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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WMC Approve Corner Canyon Grant

[Partnering](#) with Corner Canyon, Wasatch Mountain Club approves \$5,000 grant towards construction of [new hiking-only trail](#).

WMC in the News

In a [Draper Lifestyle Magazine](#) article last year, Linnea Lundgren finds the local favorite places to run and hike plus recommends hiking groups to join.

Rambler Articles

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

WMCF 2018

REVIEW

As the end of 2018 quickly approaches, the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation Board of Directors would like to thank all those who donated to our mission of preserving this historical lodge built by the Wasatch Mountain Club members and entrusted to the Foundation in 2010. Through generous monetary donations of the



Mountain Club members, income from rentals throughout the year, and the time and labor of volunteers, the Foundation completed numerous projects, including:

- Refinishing of the main-level floor
- Resurfacing exterior window sills
- Repairing logs damaged by decay and ant infestation
- Exterior trim painting

The donations helped us replace the following equipment:

- Two kitchen ranges
- Banquet tables
- Snow blower

Finally, donations allowed us to completely overhaul the lodge website. Check it out at <https://www.wasatchmountainlodge.org>. The revised website better advertises the lodge and its amenities, more thoroughly tells the lodge history, facilitates on-line donations, and enables attendees to register and pay for lodge events on line

The board is grateful to those who donated funds or their time to help with these successful endeavors. We hope you will continue to support and help us preserve this historic building. Please think about us as you review your *end-of-year donation limit*. With your help we can continue to maintain and improve the lodge for the enjoyment of club members and the general public.

Help with Snow Shoveling

The WMC Foundation needs your help shoveling snow this winter. We need to reduce the load on the roof and clear walking paths. Please check the **WMC website Activity Menu for scheduled work parties** or for more information call Renae Olsen at 385-315-6917 or email wasatchlodge@gmail.com. While we have a few people who regularly help us we need people who can come up and help us on weekdays, Monday through Thursday. We generally start at the lodge by 9:30 AM. Carpooling is available and lunch is provided.



Co-Treasurer Volunteer Opportunity

The WMC is in need of a volunteer *Co-Treasurer. * Duties will be shared and coordinated with current Co-Treasurer Dave Rabiger. This allows for transition training along with periodic relief from duties when monthly reports and meetings conflict with personal needs. Duties include:

- Attendance of WMC board meetings at 7:00 PM the first Wednesday of each month.
- Financial Report preparation requires 2-3 hour of work the Monday or Tuesday prior to the Wednesday meeting.
- Experience with QuickBooks software will be helpful, or consider it an opportunity to learn QuickBooks.

Please contact Dave Rabiger at 801-971-5836 if you are interested.

BOATING SEASON PLANNING PARTY 2019

Whether or not you were lucky enough to have won a permit, join our planning party and help us build our 2019 river trip schedule! New boaters and interested individuals are welcome. We will get acquainted, discuss rivers, trips, trip organizing, new ideas AND sign up for some of the river trips. Dinner will be provided! Please bring your own plate and utensils to help minimize trash. See you all there.

Organizer: Tony Zimmer
Phone: 440-465-2761
Email: aczmr@aol.com
Date: Wed Feb 27 2019
Time: 6:30 pm
Place: The Junior League Building of Salt Lake - 526 East 300 South, Salt Lake City.
Parking: There is limited parking at the League building. Park on the street or at the Steel Encounter parking lot across the street.

WMC PROPOSED BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2019-2020

The following proposed slate of nominees to serve on the WMC governing board for the 2019-2020 term was presented by the Nominating Committee. The nominating committee wants to thank all of the past and new volunteers for their love and service to the WMC. The nominating committee notes that there are still administrative vacancies: Treasurer or Co-Treasurers, Co-Secretary, Co-Social Director. The board has discussed the options of looking outside the existing membership to fill one of the Treasurer vacancies.

The following slate is presented for membership consideration. The election will take place at the February Membership Meeting tentatively scheduled for February 13th, 2019.

President	Julie Kilgore (Incumbent)
Treasurers	VACANT
Co-Secretary	Barbara Boehme (Incumbent), VACANT
Biking Co-Directors	Cindy Crass, Carrie Clark, Chris Winter (All Incumbents)
Boating Co-Directors	Bunny Sterin (Incumbent), Becky Joplin
Climbing/Mountaineering Co-Directors	Kathleen Waller (Incumbent), Neil Schmidt
Conservation Director	Eric Sadler (Incumbent)
Hiking Co-Directors	Nancy Martin, Michele Stancer (All Incumbents)
Information Technology Director	Bret Matthews (Incumbent)
Membership Director	Sue Baker (Incumbent)
Public Relations Director	eVette Raen (Incumbent)
Social Directors	Kathy Burnham (Incumbent)
Winter Sports Director	Greg Libecci
Trustee (replacing John Veranth)	Michael Budig
Publications Director	Daisy DeMarco (Incumbent)

50 YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC trustee

CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY 1969 [...]

Nov LAKE BLANCHE — (Advanced) If you are planning only a few tours this year, don't
3 miss this one. From Alta the climb up to Cardiff Pass is made by continuing along the
Sun. ridge toward Mt. Superior. We then proceed onto the north slopes and finally to the top
of the North Ridge of Superior. The run down to the S curve in Big Cottonwood Canyon
is one of the finest in the Wasatch. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at
7:15 a.m. Leader: Alexis Kelner ([...]).

CONSERVATION NOTES

by June Viavant

[...]

Campground Fees

Secretary of the Interior Udall has approved a series of cutbacks in National Park Service operations. The action was taken because of personnel reductions ordered by Congress and imposed by the Bureau of the Budget. Udall pointed out that the new manpower restrictions forced a distressing choice between either reducing visitor services or lowering standards of service and protection for Park visitors and Park resources.

A program of reduced operations has been announced, including eliminating a certain number of permanent staff positions, consolidating management of small areas in close proximity, establishing split positions, closing some visitor centers on Mondays and Tuesdays, closing campgrounds entirely during off-seasons, and *turning NPS campgrounds over to concessioners for operation on a fee basis.*

This seems like a drastic occurrence. We have long taken for granted free public campgrounds in the National Parks. Should we pay for campgrounds?

MOODY CREEK THANKSGIVING SURVEY TRIP

by June Viavant

[...]

We backpacked about a mile down the dry wash of Moody Creek and then set up camp beneath some lovely orange Wingate cliffs. At this point, our various packs disgorged a 15-pound, fully cooked turkey, some real gravy, three pecan pies, two cans of cranberry relish, pickles, celery and carrots and a Clorox bottle of white wine. (The idea of backpacking a turkey was really Fred and Eveline Bruenger's, last year, but we felt pretty cocky anyway. Ask Dale Green how much weight he gained on the trip!) [...]

