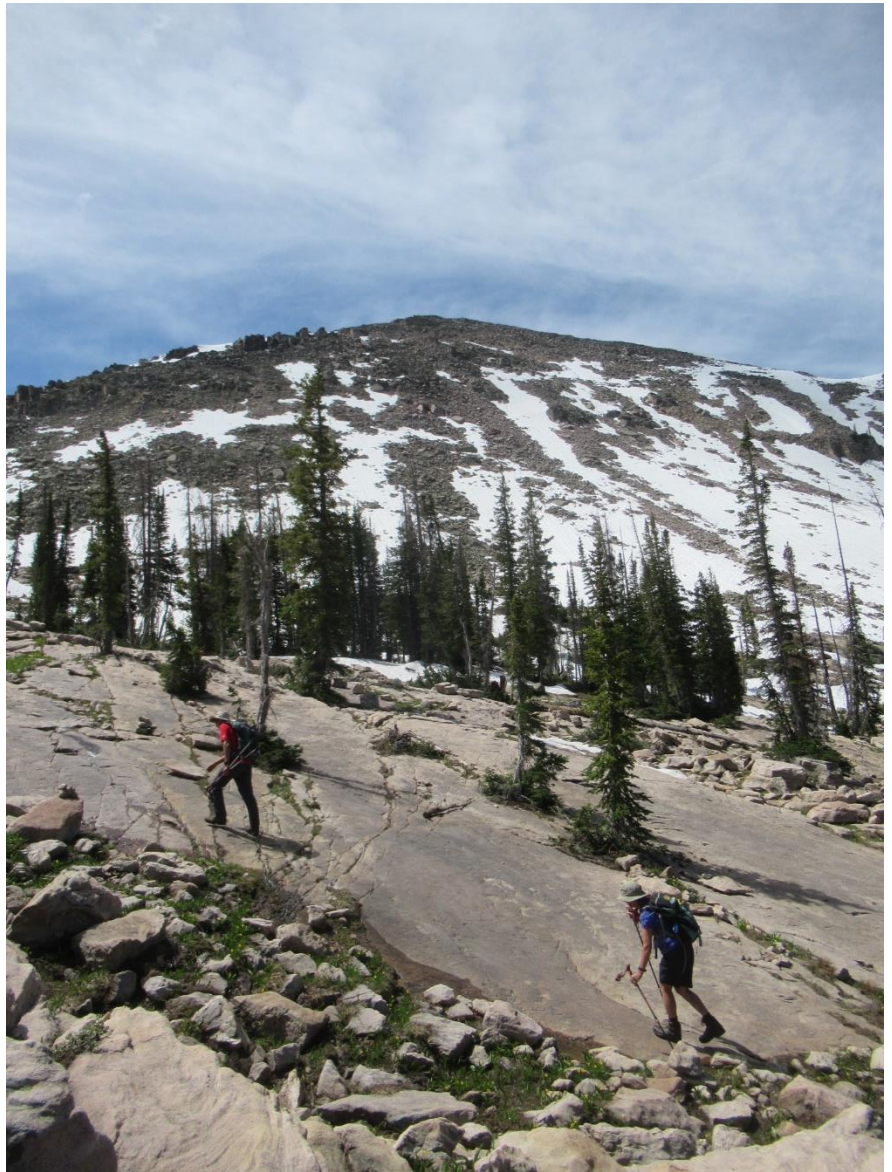
Stanley and Beth elected to leave that evening to beat the holiday traffic. I decided to join them, since Toby was clearly very tired from all of the stimulation. Back home, he slept almost all day Sunday -- poor dog! Many thanks to the participants: Stanley Chiang, Beth Blattenberger, Tony Hellman, Giulia Roselli and of course Toby the dog. *Opposite Page: Tony, Beth, Giulia and Stanley on the rim of Quitchupah Creek // Above: Stanley at the crack on Mary's Nipple, with the basin of Twelvemile Creek in the background*

WALL BENCHMARK HIKE IN THE UINTAS

JULY 7, 2019

Organized by Akiko Kamimura //
Trip Report by Akiko Kimimura //
Photos by Akiko Kamimura

Wall Benchmark (10,887 ft) is a rarely climbed peak surrounded by beautiful lakes and mountains in the West Uintas. We started from the Ledgefork Trailhead (7,786 ft) and took the Smith-Morehouse Trail. The plan was to take Erickson Trail from the junction. We did not get to the junction due to the high level of water at Erickson Creek. We should have been able to follow Erickson Trail without crossing Erickson Creek but was very difficult to follow the trail due to burned fallen trees and a number of creeks. When we hiked up over 9,600 ft, we saw views that were more open and then hiked between



two small beautiful lakes – North Erickson Lake and South Erickson Lake. From the next junction, we briefly took Big Elk Lake Trail and went off-trail to climb Wall Benchmark. The last half mile to the peak involved class 3 scrambles. Only Sandra and Akiko decided to bag the peak. To avoid snowfields, we carefully navigated the route and finally made the peak. Because half of the peak area was snow-covered, we were unable to find the marker but enjoyed the stunning views of the Uintas. When we made the peak, it was already about 1 pm. The original plan was to bag two more peaks. But we determined one was enough. Since we did not feel like going back on the way we came, we decided to make a loop. This made the hike much longer – 5 miles from the trailhead to the saddle of Wall Benchmark, 9.6 miles from the saddle to the trailhead with ups and downs. Our return hike was on Big Elk Lake Trail and Smith-Morehouse Trail. That part of Smith-Morehouse Trail was very difficult to follow since the trail “disappeared” in some places. We ended up doing two major creek crossings – crossing Smith-Morehouse Creek and Erickson Creek – to go back to the trailhead. The hike took 11 hours and 40 minutes in total (distance – 16.2 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 4,335 ft). On the way back to Salt Lake, we were stuck over an hour on I-80 due to traffic jam from an accident. We felt as if we were still doing a long hike on I-80... Above: Al and Sandra going up near Wall Benchmark on the back

BRETT SMITH MEMORIAL HIKE WITH FRIENDS & FAMILY GATHERING

JUNE 23, 2019

Organized by Cindy Crass Smith & Brett's Family \ Report by Cindy Crass Smith \ Photos by Cindy Crass Smith

In honor of his life, after the recent passing of Brett Smith, we hiked to Green's Basin and reminisced about our good friend. Following the hike, Brett's family hosted the group at the Storm Mountain picnic area. We had nearly 40 people attend. No formal wear was allowed, just as Brett would have wanted it. Light refreshments were provided and it was a beautiful day and we all enjoyed talking about our friend Brett.



HENEFER TO CROYDEN TO LOST CREEK RESERVOIR ROAD BIKE

JUNE 17, 2019

Organized by Jen Heineman // Trip Report by Cindy Crass Smith // Photo by Cindy Crass Smith



On June 17, Jen wanted to share with us her delight and discovery that the road to Lost Creek Reservoir has been paved. We started in cool, but not cold temps. We rode through Henefer across the freeway and turned at Croyden Park. Lots of rolling hills and, of course, the big hill by the dam. Some rode farther. Participants included Dick Smith, Mike Roundy, Greg Lott, Rod Collins, Deirdre Flynn, Chris Kartcher, Frank Steffey, Diane Rosenberg and Cindy Crass Smith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aggressive Bear Near Lake Mary

Reports of an aggressive black bear near Lake Mary trailhead in Big Cottonwood Canyon have prompted Utah's Division of Wildlife Resources to set traps...

[Refer to KSL article.](#)

Coyote Hollow Trailhead Closed for Construction

The Coyote Hollow Trailhead will be closed due to construction throughout most of the summer. Parking lot will be closed to all traffic, as well as all trail pedestrian access, including all foot, bike, and equestrian access.

Rambler Articles - updated!

Thank you for all the amazing trip reports that members and organizers have been submitting. The Rambler is what the members make it and we are so grateful for your thoughtful contributions! Recently, some members have expressed interest in writing trip reports, but feel a little nervous to put their voice out there. Completely understandable! Writing a trip report can be a little scary the first time, but having the courage to be vulnerable and try something new is worth the risk. I think as outdoor enthusiasts we can all attest to that!

For those of you who want to try doing something a little different in your trip report or maybe you are just nervous to write your first one, the Rambler Editors are providing you with a list of questions to help get you started on your Trip Reporting journey!

- What was fun about the event?
- What was different about this event: A new place? A different season? New organizer? Interesting animal or encounter with nature?
- What did you see? Describe it.
- What was excit
- Was this an event that pushed you physically, mentally, emotionally? Show us.
- What sort of new connections did you make?
- What went well? What would you do differently?
- Was there something that stood out to you in particular? Show us.
- How did you feel when you reached your destination or when you were done?
- Was this a different or first time event for you (car camping, trail maintenance, climbing, etc)? Describe how that felt.

AUGUST ACTIVITIES

Aug **Evening Hike: Dog Lake, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

1 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Thu *Organizer:* Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com

There must be a dozen ways to get there. Michele will pick one from the Mill Creek side. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Rock Climb And Camp - City Of Rocks**

1 *Meet:* Registration required

Thu *Organizer:* Parker Winkel 330-941-0502 paw123321@gmail.com

– A weekend of climbing and camping in the City of Rocks, Idaho. I have reserved site 29 for myself and a few others. I will arrive Thursday evening and depart Sunday afternoon. Feel free to arrive Friday. If you are interested in going please reserve your own site, at the time of writing this the adjacent sites are open.

Sun You are responsible for all camping gear. For now plan on being on your own for food. If enough people go I may organize a pot luck dinner. Climbs will be chosen by the group. Helmets required. Please RSVP.

Aug **Car Camp Fishlake – msd- – 13.0 mi Loop – 5000' ascent – Moderate pace**

2 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Andrea Thatcher 435-406-9274 andee.thatcher@gmail.com

– For national summit day, we will be bagging peaks in the Tushar Mountains! I have two campsites reserves at little cottonwood campgrounds near Beaver. The idea of this adventure is to drive down Friday around 15:00 to set up camp. Early Saturday morning, we set out to the bullion pasture trailhead and start bagging Mt. Belknap, Mt. Baldy and Shelly Baldy Peak. On this ridge, we will get views of the Fishlake National Forest! The overall distance is ~13 miles with a gain of ~5000 ft. Since this is outside of slc proper, this hike will be a registration only with priority given to wmc members. Co-organized with Bart M. and Rae B.

Aug **National Summit Day - Hike Bullion Divide – ext – 13.0 mi Shuttle – 5000' ascent – Moderate pace**

3 *Meet:* 6:30 am at Call or email to register and get meeting and carpool and shuttle information.

