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# GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Annual Dutch Oven Cook-Off at the Lodge Saturday, June 29th!**

Come join the WMC Lodge Foundation for their annual Dutch Oven Cook-Off at the Lodge at Brighton. If you are interested in cooking, set up starts at noon and entry is FREE for all dutch oven cooks! Social hour starts at 3:00 and dinners will start being served at 5:00. \$20 donation suggested. Please email or call JoDene for more information or to sign up as a dutch oven cooker at [jodene.arakelian@gmail.com](mailto:jodene.arakelian@gmail.com) or 801-413-9496. Remember to check the Activity Calendar for nearby activities that you can participate in before the cook-off to work up an appetite. We look forward to seeing you there and having another delicious and fun cook-off!

## **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 exciting?
  - 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.
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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Julie Kilgore

The Wasatch Mountain Club Board of Directors and Centennial Planning Committee have been laying the groundwork for a year of celebration throughout 2020, marking our 100 years as a formal organization!



We are excited to unveil our Centennial Logo. The Centennial Committee considered a lot of options, some with more drastic changes than others. Honoring our history and tradition won the day. The WMC logo dates back to the earliest club documentation (check out the 1922 issues of *The Rambler* on the club website). We selected a design that provided a fresh look for Sundial Peak and Lake Blanche, and we'll carry that logo forward into our second century. Susan Riedley designed the logo. See the member feature about her in this issue.



The Centennial Committee has a phenomenal slate of activities and celebrations planned for 2020, and there are many opportunities for sponsors to participate and be part of the action! We are thrilled to announce that Black Diamond Equipment, Ltd. has signed on as our first Centennial Sponsor, securing the one and only Summit Sponsor level! 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. 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 levels outlined in the center pages of this month's issue. Sponsorship levels range from Trailhead Sponsors all the way to the top of Utah – the King's Peak Sponsor!

## Key 2020 Centennial Activities:


- January 27: Centennial Kick Off Event and 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, Orangerie Room, Red Butte Garden
- June: National Trails Day, Selected WMC Centennial Project TBD
- July 17-19: Life Member Celebration and Multi-Sport Weekend at the 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 and the Wasatch Mountain Lodge
- November: Volunteer Appreciation Banquet
- December 5: Closing Event/Christmas Party, Alf Engen Ski Museum (which has a WMC section!)

The WMC is an all-volunteer organization, and our membership dues will not be utilized to fund the Centennial activities. Sponsorships will cover the costs of the special Centennial events, and any funds remaining will be directed to the WMC Centennial Education Endowment (more details on the Education Endowment will be highlighted in next month's issue of *The Rambler*).

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Now is a great time to join or renew your WMC Membership. Most club activities are open to members and non-members, 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.

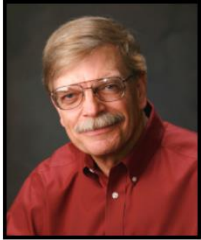
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## NEPAL TREK!

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](mailto:bobnepal@comcast.net). Limit of 8 people.

# 50 YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

*Transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC Trustee*

## CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR JULY 1969

- July 13      TIMPANOGOS: NORTH AND SOUTH PEAKS FROM TIMPOONEKE.  
Sunday      Elev. (south peak) 11,750. Rating 11.0. For a change the crew will divide on the ridge, one group to follow the standard route to the south peak. The other group will turn north to the seldom visited north peak, then descend the northwest side. Bring food and water. Meet at Pioneer Monument at the Point of the Mountain at 6:00 a.m. Leaders: Fred Bruenger and Dick Bell.
- July 19      HAYDEN PEAK: Elev. 12,745. Rating 5.0. This Uinta Peak is high, but  
Saturday      we also start high. An intermediate hike with some fun rock scrambling and a wonderful view. Camp out at Moose Horn Camp (first one beyond Bald Mtn. Pass before coming to Mirror Lake). Meet at 8:00 a.m. for the hike. Please register with leader by 9:00 p.m. on Thursday. Leader: Dick Bell.

## A SUNDAY ON THUNDER MOUNTAIN

by Oscar Robison

Time: 6:30 a.m. Place: Little Cottonwood Canyon; Participants 9 (Final count) "Thrill Seekers", namely Ron & Nan Carpenter, Bob Irvine, Harold Goodro, Jackie Thomas, Phyllis Anderson, Karin Dahlgren, Leader: Dale Green, and myself; Objective: North Peak of Thunder Mountain.

A stout hearted group of 8 set out in the brisk morning air of what turned out to be a perfect day for snow hiking. About ½ mile up the hill our group took on an additional member. After having craftily stayed in bed an extra hour, Harold Goodro decided to join up with us, which he promptly did. A stouter hearted group of 9 then continued up the hill. The hike was almost canceled prematurely for yours truly (bringing up the rear) when the ascent route developed into a 50 ft. stretch of EXPOSURE laden semi-trail. Bob Irvine kindly returned after the absence was noted and pointed out an alternate route up a relatively easy chimney.

We reached the summit at approx. 12:30 p.m., after 6 hours of steady trudging. The ascent was almost entirely on snow, except for a short stretch at the bottom of Coal Pit Gulch. Dale Green and Karin Dahlgren alternated kicking nicely-spaced and greatly-appreciated steps up the snow field. We spent about 1 hour on the top munching lunch and entering names in the summit register. The register (contained in a 1 qt. Mason jar) was accidentally discovered at the base of a large boulder and had, among other things, entries by Good Bob Wright made before his hairline started receding and Bruce Christianson when he was still in high school.



At 1:30 p.m. intrepid leader Dale Green wisely chose Bell's Canyon as the down-route, anticipating hazardous snow conditions in Coal Pit Gulch resulting from the hot afternoon sun. Harold Goodro and Bob Irvine did return down Coal Pit to ferry the cars to the mouth of Bell's Canyon for the rest of the group.

On the course of the hike, great love and affection for ice axes was developed by those of us using them for the first time. Jackie Thomas may or may not have developed a few gray hairs as she made the entire trip without one. The descent down Bell's Canyon was greatly aided by lots of snow in which leader Green held a much-appreciated self-arrest seminar.

At approx. 4:45 p.m. the first member off the mountain, Phyllis Anderson (alias Downhill Dora), reached the cars where Harold and Bob were patiently waiting. Ten minutes later the remainder of us trailed in, thus bringing to a close a most enjoyable 11-hour adventure in snow hiking.



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# LONG TIME TRAILBLAZER BRETT SMITH

Well known trailblazer, Brett Smith passed away June 12, 2019. Brett was currently serving as Trails Maintenance Coordinator for the Wasatch Mountain Club. He was also a current and longtime Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee Member. As a dedicated leader, he continually encouraged collaborative trail work efforts between the Cottonwood Canyons Foundation, US National Forest Service, WMC, BST and others. He was an avid supporter of all things outdoors. In November 2018, Brett was honored with the Pa Parry Award for his years of exceptional service to the Wasatch Mountain Club including serving on the board, organizing numerous hiking tours, his extensive back country knowledge, leading the WMC team of the multi-agency Mt. Olympus Saddle-to-Summit cairn building project, his many years of coordination and leadership on the Mt. Olympus trailhead trash and graffiti cleanup team, his years of work on Bonneville Shoreline Trail in many segments. We miss our fellow outdoor enthusiast, but his contributions live on in the trails we enjoy.