Friday we backpacked to the spring (“Have faith — there’ll be water, Charlie”), which was frozen solid (“Too bad — we’ll boil river water, Charlie”) and on to the river. The river was a sea of floating ice, it was that cold. Friday afternoon, some of us hiked upriver, climbed some rubble up the cliff, and discovered the most amazing cave (not an overhang — it was 40 or 50 feet deep and barely 6 feet high) and some Moki footsteps. Dale and George Rathbun reconnoitered downriver to determine whether we could reach East Moody Canyon without having to ford the river. The Viavant boys came all that way to play in the sand with their trucks. Linda Rathbun volunteered to tend the fire and boil water — kettles and canteens and Clorox bottles full! [...]

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WMC CONSERVATION CHALLENGE BAG-MAKING/GEAR REPAIR PARTY

We are planning a craft & repair party! If you have gear that needs repair — a seam sewn, or a tear patched, there will be a sewing machine & patches available. There will also be material to make dish bags if you don’t already have something to hold your dishes/ mess kits. Let us know if you will need supplies, or if you have some that you can bring. There will be snacks, and whatever you bring to share. Please check out the activity for more details!

Time: Saturday, January 26 at 5 p.m. at

Location: Robyn Heilbrun’s house, 661 S. Elizabeth St. (1140 E.).

Register/RSVP to: robynheilbrun@hotmail.com

MESSAGE FROM THE WINTER SPORTS DIRECTOR

How blessed are we, those who play in the mountains and breathe the fresh air! Early season storms have blanketed the Wasatch with three to six feet of snow providing the

substance we depend on for our winter sports activities. However, the early October snow quickly turned to and remains a persistent weak layer. There have been many human caused avalanches and some have caused injury. On that note, I would like to express my gratitude to the Utah Avalanche Center. Personally, every morning I devour the content of their reporting. I would not think of going into the backcountry without reviewing the latest avalanche condition assessment, checking out where slides have occurred, studying the snowpack history and so much more.

If you are one of those who currently depend on the Utah Avalanche Center's reporting or one who soon will... I encourage you to donate to this important organization today!

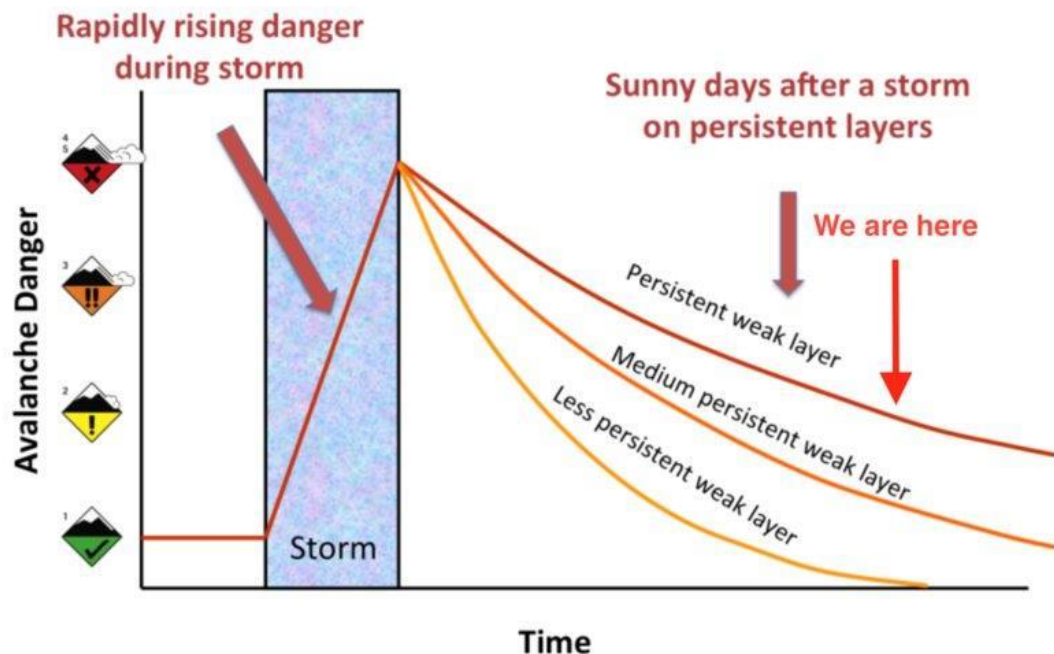
<https://utahavalanchecenter.org/civicism/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=1>

Our winter sports coordinators have been busy orchestrating with organizers and posting snowshoe and ski related activities. **Lisa Verzella**, ski coordinator, and **Jim Kucera**, snowshoe coordinator, are doing the best they can to solicit organizers and to populate the WMC Calendar with interesting and diverse activities. Club members are encouraged to be *proactive* and to reach out to them with ideas for trips you would like to organize. What better way to give back to this amazing club than to post an activity that allows you to share with others your passion for a particular route to a place you love? Please, **post an activity TODAY**... the continued existence and success of the Wasatch Mountain Club depends on it!

Safety First! 10 E's, **Know Before You Go**, respect for mother nature... you know the drill. Sign up for an avalanche class; attend one of the many free educational classes offered at REI and other local shops.

Above all, get out there and have some fun, make some new friends and enjoy the spectacular backyard of ours!

Greg Libecci, WMC Winter Sports Director, glibecci@yahoo.com, 801-699-1999



from Staying Alive in Avalanche Terrain by Bruce Tremper

2018 ALEXIS KELNER & PA PERRY AWARDS

By Julie Kilgore

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NEW GHOSTFALLS HIKING TRAIL PHANTOM IS NOW OPEN

Corner Canyon Trails is proud to announce the opening of this new hiking and trail running trail Phantom. A big thank you to the Wasatch Mountain Club for their generous donation to this great new trail.

<https://cornercanyontrails.com/news/>



SAWMILL TRAIL HIKE

NOVEMBER 17, 2018
Organized by Sue Baker //
Trip Report by Sue Baker //
Photos by Sue Baker

We hiked sawmill trail on the one snow day between beautiful weather days. We didn't get the beautiful views but we enjoyed the new snow fall.

TRAVERSE RIDGE MULTI RIDGE LOOP HIKE

DECEMBER 1, 2018

Organized by Julie Kilgore // Trip Report by Julie Kilgore // Photos by Julie Kilgore



Participants: Julie Kilgore, CC, Steve Duncan, and Ray Daurelle

The old dirt roads that roll over all the ridges of the Traverse Mountains provide great hiking opportunities where few people tread. Three hikers and one hiking dog set off on a crisp December morning to explore the entire run of three different ridges that crossed back and forth between Salt Lake County and Utah County. It was a beautiful blue sky day with fresh snow having just covered all the mountains.