Sat *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore and Nancy Munger 801-244-3323 or 801-419-5554 jk@wasatch-environmental.com, nancycmartin@gmail.com

The WMC is excited to be part of Backpacker Magazine's 2nd annual National Summit Day, and this club classic is a peak bagger's delight! The hike starts as a morning stroll to Cecret Lake, picks up the ridge near Sugarloaf, then works across 6 to 8 peaks (depending on conditions of the day and condition of the hikers) before exiting at the White Pine trailhead. Come prepared for a 10-hour day, scrambling, boulder hopping, and ridgeline exposure. Helmets recommended for a couple of spots. Group size will be limited to 12 and priority will be given to club members. If you haven't done this hike before, call or email to discuss qualifications.

Aug **Dog Lake From Mill Creek Day Hike – ntd+ – 3.8 mi Out & Back – 1240' ascent – Moderate pace**

3 *Meet:* 1:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Sat *Organizer:* Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com

We'll start late in the (possibly vain) hope of finding parking in upper Mill Creek. Well-behaved dogs and their well-behaved owners are welcome to participate.

Aug **Uintas Dog Hike: Bald Mountain And Bench Lake - Mod – mod – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 1500' ascent – Moderate pace**

Sun *Meet:* 8:00 am at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Chris Venizelos 801-554-3697 cvenize@xmission.com

Join Chris Venizelos on his annual Uinta Mountain hike. First Bald Mt. (11,943 ft, 2.8 mi RT). Then Bench Lake (5 mi RT) in the Weber River Drainage. After hiking, we will get a bite to eat in Kamas or

Oakley. Plan to be back in Salt Lake about 6:00 pm. We can meet others in Park City or Kamas. Well behaved dogs are welcome!

Aug **Day Hike: Sunset Peak – mod- – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1990' ascent – Slow pace**

4 *Meet:* 8:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Sun *Organizer:* David* Smith 801-572-0346 dave.ski.smith@gmail.com

We'll start at Brighton and take the Brighton Lakes Trail to Catherine Pass. The snow should now be melted and the flowers in bloom!

Aug **Day Hike - Willow Lake - Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd – 2.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**

4 *Meet:* 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride (3863 E Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd)

Sun *Carpool:* 9:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Giulia Roselli 801-809-6133 astarrynight1861@gmail.com

Willow Lake is a great short outing in Big Cottonwood Canyon that takes you through aspen forest to a small lake with great views of the ridgeline between big and little Cottonwood Canyons. This is a great hike for beginners or if you just feel like to take an easy Sunday morning "walk". The lake is mostly on forest service land, but the majority of the hike goes through the willow heights conservation area. The trailhead is marked with a stone commemorating the preservation of the conservation area. Get there by taking I-215 to the east, taking exit 6 off the interstate and heading east. Follow 6200 South which becomes Wasatch Blvd for 1.8 miles to the stop light and signs for Big Cottonwood Canyon. We will meet at the Park and Ride, then drive up for 11.6 miles to mile post 13.55.

Aug **Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 2.0 mi – Slow pace**

5 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

Mon *Organizer:* John Kiedaisch 630-803-2452 johnrk@hotmail.com

We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. We will be meeting at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot.

Aug **Day Hike - Mt Whitney & Mt Langley (full - Wait List) – ext – 22.0 mi Out & Back – 6145' ascent – Moderate pace**

Tue *Meet:* Registration required

– *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Aug We plan to summit two CA 14ers - Mt Whitney (14,505 ft) on August 7 and Mt Langley (14,032 ft) on

11 August 9. We will leave for Lone Pine on August 6 and be back in town on August 11. We may do some

Sun other smaller hikes (e.g. Trail Peak). Mt Whitney is the highest peak in the contiguous US. We will take

Mount Whitney Trail (22 miles, 6,145 ft elevation gain, class 1). Mt Langley is the ninth-highest peak in CA and is near Mt Whitney. We will take a class 1 route to the peak (19 miles, 4,429 ft elevation gain).

Rated EXT for the long distance and high altitudes. WMC members only. For more details, please contact Akiko. Co-organized with Dave Lewis and Jim Kucera. Update (5/15): This trip is currently full but has a wait list. The wait list is only for those who can make the entire trip schedule (Aug 6 - Aug 11). Please contact Akiko if you want to be on the wait list.

Aug **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail Systems – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**

Tue *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Park City Mountain Resort

Organizer: Craig Williams 801-598-9291 craig@midgley-huber.com

The weekly Tuesday night Mountain Bike ride will be on varying trails at rotating trailhead's per organizer discretion. An email is sent weekly to the wmc-bike list providing ride details and required ability levels. To get on the bike list you must be a WMC member, go to member menu, then click on 'Email List Subscribe'.

Aug **Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

6 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Tue *Organizer:* Keith Markley 801-560-3844 geccu123@hotmail.com

Keith will find a nice place to hike, depending on conditions. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Wmc Board Meeting**

7 *Meet:* 7:00 pm at WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103

Wed *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org

Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.

Aug **Evening Hike: Willow Lake, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd – Moderate pace**

7 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Wed *Organizer:* Stephen Higgins 801-608-0861 stephen@twigsinourhair.com

Join Steve for this club favorite. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Relaxed Pace Dog Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd- – Slow pace**

7 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Wed *Organizer:* Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784 tomsilberstorf@yahoo.com

Join Tom and his canine friends for a dog-friendly hike in Millcreek Canyon. Organizer's choice. Prompt 6:15 pm departure from the meeting place. East parking lot of Skyline HS.

Aug **Canyoneering Trifecta-neon, Ringtail And Choprock**

8 *Meet:* Registration required

Thu *Organizer:* Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 shaneswallace@gmail.com

– DETAILS FOUND HERE: <https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/260769019/>

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Aug **Evening Hike: Twin Lakes Pass, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

8 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Thu *Organizer:* Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com

Join Sue for this beautiful hike. Bring your ten Es and especially a working headlamp. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Teton Multisport Trip - Mountaineering Middle Teton**

9 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com

– Stay 3 nights at the AAC Climber's Ranch in the Grand Teton National Park. Day 1 will be driving and arriving. Day 2 will be hiking/mountaineering the Southwest Couloir of the Middle Teton (class 3-4).

12 Required Gear: Ice axe, crampons, and helmet. Snow is common on the approach between the meadows and the saddle between the Middle and South Teton. This equipment will make for a safer and more direct approach and decent. Day 3 will be floating the very gently 5 mile stretch of the Snake River from Jackson Lake Dam to Pacific Creek. Participants can bring a canoe, kayak, SUP, ... and will need to register their equipment and get a float permit. Registration and permits are available at the park. Day 4 will be TBD by the group, maybe check out the climbing on Rodeo Wall in Hoback Canyon, and driving home. Participants will need to bring or purchase a park pass. The AAC Ranch is \$17 per bunk per night for AAC members and \$27 for non-members. Reservations need to be made in advance.

Aug **Teton Multisport Trip - Flat Water/gentle Float**

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Aug **High Sierras Backpack – mod**

9 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com

– The details of this trip will be defined later so snow conditions and wildfires can be evaluated. The Aug tentative plan is to schedule a moderate backpack in some spectacular part of the High Sierras of

16 California. Please email to sign up of request more details. I will update this posting with details as plans

Fri become more concrete.

Aug **Silver Fork To Prince Of Wales Mine Day Hike – mod – 5.9 mi Out & Back – 2485' ascent –**
10 **Moderate pace**

Sat *Meet:* 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Organizer: Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com

Upper Silver Fork should finally be clear of snow by now!

Aug **Red White Red White Day Hike – msd – 10.0 mi Loop – 4300' ascent – Fast pace**

11 *Meet:* Registration required

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

Up Red Pine to White Baldy, traverse to Red Baldy, descend White Pine. A hike for scrambling lovers, much of the ridge line features class 3 scrambling that take about 3 hours to complete, you need to be able to move with speed and confidence through this type of terrain to sign up.

Aug **Hike To Hot Springs In Spanish Fork Canyon – ntd – 5.0 mi Out & Back – 800' ascent – Slow pace**

11 *Meet:* 9:00 am at Meeting place: Diamond Fork trailhead. Take I-15 south to the US-6 (Price/Manti) Exit

Sun (exit 258) Take the exit east towards the mountains all the way up Spanish Fork canyon for about 11 miles (from the exit). Turn left onto Diamond Fork road for 9.4 mile

Organizer: Petra Brittner 512-525-9285 brittnerpetra@yahoo.com

Come and enjoy a slow-paced hike with Petra and Pat Christian to the Fifth Water Hot Springs in Diamond Fork Canyon. Bring a swimsuit to soak in the hot springs. The distance is about 5 miles round trip with a total elevation of about 800 feet. Contact Petra for more info (512) 525-9285 brittnerpetra@yahoo.com

Aug **Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 2.0 mi – Slow pace**

12 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

Mon *Organizer:* Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com

We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. We will be meeting at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot.

Aug **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail System – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast**
13 **pace**

Tue *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Park City Mountain Resort

Organizer: Craig Williams 801-598-9291 craig@midgley-huber.com

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Aug **Evening Hike: Old Red-pine Road Trail, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

13 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Tue *Organizer:* Terry Baker 801-641-7194

Terry will take us to a view of Park City if there's time. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Evening Hike: Bear Trap, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

14 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Wed *Organizer:* Nancy Munger 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com

Join Nancy for this seldom visited trail towards Desolation Lake. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Backpack And Scramble Mt Emmons In Uintas – mod+ – 28.0 mi Out & Back – 5600' ascent – Moderate pace**

15 *Meet:* Registration required

– *Organizer:* L Beth Blattenberger 801-531-7088 bethinslc@gmail.com

Aug We will leave midday on Aug 15, drive to the TH for Uinta R and hike a few miles. The next day we will
18 hike to a high camp. Day 3, scramble Mt Emmons, or for those not interested in this, explore the upper

Sun basin. Day 4, break camp, hike out, drive home. More details will be provided later and could change due to weather.

Aug **Evening Hike: Towards Red Pine Lake, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

Thu *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com

Join Michele for this club favorite. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Slow Paced Evening Hike Cecret Lake – ntd- – 3.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**

15 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Thu *Organizer:* Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonyakarren@gmail.com

Come join us for this easy scenic hike to Cecret Lake. It's known for it's beautiful wildflowers and moose sightings, located in Little Cottonwood Canyon.