# MEMBER HIGHLIGHT: SUSAN RIEDLEY, CENTENNIAL GRAPHIC DESIGNER

*By eVette Raen*

As we launch the 2020 WMC Centennial Celebration, we are excited to officially unveil the updated club logo. The vibrant enhanced centennial logo was designed by Susan Riedley. Susan joined the club last summer, and graciously volunteers her talents as our Centennial Graphic Designer. Her professional design career spans over 25 years including illustration and graphic design. Recently she began creating Fine Art. We are lucky to have her high level talent bringing the club graphics into the brightest light.



Susan's husband, Bill Riedley, found WMC by attending a hike listed on [MeetUp.com](https://www.meetup.com) when he moved to Salt Lake City in November of 2017. He informed her of their WMC couple membership six months before she moved to Utah when she was still in California, preparing for their youngest daughter to graduate from high school and selling their house.

Currently, her favorite activities are hiking, snowshoeing and the Yellowstone Wolf-watching trip. She hopes to join kayaking in the future, if time allows. Both Riedleys appreciate the variety and various levels of activities and exercise WMC provides year-round, and have found new friends since they joined. Anyone who enjoys a healthy lifestyle and supports the stewardship of natural resources is encouraged to join WMC.

**Do you have unique talents you want to share with the club? We need you!**

The Wasatch Mountain Club needs leaders for these open volunteer roles: Public Relations Director, 2 Trail Maintenance Co-Coordination, Rambler Advertising Coordinator. Contact Julie Kilgore for more information by email, [president@wasatchmountainclub.org](mailto:president@wasatchmountainclub.org)



# PICS OF THE PAST

Can you identify these photographs? We need the details. Who, what, when, where? Email the details to [Rambler@WasatchMountainClub.org](mailto:Rambler@WasatchMountainClub.org). Your description will be featured in the next issue of The Rambler and on the club social media sites. Our Club maintains a wonderful archive spanning a century. For some photos, such as these, the identifying information is needed for our records. Do you have old WMC photos to share? The WMC Send those in and your photos could be the feature Pics of the Past. The photos will also be added to the photo rotation on the Club website.





# DOG LAKE & REYNOLD'S PEAK HIKE

JUNE 8, 2019

*Organized by Michael Budig // Trip Report by Greg Libecchi // Photos by Dianne Budig & Greg Libecchi*



You know a hike is going to be a great one when 13 people show up eager for an adventure! Some new-comers and some old-timers and some in-between-ers... basically a perfect mix. After introductions Mike advised the group that we would likely hit deep snow past Dog Lake and summiting Reynolds was probably not going to happen. During a non-eventful stroll up the better part of Mill D the group enjoyed the wonders of nature and quiet conversation. The creek was roaring fueled by the above normal retreating snowpack. Plants that would normally be displaying their colors and revealing their designation were nothing more than green nondescript floras.

At the Desolation Lake intersection we encountered consistent snow on the trail and 12 of us decided to attach our snow-ice traction footwear. There was one hold out... Kristy, a non-member newcomer to the club, decided she didn't need them... she proclaimed her trail running sneakers were just fine. I for one thought she'd regret that decision and was soon proven wrong as she sprinted like a cougar up to Dog Lake.

While enjoying our snacks and relaxing on the plateau just above the lake we gazed upwards at the imposing Reynolds peak, snow covered remains of a once ginormous cornice. My thoughts drifted to a fond memory of a backcountry tour this past winter where I lost count of the face shots I enjoyed as I skied down from the upper ridge. Would we dare risk the potential post holing and other steep snow related hazards of the pending ascent? It was a unanimous YES! Steve Duncan led the way and brought us to the crest of the ridge where the snow was consolidated enough to support our weight. Kristy, the trail running gazelle, pushed right on up the ridge without as much as a single slip. Once on the summit the group fell silent (for about 10 seconds;) as we gazed in wonder at the mind-blowing 360



degree views. MyCDS = Mineral, Cardiff, Days and Silver... that's the acronym I refer to that helps me remember the major drainages that spill out from the Little Cottonwood divide. Yes, this is our backyard and we love it!

Steve suggested we continue along the ridge and drop down to Reynolds Gulch making the hike more of a loop than an out and back. We agreed and started down and before long folks were on their butts glissading on the steeper part of the ridge. We approached a sub-ridge and someone noticed that one in the group had deviated and headed off the wrong side of the ridge. Once we decided who was unaccounted for (no not the accountant) a couple of us went to the ridge and started shouting BOB! Thankfully there was a reply so we continued down toward the gulch and soon enough there was Bob (Robert Meyers). For some this was a first time bushwhacking off a main trail. I believe I speak for the group when I say this was one fun hike filled with laughter and great admiration for the great outdoors. Can you believe some people prefer to golf ;-)



*Group photo by Dianne Budig Front Row, left to right: Mimi, Steve, Vicki, Kristy, Greg and Dede  
Back Row left to right: Robert, Michael, Susan, Tyler, John, Russel*



# SWALLOW ROCK HIKE

MAY 25, 2019

*Organized by Akiko  
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Akiko Kamimura*

Our original destination was Grandview Peak. We started from Big Mountain Pass. Because the trail was snow covered most of the time, it was sometimes very difficult to follow the trail. Nevertheless, we had very good progress and got to the halfway point (4.5 miles) in 2 hours and 20 minutes. However, crossing the snow fields became challenging.



In addition, it became impossible to keep going without snowshoes. So we decided to turn around two-thirds of the way (6 miles from the trail head). Then we bump-bagged Swallow Rock Peak, Big Mountain and six other bumps, and enjoyed the beautiful views and the great company. We will go back there to summit Grandview Peak in the summer! Above: Near the turnaround point. From left – Kianoush, Daisy and John // Right: Group photo at Swallow Rock Peak. From left – Daisy, Akiko, John and Kianoush.





# JULY ACTIVITIES

- Jul 1 **Prompt 6 Pm Departure Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 4.0 mi Loop – 500' ascent – Moderate pace**  
 Mon *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)  
*Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 Jk@wasatch-environmental.com  
 Approx. 3-4 mile enjoyable hike in the Draper area. Meet at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot. Newcomers and families with kids 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. Inquire the day before whether dogs are allowed or not due to possible watershed restrictions.
- Jul 2 **Evening Hike: Mount Aire From Elbow Fork, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**  
 Tue *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)  
*Organizer:* Nancy Munger 801-419-5554 nancymartin@gmail.com  
 A steep hike to a beautiful view. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.
- Jul 2 **Tuesday Night Mountain Bike Ride – 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 meet at varying trailheads riding trails per organizer's 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'.
- Jul 3 **Relaxed Pace Dog Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd- – Slow pace**  
 Wed *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)  
*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.
- Jul 4 **Day Hike - Ant Knolls From Brighton – mod+ – 10.0 mi Loop – 2800' ascent – Moderate pace**  
 Thu *Meet:* Registration required  
*Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu  
 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 will start from Brighton. Conditions permitting, we will make a loop - Brighton - Catherine's Pass - Sunset Peak - Ant Knolls - Sunset Peak - Pioneer Peak - Brighton. Bring micro-spikes and 10 Es. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Wednesday, 3 pm, July 3, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
- Jul 4 **Mary's Nipple Car Camp – mod+ – Moderate pace**  
 Thu *Meet:* Registration required  
*Organizer:* Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com  
 This 10984-ft peak is sometimes called Molly's Nipple -- it stands high above Salina on the north side of I-70. We'll also check out features like Heliotrope Mountain (11130 ft), Black Mountain (10632 ft) and White Mountain (10804 ft), tall ridges with cliffy sides and deep cirques. The trip will be exploratory, with faint trails and plenty of dirt-road driving. Well-behaved dogs and their well-behaved owners are welcome to participate.
- Jul 6 **Hike Donut Fall – ntd – 3.5 mi Out & Back – 530' ascent – Slow pace**  
 Sat *Meet:* 8:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)  
*Organizer:* Wilmer Alexis Sandoval Caceres 801-687-7490 wilmersan@gmail.com  
 Enjoy this beautiful and easy hike, which trail is located approximately 9 miles up Big Cottonwood Canyon. Bring you 10 essentials (10ES).