The group started out at the west end of Deer Ridge Drive where the asphalt ends, hiking one of the ridges that passes by a well-hidden water tank, cresting several high points, and then dropping steeply down to the foothills of Lehi. After crossing the drainage near the bottom, the group headed back up the next ridge, again climbing steeply, and dropping deeply several times before coming up onto the peak with the large metal triangle survey marker (one of 20 or so that were used for triangulation in the days before GPS!). Rather than take the old road back, we opted to take yet another ridge route to the east that dropped us back down into Utah County, to an old water reservoir at the end of the recently constructed Telegraph Trail. Telegraph Trail provided the most gradual ascent we had hike all day, and took us right back to our vehicles! All in all, we hiked just under six miles, gained over 2,300 feet of elevation, saw deer, hawks, and tracks for lots of other wildlife, and had an overall great day!

WHITE FIR PASS SNOWSHOE HIKE

DECEMBER 9, 2018

Organized by Dave Andrenyak // Trip Report by Dave Andrenyak // Photos by Dave Andrenyak

The ample early season snow pack and good weather made for a great trip in Millcreek Canyon. Our group traveled up the Bowman Fork trail just beyond White Fir Pass. The snow on the trail was packed well and most participants used traction devices for travel. The forest scenery was outstanding with the snow adorning many of the conifer trees. The views of Porter Fork, the Mount Raymond area, and Grandeur Peak were wonderful. Participants were Sue Baker, Kathy Burnham, Daisy DeMarco, Steve Duncan, Stephen Higgins, Teri Jenkins, Bruce Jenson, Carol Masheter, Tony Zimmer, Charley the Dog, and Dave Andrenyak. Thank you participants for a great day.

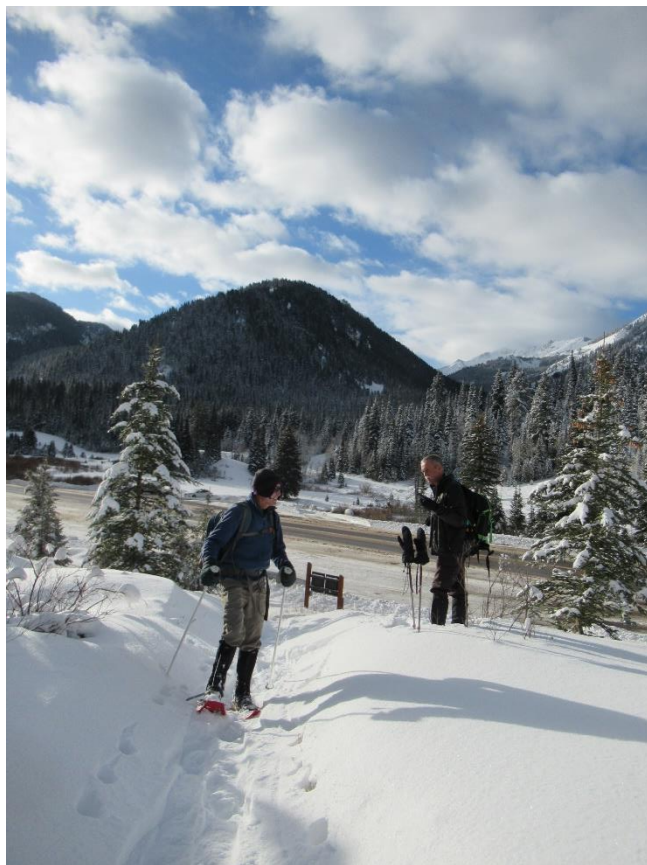


POWDER PARK SNOWSHOE & AVALANCHE SAFETY PRACTICE

DECEMBER 1, 2018

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

Right after a snowstorm, the avalanche danger was high. We picked Powder Park via Mill D North as a safe snowshoe and avalanche safety practice location. There was lots of new snow even at the trailhead where we did a beacon check. On the way to Powder Peak, we discussed terrains and avalanche risks in the Cottonwood area. At Powder Park, we first checked slope angles by an inclinometer and talked about high risk slope angles. Then, we practiced avalanche rescue using a beacon, probe, and a shovel. After we completed five rounds of practice, we descended on the short-cut route. It was sunny. The new snow made the area very beautiful. We had a great practice session. Although we hope we won't encounter an actual rescue situation, it is very important for all snowshoers to have avalanche safety gear and know how to use it. *Photo: Beacon check Jim and Greg*



WILLOW HEIGHTS SNOWSHOE

DECEMBER 8, 2018

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

We started snowshoeing from north of Solitude. It was cloudy and cold at the beginning but soon became sunny and warm. We hiked up to East Willow and the ridgeline that divides Salt Lake County and Summit County. While snowshoeing



on the ridgeline, we looked for a safe slope to go down. We were supposed to go down to the trail but we turned toward Solitude too early and ended up exploring the route which none of us had hiked before. It was a fun 4.5-hour snowshoe. *Group Photo: From left – Liz, Luther, Akiko, and Greg*

WASATCH MOUNTAIN LODGE PRAY FOR SNOW PARTY

DECEMBER 1, 2018

*Organized by JoDene Arakelian // Report
by Robyn Heilbrun // Photos by Robyn
Heilbrun and Samantha Johnson*

It was a perfect day for the Pray for Snow Party. We reveled in the fine snow that had already fallen and following Tony Hellman's inspiration, we each put wood in the fireplace as an offering to the Wasatch winter snow spirits. The brats were also delicious.

Just before the Pray for Snow party, Julie sent out an email asking attendees to bring their own reusable camp mess kits or cups. The response was wonderful. Almost everyone brought a cup. Many brought full kits.

JoDene Arakelian reminisced about last century's neighborhood church dinners she attended when everyone brought their own dinnerware — because it was easy and assumed. No one was expected to provide or to wash dishes for the entire congregation, and everyone had what was needed. Her family brought theirs in a cloth bag that her mother had made especially for that purpose. Some of us grew up in a different, but similar, culture — All meals, even picnics, were served on our daily reusable, washable dishes. Although disposable plastic or paper plates were available, frugality prevailed. In the intervening years, many of us have become profligate. According to the Smithsonian, Americans throw away an estimated trillion disposable plates and utensils every year. The wholehearted response to Julie's email demonstrates that WMC members can and will step up and step back.



Let's look forward to 2019— the year of the WMC Conservation Challenge!