Aug **Rock Climb - City Of Rocks – ntd**

16 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com

– A weekend City trip for those of us who can't make the weekday options. Campsite 21 is reserved for up

Aug to 8 people, 1 car. Overflow parking is available nearby for extra vehicles overnight. Site 21 is in the
18 middle of the lower portion of the City, so walking distance to Box Top trailhead, etc. City of Rocks is

Sun known for sticky granite climbing, both trad and sport from 5.easy to 5.hard. Many classic lines in the 5.5-5.10- range for newer trad and sport leaders. Lots of multi-pitch and adventure climbing for those interested, and plenty of single-pitch sport cragging for those who want that. Helmets required, as per club policy. Please RSVP so a count of who is coming can be kept; anyone who gets another campsite could add more people to the trip. Carpooling is suggested, to keep the number of overflow parking issues down. Meet at campsite on Friday, and then we will climb Saturday and the first half of Sunday before coming back to SLC.

Aug **Rafting- San Juan River – class III- – 84.0 mi – 500' ascent**

17 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– Since I didn't get the permits I wanted, I am, as usual, planning a trip during a time period when many
Aug people don't think it is worth going. I still do. Seven days on a mellow river with just enough rapids to keep one busy, but nothing death defying.

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Sun

Aug **Gobbler's Knob From Alexander Basin Day Hike – mod+ – 4.4 mi Out & Back – 3155' ascent –**
17 **Moderate pace**

Sat *Meet:* 8:00 am at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Organizer: Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com

This is an impressively steep trail; I'll be slow. We'll start earlier to beat the heat. Limit: 9.

Aug **Day Hike Box Elder Peak Via Dry Creek – ext – 13.0 mi Out & Back – 6000' ascent – Moderate**
18 **pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Andrea Thatcher 435-406-9274 andee.thatcher@gmail.com

I have hiked box elder peak via granite campgrounds and horsetail falls via dry creek. Today, we will hike both via the dry creek canyon! We will start early at the th, head to granite flats then up to the peak. If the group is feeling adventurous and spirited after this peak, we will continue to explore the area :) registration required with priority given to wmc members. I got the logistics from alltrails. I have not done this hike.

Aug **Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 2.0 mi – Slow pace**

19 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

Mon *Organizer:* John Kiedaisch 630-803-2452 johnrk@hotmail.com

We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. We will be meeting at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot.

Aug **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail System – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast**
20 **pace**

Tue *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Park City Mountain Resort

Organizer: Craig Williams 801-598-9291 craig@midgley-huber.com

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Aug **Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

20 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Tue *Organizer:* Keith Markley 801-560-3844 geccu123@hotmail.com

Keith will find a nice place to hike, depending on conditions. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Relaxed Pace Dog Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd- – Slow pace**

21 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Wed *Organizer:* Tom Silberstorf 801-255-2784 tomsilberstorf@yahoo.com

Join Tom and his canine friends for a dog-friendly hike in Millcreek Canyon. Organizer's choice. Prompt 6:15 pm departure from the meeting place. East parking lot of Skyline HS.

Aug **Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

21 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Wed *Organizer:* Mark Bloomenthal 801-842-1242 markbloomenthal@yahoo.com

Mark likes to go high in the canyon. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure. Bring your 10 Es and especially a working headlamp as we may get down after dark.

Aug **Free Red Butte Garden Sundance Movie**

21 *Meet:* 7:30 pm at Red Butte Garden Amphitheatre 2155 Red Butte Canyon Rd. Salt Lake City, UT 84108

Wed *Organizer:* Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 Tonyakarren@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CHOICE FILM (tbd) Wednesday, August 21 - Gates open at 7:30PM, film at dusk (approx 9PM) Vote for your favorite film from a selection of award-winning, female-directed films from the Festival! Selections are: Leave No Trace, The Miseducation of Cameron Post, Band Aid, Me and You and Everyone We Know, Little Miss Sunshine. The film with the most votes will be shown on the 21st. You can place your vote at <https://www.sundance.org/festivals/utah-community#vote-now>. WHAT TO BRING: Be sure to bring low-back chairs and blankets. Hats or umbrellas to block the sun are always a good idea. You are welcome to bring a cooler and pack your own picnic and beverages of choice. The Amphitheatre is located at the mouth of Red Butte Canyon and it can get chilly after sundown, so bring a jacket and other warm layers to stay cozy during the movie. No cooking or barbeques allowed. Please pack out whatever you bring into the venue. Look for the WMC logo sign.

Aug **Evening Hike: Twin Lakes To Lake Mary Loop, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Loop –**
22 **Moderate pace**

Thu *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Mark Bloomenthal 801-842-1242 markbloomenthal@yahoo.com
Join Mark on this fun hike the club rarely does. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure. Bring your 10 Es and especially a working headlamp as we may get down after dark.

Aug **Social-olddtimers/newcomers Party, Membership Mtg, Presentation, Book/map Sale**

24 *Meet:* 5:00 pm at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT

Sat *Carpool:* 4:30 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 TonyaKarren@gmail.com

Join the WMC Oldtimer/Newcomers party. Bring in the new members and renew great friendships at the annual WMC Old Timers/Newcomers Party scheduled for Saturday, August 24th, at the WMC Lodge at Brighton. The evening will include a brief General Membership Meeting, and a presentation. Dinner will be potluck, so come prepared with a hot dish, salad, dessert, or something else to put on the table. BYOB. Coals will be started at 4:30pm and be available at 5:30pm for anyone bringing food for the grill. Socializing starts at 5:00pm, dinner will be at 5:45pm, the annual group photo at 6:30pm, followed by the General Membership Meeting and our featured speaker. After the meeting, stick around for games, socializing, and getting to know your fellow WMC members.

Aug **Slow Paced Day Hike Lake Blanche – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**

24 *Meet:* 12:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Sat *Organizer:* Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonyakarren@gmail.com

Come join us for this beautiful hike to Lake Blanche. It'll take approximately 3 1/2 to 4 hours round trip. We will be done in time to head further up the canyon to join everybody at the lodge for the Old timers and newcomers potluck party that starts at 5:45 pm.

Aug **Day Hike - Devil's Castle – mod+ – Moderate pace**

24 *Meet:* Registration required

Sat *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Devil's Castle (10,920 ft) is a rugged peak above Alta Ski Resort. Hike distance and elevation gain will depend on where we will start. This hike is not long but involves significant scrambles and exposures. Bring 10 Es. Email before Friday, 3 pm, August 23, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.

Aug **Day Hike - The Sundial – msd – 10.5 mi Out & Back – 4300' ascent – Moderate pace**

25 *Meet:* Registration required

Sun *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

The Sundial (10,320 ft), which is on the WMC logo, is above Lake Blanche in Big Cottonwood Canyon, and offers stunning views of surrounding lakes and peaks. The last part to the peak involves class 3 scrambles. The estimated hike time is 7-8 hours. Bring 10 Es. Email before Friday, 6 pm, August 23, for

the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.

Aug **Day Hike Deseret Peak Loop – mod – 10.0 mi Loop – 3600' ascent – Moderate pace**

25 *Meet:* Registration required

Sun *Organizer:* Andrea Thatcher 435-406-9274 andee.thatcher@gmail.com

Classic peak! We will ascend via the normal route and descend the back way. This is a wilderness area so registration will be required with priority given to wmc members.

Aug **Draper Slow Paced Evening Hike – ntd – 4.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**

26 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

Mon *Organizer:* Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonyakarren@gmail.com

We will meet at the Draper equestrian park and hike or carpool from there. Meet by the bathrooms.

Aug **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail System – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast
27 pace**

Tue *Meet:* 6:00 am at Park City Mountain Resort

Organizer: Craig Williams 801-598-9291 craig@midgley-huber.com

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Aug **Evening Hike: Katherine's Pass With The Sunset Peak Option – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate
27 pace**

Tue *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Terry Baker 801-641-7194

This is one of the jewels of the Wasatch. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure. Bring your 10 Es and especially a working headlamp as we may get down after dark.

Aug **Evening Hike: Mineral Fork, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

28 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Wed *Organizer:* Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com

Join Sue for this beautiful hike. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure. Bring your ten Es and especially a working headlamp.

Aug **Slow Paced Evening Hike Salt Lake Overlook – ntd – 3.5 mi Out & Back – Slow pace**

28 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

Wed *Organizer:* Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonyakarren@gmail.com

Come join us for a relaxed pace hike from Desolation Trailhead, in Millcreek Canyon (on the south side of the road by the bathrooms) up the switchbacks to the overlook. Well behaved dogs are welcome.

Aug **Evening Hike: Lambs Canyon, From The Parley's Side – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

29 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)

Thu *Organizer:* Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com

This is a beautiful side canyon with a hike to an overlook. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Aug **Exploratory Ridgeline And Summit Day Hikes In Yellowstone – msd**

30 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– Using the Kilgore Compound in Island Park Idaho as a base camp, the group will explore the area of Big Sep Horn Peak in the northwest corner of Yellowstone one day, and Electric Peak in the north central portion
2 of the park the second day.

Mon

Aug **Great Basin National Park Car Camp – msd – Moderate pace**

31 *Meet:* Registration required

Sat *Organizer:* Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com

There are so many fun destinations in this out-of-the-way park on the Utah-Nevada border, from the high point Wheeler Peak (13,063 ft), to the Chinese Wall in Big Wash, to the famous Lehman Caves, to the cliffs of the Acropolis, to the pure bristlecone forest on Mt Washington. We'll pick a few and enjoy the remote wilderness. Limit: 14.

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NEPAL TREK!

Join Bob Norris for this year's trek in Nepal. Tentative dates are September 22 through October 10. For this year, I am thinking of going up the Khumbu to Namche and then up to Goyko. We will pass through Apa Sherpa's home village of Thame and stay in his family's lodge. We will also visit my friend Tsedam Sherpa's boarding school for poor children in the area called Home Away from Home. Exclusive of plane fare, trip is all inclusive. If you have interest in more information call me at 801-943-6039 or mail at bobnepal@comcast.net. Limit of 8 people.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Julie Kilgore

It has been an exciting month since the WMC announced our Centennial Sponsorship opportunities in last month's Rambler! Some of our sponsors include Black Diamond (Summit Sponsor); Mountain America Credit Union, Recreation Outlet, and Grand Canyon Trust (Ridgeline Sponsors); The Trust for Public Land, Red Rock Brewing, Knick Knickerbocker, the Kessi Family (Canyon Sponsors); American Family Insurance (Trailhead Sponsor); and others are in the works.