Jul **Day Hike - Wall Benchmark, Peak 10931 & Cone Peak In The Uintas – msd- – 11.0 mi Out & Back**  
7 **– 3440' ascent – Moderate pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

*Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We will take a very scenic route to summit Wall Benchmark (10,887 ft), Peak 10931 and Cone Peak (11,240 ft) in the Uintas. There is a trail which goes near the peaks. But there is no trail to the peaks. Expect class 2 scrambles, cross-country route finding, and bushwhacking on the ridge line. There is additional elevation gain/loss (ups and downs) to make the three peaks. Bring micro-spikes and 10 Es. Please bring a national park pass as well, if you have. Due to long driving (approximately 1-1.5 hour), it will be a long day. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, July 5, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Jul **Day Hike (maybe Snowshoe) Upper Bells Canyon Res – msd- – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

7 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We attempted this a month ago and the snow conditions kept us from our goal... let's try it again! I will be surprised if snowshoes are needed but please bring the 10 ess and spikes. Registration will be required with priority given to wmc members.

Jul **Prompt 6 Pm Departure Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike With Alfred, Tonya Or John – ntd – 4.0**  
8 **mi Loop – 500' ascent – Moderate pace**

Mon *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

*Organizer:* Alfred Kessi 443-324-7669 akessi@aquafin.net

Approx. 3-4 mile enjoyable hike in the Draper area. Meet at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot near the Restrooms. Newcomers and families with kids 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. Inquire the day before whether dogs are allowed or not due to possible watershed restrictions.

Jul **Tuesday Evening Mountain Bike Rides – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**

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

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

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

9 *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.

Jul **Mountain Bike Park City/deer Valley Area Trail Systems – mod- – Loop – Moderate pace**

9 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at We usually meet at the same place and same time as the MOD+ group.

Tue *Carpool:* 5:15 pm at Unless announced otherwise, meet to carpool at the 3880 Wasatch Blvd Park & Ride.

*Organizer:* Hardy Sherwood 801-944-4398 hs3333@gmail.com

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Jul **Wmc Board Meeting**

10 *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.

**Jul Evening Hike: The Prince Of Wales Mine – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

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

Join Mark for his favorite evening hike to this extraordinary area on the ridge between the Big and Little Cottonwoods. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

**Jul Evening Hike: Relaxed Pace Hike To Twin Lakes Reservoir Beginning At Silver Lake – ntd – 2.4 mi Out & Back – 730' ascent – Slow pace**

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

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

Relaxed paced evening hike to the Twin Lakes Reservoir beginning at Silver Lake in the refreshingly cooler summer air in upper Big Cottonwood Canyon. Meeting time is 5:45 PM with a prompt 6:00 pm carpool departure to Silver Lake.

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

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

Thu *Organizer:* Jeannie Pfoutz 801-664-8329 jeannie\_mc@comcast.net

Jeannie will take us to the bridge or beyond. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

**Jul Day Hike - Grandview Peak Via Big Mt Pass – msd- – 18.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Moderate pace**

13 *Meet:* Registration required

*Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We attempted to make Grandview Peak (9,410 ft) on May 25 but turned around at the two-third of the way due to snow. Grandview Peak offers fantastic views of the surrounding areas but is seldom climbed due to its remoteness. We will take the longest but easiest route to the peak from Big Mt Pass. We will be on the Great Western Trail, except for the very last part where there is no trail. The very last part (very short) involves easy class 2 scrambles. The estimated hike time is 10-12 hours. This hike will be exploratory. Please bring micro-spikes and 10Es. Please email before Friday, 3 pm, July 12, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

**Jul Day Hike, Alta Wildflower Hike – ntd – 5.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**

13 *Meet:* 8:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

Sat *Organizer:* Steven Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net

We'll come up with some nice little loop in the Alta area depending on lingering snow. Mileage and vertical gain estimated.

**Jul Neffs Canyon Meadow Day Hike – mod – 5.0 mi Out & Back – 2329' ascent – Moderate pace**

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

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

A pretty hike, steep in places, in thick forest. We'll start early to beat the heat. Well-behaved dogs and their well-behaved owners are welcome to participate. Limit: 9.

**Jul Training: Belay Clinic; Both Common Belay Skills And Advanced Trad Belays**

13 *Meet:* Registration required

Sat *Organizer:* Douglas Hansen 801-664-3797 d.hansen@hansenspecialities.com

Learn and practice various belays skills, they allow you to adapt to the various circumstances a climber must deal with. "How should we manage our partners second least on life(rope)?" Weight x distance / stopping distance x two = maximum dynamic load. Falling the distance of a persons height can develop over 2,000 lbs of force, and apply approx. 3,300 lbs of force on the top anchor. The rope stretch helps manage these forces, but the belayer can do a number of things to minimize and control these forces as



well. Learn the principles associated with belaying and advance belays. Helmets Required. More thoughts about belays and belaying in the link below. A volunteer or two to help teach, etc. would be welcome.

**Jul 14 Day Hike - A-1 Peak & Kletting Peak In The Uintas – msd- – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace**

**Sun Meet:** Registration required

*Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We plan to summit two 12ers in the Uintas - A-1 Peak (12,377 feet) and Kletting Peak (12,055 feet). We will take the shortest route which involves class 2-3 scrambles, bushwhacking, and cross-country route finding. If there is still too much snow there, we will hike to different peaks in the Uintas. Bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please bring a national park pass as well, if you have. Due to long driving (approximately 1-1.5 hour), expect a long day. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, July 12, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

**Jul 14 Relaxed Pace Hike To Dog Lake From Big Water & Yurt – ntd – 5.2 mi Out & Back – 1300' ascent – Slow pace**

**Sun Meet:** 8:30 am at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride

*Organizer:* Alfred Kessi 443-324-7669 akessi@aquafin.net

Meet at the P&R, ready to leave at 8:30 am. We will drive to the end of Mill Creek Canyon to the Yurt parking lot (Restrooms available). We then hike up to dog lake. Bring water and snacks. Families with children 12 and older are welcome. A small fee is charged at the Fee station on the way out. This hike is in lieu of the previously announced Copper Mine overlook.

**Jul 15 Prompt 6 Pm Departure Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 4.0 mi Loop – 500' ascent – Moderate pace**

**Mon Meet:** 6:00 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

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

Approx. 3-4 mile enjoyable hike in the Draper area. Meet at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot. Newcomers and families with kids 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. Inquire the day before whether dogs are allowed or not due to possible watershed restrictions.