Photos //Above: Julie and Merilynn // Left: The Lodge covered in snow // Opposite Page: Lots of mess kits! // Tony giving a toast



DEVILS GARDEN LOOP/FIERY FURNACE IN ARCHES NATIONAL PARK

DECEMBER 1, 2018

Organized by Wilmer Sandoval Caceres// Trip report by Wilmer Sandoval Caceres // Photos by Wilmer Sandoval Caceres



Participants: Wilmer Sandoval Caceres, Raul Guzman

We started the trip early in the morning. The day was a little cold and it was snowing between Spanish Fork and Wellington, where we stopped to eat breakfast and get energy for an amazing hike. After arriving at the visitor center, we asked about the permit process for the Fiery Furnace for a future trip. However, the ranger encouraged

them to take the hike the same day because there were permits available. There was enough time to do both hikes and the Fiery Furnace was on the way to Devils garden Loop Trailhead. We decided to hike the shortest hike first. By the time we reached the Fiery Furnace Trailhead, the temperature was warmer. The first part of the trail was a fun, downhill hike. We started to follow the small green arrows located on the walls of the rocks, which indicated the main trail. The complete trail is an amazing maze of beautiful spares, giant red rock flints, hoodoos, narrows passageways, gorgeous slots and of course arches. At the beginning of the hike, we were alone but then started to run into other hikers that were trying to find the main trail signs (which were not easy to locate). Some of the other hikers shared their knowledge about some hidden places located in this natural labyrinth. That day, we learned that “Death End” really means “Cool place to visit”, most of the time.

The second hike was the main hike of the day “DEVILS GARDEN LOOP”. By the time that we arrived at the trailhead, we realized that it may be dark towards the end of the hike. For that reason, we first started to visit Tunnel and Pine Tree Arch but then we decide to adjust the hike by taking it clockwise in order to take the sandy flat section of the trail with flashlights. Our third stop was landscape arch, one of the largest natural arches on the world. We started the ascent by the slabs of the

sand stone until we discovered the trailhead for two of my favorite arches: Navajo and Partition Arch, which is an amazing window to the landscape of the park.

Following the trail to Double O Arch Raul and Will stopped to appreciate the magnificent landscape on Black Arch Overlook. From the overlook, we were trying to see one of the last destinations, Private Arch. The contrast between the snow, the sandstone, sunlight, and the trees was amazing. Continuing our adventure, we took another trail until we reached a towering spire – the Dark Angel. By the time we made it back to the main trail loop, the temperature and sunlight fell.

The last place that we visited on this trip to Devil’s Garden Loop was Private Arch where we stopped to eat our last snacks. This place was amazing and the sun peeked out just enough for us to enjoy the solitude and take of our last pictures. This is one of the arches that most hikers skip when they take this awe-inspiring loop but the views of Devil’s Garden from this section of the trail is amazing. As we planned, the final 0.5 miles of the hike was dark and required the use of flashlights. We had enough time to visit all places that were scheduled and then made the return trip home that same night. Additionally, we were lucky to get an extra bonus and obtain the permit to enjoy one of the most amazing places on the park, Fiery Furnace. Photos // Opposite Page: Two beautiful arches // Below: Wilmer and Raul



SCOTT'S PASS SNOWSHOE

NOVEMBER 25, 2018

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



Participants: Bob Stuercke; Michi Bracken; Carol Masheter; Stephen Higgins; Kathy Burnham, Akiko Kamimura, Deb Frank

With single digit temperatures and abundant snow, we bundled up and put on our snowshoes immediately, beginning our 4.6-mile trek with a climb to Scott's Pass. The faceted snow sparkled under bright blue skies as we continued to the top of Jupiter Lift at the ski patrol cabin, then on to Guardsman's Peak. Throughout our hike, it was cold, but mercifully not too windy and we were able to find a comfortable spot to have lunch. We looped back via Guardsman's Pass, returning through the woods to avoid snowmobile traffic. It was a wonderful way to close out the Thanksgiving weekend. *Group photo at Guardsman's Peak. From left - Akiko, Bib, Michi, Stephen, Carol, and Deb.*

REYNOLDS PEAK HIKE

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

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Since we had dry weather for a while, we did not expect there would be lots of snow in the canyons but there was a snow storm during night so 4X4/chains were required in the canyons. We started from Mill D North and followed the standard route to Reynold Peak. It was snowing a little bit when we started. The trail was snow covered from the start but it was manageable without snowshoes. Some of us used snowshoes above Dog Lake. It was windy and cloudy at the peak so we descended soon after the last person made the peak. From Reynolds Peak, we hiked to Tom's Hill. It was bushy as the snow cover was thin. From Tom's Hill, we took a ski route, which had deep snow. At the end of the hike, it began to snow again. It was a fun snowy hike. *Group photo at Reynolds Peak. From left – Akiko, Andee, Dave, Muhammed, and Michi.*



DESOLATION PEAK SNOW HIKE/SNOWSHOE

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

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Desolation Peak is the peak above Desolation Lake. We started at the trail across of the Spruce Campground. The trail was covered with snow from the previous day's snowfall but the snow was packed until we got to Desolation Lake. From Desolation Lake, we continued up to the ridge above the north side of the lake and ascended to Desolation Peak. The final ascent was somewhat challenging because of snow covered rocks and bushes. It was a very beautiful day. The views from the peak were stunning. After lunch at the peak, we descended to the ridge above the south side of the lake. We needed to use snowshoes on the ridge and on the route to go down to the lake. This hike took 6 hours in total including two long breaks (distance – 9.36 miles). *Above: Group photo at the peak. From left – Akiko, Jim and Ying // Below: Ying and Jim close to the peak*