Over the last 100 years, the Wasatch Mountain Club has been instrumental in pioneering outdoor recreation in Utah. The vast list of WMC accomplishments, first ascents, and club heroes is impressive. Join us in celebrating the WMC centennial, and encourage others to join us in congratulating the WMC on this significant accomplishment. If you own a company, or work for an employer that supports and encourages human-powered outdoor recreation opportunities, consider one of the many sponsorship available. Sponsorship goes towards the costs of Key 2020 Centennial Activities, and any sponsorship funds remaining will be directed to the WMC Centennial Education Endowment. Mark your calendars for the following centennial events:

January 27: Centennial Kick Off & State Proclamation, Utah State Capitol Rotunda
February 19: Annual Membership Meeting, Board Election, Club History Presentation
March 7-8: Winter Sports Weekend at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge
April: Activity Group Season Kick Off Sessions
May 13: WMC Official Centennial Anniversary Event
June: National Trails Day, Selected WMC Centennial Project TBD
July 17-19: Life Member Celebration & Multi-Sport Weekend, Wasatch Mountain Lodge
August 22: Awards and Historic Photo Collection Reveal at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge
September: National Public Lands Day, Selected WMC Conservation Project TBD
October: Carrying on the Tradition - Halloween at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge
November: Volunteer Appreciation Banquet
December 5: Closing Event/Christmas Party, Alf Engen Ski Museum (which has a WMC section!)

Also, plan on joining us this month, August 24th, at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge for the club Membership Meeting/Social and Newcomer/Old Timer Party. We'll have all kinds of Centennial products available for donations toward the WMC Centennial Education Endowment, and we may have a special guest or two.

If you are picking up this Rambler for the first time, or perhaps you have been following the club for a while, now is a great time to join or renew your WMC Membership. Most club activities are open to members and non-members, and annual dues are quite reasonable (some would way ridiculously low), so membership is not really a cost of admission to participate in an activity. WMC membership commits to a larger purpose, supporting our organized outdoor recreation community, local conservation efforts, and being part of a history that has come to define what makes living and playing in Utah so unique.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

Transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC Trustee

CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST 1969

August 16 & 17 Sat. Sun. **KINGS PEAK.** Elev. 13,528. One of the season's big hikes to Utah's highest peak. A two-day backpack trip which is not difficult, but is long. Meet Friday night after dinner at 7 p.m. at Warshaw's 33rd East and 33rd South. Your backpack should have a sleeping bag, mattress, plastic tarp, food for 2 lunches, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner, (other meals at the car) and warm clothing in case of rain or snow. Good hiking boots are required as we will walk about 20 miles Sunday. Call Dale Green [...] if you need more information or transportation.

August 24 Sunday **DEVIL'S CASTLE.** Rescheduled. Elev. 10,920. Rating 3.5. A short hike past Secret Lake and up to the ridge. From there on is an easy rock scramble that is strictly for fun. There is considerable exposure so this hike is not recommended for children under 12 years. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Orson Spencer [...]

REMEMBER THE LODORE

by Marcy Tepper

[...] The Ice Plant was the hot spot Thursday night where the adventurous crews assembled. The bus began functioning around 7:00 p.m. under the courageous driving of Noel de Nevers. Time was spent imbibing brew, reading maps, eating snickerdoodles, and driving thru Heber Canyon. A rest stop was enjoyed in Heber and our jaunt continued... for a few miles. Our fearless leader Gerry Powelson had now taken charge of the helm. The bus sputtered, spit, and stopped. DEAD! Right in the middle of the road parallel to Strawberry Reservoir. Only a few problems. The oil had leaked and dripped all over the engine, freezing it solid. Blah, blah, blah, said Dave Mansker mechanically. The only solution was to hitchhike to the nearest town, call the "respected" people, and get another bus! This was only about 11:00 p.m. The new bus arrived, John and all around 5:00 a.m. Friday morning, only after passing the stopped bus an hour before. The nite was well spent safely between Roy Keir's snores, gurgles, and wheezes. But, again we were off (was this a premonition?). [...]

Sunday was the day of rest — far from it! We got an early start down the canyon. We were completely enveloped by huge masses of rock, amphitheaters, and beautiful natural carvings. The waters were calm for a few hours. Finally the rapids came. So did all of our problems. The first rapid was "Disaster Falls". Everyone got out of the boats to survey the water. Gerry Powelson decided to take it with his crew first. (Oh boy!) The rapids were hit, the boat plunged forward, jack knifed, and threw Gerry backwards, Anne MacDonald forwards, and Steve and Sandy Matsuura right out of the boat. Man overboard! Get the life ring! At this time it was indispensable and Steve and Sandy had to float downstream to someplace where they could be picked up. Roy Keir followed Gerry. He was prepared with his World War I super-doooper Snoopy helmet to take him safely thru the rapids. Everyone else prayed, swore, and made it safely. By this time, the first two boats were docked further downstream. Sandy and Steve were bundled up in clothes being treated for shock. Jim Hathaway, Sherm Bloom, and Alberto (the Three Wise Men — and doctors) diagnosed the patients. They were all right after they were changed and put in dry clothes. We resumed our river trek downstream.

The next set of rapids — Triplet Falls — was taken more cautiously. Sandy and Steve were split up. Sandy went with Dan Lovejoy's crew, which was picked as the strongest (smelling?) and asked to survey this set of rapids. They did — the hard way. Dan & Barbara Lovejoy and Jim Hathaway were thrown, but captured safely by other boats. (Poor Sandy.)

The third set of rapids — "Hell's Half Mile" — was enjoyed by all. Everyone stayed on the boats and no one decided to mutiny. The end was coming near. So was our energy. The latter third of the canyon was rough paddling because the wind was coming upstream and so was the current. It took our boat (S.O.B.) about ½ hour to go ½ mile thru these waters. All the boats had to be pulled, pushed, shoved, etc. to keep moving downstream. Gerry's boat was ripped and he had to repair the whole bottom. Poor guy! (Poor Anne MacDonald — maybe she should repair her hands.)

Around 6:00 p.m. that night, everyone was at Steamboat Springs. So was our Hertz Rent-a-Truck. All 32 members piled river equipment, their own equipment, and themselves into the back and we travelled 12 miles thru dusty, windy roads to where our bus was waiting. We headed home around 9:00 p.m. and hit Salt Lake around 2:30 a.m.

All I can say is that the trip was fantastic. Never a rude comment or complaint spoken. Laughter and good times were a constant thing with all concerned. The people were the greatest and I enjoyed every one of them.



BULL RIVER TRAILHEAD TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS ROAD BIKE RIDE

JULY 27, 2019

*Organized by Cindy Crass Smith // Trip
Report by Cindy Crass Smith // Photo
by Cindy Crass Smith*

My favorite bike ride, we rode the Murdock Canal and Provo River Trails . . . no streets. Cyclists included Roy Rowley, Chris Winter, Greg Lott, Rod Collins, Dick Smith and Cindy Crass Smith. The group had fun along the 38 mile ride. The Provo river and falls water levels were high. We enjoyed a good lunch at Kneaders. Greg and Roy showed off their new bikes.



PETRA BRITTNER IS THE NEW WMC PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR

Petra tells us: “As soon as I moved to Utah in 2012, I eagerly joined the Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC). I have happily participated in hikes with breathtaking views and fun social events since then. The WMC is a great way for me to connect with like-minded outdoor enthusiasts. I enjoy hiking, camping, gardening, traveling, and love observing wildlife along the trails. I am honored and humbled to have the opportunity to serve the WMC in the area of public relations. I look forward to promoting the WMC officially and spreading the word about the many amazing activities and causes we are supporting.”

SEPTEMBER & BEYOND ACTIVITIES

Sep **Day Hike - Box Elder Peak & More In South Of South Willow Canyon (not In Af) – mod+ – 12.0 mi**
1 **Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We will start from Loop Campground which is commonly used to hike to Deseret Peak. Instead of going to Deseret Peak, we will hike to south from the saddle and then make Indian Hickman Peak (10,122), Box Elder Peak (10,230), Peak 10,192, Peak 9,812 and maybe more depending on a turn around time. This hike will be exploratory. Those peaks are along with the trail. But there is no trail to the peaks. Expect short bushwhacking and cross-country route finding. Short minor scrambling (class 2 or less) may be possible to make the peaks. The distance and (cumulative) elevation gain will depend on how many peaks we will make. Due to long driving (1-1.5 hour), expect a long day. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, August 30, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Sep **White Water Rafting Salmon River – class III+**

2 *Meet:* Registration required

Mon *Organizer:* Don Urrizaga 435-884-0147 don_urrizaga@yahoo.com

– Raft the Salmon River, the wild and scenic "River of no Return", in Idaho. Put in at Corn Creek and take out at Spring Bar. Approximately 100 miles. We plan to spend the night in Salmon Idaho on September 11 2nd, drive to Corn Creek on the 3rd, and launch on the 4th. 7 days on the river. We'll float down to Spring Bar on day seven and camp there that night. We'll de-rig, load the trailer, and make the long haul home the next morning, September 11th.

Sep **Wmc Board Meeting**

4 *Meet:* 7:00 pm at WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103

Wed *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org

Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.

Sep **Yellowstone Car Camp – mod-**

6 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com

– During the week, we will camp in a couple of Yellowstone's campgrounds and do various day hikes and possibly one or two overnights. If you want to sign up, please email me so you know which campgrounds to reserve. You will need to reserve early as the reserved sites will fill up.

Sep **Day Hike/borah Peak/idaho – msd – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 5300' ascent – Moderate pace**

6 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Barb Gardner 801-803-2926 inthemtns55@gmail.com

– Borah Peak is the highest mountain in Idaho located in the Lost River Range within the Challis National Forest. The lower trail climbs steeply through an old mountain mahogany and mixed conifer forest before reaching an open alpine ridge. The trail continues along this ridge with incredible views until we cross some class 3 scrambling known as "chicken out ridge". Once past this section it is an easy hike to the summit. Limited camping is available at the trailhead. Closest town is Mackay with lodging.

Sep **Day Hike - Francis Peak To Thurston Peak Ridge Hike – mod+ – 10.0 mi Shuttle – Moderate pace**

7 *Meet:* Registration required

Sat *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We will drive up to Francis Peak and then hike to Thurston Peak (9,706 ft), the tallest peak in the Davis/Morgan county, on the ridgeline. There are seven peaks (bumps) between Francis Peak and Thurston Peak. The distance between Francis Peak and Thurston Peak is 4.2 miles with 1,775 ft elevation gain.

From Thurston Peak, we plan to bag two peaks (bumps) and to head down to Farnwood Rec Site in Layton. The distance between Thurston Peak and Farnwood Rec Site is approximately 4.5 miles with 5,500 ft elevation loss plus additional distance and elevation gain/loss to make the two bumps. Bring 10 Es. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 3 pm, September 6, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Stanley Chiang, Ed Hemphill, and Jim Kucera.