**Jul 16 Tuesday Night Mountain Bike Ride – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**

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

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

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**Jul 16 Evening Hike: Pole Line Pass, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

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

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

**Jul 16 Mountain Bike Park City/deer Valley Area Trail Systems – mod- – Loop – Moderate pace**

**Meet:** 6:00 pm at We usually meet at the same place and same time as the MOD+ group.

**Tue Carpool:** 5:15 pm at Unless announced otherwise, meet to carpool at the 3880 Wasatch Blvd Park & Ride.

*Organizer:* Hardy Sherwood 801-944-4398 hs3333@gmail.com

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- Jul **Evening Hike: Old Red-pine Road Trail, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**  
 17 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Skyline High School - 3251 E Upland Dr (3760 S)  
 Wed *Organizer:* Peter Goldman 801-484-0422 yardbird09@yahoo.com  
 Peter may take us to a view of Park City if there's time. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.
- Jul **Relaxed Pace Dog Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd- – Slow pace**  
 17 *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.
- Jul **Evening Hike: Organizer's Choice, Little Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace**  
 18 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride  
 Thu *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.
- Jul **Canyoneering 2 Day Training**  
 20 *Meet:* Registration required  
 Sat *Organizer:* Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 shaneswallace@gmail.com  
 – Check out this Meetup with Wasatch Mountain Club <http://meetu.ps/e/F1kRF/mfVml/d>  
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- Jul **Mountain Bike Park Ctiy – mod – 25.0 mi Loop – Moderate pace**  
 20 *Meet:* Registration required  
 Sat *Organizer:* Cheryl Krusko 801-474-3759 ckrusko@gmail.com  
 Mountain Bike - Park City Loop- Climb Armstrong to Pinecone then ride the Wasatch Crest back to Park City.
- Jul **Mountaineering: Gannett Peak, Wy – ext – 50.0 mi – 10000' ascent**  
 21 *Meet:* Registration required  
 Sun *Organizer:* Paul Brown 801-277-3641 paul.h.brown@verizon.net  
 – Gannett Peak via Glacier Trail (Dubois), Dinwoody & Gooseneck glaciers with 10,800 feet vertical gain.  
 Jul This activity is an unguided multi-day backpacking and glacier travel trip. Required equipment includes  
 27 ropes, harnesses, crampons, alpine axes, helmets, ascenders, and rescue gear. Trip dates flexible. Trip will  
 Sat include 2 days to hike in, 1 day to summit, 2 days to hike out, 1 contingency day, and days for driving.  
 Lodging to be determined by the group. Please include in your RSVP skill and experience level.
- Jul **Rock Climb - Uintas - Cliff Lake**  
 21 *Meet:* Registration required  
 Sun *Organizer:* Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com  
 – The cliff belonging to the appropriately named, Cliff Lake, is a south-facing quartzite cliff band  
 Jul approximately 90 feet tall at its highest point, and about 100 yards wide. It is sunny and not a particularly  
 23 busy area. A trail on the east side of the cliff provides top-rope access. The routes here are mostly sport,  
 Tue but there are a few traditional offerings. They range in difficulty from 5.5-5.10c. The rock is surprisingly  
 clean and solid. I have booked site 6 for my family at the nearby Washington Lake campground for  
 Sunday and Monday night. The cliff is a 30 minute hike from the campground. Join me for a day or book  
 a site and join me for a couple days. All participants are required to bring their own climbing gear and  
 helmets are required. Ropes and top rope anchor kits will be provided.
- Jul **Day Hike - Alta Loop – mod – 7.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Moderate pace**  
 21 *Meet:* Registration required  
 Sun *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu  
 We will do a loop hike at Alta to enjoy wild flowers. The estimated hike time is approximately 3-4 hours.

Bring 10Es. Email before Friday, 6 PM, July 19, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

**Jul Day Hike To Blanche Peak – msd- – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 4500' ascent – Moderate pace**

21 *Meet:* Registration required

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

This hike follows the typical route to the ridge that leads to Sundial, but turning right instead and heading to the Cottonwood Ridge instead. Plan on an 8-hour hiking day. This is a wilderness area so registration is required with preference given to WMC members. Co-organized with Julie Kilgore.

**Jul Hidden Valley Park: Prompt 6 Pm Departure Slow Hike With Alfred, Tonya Or John – ntd – 4.0  
22 mi Loop – 500' ascent – Moderate pace**

Mon *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Hidden Valley Park (11700 South Wasatch Blvd Sandy, UT)

*Organizer:* Alfred Kessi 443-324-7669 akessi@aquafin.net

Approx. 4 mile enjoyable hike starting at the Hidden Valley Park. Newcomers and families with kids 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. Call the day before to inquire whether dogs are allowed or not due to possible watershed restrictions.

**Jul Hike - Handies Peak, Redcloud Peak, Sunshine Peak & Uncompahgre Peak – msd – Moderate pace**

23 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– We plan to summit four easy CO 14ers - Handies Peak 14,048 ft (5.75 mile RT distance, 2500 ft elevation gain) Class 1, Redcloud Peak 14,034 ft (9 mile RT distance, 3700 ft elevation gain) Class 2, Sunshine Peak 14,001 ft (12.25 mile RT distance, 4800 ft elevation gain) Class 2, and Uncompahgre Peak 14,309 ft (7.50 miles RT distance, 3,000 ft elevation gain) Class 2. Redcloud Peak and Sunshine Peak can be done together on the same day (loop). Rated MDS for high altitudes. We will leave on July 23 Tue and be back in town on July 27 Sat. The planned hike schedule is: July 24 Wednesday Handies Peak; July 25 Thursday Redcloud Peak & Sunshine Peak; and July 26 Friday Uncompahgre Peak. The schedule may change depending on weather. WMC members only. For more details, please contact Akiko. Co-organized with Jim Kucera. Update (5/13): This trip is currently full. If you want to be on the wait list, please contact Akiko.

**Jul Tuesday Night Mountain Bike Ride – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**

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

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

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**Jul Evening Hike: White Fir Pass, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

Tue *Organizer:* Jeannie Pfoutz 801-664-8329 jeannie\_mc@comcast.net

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

**Jul Mountain Bike Park City/deer Valley Area Trail Systems – mod- – Loop – Moderate pace**

23 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at We usually meet at the same place and same time as the MOD+ group.

Tue *Carpool:* 5:15 pm at Unless announced otherwise, meet to carpool at the 3880 Wasatch Blvd Park & Ride.

*Organizer:* Hardy Sherwood 801-944-4398 hs3333@gmail.com

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Jul **Evening Hike: Sunset Peak The Long Way Around, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back**  
24 **– Moderate pace**

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

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

For those who want a bit of a longer evening hike. From Brighton we'll head up to Katherine's Pass and then onto Sunset Peak. Bring your ten Es, and especially a working headlamp. The pace will be somewhere between moderate and fast. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Jul **Ferguson Canyon Late Evening Hike & Firework Watch – mod- – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 1400'**  
24 **ascent – Moderate pace**

Wed *Meet:* 7:00 pm at Ferguson trail overflow lot on the west side of Prospect Drive, 0.25 miles before the trailhead.

*Organizer:* Alex Arakelian 801-955-5526 kyojimujo@yahoo.com

I like to gather everyone here monthly for an evening hike to the overlook. This month we are starting later and hanging out after to see fireworks. Last year we did this and we got a great view of the fireworks set off from Butler Middle School. Meet at the Ferguson trail overflow lot on the west side of Prospect Drive, 0.25 miles before the trailhead. Bring your 10 E's including water. This is a STEEP hike at a moderate pace. After the hike, we will gather at the amphitheater and watch fireworks. Maybe bring some finger foods to share.