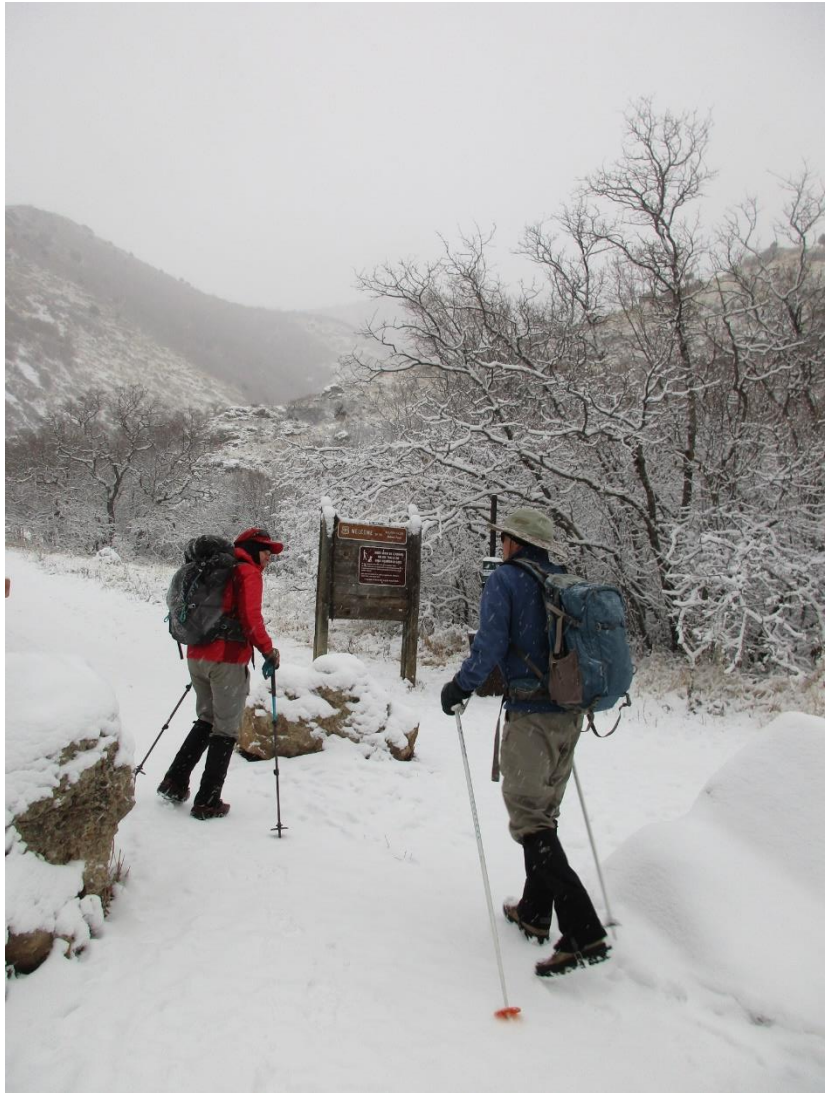


PEAK 6475 SNOW HIKE

DECEMBER 2, 2018

*Organized by Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report
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Kamimura*

The second wave of the cold front on the weekend brought lots of snowfall even in the valley. The majority of the registrants cancelled. Only three of us: Carol, Jim, and Akiko were still interested in the hike. The original plan was snowshoeing in Big Cottonwood Canyon but Carol did not feel like going to the canyon. So we decided to hike from the Rattlesnake Gulch Trailhead in Millcreek. We did not need to use snowshoes but it was snowing a lot and was very quiet. We saw spruces and other birds. From Pipeline Overlook, we hiked toward the northeast until we made Peak 6475. For all of us, it was the first time to make this peak. It was a short but beautiful snow hike. *Photos // Left: Carol and Jim at the trailhead // Below: Group photo at Pipeline Overlook. From left – Carol, Akiko, and Jim // Opposite Page: Carol and Jim on the way to Peak 6475.*





What are the "Ten Essentials"?

The “Ten Essentials” are necessary gear that you should always carry. This list of essential gear has its origin with The Mountaineers, a famous Seattle hiking and mountaineering club. As stated in their book *Mountaineering, The Freedom Of The Hills*: “You won’t use every one of these items on every trip, but they can be lifesavers in an emergency and insurance against the unexpected.” Lists vary and this list isn’t perfect, but it is a good guideline. Yes, there really are more than ten items on the list, but hey, the name is catchy.

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| 1) water | 6) sun protection (sunglasses, sun screen, lip balm and sun hat) |
| 2) rain gear/wind protection | 7) waterproof matches or lighter |
| 3) extra clothing / insulation | 8) flashlight or headlamp (make sure in working order) |
| 4) extra food | 9) first aid supplies |
| 5) maps and compass | 10) emergency shelter (emergency bag/space blanket) |
- (and knowledge of their use)

What should you do with the 10 essentials?

Based on the observation that there is no crystal ball giving infallible weather predictions (the professional meteorologists don't have one either) and that conditions in the mountains are incredibly

changeable, the WMC recommendation is to:

- *Put the 10 essentials in your pack.*
- *Always keep them in your pack.*
- *Always bring your pack.*

Yes, that means you should not remove your rain jacket from your pack because you're "sure" it won't rain today. Nine times out of ten you'll be right. The 10th time you might get hypothermia. For some other gear to think about, see: www.wasatchmountainclub.org> General Menu> The Ten Essentials.

Date Activity

Jan **Snowshoe To Enniss Peak To Ring In The New Year! – mod – 9.5 mi Out & Back –**
1 **4600' ascent – Moderate pace**

Tue *Meet:* Registration required

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

Co-organizer is Lana Christiansen (iaccount4U@gmail.com). Enniss Peak (9,320') is the half way point to Lone Peak from the Orson Smith TH. It's a refreshing hike which usually requires snowshoes at some point this time of year. Microspikes are normally necessary early on. We'll start fairly early but not unreasonably so. :)

Jan **Alpine Ski Tour. Wednesdays Thru Jan. – mod+**

2 *Meet:* Registration required

Wed *Organizer:* Chris Proctor proctorgtr@aol.com

Weekly MOD+ ski/board tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM starts most of the time. Routefinding and exploring expected. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential (i.e. beacon, shovel and probe). Please e-mail Chris Proctor on Tuesday (the day before) by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies will need to contact Chris ahead of time to discuss trip requirements, and their avy skills and gear. No tour January 9. WMC members only.

Jan **Evening Nordic Ski Tour Up Mill Creek – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent –**
2 **Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Millcreek Canyon, end of plowed road.

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

Informal ski tour up the Millcreek road, be ready to ski up the road at 6 pm. All types of touring gear acceptable. We will ski up hill for an hour or or two and then back down, all paces welcome. Bring powerful headlamp for descent. No avalanche gear required.

Jan **Wednesday Snowshoe – mod-**

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

Wed *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

A nice morning stroll in the mountains, with a MOD length and location. Avy gear recommended, but not required.

Jan **Evening Hike - Salt Lake Overlook – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

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

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

If we've had snow, bring your sled! And your 10 Es, including headlamp and traction devices appropriate for the trail conditions. Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place.

Jan **Evening Hike - Road To Elbow Fork To Pipeline Trail – ntd – Loop – Moderate pace**

3 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Olympus Cove Park & Ride (3880 Wasatch Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT)

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

Prompt 6pm departure. We will head up the road to Elbow Fork and take the pipeline trail back to the burch hollow trail-head. Bring your microspikes or other traction equipment and headlamp, plus your 10 Es!

Jan **Beacon Practice Alpine Ski Tour – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

5 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We will ski in a fairly short distance to a location that will allow us to break into multiple groups for multiple practices. Group size will be dependent on the number volunteers we get to assist. After a few hours of beacon practice participants can either call it a day or split into groups for a few or many hours of touring. When you email to register let me know what your after practice plans are. Beacon Shovel and probe required.

Jan **Snowshoe -organizer And Group Choice – ntd+**

5 *Meet:* 8:30 am at Butler Elementary - 7080 S 2700 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT

Sat *Organizer:* David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com

We will choose a safe place to snowshoe based on the weather and snow conditions. Some possibilities are Dog Lake, Greens Basin, Lower Days Fork. Snow safety equipment is recommended but not required. Note the meeting place. Let us plan for a 0845 am departure from the meeting place.

Jan **Leisurely Winter Foothills Loop Hike – mod – Loop – Moderate pace**

6 *Meet:* 9:00 am at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

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

It's time to work off those holiday indulgences! We'll head up Water Tank Draw to Special Rock, then maybe turn left towards Dragon's Tail, or turn right and hike the ridge above the Pipeline. If inversion is in, we'll head up Millcreek for a shorter outing. Bring micro-spikes! Dogs ok if conditions allow. Plan on a 4 or 5 hour day.