Sep **Great Basin Fence Removal And Car Camp – mod – Out & Back – Slow pace**

8 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– Join Dudley and Zig on a Wilderness Volunteer project in Great Basin National Park. All food, tools, training and camp site will be provided. No prior experience necessary. We will be removing fence on an old allotment on Strawberry Creek as it poses a threat of entanglement to wildlife. We will be pulling posts, coiling wire and transporting materials to the trailhead. Car camping will be at Grey Cliffs Campground. The project will be off trail. Great Basin National Park has Bristlecone Pines, Lehman Caves, and some of the darkest skies. Sign up on the Wilderness Volunteers web site shown below.

Sep **Day Hike - Hoyt Peak In The Uintas – mod – Moderate pace**

8 *Meet:* Registration required

Sun *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Hoyt Peak (10,228 ft) is probably the easiest peak to make in the Uintas but offers great views due to its prominence. There are several routes to get to Hoyt Peak. When it gets closer, we will update which route we will take. Bring 10 Es. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, September 6, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.

Sep **Pikes Peak Colorado Hike – ext – 13.5 mi Shuttle**

9 *Meet:* Registration required

Mon *Organizer:* Paul Kikuchi 801-577-8490 pkikuchi@outlook.com

– Pikes Peak is on my bucket list of 14-ers to do. Note: This hike maybe delayed due to weather so your schedule must be flexible. Pikes Peak (Barr Trail) is very steep, long and hard (13.5 mile hike)! Elevation gain +7400' Prepare by hiking long distances with elevation gain treks. If you have not done a 14-er, this may not be the one for you. There is a danger of altitude sickness if you have not prepared and in shape. This a multiday trip. Monday, Sept 9th Leave to Manitou Springs (Approx 9-10 hours) from SLC Tuesday, Sept 10th Not wanting to hike after the long drive, plan on visiting Garden of the Gods park and the Air Force Academy. Wednesday, Sept 11th Start the hike at 4.a.m. 8-10 hour hike. The last shuttle from the top leaves at 2:45 if you miss the shuttle the walk down puts you at 25+ miles! If there are multiple cars going, we can shuttle ourselves and have a later start time. Those not wanting a day of rest on Tuesday, and hike Wednesday, not a problem, we can meet up. If there is interest we can do other optional things after the hike or visit Denver, this is open and can discuss at our meeting. <https://www.visitcos.com/directory/barr-trail-pikes-peak/> Those going on the hike, we will have meeting in September prior to leaving to Colorado. I will contact you via e-mail for the time and location. My plan is to reserve a room in Manitou Springs. If you would like to camp, we can meet up. Happy Trails!

Sep **Hole In The Mountain, Nevada Hike – msd – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 4400' ascent**

14 *Meet:* Registration required

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

Hole in the Mountain is a prominent mountain located just south of Wells, NV. It is the highest peak in the East Humboldt Range. We will meet in Wells early on Saturday morning, then drive to the trailhead. This will be an all day hike. We will need some 4WD vehicles to reach the trailhead, which will be near Lizzies Basin. I plan to follow the Anji Cerney GPS track. Send me an e-mail for more details.

- Sep 15 **Day Hike - Spanish Fork Peak (moved From June 8) – msd- – 11.0 mi Out & Back – 4700' ascent – Moderate pace**
 Sun *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
 Spanish Fork Peak (10,192 ft) is located between Provo Peak and Santaquin Peak with big prominence, and thus offers magnificent views. The trail is very steep and rocky but does not have major scrambles/exposure. Bring 10 Es. Expect an early start and a long day. The estimated hike time is 7-8 hours. Email before Friday, 6 pm, Sept 13, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Greg Lott.
- Sep 21 **Pink Flamingo Party - Everyone Is Invited – flat water**
Meet: 6:30 pm at 9479 S Granite Trail Lane
 Sat *Organizer:* Cindy Crass Smith 801-803-1336 cjcass@gmail.com
 It's that time of year again. Time to wear pink and socialize with the boaters. This is not just for boaters, EVERYONE IS INVITED. It's a party. Please come. Prizes will be awarded. We will be racing toy boats down the waterfall. 6" boat limit. Bring your own contestant Potluck with grill and meat provided.
- Sep 21 **Protect The Mexican Mountain Wsa**
Meet: Registration required
 Sat *Organizer:* Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com
 – OK I'm back to familiar territory. Details will be forthcoming but it will be on the north end where there are a number of vehicle intrusion.
 Sep 22
 Sun
- Sep 21 **Wildcat Ridge Day Hike – ext – 9.0 mi Shuttle – 3500' ascent – Fast pace**
Meet: Registration required
 Sat *Organizer:* Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com
 One for those already in top shape. Fast pace. Rating of 17. May be the toughest local hike on the club calendar. Compares to the Beat Out Hike, but much more exposure. Butler Fork to Mt. Raymond to Wildcat Ridge to Olympus to Pete's Rock. This is a long day including several hours of exposed scrambling along a cat walk with a good view into Neffs Canyon and Hughes Canyon at the same time. 3,160 ft gain to Mt. Raymond for a warm up, 6,000 ft cumulative descent, with numerous ups & downs along the way. (Maddeningly many false summits before Olympus.) Bring lots of food and water.
- Sep 22 **Day Hike - North Timpanogos (moved From July 28) – msd – 17.0 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent – Moderate pace**
 Sun *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
 North Timpanogos (11,441ft), also known as North Peak of Timpanogos, sits the north of the super popular Mt Timpanogos but is rarely visited because there is no trail to the top. We will take a very long but probably easiest route (class 2 scrambling) to the peak via Bomber Peak from the Timpooneke trail head. The estimated hike time is approximately 10-12 hours. Rated MSD for the long distance. Bring 10 Es. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, September 20, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
- Sep 28 **Hike Mt Nebo-rescheduled From 2018 Fire And Snow Cancellation – 11.0 mi – 4000' ascent**
Meet: Registration required
 Sat *Organizer:* Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com
 Mt. Nebo is the highest peak in both Utah County and the Wasatch Mountain Range. Wilderness limit. Registration Required Group will decide which approach to take Co-Organized with Nancy Mungar

Sep **Lodge Foundation Social & Fundraising Dinner With Guest Speaker**
 28 *Meet:* 5:00 pm at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT
 Sat *Organizer:* Daisy DeMarco 610-517-7867 daisyann demarco@gmail.com
 Come out for the Lodge's Fundraising Dinner and help us raise funds to continue the work and improvements being done by the Foundation on this historic building built by the WMC. 5:00 PM - Come join the social hour! Enjoy wine or other light beverages for a donation with the sounds of live music performed by a local musician. 6:00 PM - Delicious catered meal served by Midvale Mining Catering. 7:00 PM - Guest speaker to be announced. DINNER PRICE: \$50/PERSON Please RSVP that you will be attending our dinner by contacting Daisy DeMarco by email, text, or phone at 610-517-7867 or daisyann demarco@gmail.com. The Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation is a charitable non-profit 501 (C) (3) organization.

Sep **Wild Kitten Day Hike – msd- – 12.0 mi Shuttle – 5000' ascent – Fast pace**
 29 *Meet:* Registration required
 Sun *Organizer:* Brad* Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net
 A bit milder than the cat, The hike starts at the Alexander Basin trailhead , goes up Gobblers Knob and then runs the ridge over Raymond and peaks 9661 and 9776, descending out Neffs Canyon. One of the best fall color hike in the area, pace will be fast but not death march fast.

Oct **2019 Moab Canyoneering Rendezvous**
 4 *Meet:* Registration required
 Fri *Organizer:* Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 shaneswallace@gmail.com
 – Details for this activity can be found here <https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/259103316/>.
 Oct 6
 Sun

Oct **Kayak/canoe Ruby Horsethief Canyon – class II – 25.0 mi**
 18 *Meet:* Registration required
 Fri *Organizer:* Gretchen Siegler 801-661-5635 gsiegler@westminstercollege.edu
 – This mostly flat water trip with some hiking takes two nights. We will work out the shuttle on Friday evening, camping near the put-in, and take out on Monday mid-day in time to drive back to Salt Lake.
 Oct 21 This is totally self supported. Small deposit required by August 4th in order to purchase camping permits
 Mon on the first Wednesday in August. A dog is welcome.

Nov **Trip Organizer Appreciation Dinner 2019**
 9 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Location will be on your invitation
 Sat *Organizer:* Kathy Burnham and Tonya Karren 801-548-8467; 801-493-9199 kbhothothot@yahoo.com, tonyakarren@gmail.com
 Annual Trip Organizers Appreciation Dinner. By invitation only. The pre-banquet social will include some post-Outdoor Retailer samples and demonstrations. The Pa Parry award and Alexis Kelner award will be presented as well. Must have organized, posted and completed 2 trips or equivalent (1 overnight) by October 31 to be invited. If you did not receive an invitation and feel you should have, please contact your activity director and forgive our oversight. Invitations to be sent by October 13th. Social hour and Outdoor Retailer Product Demos 6:00, dinner/awards at 7:00 pm.



WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB

CENTENNIAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Wasatch Mountain Club is turning 100! We'd love to have you join us as we launch our second century as custodians of our environment here in the Wasatch Front, and as active participants in hiking, climbing, canyoneering, river running, road and mountain biking, ski touring and ski mountaineering, snowshoeing, backpacking, car camping and multi-day adventures.

We're planning quite a celebration and are pleased to offer you a promotional opportunity as a sponsor. Venues and other specifics are still in the planning stages, but **you can expect lots of visibility** at the monthly events throughout 2020 with our membership—an engaged group of 1000 outdoor enthusiasts—and lots of buzz as we take this opportunity to celebrate and build our membership.

The Wasatch Mountain Club was established in 1920 to promote the physical and spiritual well-being of its members and to encourage participation in outdoor activities throughout the Wasatch and beyond. Today, 100 years later, the tradition continues with over 700 activities annually.

Club members also enjoy regular gatherings at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge, a registered historic structure constructed in 1929 by the Wasatch Mountain Club in Brighton, Utah. This rustic retreat is available as a year-round vacation rental and comes complete with a large stone fireplace, full kitchen, restrooms with showers, and sleeping accommodations for 20+. Ideal for corporate training retreats and weddings. www.wasatchmountainlodge.org If you haven't already done so, please consider joining us at a club activity or event at the lodge. Our schedule is available on our website, www.wasatchmountainclub.org as well as via our monthly publication, *The Rambler*. www.wasatchmountainclub.org/admin/menu.php?dir=Rambler

Money raised through sponsorships will go towards promoting and honoring the Centennial Celebration, with any remaining funds going toward our University of Utah Scholarship Endowment Fund, which assists selected students who are pursuing degrees related to outdoor education and/or environmental conservation. In-kind contributions are welcome and can be combined with cash donations to reach desired sponsorship level. There will be a silent auction where your company will gain additional visibility.