Jul **Evening Hike: Alexander Basin, Mill Creek Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

25 *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

Steep, beautiful, and sometimes with a moose encounter. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Jul **Evening Hike: Relaxed Pace Hike To Doughnut Falls – ntd – 1.6 mi Out & Back – 360' ascent –**  
25 **Slow pace**

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

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

Relaxed paced evening hike to Doughnut Falls in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Meet at the Big Cottonwood Canyon Overflow Park & Ride at 5:45 pm with a prompt carpool departure at 6:00 pm.

Jul **Day Hike Brighton Peaks – msd- – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

25 *Meet:* 6:45 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)

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

I did a portion of this hike last year and absolutely loved it! The idea is that we will start at the Brighton resort, hike up to bag Clayton peak, route finding along a ridge to pioneer peak, skirt to sunset peak, skip over to Tuscarora and wolverine, more route finding to Millicent peak, bag the honeycomb cliffs and tag back to our cars. It should be a long day with plenty of bailouts if the route proves to be too much.... but it will be amazing! Bring plenty of water and snacks! ~15 miles with ~4000 (rough! Estimate). Co-organized with Bart m.

Jul **Hike Hogum Divide Via Maybird Lakes – msd- – Moderate pace**

27 *Meet:* 7:30 am at Little Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

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

Hike to Maybird Lakes, then "rock dance" up the boulders to the Divide for a visit to the iconic obelisk and incredible view of Thunder Ridge. Test your feel for exposure as we work our way along the Hogum ridge before dropping back down to Maybird. This is a wilderness area so the group will be limited to 10, and preference will be given to WMC members.

Jul **Day Hike - North Timpanogos – msd – 17.0 mi Out & Back – 4200' ascent – Moderate pace**

28 *Meet:* Registration required

Sun *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 micro-spikes and 10 Es. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 3 pm, July 26, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Note (5/29): If you can register by noon July 22, that would be great. I won't check emails very often from July 23 to July 27.

**Jul 29 Prompt 6 Pm Departure Slow Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – 4.0 mi Loop – 500' ascent – Moderate pace**

**Mon Meet:** 6:00 pm at Ballard Equestrian Center - 1600 East Highland Drive (13590 S)

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

Approx. 3-4 mile enjoyable hike in the Draper area. Meet at the far north end of the Ballard Equestrian Trail parking lot. Newcomers and families with kids 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult are welcome. Inquire the day before whether dogs are allowed or not due to possible watershed restrictions.

**Jul 30 Tuesday Night Mountain Bike Ride – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**

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

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

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**Jul 30 Evening Hike: Circle All Peak, Big Cottonwood Canyon – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

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

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

**Jul 30 Mountain Bike Park City/deer Valley Area Trail Systems – mod- – Loop – Moderate pace**

**Meet:** 6:00 pm at We usually meet at the same place and same time as the MOD+ group.

**Tue Carpool:** 5:15 pm at Unless announced otherwise, meet to carpool at the 3880 Wasatch Blvd Park & Ride.

**Organizer:** Hardy Sherwood 801-944-4398 hs3333@gmail.com

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**Jul 31 Evening Hike: Lambs Canyon, From The Parleys Side – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

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

**Wed Organizer:** Peter Goldman 801-484-0422 yardbird09@yahoo.com

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

**Jul 31 Relaxed Pace Dog Hike - Millcreek Canyon – ntd- – Slow pace**

**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.

# MAHOGANY MOUNTAIN HIKE

JUNE 2, 2019

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

We started from Grove Creek Canyon Trail Head (5,126 ft) in Pleasant Grove to summit Mahogany Mountain (9,001 ft). The first part of the trail was rocky and offered great views of Utah Lake and waterfalls. Then, we saw snow-covered North Timpanogos in front of us. The trail turned to very green with lots of wild flowers. When we were up approximately 8,000 ft, the trail became snow-covered. Beth stated she would like to take the direct route to the peak and split from the group. We saw her at the peak but she descended on the different route by herself. The rest of us continued on the trail/ridgeline. We bagged Point 8926 on the way. The snow was deep around Point 8926 but was passable. We finally summited Mahogany Mt and enjoyed 360 degree views: mountains in American Fork, Lone Peak and surrounding mountains, Mt Nebo, Provo Peak, and many more! The distance from the trailhead to the peak was eight miles. So we wanted to take a shorter route to descend. After bushwhacking and 5+ times creek-crossing, we found the trail that we ascended. The shortcut saved three miles. That said the total hike distance was 13 miles (cumulative elevation gain – 4,973 ft). It was a great 8-hour hike. *Group photo at the peak (North Timpanogos on back). From left – Beth, Michele, Akiko and Jim.*



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dedicated to fostering an awareness of the scenic beauties of the Wasatch  
and encourage preservation of our natural areas***

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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, his and hers restrooms with showers, and sleeping accommodations for 20+. Ideal for corporate training retreats and weddings. [www.wasatchmountainlodge.org](http://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](http://www.wasatchmountainclub.org) as well as via our monthly publication, *The Rambler*. [www.wasatchmountainclub.org/admin/menu.php?dir=Rambler](http://www.wasatchmountainclub.org/admin/menu.php?dir=Rambler)

Money raised through sponsorships will go towards promoting and honoring the Centennial Celebration of the Wasatch Mountain Club, 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. For more information or to discuss details related to your selected sponsorship package, please call or email Greg Libecci at [glibecci@yahoo.com](mailto: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!

**Thank you for your time and consideration.**

**Please consider these options for participation:**

1. **King's Peak Sponsor:** \$13,534 level (1 slot)
  - a. Spotlight presence on back cover of *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet*
  - b. Spotlight presence on *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page each month during 2020
  - c. Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
  - d. 6 WMC annual memberships
  - e. Full page Rambler ad for 12 months
  - f. Complimentary admission for up to 8 to all Centennial events
  - g. Three days and two nights use of the **Wasatch Mountain Lodge** [www.wasatchmountainlodge.org](http://www.wasatchmountainlodge.org)
  
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  - b. Spotlight presence on *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page each month during 2020
  - c. Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
  - d. Full page Rambler ad for 6 months
  - e. Four WMC annual memberships
  - f. Complimentary admission for up to 4 to all Centennial events
  - g. Two days and one night use of the **Wasatch Mountain Lodge** [www.wasatchmountainlodge.org](http://www.wasatchmountainlodge.org)
  
3. **Ridgeline Sponsor:** \$1,000 level (5 slots) **(THREE SLOTS REMAINING)**
  - a. Featured presence in the *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet*
  - b. Featured presence on *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page each month during 2020
  - c. Your Logo prominently printed on 80" vertical banner at all centennial events
  - d. Half page Rambler ad for 6 months
  - e. Two WMC annual memberships
  - f. Complimentary admission for 2 to all Centennial events
  
4. **Canyon Sponsor:** \$500 level. (unlimited number)
  - a. Honorable mention listing with logo in the *WMC Commemorative Centennial Booklet* and a place in history as a supporter of the Centennial Celebration
  - b. Honorable mention listing with logo on *The Rambler* "Centennial Spotlight" page each month during 2020
  - c. Half page Rambler ad for 2 months
  
5. **Trailhead Sponsor:** \$100 level. (unlimited number)
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# ROCK CLIMB 101 CLINIC: LEARN TO CLIMB

MAY 26 & JUNE 2, 2019

*Organized by Kathleen Waller // Trip Report by Kathleen Waller // Photos by Kathleen Waller*



Volunteers included Kevin Quire, Paul Gettings, Steve Duncan, Greg Baldacci, and Neil and Hannah Schmidt

This was a beginner's workshop on the fundamentals of rock climbing plus equipment use and selection. It was an opportunity for many people to experience outdoor climbing for the first time and for people who are rusty and want a refresher. The clinic was also a great opportunity to meet and learn with other interested beginner climbers. We covered gear and techniques including communication, proper belay, top roping, and climbing with a focus on safety. Many experienced climbers attended to help set up top ropes and to share their experiences. Thank you to the volunteers for their time.