Jan **Dog Lake Snowshoe – ntd+ – 5.0 mi Out & Back – 1300' ascent**

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

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

Snowshoe to Dog Lake with Michael and Dianne Budig. The trail to Dog Lake is one of the few trails where you can walk in the sun on a January day. Plan for an 8:45 departure. Please address all questions by email.

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

7 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate.

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

Every day is one minute longer, but we'll hardly notice. Join us for a brisk and steep 2-hour outing along the ridge behind the "H" rock. Bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear. Bring a flashlight and dress in layers. Dogs ok. The trail is not always obvious, so the group will stay together or split into defined groups.

Jan **Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod**

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

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

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

Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go

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

Jan **Evening Hike - Salt Lake Overlook – ntd+**

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

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

Bring your 10Es including a headlamp and traction devices appropriate for the trail conditions. Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place.

Jan **Boating Permit Application Party 2019**

9 *Meet:* 6:30 pm at Junior League of Salt Lake City 526 East 300 South Salt Lake City

Wed *Organizer:* Tony Zimmer 440-465-2761 aczmr@aol.com

BOATING SEASON KICKOFF New Boaters Wanted Experienced Boaters Needed If you've thought you'd like to try boating, now's the time to start. The WMC has boats and boaters who can help you learn the skills needed. Together we can get the permits for our favorite trips. Permit Application Party at: Junior League of Salt Lake City 526 East 300 South Salt Lake City Wednesday January 9, 2019 6:30 p.m. Dinner and soft drinks provided

Jan **Evening Nordic Ski Tour Up Mill Creek – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent –**

9 **Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Millcreek Canyon, end of plowed road.

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

Informal ski tour up the Millcreek road, be ready to ski up the road at 6 pm. All types of touring gear acceptable. We will ski up hill for an hour or or two and then back down, all paces welcome. Bring powerful headlamp for descent. No avalanche gear required.

Jan **Wednesday Snowshoe – mod-**

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

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

We will snowshoe somewhere in the Cottonwood Canyons - I'll decide based upon the conditions of the day. Avalanche safety equipment recommended but not required.

Jan **Evening Hike - Mt Olympus – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

10 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5789 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT)

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

Meet at the trailhead for a prompt 6pm departure. Micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. Bring a headlamp and dress in layers. Dogs are ok. It's dark, it's cold, and the group will stay together.

Jan **Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod – 8.0 mi – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**

12 *Meet:* Registration required

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

The snowshoe location will be finalized depending on weather and conditions. Please bring avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) and 10Es. Please email before Friday, 3 pm, January 11, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

- Jan **Alpine Ski Tour, Bcc – mod- – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**
 12 *Meet:* Registration required
 Sat *Organizer:* Steven Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net
 Easier tour but not for beginners. Mileage and elevation estimated. Destination dependent on conditions but we will stay to moderate and safe terrain. Avalanche gear and knowledge of use required.
- Jan **Snowshoe - Avalanche Workshop Snowshoe Tour – mod**
 13 *Meet:* Registration required
 Sun *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
 Our focus will be the prevention and avoidance of avalanche accidents. We will discuss the prevention and avoidance of avalanche accidents as well as how to identify safe/high risk routes during snowshoe. We will also do some practice of avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel). Please bring snowshoes, micro-spikes, avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) and 10Es. Previous experience in intermediate level or above snowshoeing required. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, January 11, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.
- Jan **Snowshoe In Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent –**
 13 **Moderate pace**
 Sun *Meet:* 8:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Carpool: 8:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
Organizer: Teri Jenkins 801-661-4452 teridawnjen@gmail.com
 Let's snowshoe up Big Cottonwood Canyon on Mill B North trail. Depending on snow conditions, this will either be a snowshoe or micro-spike hike, but bring both just in case. Avalanche safety equipment not necessary. We will get a bit earlier start, due to ski traffic. Let's meet at 8:30 a.m. and hike 4 to 5 miles up and back. Co-organizer is Steve Duncan.
- Jan **Jack's Mountain Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate**
 14 **pace**
 Mon *Meet:* 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate.
Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 This is a brisk and steep 2-hour outing along the ridge behind the "H" rock. Bring yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear. Bring a flashlight and dress in layers. Dogs ok. The trail is not always obvious, so the group will stay together or split into defined groups.
- Jan **Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod**
 15 *Meet:* 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list
 Tue *Carpool:* 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way
Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com
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details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.

Jan **Evening Hike - West Grandeur Loop – ntd+**

15 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Grandeur Peak Trailhead (2910 South Cascade Way, SLC, UT)

Tue *Organizer:* Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancycmartin@gmail.com

Prompt 6pm departure from the trailhead. Bring your 10 Es including headlamp and traction devices appropriate for the trail conditions. We will do the loop if there isn't too much snow. THIS IS A STEEP HIKE.

Jan **Alpine Ski Tour. Wednesdays Thru Jan. – mod+**

16 *Meet:* Registration required

Wed *Organizer:* Chris Proctor proctorgtr@aol.com

Weekly MOD+ ski/board tours, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM starts most of the time. Routefinding and exploring expected. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential (i.e. beacon, shovel and probe). Please e-mail Chris Proctor on Tuesday (the day before) by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies will need to contact Chris ahead of time to discuss trip requirements, and their avy skills and gear. WMC members only.

Jan **Evening Nordic Ski Tour Up Mill Creek – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – 16 Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Millcreek Canyon, end of plowed road.

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

Informal ski tour up the Millcreek road, be ready to ski up the road at 6 pm. All types of touring gear acceptable. We will ski up hill for an hour or or two and then back down, all paces welcome. Bring powerful headlamp for descent. No avalanche gear required.

Jan **Wednesday Snowshoe – mod-**

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

Wed *Organizer:* Rick Thompson gone2moab@hotmail.com

The usual wednesday routine, hopefully with some blue sky to have lunch on some ridge top in the Cottonwoods. Avy gear recommended, but not required.

Jan **Evening Hike-salt Lake Overlook – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

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

Desolation Trail to the overlook. Usually takes about 50 minutes to see the city lights, and then we will head backdown. Headlamp/flashlight and MICROspikes. Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place.

Jan **Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod**

19 *Meet:* 7:45 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Sat *Organizer:* Greg Lott 801-361-4132 lottgreg@comcast.net

Location to be determined based upon conditions of the day. Avalanche safety gear is required for this outing (beacon, probe, shovel).