Please consider which level of support you are interested in (listed on the following page). For more information or to discuss details related to your selected sponsorship package, please call or email Greg Libecci at glibecci@yahoo.com / 801-699-1999.

We hope you will join us in this opportunity to affiliate with an engaged outdoors community and to become part of our history!

King's Peak Sponsor \$13,534 (1 exclusive slot available)

- Spotlight presence, back cover of *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet*
- Spotlight presence, *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page all months in 2020
- Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
- 6 WMC annual memberships & Full page Rambler ad for 12 months
- Complimentary admission for up to 8 to all Centennial events
- 3 days & 2 nights use of the **Wasatch Mountain Lodge**

Summit Sponsor (1) \$5,000 (1 exclusive slot already secured)

Black Diamond Equipment

- Spotlight presence in the *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet*
- Spotlight presence, *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page all months in 2020
- Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
- Full page Rambler ad for 6 months & 4 WMC annual memberships
- Complimentary admission for up to 4 to all Centennial events
- 2 days & 1 night use of the **Wasatch Mountain Lodge**

Ridgeline Sponsors (5) \$1,000 (2 slots available)

Mountain America Credit Union, Recreation Outlet, Grand Canyon Trust

- Featured presence in the *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet*
- Featured presence, *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page all months in 2020
- Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
- Half page Rambler ad for 6 months & 2 WMC annual memberships
- Complimentary admission for 2 to all Centennial events

Canyon Sponsors \$500 (unlimited number)

The Trust for Public Land, Red Rock Brewing, Knick Knickerbocker, Kessi Family

- Honorable mention listing with logo in the *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet* & a place in history as a supporter of the Centennial Celebration
- Honorable mention, *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page all months in 2020
- 1/2 page Rambler ad for 2 months

Trailhead Sponsors \$100 (unlimited number)

American Family Insurance

- Honorable mention in *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet* & a place in history as a supporter of the Centennial Celebration
- Honorable mention in *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" all months 2020

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WASATCH MOUNTAIN LODGE FOUNDATION DUTCH-OVEN COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

JUNE 28, 2019

Organized by the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation // Report by JoDene Arakelian // Photos by Kathleen Waller

The Annual WMLF Dutch-Oven Cook-Off fundraiser was held on June 28 with great food, wonderful people, and beautiful weather. There were a variety of tasty dishes including Jambalaya, Curry, Carne Abodabo, Nachos, Peach-Berry Cobbler, and many others. Many Mountain Club members were there to support the Foundation. Todd N. invited the Brighton firemen to join us. They added a special atmosphere and we were able to share with them the Lodge's unique history. The snow was dug out so that there was room on the patio. Thanks to all of the people who shoveled snow in order to have the lodge ready for this event.

Our next fund-raising event for the Lodge will be at the end of September. Look for more information on it in the coming Ramblers.



NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

JUNE 22, 2019

Organized by Alex Arakelian // Report by Alex Arakelian // Photos by Alex Arakelian



Every year, the first Saturday in June is designated National Trails Day. This year, the Wasatch Mountain Club was an official event sponsor. Because of snow lingering on the chosen local worksite, it was decided to move the original date later in June. The project was the same as last year, continuing construction of the connecting trail from Big Cottonwood Canyon Road to the Donut Falls Trailhead. The goal of this trail is to give people a good alternative to walking with vehicles on the road that leads from the main road to the trailhead. With help from the Cottonwood Canyon Foundation and the U.S. Forest Service, over 130 people had signed up for the original trail work day. However, attendance dropped to around 80 people, likely due to the date change. Many of the WMC trail crew regulars were committed to other WMC activities organized that day. All things considered, it was still a great event.

Bruce Christianson and I set up a Wasatch Mountain Club sponsor table that he manned while a few other club members and most volunteers went up the trail worksite. Dave Andrenyak was in attendance as a volunteer, even though he recently relinquished his role as WMC Trail Maintenance Co-

Coordinator to work professionally on a trail crew in Draper. Regrettably, the week before the event, we lost Brett Smith (also a WMC Trail Maintenance Co-Coordinator) who passed away June 12, 2019.

Overall, we had a great productive day, getting much more work done than I had anticipated. It seemed like people really enjoyed themselves and by 1pm we headed back to the parking lot for the Wasatch Mountain Club sponsored lunch. I've been with the Club a few years now and these volunteer days are the most fun and rewarding thing I do in my life. The people at these activities are some of the most friendly people I've ever met. I talk to a lot of people on hikes and encourage them to come out on a trail maintenance activities and most seem interested but few find time in their schedule to come out and give back. I would love to see the Club build a consistent trail work crew. To help me lead this crew, the Club is looking for two Trail Maintenance Co-Coordintors. We've built a great working relationship with the local organizations, especially the U.S. Forest Service and I would love to see the Club build and maintain a consistent trail crew for these projects. If you have trail work in your bones and want to join our crew, please contact me. Alex Arakelian (801) 995-5526. *Opposite Page: Volunteers from various organizations including USFS, CCF, WMC, BST // Above: Sponsor booths including Bruce at the WMC sponsor booth*



BALD MT IN SOUTH OF SOUTH WILLOW CANYON HIKE

JUNE 8, 2019

Organized by Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura // Photos by Akiko Kamimura



There are at least six Bald Mountains in Utah. We hiked to one of the infamous Bald Mountains, elevation 9,203 ft. It was the first time for all of us to hike to the peak. We parked a car at Medina Flat Trailhead on South Willow Canyon Rd which is southwest of Grantsville. We followed Stansbury Front Trail which starts from Boy Scout Campground. After 1.4 mile on the nice shaded trail from the trail head, the trail went down approximately 380 ft. We had one more huge up and down until we finally started going up constantly. Wild flowers were blooming. When we hit approximately 8,500 ft, there were some snow patches. The trail above Box Elder Pass had a snow field which we did not think was passable without winter mountaineering gear. So we went directly up to the peak from the pass on the snow-free game trail. We found a number of fossils on rocks near the peak. There are some bumps around the peak. To make sure we summited the peak, we made all the bumps and had lunch. We enjoyed the views of the surrounding mountains and the Great Salt Lake. The original plan was to go to Little Bald Mt as well. But since we realized making Little Bald Mt would involve large drop from the summit of Bald Mt, we decided not to go to Little Bald Mt. Except a group of campers and a group of motor bikers, we did not see anyone else during the hike. Jim was very interested in bagging more bumps on the way back. But, due to occasional light rain showers, we did not do further bump bagging. Although the elevation difference between the trail head and the peak is only 2,500 ft, the cumulative elevation gain was 4,515 ft for 10.3 miles due to ups and downs. It was a beautiful 7-hour hike. *Above: Group photo at Bald Mt. From left – Jim, Akiko, Stanley & Barb.*

SOAPSTONE MT & WOLF CREEK PEAK HIKE/SNOWSHOE IN THE UINTAS

JUNE 16, 2019

Organized by Jim Kucera & Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura //
Photos by Akiko Kamimura



Our original destination was Haystack Mt via Trial Lake trailhead in the Uintas. However, Mirror Lake Hwy was not open to the trailhead yet due to snow. So we decided to bag two rarely climbed peaks in the Uintas – Soapstone Mt (9,473 ft) and Wolf Creek Peak (9,949 ft). These peaks were new to all of us. We drove on UT State Hwy 35 to Potts Hollow and then turned on to a dirt road (Forest

Road 037) to Soapstone Pass. From the pass, we hiked to Soapstone Mt. The trail was relatively dry at the beginning but became like creek. There were snow patches above 9,000 ft. The last part of the hike was off-trail. It was just a short hike (RT distance - 3.8 miles, elevation gain – 569 ft). But the views from the peak were magnificent. We took a very long break at the peak to enjoy the views. Since it was still around 11 am, we decided to bag one more peak – Wolf Creek Peak from Wolf Creek Pass.

We drove back to UT State Hwy 35 and went to Wolf Creek Campground. The campground was not open yet because there was still lots of snow. We had lunch at the campground and put on snowshoes. The maps which we had did not show Wolf Creek Peak. In addition, it was hard to find the trail due to snow. So we were unsure which direction to go. We snowshoed toward southwest to the ridge. From the ridge, we could see Wolf Creek Peak toward east. The south side of the ridge was snow free. We took off snowshoes and hiked on the ridge. The views from the ridge were stunning. We finally made Wolf Creek Peak and went back to the trailhead through the more direct way. The Wolf Creek Peak hike was also short (RT distance – 2 miles, elevation gain – 635 ft) but was very beautiful. We were very happy about the two short hikes.

Above: Jim, Akiko & Dave A at Wolf Creek Peak

ROCKCLIFF ON THE JORDANELLE BIKE TOURING OVERNIGHTER

JUNE 15, 2019

Organized by Cheryl Soshnik and Lou Melini // Trip Report by Heidi DeMartis // Photos by Heidi DeMartis

The weekend bike tour took place on June 15-16 as bike tourers congregated -- from all different directions -- at the Rockcliff Recreation Area on the Jordanelle Reservoir. This annual trip was for both seasoned tourers and those interested in learning about bike touring. After safely arriving to Rockcliff, setting up tents and luxuriously bathing in warm showers, entertaining stories of long distance trips in the saddle were shared over dinner. The scenery was beautiful and weather was -- for the most part -- comfortable. Note to self: Bring a few warmer clothes next time. In the morning after breakfast we all set out on different routes bidding each other well until next year. Consider this trip if you have any interest at all in bike touring! There's a wealth of information from these experienced tourers! Thanks Lou and Cheryl for organizing.

There were 11 bike tourers in attendance: Bob Renwick, Julie and Lou Melini, Dennis McCormick, Roger Crandall, Tom Jackson, Steven Duncan, Robert Paull, Greg Lott, Dave Vance and Heidi DeMartis. Cheryl Soshnik was in our hearts as she was attending to close friends.