We climbed at Geezer Wall in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Geezer Wall is about a 15 to 30 minute approach and is less crowded than crags close to the road. Geezer has easy bolted routes 5.5 to 5.7 with options to climb second pitches. One goal of the clinic was to give each participant a chance to climb and belay another climbing on four routes. We climbed Whipper Snapper (5.5), Sweet Louis (5.5), Lower Dentures (5.6), and Golden Years (5.5). *Above: Climber in top rope at Geezer Wall*



# DICK BENCHMARK HIKE

JUNE 8, 2019

*Organized by Greg Lott  
& Akiko Kamimura // Trip  
Report by Akiko  
Kamimura // Photos by  
Akiko Kamimura*

Dick Benchmark Peak (8,486 ft) is rarely climbed due to the popularity of the neighboring peak, Spanish Fork Peak. Indeed, our original plan was hiking to Spanish Fork Peak. We changed the destination to Dick Benchmark due to the winter mountaineering conditions on the route to Spanish Fork Peak. We started from Whiting Campground in Maple Canyon, Springville. The first 1.5 mile involved a number of creek crossing/walking. The trail became dry after those

creeks. There was patchy snow above 8,000 feet. We did not need to use snowshoes or microspikes. We saw bear tracks on the snow field. Once we were up to the ridgeline, the mix of snow and wild flowers created very beautiful scenery. The views of surrounding mountains and the cities were also stunning. The marker at the benchmark does not have the elevation but says "DICK 1946." We were wondering if that was Dick's birth year. It was cloudy when we started, but became sunny and beautiful weather. We had a wonderful 6.5 hour hike (distance – 11.7 miles, elevation difference between the trail head and the peak – 3,000 ft, cumulative elevation gain – 4,194 ft). Above: Snowfield near Dick Benchmark. Daisy, Michele, and Greg



# CAVE PEAK HIKE

MAY 18, 2019

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



Cave Peak (6803 ft) is a small peak in the Bountiful/Woods Cross area and is not commonly climbed. Due to rain, we got a couple of cancellations. But Stanley, Jim and Akiko still wanted to summit this interesting peak. We started from the Mueller Park trail head in Bountiful. We followed the trail for 1.78 miles and then follow a sort of “trail” on the ridge line to the peak. The “trail” to the peak was snow covered and was a little hard to follow. There were a couple of very steep sections. We saw four deer and snow-covered wild flowers. The peak supposed to offer beautiful views. While the visibility was very low when we were at the peak, it became sunny briefly during descending and so we could enjoy the views of the city of Bountiful, the Great Salt Lake and mountains. When we were back to the trail, it started raining a lot again. We decided not to do any extended hike and headed back to the trail head. It was a wonderful short (3.5 hours) hike in rain and snow. *Above: Group photo at Cave Peak. From left – Stanley, Akiko and Jim*



# SAINT GEORGE HIKE & BIKE TRIP

APRIL 22-28, 2019

*Organized by Bruce Christensen // Trip report by Bruce Christensen // Photos by Phyllis Anderson & Bruce Christensen*



We started the week with a hidden area hike locally known and named the Vortex at Saddle Mountain consisting of beautiful slick rock sandstone with pools and bath tubs filled with the recent rain. Next, another hidden gem known to the locals as the Maze. Two shallow canyons of sandstone walls that make a loop of steep slick rock pour offs, rock scrambling, slots to squeeze between and belly crawling to get through.

While the cyclists rode the St. George trails and Snow Canyon loop the others tackled Padre Canyon. The steep climb up to the pass was rewarded with a walk down that included an arch, slot canyon, more beautiful slick rock and a plethora of wild flowers. However our walk out of Snow Canyon through deep sand at 90 degree temperature put a bit of a damper on the day. We decided to go higher to get out of the heat and headed to the Taylor Creek trail in Zion's Kolob. The hike was along a clear running small stream that required many rock hopping crossings to reach a colorful double arch alcove at the



trail end. Following the stream bed further brought us to high narrow slot canyon falls filled with spring runoff.

Our last day of hiking was an exploratory hike into the Pine Mountain Wilderness area. A day of slogging and post holing through deep snow on a densely pine forested mountain side was a contrast, but yet beautiful, to the red rock of St. George. On the return to St. George we stopped to observe along with many others, several hundred feet of cascades and falls over red sandstone below the Gunlock Reservoir. To top the day off was a fabulous dinner at the Xetava Garden restaurant at the Kayenta artist colony. It was a wonderful week of good weather and beautiful country with good friends. Participants: Phyllis Anderson, Tricia Lee, Teresa and Jeff Hagen and Bruce Christenson. *Above: Padre Canyon Arch by Bruce Christenson // Below: Gunlock Falls by Phyllis Anderson*





# MT. EVERGREEN SNOWSHOE

MAY 19, 2019

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

Due to the forecast of snow, rain and high winds, we wanted to do a relatively short hike and decided to summit Mt Evergreen (9,840 ft) from Solitude. We used snowshoes most of the time as there was still lots of snow. We went up to the ridge

through the Solitude ski area. The final ascent from the ridge was very steep. Also it was very windy during the final ascent. The wind became calm when we got to the peak. So we had lunch and enjoyed the views of surrounding mountains at the peak. We took different ridgeline which is between Solitude and Brighton to go back to the parking lot at Solitude. It was totally winter conditions including snowing. We could not believe it was in spring. It was fun to snowshoe late in May. *Above: Group photo at Mt. Evergreen. From left – Simon, Jim and Akiko*



## DUDE BENCHMARK HIKE

JUNE 1, 2019

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

Dude Benchmark (7,212 ft) is the ridge between Salt Lake and Bountiful. At first, we started from Wild Rose Trailhead Park in North Salt Lake, but we were unable to find our way up to the ridgeline. So we went back to the trailhead, walked to the other trailhead which is a couple of blocks south, and started from there. It was a beautiful day with lots of wild flowers, birds, and the views of the surrounding cities, Great Salt Lake and mountains. The maintained trail has ups and downs but overall only moderate elevation gain (3,350 ft elevation gain for 11 miles). It was a wonderful 6-hour hike. *Left: Group photo at Dude Benchmark. From left - Michele, Luther, Stanley, Akiko, Carol, Jim and Russell.*





# COLD FUSION COULOIR HIKE

MAY 11, 2019

*Organized by Michael Hannan // Trip Report By Michael Hannan // Photos by Michael Hannan*



Alpine starts, dark but necessary to catch good snow conditions in the springtime. We began hiking from the Mutual Dell parking area in American Fork Canyon at 5:25 a.m. Light was beginning to seep over the eastern ridges but headlamps were a must for the first 30 minutes on the Bear Canyon trail.

This hike/climb can be conveniently divided into 3 distinct parts: (1) The Bear Canyon trail from Mutual Dell (6,450') to an intersection with Timpooneke FS road (7900'). (2) A stroll along 2.5 miles of the road as it snakes north and west, girdling the northern end of the Timpanogos massif, to the base of the couloir. (3) The Cold Fusion Couloir itself which sprawls upward to a false summit 1/3 of a mile from the North Timp summit (11,441').