- Jan 19 **Break Into The Backcountry Location Tbd – ntd – Out & Back – 1500' ascent – Slow pace**
 Sat *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com
 This outing is for those who have the gear and an avy class under your belts and just want to get out and give it a go. We will pick an easy tour that will present terrain features we can discuss. You need to have capable down hill skills.
- Jan 20 **Snowshoe (& Maybe Cross-country Ski) - West Uintas – mod – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**
 Sun *Meet:* Registration required
Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
 We will snowshoe in the Uintas, weather and conditions permitting. If registrants are interested, we will also cross-country ski. Please bring snowshoes, avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) and 10Es. You may bring cross-country ski gear as well. Expect an early start for long driving. We will be back in SLC around 4-5 pm. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, January 18, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
- Jan 20 **Snowshoe: Avenues Twins And Beyond – mod – 3.5 mi Out & Back – 1200' ascent – Moderate pace**
 Sun *Meet:* 9:00 am at Meet at 1027 Terrace Hills (84103). To get to Terrace Hills, take 11th Avenue to Terrace Hills Drive (890 East).
Organizer: Rick Gamble_Carrie Clark 801-931-4739 skithebrd@yahoo.com
 Join Rick and Carrie on an outing from Terrace Hills trailhead to Avenues Twins. Possibility of going farther to Moose Flats if the group is interested and weather permits. Bring snowshoes, spikes, and/or boots, depending on conditions. We will post a conditions update here, the afternoon before this activity.
- Jan 22 **Snowshoe, Park City Environs – mod**
Meet: 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list
 Tue *Carpool:* 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way
Organizer: Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com
 Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.
- Jan 22 **Evening Hike - White Fir Pass – ntd+ – Moderate pace**
Meet: 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride
 Tue *Organizer:* Nancy Martin 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com
 Prompt 6pm departure from the trailhead. Bring your 10Es, including headlamp and traction devices appropriate for the trail conditions.

Jan **Alpine Ski Tour. Wednesdays Thru Jan. – mod+**

23 *Meet:* Registration required

Wed *Organizer:* Chris Proctor proctorgtr@aol.com

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Jan **Evening Nordic Ski Tour Up Mill Creek – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Millcreek Canyon, end of plowed road.

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

Informal ski tour up the Millcreek road, be ready to ski up the road at 6 pm. All types of touring gear acceptable. We will ski up hill for an hour or two and then back down, all paces welcome. Bring powerful headlamp for descent. No avalanche gear required.

Jan **Wednesday Snowshoe – mod-**

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

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

We will snowshoe somewhere in the Cottonwood Canyons - I'll decide based upon the conditions of the day. Avalanche safety equipment recommended but not required.

Jan **Evening Hike - Neff's Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

24 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 4326 White Way, Salt Lake City, UT

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

Meet at the trailhead for a prompt 6pm departure. Micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. Bring a headlamp and dress in layers. Dogs are ok. It's dark, it's cold, and the group will stay together.

Jan **Mount Olympus Winter Hike – msd – 7.5 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent – Moderate pace**

26 *Meet:* 9:00 am at Mount Olympus Trailhead, Approximately 5800 South Wasatch Boulevard

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

Depending on conditions, this hike could be anything from a miserable MOD to an exhilarating MSD. Some years the group makes the peak, sometimes it's no fun by blister hill. We'll go as far as Micro-spikes will take us. Some might feel more comfortable with an ice axe for the final approach - if we get that far.

Jan **Snowshoe - Silver Benchmark – mod – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

26 *Meet:* 7:45 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

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

If conditions permit, we'll try for Silver benchmark (10,006' - on Salt Lake / Summit county line) by way of Willow Lake north of Solitude ski resort. Bring your 10E's and avalanche safety gear. An alternative may be chosen if unfavorable conditions are present.

Jan **Wmc Conservation Challenge Bag-making/gear Repair Party**

26 *Meet:* 5:00 pm at Robyn Heilbrun's house, 661 S. Elizabeth St. (1140 E)

Sat *Organizer:* Robyn Heilbrun 801-598-8598 robynheilbrun@hotmail.com

Just before the Pray for Snow party, Julie sent out an email asking attendees to bring their own reusable camp mess kits or cups. The response was wonderful. YES!! Let's step up our WMC Conservation Challenge for all events. To make it even easier, we are planning a craft & repair party for Saturday, January 26 at 5 p.m. If you have gear that needs a simple repair - a seam sewn, or a tear patched, there will be a sewing machine & patches available. There will also be material to make dish bags to carry your dishes/ mess kits to and from all events. PLEASE RSVP to robynheilbrun@hotmail.com--Let us know if you will need supplies, or if you have some that you can bring. There will be snacks, and whatever you bring to share.

Jan **Avalanche Workshop Alpine Ski Tour – mod – Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Moderate**
27 **pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

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

A ski tour with an emphasis on looking at avalanche prone terrain, discussing safe travel routes, slope aspects and other avalanche related topics . We will also do some beacon practice, work on rescue techniques, and dig a pit or two. We will also be out for a bit of fun and probably ski 3-4000 vertical and be out for 6 or so hours. This is not a beginner ski tour, rather a tour for experienced skiers who want to brush up on avalanche safety skills.

Jan **Snowshoe - Organizer's Choice – mod – 8.0 mi – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**

27 *Meet:* Registration required

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

The snowshoe location will be finalized depending on weather and conditions. Please bring avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) and 10Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, January 25, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

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

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

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

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

Jan **Evening Hike - Ferguson Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

29 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Overflow Park & Rde (3653 Fort Union Blvd)

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

Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place. Bring your 10 Es, headlamp and traction devices appropriate for the trail conditions. Note: The meeting place is the BCC overflow lot.

Jan **Alpine Ski Tour. Boarders Welcome. – mod+**

30 *Meet:* Registration required

Wed *Organizer:* Chris Proctor proctorgtr@aol.com

MOD+ ski/board tour, usually in the Tri-canyons. 8 AM start likely. Routefinding and exploring expected. Good conditioning, appropriate gear and avy skills are essential (i.e. beacon, shovel and probe). Please e-mail Chris Proctor on Tuesday (the day before) by 5 P.M. for meeting place. Newbies will need to contact Chris ahead of time to discuss trip requirements, and their avy skills and gear. WMC members only.

Jan **Evening Nordic Ski Tour Up Mill Creek – ntd+ – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Millcreek Canyon, end of plowed road.

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

Informal ski tour up the Millcreek road, be ready to ski up the road at 6 pm. All types of touring gear acceptable. We will ski up hill for an hour or two and then back down, all paces welcome. Bring powerful headlamp for descent. No avalanche gear required.