BUTTERFIELD PEAKS & WHITE PINE PEAK HIKE IN OQUIRRHS

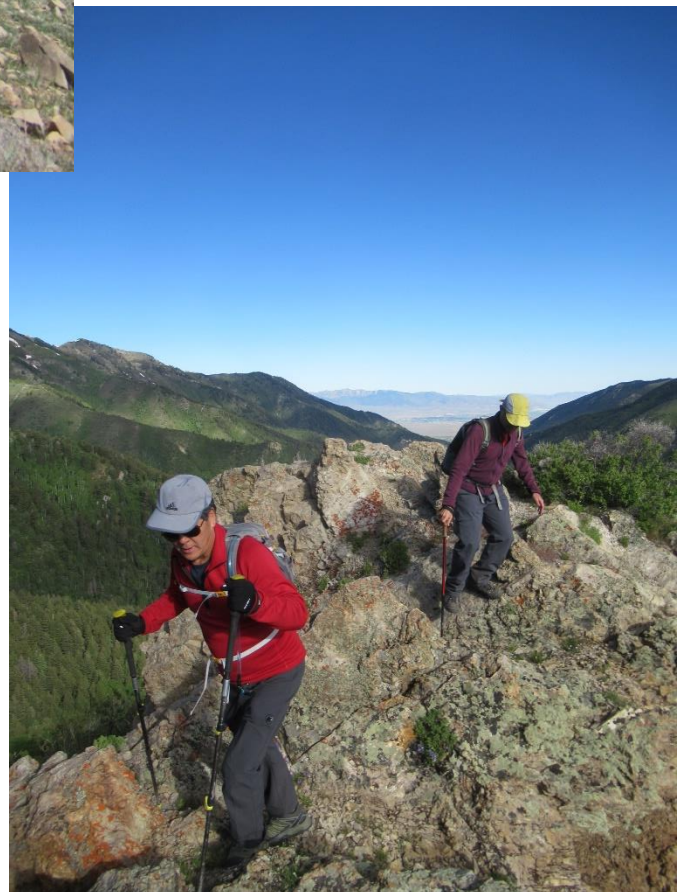
JUNE 23, 2019

*Organized by Akiko Kamimura //
Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura //
Photos by Akiko Kamimura*

We drove to Butterfield Peaks Trailhead via Herriman. From the trailhead, we hiked up on the very steep game trail which directly goes to the ridge. We made Butterfield Peaks in one hour and 15 minutes (1.45 miles, 1,583 ft elevation gain). From Butterfield Peaks, we lost 605 ft elevation and then gained 1,535 ft to White Pine Peak. The views from the ridgeline were very beautiful. We saw wild flowers blooming and a number of



mountains in the Stansbury range, Oquirrh, and more, as well as Utah Lake and Great Salt Lake. The trail to White Pine Peak was very steep with loose rocks and several false peaks (bumps). There were snow patches which were easy to pass. The original plan was to hike to Kelsey Peak from White Pine Peak. But since the trail on the steep slope was snow-covered, we decided not to go to Kelsey Peak. The weather was perfect – sunny and not hot/cold. For all of us, it was the first time to bag the peaks. We really enjoyed this 7-hour hike (distance – 8.31 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 4,196 ft). *Top Leftt: Rich, Kianoush, Paul and Shasta (Barb's dog) descending from White Pine Peak // Right: Paul and Kianoush on the game "trail" to Butterfield Peaks*



SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for our annual

WMC Lodge Fundraising Dinner

Saturday, September 28th 2019

Enjoy a fun evening of socializing, music, and dinner!

Check the Rambler, Activity Calendar, and our Website for more information!



To RSVP or for more information contact Daisy DeMarco at
daisyannдемarco@gmail.com or 610-517-7867

REYNOLDS PEAK, BIG WATER PEAK, SOLDIER PEAK, WILSON PEAK, & GOBBLERS KNOB LOOP HIKE

JUNE 30, 2019

Organized by Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura // Photos by Akiko Kamimura



While Reynolds Peak (9,426 ft) and Gobbler's Knob (10,246 ft) are very popular hike destinations, there are three rarely climbed peaks between Reynolds Peak and Gobbler's Knob: Big Water Peak (9,007 ft), Soldier Peak (9,340 ft), and Wilson Peak (9,950 ft). We

started from Mill D North to bag these five peaks. The first peak was Reynolds Peak. Those who want to focus on the three rarely climbed peaks may skip Reynolds Peak because it is not really on the way and just adds extra 647 ft elevation gain/loss. But it was nice to see the next four peaks from Reynolds Peak.

We took Desolation Trail to west after descending from Reynolds Peak, and then started bushwhacking to make the second peak, Big Water Peak. The third peak, Soldier Peak, was only 1.5 mile away from Big Water Peak. On the way to Soldier Peak, it became rainy and windy. After we lost 242 ft, we climbed on the steep slope to summit the fourth peak, Wilson Peak. Gobbler's Knob looked close from Wilson Peak. But the route finding was somewhat challenging. We finally made the last peak, Gobbler's Knob, but quickly started descending due to rain and high wind. We went down to Butler Fork via Baker Pass. It was totally (not-so-bad) bushwhacking/ off-trail with game trails at places until we submitted Gobbler's Knob. It was a very interesting hike to do something new in the very familiar area. The hike took 6.5 hours in total (distance – 10.3 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 4,771 ft, cumulative elevation loss – 4,932). *Above: Group photo at Big Water Peak. From left – Matt, Jim, Akiko and Dennis.*

EIGHT PEAKS VIA SNOWBASIN HIKE

JUNE 29, 2019

Organized by Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura // Photos by Akiko Kamimura



A number of people may have seen eight peaks around Mt Ogden. But probably not many people have made it up those peaks. We started via Snowbasin to bag those eight peaks from south to north. It took three hours to summit the first peak, Strawberry Peak (9265 ft). Since the eight peaks are very close to each other, it took only 3.5 hours to make the next seven peaks (including two very long breaks). There was a game trail between Strawberry Peak and the second peak, De Moisy Peak (9363 ft). De Moisy Peak had a monument made from a snowboard. De Moisy Peak and the third peak, The Needles (9240 ft), were very close to each other – only 0.27 mile. The Needles and the fourth peak, Floyd Inversion Ridge (9322 ft), were even closer to each other – only 0.18 mile. Then we finally summited the highest peak of the day, Mt Ogden (9570 ft). We took a long break to enjoy the views at Mt Ogden. From Mt Ogden to the sixth peak, Allen Peak (9465 ft), there was a short easy class 3 section. We had lunch at Allen Peak. The seventh peak, Peak 9036, was a very small bump on the way to the eighth peak, Peak 9061. We took a direct way to go back to Snowbasin. We got free ice cream at Snowbasin Resort, which was very nice after the 8 hour 20 minute hike (including four long breaks and a couple of short breaks) in hot weather (distance – 9.8 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 4,606 ft). There were snow patches above 8,500 ft. It was fun to cross the snowfields. We saw several deer that were also enjoying crossing the snowfields. It was windy above the ridgeline but it was a nice breeze on a hot day. For all of us, it was the first time to do this 8-peak hike. It was a great hike. *Above: Group photo at Allen Peak. From left – Stanley, Michi, Akiko, Paul and Jim*

BEARTRAP FORK HIKE

JULY 4, 2109

Organized by Dave Andrenyak // Trip Report by Dave Andrenyak // Photo by Dave Andrenyak

On Independence Day, 2019, our group celebrated the beauty of our public lands by hiking up the Beartrap Fork trail in Big Cottonwood Canyon. We all made it to where the Beartrap trail connects with the Wasatch Crest trail. We traveled up a short slope north of the junction to a lunch spot that overlooked Desolation Lake. Throughout the hike, we had great views of the central Wasatch. Many north-facing slopes were still snow covered. On the lower part of the hike, we saw many bluebells, penstemons, wild geraniums, and other wildflowers in bloom. The hike participants were Cassie Badowsky, Steve Duncan, Yong, Huang, Russell Patterson, and Dave Andrenyak (organizer). Thank you participants for taking part in an enjoyable hike! *Below: Cassie, Russell, Steve and Yong at a resting spot*



SWASEY'S BEACH, GREEN RIVER BEGINNER WHITE WATER RAFTING TRIP

MAY 17, 2019

Organized by Heidi DeMartis & Robyn Heilbrun // Trip Report by Shane Andrus // Photos by Shane Andrus

The big snowfall this winter provided 24 WMC boaters with 11,000 cubic feet per second of beautiful water in the Green River on their May 17-19 boating trip. Those participating were - Robyn Heilbrun, Heidi DeMartis, Kelly and Martin Beumer, Bret Mathews, Neal Olsen, Kevin Earl, Tony Zimmer, Bob Cady, John Marks, Greg Clark, Tanner Morrill, Deirdre Flynn, Mohamed Abdallah, Wilmer Sandoval, Katie and Logan Rios, Marty Goldsberry, Geoff Hardies, Chris Cox, Natasja Fisher, Colin Dunn, Virginia Price and Shane Andrus. The weather was still a bit cool but sunny on Saturday. Unfortunately, 15-20 mph wind with gusts to 35 mph prevented rafting on Sunday.

I think all would agree the excellent rafting/kayaking on Saturday, delicious and ample meals, and wonderful camaraderie made this trip a great success. Organizers Heidi DeMartis and Robyn Heilbrun did an excellent job organizing and communicating throughout. Everyone was accommodated with the appropriate watercraft for their skill level and the campsite they reserved allowed everyone to pitch tents at a community site in Green River. And a big thanks to the experienced boaters for their indispensable skills and knowledge that ensured all the gear and boaters were efficiently and effectively moved to Green River and back. And of course, they also imparted their valuable river skills on all the beginners. Among other discussions, Bret Mathews gave an important talk on safety. There was also a general discussion with the group, Intro to Whitewater Boating, held May 2, by Heidi and Robyn to indoctrinate new boaters and review the trip details with the group. And a big thank you to Neal Olsen who contributed his personal truck, trailer, and oar board, a critical addition to the WMC equipment in order to accommodate 24 boaters and their gear.

Friday, May 17 was cloudy and cool. Loading went smoothly and quickly at the boat shed. Coordination by Bret and Kelly along with ample labor allowed loading of trucks and trailers to go swiftly and securely prior to any rain. Eleven rode in the rental van, four in Neal's truck and nine drove their personal vehicles. The drive was interesting with snow flying at Soldier Pass and winds pushing the van around a bit from there onward. Most of the crew stopped at Ray's Tavern for dinner on Friday. Good cheeseburgers and fries! Upon arrival at camp, tents were pitched in no time.