The Bear Canyon trail is, except for a few switchbacks, a long climbing traverse leading the hiker in a northwesterly direction. On this day it was a mixture of rock, mud, running water, leftover snowdrifts and assorted deadfall some of which made for brief deviations from the trail. I was glad to have scouted out the trail a week earlier because following the snow-covered trail was at times almost a guessing game. At the road we took a brief break noting that our decision to NOT bring snowshoes was fortuitous. The morning

dawned with clear skies, occasional breezes and a temperature which said, “Welcome, Wasatch Mountain Club climbers!”

The walk to the base of the couloir takes a bit more than an hour with good conditions, and we were surprised to have a snowbiker catch us 10 minutes before the couloir. That was a first for any of us to see one of those fat-tired bikes so far from a trailhead. At the base of the couloir we cached items we wouldn't need on the remainder of the climb, strapped on our crampons and deployed our ice axes. So there we were at 8,400', ready to tackle the couloir which clearly marks the north end of Mt. Timpanogos, like a giant stripe down the back of an enormous reptile.

Two hours and 20 minutes later we were at 11,200'. This spot is nicknamed the Lunch Counter and we hoped that the easterly wind would have mercy and go away. During the arduous ascent a couple of back-country skiers had booted past us, but our spirits were undaunted as we zigzagged up the ever steepening couloir, the snow allowing good purchase all the way. One third of the way up we found a boot pack which was in good shape; these tracks helped us except for the fact that at times they led straight up the couloir, a tiring effort considering the elevation and the grade of the slope (40-45 degrees). There were no exposed rocks above us like there had been in previous years. Indeed, this had been a monster snow year.

Lana led us away from the windy lunch counter, up a steep face to intercept the ridge leading to the false summit. From there one can finally see the expansive and stunningly beautiful view of almost everything including the North Timp summit, a 15-minute walk across a drooping saddle which sits at the top of the infamous Grunge Couloir. Recent snowfall covered the trail to the North Timp summit allowing us to leave our crampons on. Once on the cornice-graced North summit we joined several skiers who were looking forward to rocketing down the west face of Timp. The cornice on the main summit was gigantic, the size of a tour bus, and starting to tear away from the summit rocks. We could gaze 10' down into the crevasse created by the tear and spot the shale rocks belonging to the main summit. It was an eerie feeling to know that at some point in the future that cornice would crash down the east face of the mountain without any mercy for whatever might be below.

After an enjoyable 20 minutes on top, taking in the views and enjoying the brilliant sunshine we began the return, tired from the 6-hour ascent but our spirits buoyed by knowing that we had achieved our goal safely. We had all agreed that the return would be no picnic because we were a tad weary and the slope angle on the upper portion of the couloir would require concentration and energy, just as much as the ascent had. Snow conditions had not deteriorated since our ascent, the crampon points bit into the firm snow with ease and several glissades on the lower half where the slope angle made it easier to control such a wild-and-crazy activity made for a speedy return to the base of the couloir in under 1+45. There we stowed crampons and ice axes, re-packed our packs, ate snacks and noted that for some strange reason our pants seemed damp - no, wet.

We walked cheerfully back to the Bear Canyon trail on still firm consolidated snow, all of us thinking how delightful it would have been to have a snowmobile waiting for us instead of having to traipse the final 4.5 miles on dog-tired legs. Yet, this is what we signed up for, wasn't it? This portion of the trip made us all the more appreciative of the great experience of climbing and descending the Cold Fusion Couloir. Back to the cars at 4:10 p.m., meaning we had not quite put in an 11-hour day. Elevation gain was 5,450', total miles was about 10.5. Happiness meters were pegged. Participants: Charlie Sizemore, Brian Bass, Signe Gines, Lana Christiansen, Michael Hannan. *The summit photo L to R is Charlie, still in green, Lana now in red holding up the ice ax, Brian Bass in blue, me holding the summit sign and kneeling and Signe crouching down on my left. The ridge shot L to R shows Lana (red), Signe (black), Charlie (green) and Brian (blue).*



# SAN JUAN RIVER RAFTING TRIP: SAND ISLAND TO CLAY HILLS

MAY 7 - 14, 2019

*Organized by Kay & Arnie Tran // Trip Report by Arnie Tran // Photos by Arnie Tran*



Four of us, Kay and Arnie Tran, Beth Blattenberger and Dave Vance, began our journey to the San Juan River, Sand Island to Clay Hills from Salt Lake City to Sand Island campground with a brief lunch in Helper, Utah. During lunch, Dave entertained us with stories of his childhood and relatives who had been prominent community members. We arrived at Bluff in time to deliver keys to the shuttle driver, claim the last reasonable campsite and inspect the nearby petroglyphs. It was a windy night for cooking quesadillas and pitching tents but good sleeping with the anticipation for the morning launch.

At the launch ramp, Ranger Rick checked for the fire pan and groover and provided friendly advice. We had a 14-foot oar raft and a ducky from WMC, and Beth's small hard-shell kayak. On May 8, we traveled 9 miles, stopping for an extended hike at the River House to see the archaeological site and



pottery shards. Our intention was to camp at Chinle Wash with our Navajo permit but a large commercial group had taken that spot. At Lower Big Stick Camp, we were delighted to find our camp mates to be friendly horses. Mister Ed didn't like Arnie's apple slices although he sampled them. It was a cold evening and we were glad for insulation and rain suits.

Day 2 was cold and rainy and we traveled 23 miles in wet suits and foul weather gear to Mendenhall prospector cabin campsite, a place with easy access. A wildlife highlight was Mother Goose with 7 goslings. They had to paddle hard upstream against the 2300-cfs flow. We liked the river level which was quick with many easy rapids and ripples. Kay did 4-foot Rapids in the ducky and Arnie did 8-foot Rapids in the ducky; quite an exciting day. Ice cream at Mexican Hat had no appeal but hot coffee and hot chocolate did. Kay and Arnie got some exercise lugging several gallons of fresh water down the dirt road from town. That evening we had homemade chili and were happy to be warm and dry.

On day 3 we paddled 13 miles to camp at Lower Honaker. We pitched our tents and took shelter inside during torrential rain for 2 solid hours. In the afternoon, the storm cleared and Kay, Arnie and Beth headed up the Honaker trail hike, 1200 feet of vertical ascent, 2 1/2 miles each way, fairly technical in steep spots. We summited just before our turn-around time. We saw two vehicles, a friendly dog and his humans visiting Gooseneck State Park from the topside. We made it back to camp at twilight and were delighted to find Dave had river nachos ready for us.

Day 4 we woke up to beautiful warm sunshine. We stopped to take photos of the beautiful waterfall at John's Canyon camp but we decided to continue down-river as a large group had already claimed that camp. When we checked out Furnace Flats, it was so overgrown we decided to move on, which meant that we would do Government Rapids at the end of our day. We scouted the rapids from the left side. Kay on the ducky followed Beth, Arnie paddled the raft and it was actually less technical than 8-foot Rapids. We made camp at the attractive Government camp. This campsite comes with entertainment as other groups proceeded to shoot the rapids. The kitchen was right by the shore of the river, so Government Rapids camp was a favorite.

We woke the next morning to portage our kayaks up to the top of the rapid to do repeat runs, and success was had by all in the party. A short hike up the canyon was awesome too. We proceeded down the river 2.5 miles to Slickhorn B, our reserved campsite, another good one with the rock canyons being a nice backdrop for fabulous star gazing. We hiked up Slickhorn Canyon and went swimming in the clear pools. Chicken curry was a highlight of the menu that night.