Jan **Evening Hike-millcreek Canyon-church Fork – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

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

Headlamp/flashlight and MICROspikes. Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place. Depending on conditions we will hike up hill for 60 minutes and then return via the same route

Feb **Death Valley Winter Road Bike Escape – mod-**

10 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– The Annual Bob Wright Winter Escape to Furnace Creek in Death Valley National Park will be Feb 10 thru 15 this year. We have several tent only sites reserved for WMC members. You are welcome to reserve your own site if you have an RV or camper, or if you want to camp on your own and join us for rides and hikes. This year the Minnesota Rovers have several sites reserved as well, and you are welcome to join them for hiking. We road bike daily from the campground, and if you bring a mountain bike, you also must stay on roads; there are no specific mountain bike trails. We will have a couple group dutch oven meals, and you will be on your own for the remaining meals...there is a restaurant and general store near the campground as well. Contact me for more information and to register for the wait list.

Feb **Motel Car Camp: Yellowstone Wolves, Wildlife, & Winter Activities - 4-6 Days – ntd**

21 *Meet:* Registration required

Thu *Organizer:* Robert Turner, Julie Kilgore 801-560-3378, 801-244-

– 3323 r46turner@gmail.com, jk@wasatch-environmental.com

Feb Join us for wolf and other wildlife watching and general winter activities in Yellowstone

24 Sun Park. Yellowstone is a great place to visit in the winter. We could see wolves, foxes, coyotes, bighorn sheep and eagles; maybe some other critters, too. ----- Trip length: Leave Thursday afternoon; return home by Sunday night if you have to get back to work or whatever; stay until Monday or Tuesday if you have more time and would like to stick around. ----- We'll motel it in Gardiner, MT, and drive into the Park each day on the road between there and Cooke City, 4 miles east of the northeast entrance. It's the only road kept open in Yellowstone in the winter. We might see wolves anywhere along that road; the most likely place is usually Lamar Valley. We'll see other animals along the way, too. ----- Some other noteworthy considerations: We'll get up very early each morning (about 5:00am) and the mornings could be very cold (zero or less). ----- Wolf Watching: The best way to find wolves is to drive the road. If you really, really want to see wolves, you need to be dedicated to doing that to the exclusion of everything else until we find some. What we do is find the biologists and follow them wherever they go until we find wolves. After that you can do whatever you want. Winter Activities: There are lots of opportunities for cross country skiing and snowshoeing, so bring your skis, snowshoes or whatever if you want to enjoy some time trekking around in Yellowstone's spectacular winter wonderland. ----- The drive to Gardiner in the winter is about 500 miles since we can't go through the Park to get there, so we will leave Thursday and drive about halfway that night. Plan to leave anytime in the afternoon, but no later than 5-6pm. ----- Robert Turner and Julie Kilgore will be your co-organizers. Contact one of them for more details and to register.

Feb **Boating Season Planning Party 2019**

27 Meet: 6:30 pm at The Junior League Building of Salt Lake - 526 East 300 South, Salt Lake City. Parking: There is limited parking at the League building. Park on the street or at the Steel Encounter parking lot across the street.

Organizer: Tony Zimmer 440-465-2761 aczmr@aol.com

Whether or not you were lucky enough to have won a permit, join our planning party and help us build our 2019 river trip schedule! New boaters and interested individuals are welcome. We will get acquainted, discuss rivers, trips, trip organizing, new ideas AND sign up for some of the river trips. Dinner will be provided! Please bring your own plate and utensils to help minimize trash. See you all there.

Mar 23 **Nordic Ski Tour-kings Peak Tour – msd – 32.0 mi Out & Back – 4600' ascent – Fast pace**

Sat Meet: 4:30 am at Henry's Fork Trailhead

Organizer: Larry Swanson 801-583-4043 oldswaney@gmail.com

The 46th edition of the longest, highest altitude gained and longest running WMC ski tour is scheduled for March 23. Car camp on the 22nd at Henry's Fork.

Mark your calendars now for the 46th annual KPT. More info to come...

OUTDOOR GEAR FOR SALE

Downsizing/moving sale. Most items lightly used. A few are new and unused.

Climbing/Mountaineering Gear:

Chock nut set, Wild Country, size 1-5, 7-10 (size 6 is missing), \$20
Belay/rappel devices: ATC (Black Diamond), ATC (BlueWater), \$10 each
Cams, Melotius, set of 5, each with short quick draw, width: 1 in., 1.25 in., 1.5 in., 2 in., 2.5 in., \$150
Short quick draws, Black Diamond, 4.5 in. long, \$7 each
Short quick draws, Black Diamond, 7 in. long, two, \$7 each
Slings, sewn through, 24 in. long, \$2 each
Sling, sewn through, 48 in. long, \$4
Daisy chain, Yates, red, new, \$12
Gear sling, Metolius, black, lightly used, \$18
Locking carabiners, Black Diamond, three spring gate, \$6 each
Locking carabiners, Black Diamond, two spring lock gate, \$5 each
Regular carabiners, Black Diamond, solid straight gate, 8, \$3 each
Regular carabiners, Black Diamond, solid curved gate, 2, \$3 each
Regular carabiner, Omega USA, D-shaped, straight gate, \$3.
Insulated overboots, Forty Below, medium, black, never used, \$120
Mountaineer climbing harness, Black Diamond, small, black, \$10
Ice axe, Grivel Mont Blanc, 23 in. long, steel head, \$20, padding & duct tape on head can be cut off, \$40.
Ice axe leashes, two Black Diamond, \$8 each, one Grivel \$7
Ice screws, Black Diamond, 6 in. long, brand new, never used, 2, \$40 each
Ice screws, Black Diamond, 8 in. long, brand new, never used, 2, \$40 each
Crampons, Grivel, 12 point, medium adjustable length, moderate use, \$50
MSR Lightning snowshoes, 23 in. long, 8 in. wide, moderate use, \$70
Headlamp, separate pouch for batteries, so can be inside jacket to keep batteries warm, never used, \$8

Camping/Backpacking:

Tent, REI Roadster, small backpacking tent, one person, lightly used, \$50
Stove, MSR, Whisperlite (lightly used), \$40
MSR fuel bottle for stove, 22 fl. Oz. capacity (lightly used), \$10
MSR fuel bottle for stove, 11 fl. Oz. capacity (lightly used), \$7
Duffle bag, Eagle Creek, 36 in. long, 46 in. in circumference, black, lightly used, \$40

River/Canyoneering:

River bag, REI, large, with shoulder straps, 28 in. high closed, 40 in. circumference, lightly used, \$50
River bag, REI, medium, 21 in. high closed, 28 in. circumference, lightly used, \$30
Wetsuit, Farmer John, Women's Med (runs small), used once, \$70

Cycling: Windtrainer, Avenir: turns your bicycle into a stationary bike, \$50

Footwear:

Approach shoes for rock climbing, men's size 8.5 (lightly used), \$50
Keen river shoes, men's size 8.5 (lightly used), \$30
Trail running shoes, men's size 8.5 (used once), \$50

Carol Masheter: email: carol_masheter@hotmail.com phone: 801-493-9114

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.

Signature 1 _____

Date: _____

Signature 2 _____

Date: _____

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
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