Saturday, May 18 was sunny and mild. Coffee and a delicious breakfast began the day. Prior to heading to the river, Bret gave a valuable safety talk. On to Nefertiti launch site. We had two paddle rafts with seven on one and five on the other, one oar boat carrying three boaters and the remaining seven manned duckies. Of course, ALL were wearing snugly fitted personal floatation devices. Thanks to Bret and Bob for running the shuttle vehicles down to the takeout point. The high water level provided a strong current but covered most of the rocks and prevented the rapids from being very undulating. The Class I rapids and maybe a Class II in there made for relatively easy rafting for this beginning crew. That said, these conditions were ideal for letting newbies man the captain's seats on rafts to hone their skills. It also made ducky kayaking easy enough for beginners and intermediates to float along with little trouble. Several miles down the river, all pulled out in a sandy area for a nice lunch in the sun. Neal's oar boat is great for carrying lunch and any extra gear needed. All in all, great conditions for beginners and intermediate boaters! At this point, I must

point out that the WMC philosophy of passing down skill from veterans to beginners is alive and well. And as the old veterans get uh, older, this is vital to the success of the club. Many thanks to the veterans for their time, knowledge, and contributions in passing on skills and inevitably the torch. Dinner, dessert, campfire and good conversation concluded the day. Oh, and singing Happy Birthday to Bret followed by celebratory Fireball shots added to the revelry.

Sunday, May 18 was cloudy and windy. Breakfast and coffee brightened the morning. Unfortunately, it was decided that the wind was just a bit too strong for a safe and enjoyable day on the river. Tents were packed, boats deflated, and all loaded up to head back to SLC. Since we had our lunch packed for Sunday, we stopped in Spanish Fork to eat it up. Once at the boat shed, unloading went even faster than loading! All gear was clean, checked in and put in its place. And we beat the rain.

What a great trip! Good people, good whitewater, good food, good times!

Note: The current is quite rapid at the takeout point at Swasey's Beach. Approach carefully along the left side of the river to enable a gentle, unexciting docking. Or, fly down the center and see if you can get over in time! *Below: At Nefertiti launch site. Colin Dunn and Virginia Price are seated in duckie. Others preparing to embark are Natasja Fisher, Deirdre Flynn, and Chris Cox*



JOIN THE MT. O TRASHER TEAM TO KEEP MT. O CLEAN!

Need for Mount O trash removal: The Club has now been doing this for almost seven years with a contract with Salt Lake County and permission to use the dumpsters at Old Mill. This issue is that waste trucks can't get into the parking lot. Each year, the trailhead is supposed to be upgraded and each summer passes by with nothing done and we are still collecting the garbage from the can at the southern end of the parking lot.

Dumpster: .8 miles south on Wasatch. Old Mill Golf Course is on the west side. Dumpsters are at the southern end of the lot. No need to ask anyone or check in.

My personal procedure:

- Park by the can. Collecting the garbage takes just a minute or so. I don't care if I block folks in for such a short time.
- Use work gloves to remove bag and set on parking lot.
- Replace bag.
- Bags are in the cage behind the can.
- Check for leakage. If so, I double bag.
- Put down newspapers under bag in my car.
- If have time, use grocery plastic bags for tour around parking lot to pick up trash. If more time, circumnavigate Pete's Rock.

Garbage bags:

If running low, let me know. The bags we use are Contractor Clean Up, 42 gallon, 3 Mil. at Home Depot. Their brand name is Husky. Club will reimburse if you do buy some.

Random Acts of Kindness: Don't be surprised if sometimes you show up on your assigned day, and the can has been recently emptied.

Winter time: Though the parking lot doesn't get plowed, the garbage can still gets used but not as much. If the golf course is closed, I use the dumpster at the east end of the Big Cottonwood Park and Ride.

Contact me to join the *Trasher Team* and get added to the volunteer trash removal schedule.
Ronna Cohen (801)648-8741

NEFFS CANYON TO MILLCREEK HIKE

JUNE 22, 2019

Organized by Julie Kilgore and Sue Baker // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura // Photos by Akiko Kamimura

We had a large turnout (22 participants including newbies and old timers) to hike from Neffs Canyon to Millcreek. The first part of the hike from Neffs Canyon Trailhead to the meadow (2.48 miles) was snow-free but involved several creek crossings. One of the creek crossings was particularly challenging, but everyone in the group made it across without incident.

The group took a long break at the meadow (elevation – 7,873 ft), and some made the short trip a great overlook of the Salt Lake Valley. We had heard from someone coming down that we were about to get into a lot of snow, so four from the group decided it was a good time to turn around. Above the meadow, it did indeed become difficult to

follow the trail because the slope was mostly snow-covered. While going up on the steep snow field, it even started snowing a bit. But soon the sun was shining and we found the trail, and from there, except for one snow field which was tricky to pass, the trail was snow-free to the ridge that divides between Neffs Canyon and Millcreek, which was the highest point of the day (8,762 ft). But we weren't out of the snow just yet.

The upper reaches of the Millcreek side were mostly snow-covered, giving us a chance for a little foot-skiing or short glissading. Some in the group had been down this route before, and others had phone apps that kept us pretty much on track. By the time we got completely out of the snow and back on solid trail, it had taken the better part of the day, so we decided to skip Thayne's Peak and make our way back down Thayne's canyon.

It is often difficult to organize a hike with such a big group. But the co-organizers, Julie and Sue, (plus Bruce) did an excellent job to make sure the group stayed together. It was very fun to chat with new to the club people and long-term club members. Everyone had a great time. The hike took 5.5 hours including the breaks (distance – 6.75 miles, elevation gain – 3,845 ft). *Above: At the meadow. From left – Sue, Nancy, Kevin, Bruce and Steve G.*





ANT KNOLLS VIA BRIGHTON HIKE

JULY 4, 2019

*Organized by Akiko
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Ant Knolls (9,850 ft) is a small peak in Midway and is known as a part of the route of the Wasatch 100 Ultra Marathon race. We started from Brighton. Our first destination supposed to be Lake Mary. But because the trail was snow-covered, we missed the junction to Lake Mary and went to Dog Lake. Finding the trail to Catherine's Pass was also challenging. From Sunset Pass, we tried to follow TR 157 Ridge. But, again, due to snow, it was very hard to follow the trail. We had 1,551 ft elevation loss and then 975 ft elevation gain to

Ant Knolls from Sunset Pass. The trail between Sunset Pass and Ant Knolls was very steep with loose rocks and snow at places but was very scenic. We had lunch and enjoyed views at Ant Knolls. On the way back to Sunset Peak, we heard thunder. Fortunately, the sky cleared up when we got closer to the ridge. The original plan was to go to Pioneer Peak to make a loop. But we decided not to go to Pioneer Peak because the majority of us did not feel like going up more and we went back down the same way that we came up. We did some glissading on the way back to Brighton, which was lots of fun. For all of us, it was the first time to hike to Ant Knolls. We did not see many other hikers, which was unusual for the holiday this time of the year. It was probably because of snow on the ground and thunder. The hike took 9 hours and 20 minutes in total (including several breaks) (distance – 12.2 miles, cumulative elevation gain - 4,216 ft). Above: At Catherine's Pass – Greg, Robert and Stephen

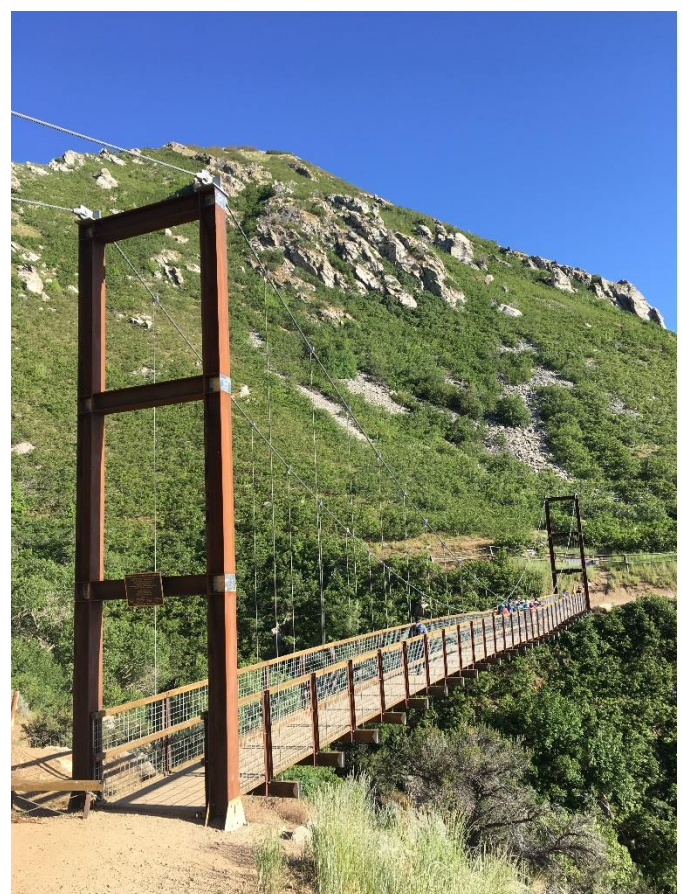
MONDAY NIGHT RELAXED PACE DRAPER HIKES ARE A HIT!

By Suzan Baker & eVette Raen

A few years ago, WMC President Juile Kilgore wanted to the WMC to offer a consistent opportunity for relaxed paced hikes in the Draper area. She began organizing hikes herself a few Monday evenings a month. Over the last few years Monday night Draper hikes have taken off with a great following of hikers. Now hikes are scheduled on almost all Mondays in the hiking season, May - September, by the incredible team of organizers including Tonya Karen, Julie Kilgore, Suzan Baker, Alfred Kessi and John Kiedaisch. The relaxed pace hike option has even spread north north along the Salt Lake bench on other weeknights and weekends.

The Draper hikes are a great introduction to the Club for potential members. The hikes are promoted on the WMC club activity calendar as well as on the Club Meet-up account. Many members have found the club through these opportunities.

The relaxed pace Draper hikes are geared towards adult outdoor enthusiasts. The hikes are rated as “Not Too Difficult”; the relaxed pace varies depending on the make-up of the group, and last approximately two hours. Dogs on leash are limited to certain hikes and they are noted on the activity calendar; there are dog restrictions in watershed areas. Come out to hike with us in Draper, as well as the occasional times at locations farther north.



WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please read carefully, print clearly and completely fill out both pages of the application.

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birth date: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

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

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

Membership dues:

\$40.00 for single membership (Annual dues \$35.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

\$55.00 for couple membership (Annual dues \$50.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

\$25.00 for student membership (Annual dues \$20.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)

Student members must be full-time student.

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

How did you learn about the Wasatch Mountain Club? _____

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.

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