On our final day we paddled from Slickhorn to the take out at Clay Hills, spotting several bighorn sheep by the river along the way, and arriving around 4:00 p.m. There were some sand bars at the lower end of the river but the wind was kind to us and our truck and trailer were waiting for us, shuttled by Wild Expeditions. We made terrific time arriving back in Salt Lake by midnight.

We sincerely thank the Wasatch Mountain Club, especially the boating coordinators who helped us create a successful trip.

# CATHEDRAL GORGE & SOUTHEAST NEVADA

MAY 25-27, 2019

*Organized by Donn Seeley // Trip Report by Donn Seeley // Photos by Donn Seeley*



I had been looking for an excuse to show off the area around Caliente, NV, since my previous visit for Thanksgiving 2017. With the chilly and snowy weather this spring, I thought it'd be great to go someplace warmer and dryer, so I put a trip on the schedule. Much to my surprise, we ended up with 25 people. I think everyone else was looking for a break too.

It's been cool and wet in Nevada too, as it turns out, but we caught a break and we got three mostly-dry days on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Most people didn't arrive until Friday evening, but we needed a sunny Friday so that the countryside could dry out after torrential rain on Wednesday and Thursday!

I had planned to camp at Cathedral Gorge State Park, but when our advance group arrived there on Thursday afternoon, the campground was full of mud and the bathrooms were an island in a lake. We quickly changed plans and moved our meeting place and campground to Kershaw-Ryan State Park, about 20 minutes south. The campground at Kershaw-Ryan had been rebuilt in 2009 after flooding had wiped out the area in 1984, and the campsites were in fine shape.



We managed to capture 6 of the 15 campsites for our group, 5 of them adjacent to each other. We didn't have a group site, but it felt like one -- it was easy and comfortable to socialize. That did lead to some competition for the bathrooms and showers (did I mention the hot showers for \$0.25?).

There are a lot of things to do and see in this area. Some of us checked out Rainbow Canyon on Friday, with stops for the Elgin Schoolhouse and some small rock art sites. Many of us also checked out the trails in



Kershaw-Ryan, leading up to the campground overlook. On Saturday morning, we hiked to an unusual area of cliffs and pinnacles that I call the Tuff Towers, which I had found in 2017. By Saturday afternoon, I was ready to test Cathedral Gorge, and while it still had slippery spots, no one broke a leg. On Sunday we hammered rocks at the BLM's Oak Springs trilobite site, then visited a corner of the Big Rocks Wilderness before heading west to see the rock art at the White River Narrows and the 50-foot tall gray alien statue at the Extraterrestrial Highway. (And on Sunday night, it started raining at dusk and continued until dawn. There was snow along US 93 on the drive home.)

Cathedral Gorge is unique in my experience. The clay there is so soft, it has been eroded into a pattern of pleats that amount to slot canyons. Some of the slots are a couple of feet wide and 30 to 50 feet deep. Where there are layers that are a little harder, water washes out caverns and tunnels underneath them. I found a chamber in 2017 that's maybe 30 feet tall and has little windows at the top; I call it the Cathedral. We stopped there and discovered that it was far too slippery to go inside -- too bad! Back in 1990, I found a natural tunnel that extends for hundreds of feet, with periodic sunny spots and dark passages; I rediscovered the Tunnel this time, and a group of us followed its crazy twists and turns all the way to its concluding pour-off.

I also want to plug the White River Narrows, which are now part of the new Basin and Range National Monument. The rock art here is dense, detailed and downright weird. There are multiple panels with cryptic fence-like and tower-like images, along with lots of animals, including snakes, birds and turtles. If the wind hadn't been blasting at us so vigorously, and the sky threatening us with rain, we could have spent more time here -- I didn't even get to show off the Valley of Faces.

The very long and meritorious roll of participants: Mohamed Abdallah, Deirdre Flynn, Sue Baker, Bruce Jensen, Nancy Munger, Jeff Munger, Stanley Chiang, Steven Wolfe, Leslie Woods, Susan Allen, Bob Myers, Giulia Roselli, Tony Hellman, Karen Mikkelson, Gretchen Siegler, Loraine Lovell, Hong Duong, Michele Stancer, Stephen Higgins, Kathy Burnham, Rick Steiner, Sheila Steiner, Alec Jensen and Alexa Hanson-Wagner.





# ROCK CLIMB 201 CLINIC: LEARN TO SPORT LEAD

JUNE 9, 2019

*Clinic Organized by Kathleen Waller // Trip  
Report by Kathleen Waller // Photos by  
Kathleen Waller*

Clinic volunteers included Kevin Quire, Paul Gettings, Steve Duncan, Greg Baldacci, Dale Wilbourn, and Scott Stebbins

This was a workshop for experienced top rope climbers on the fundamentals of sport leading and lead belaying. We climbed at Geezer Wall in Big Cottonwood Canyon. We climbed Whipper Snapper (5.5), Sweet Louis (5.5), Lower Dentures (5.6), and Golden Years (5.5). We covered gear and techniques including proper lead belay, leading sport (bolted)

routes, and communication with a focus on safety. Climbers faux led on top rope while practicing clipping bolts and practicing lead belaying on a second lead rope.

Many experienced climbers attended to help set up top ropes, to share their experiences throughout the day, and take down routes at the end of the clinic. I estimate that each volunteer belayed at about 20 times in one day. Thank you to the volunteers for their attention to detail, their patience, and their time.

*Above: Kevin Quire and Wilmer Sandoval hanging at Geezer Wall in Big Cottonwood Canyon // Below Right: Ashlee Rex faux leading at Geezer Wall in Big Cottonwood Canyon // Below Left: Scott providing a top-rope belay and Marcia climbing in a sunbeam*

*"I appreciated all of the volunteers and learned how to be a better climber based on their feedback. I liked learning how to lead sport climbs." - Ashley Rex*

*"I appreciate people took time out of their weekend to pass their experiences on." – Parker Winkel*

*"I appreciated the help from the volunteers." – Dzenis Mehinovic*

*"Very much appreciated WMC members getting up early on a Sunday morning to share their experience with strangers." - David Mannion*

*"I greatly appreciate these clinics. As a new climber (first season) I've had the opportunity to safely break into this sport. Great people to boot." - Phil Parkinson*



*“Appreciated the time of all the volunteers. Great classroom learning with views of Storm Mountain.” - Marcia Hansen*

*“Enjoyed learning to lead. The volunteers were able to provide helpful advice to keep the group safe.” - Jason Mott*

*“This clinic was awesome. Always is good to refresh knowledge and learn new stuff. Sometimes we think that we are using the right techniques for any specific situation but is not good for another one, and this clinic allowed us to detect and correct mistakes and be more efficient when we climb.” - Wilmer Sandoval*



## AUGUST & BEYOND 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

4 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

Aug reserves at little cottonwood campgrounds near Beaver. The idea of this adventure is to drive down Friday

3 around 15:00 to set up camp. Early Saturday morning, we set out to the bullion pasture trailhead and start

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

6 *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**  
6 **pace**

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

*Organizer:* Craig Williams 801-598-9291 [craig@midgley-huber.com](mailto:craig@midgley-huber.com)

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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](mailto: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 **Canyoneering Trifecta-neon, Ringtail And Choprock**

8 *Meet:* Registration required

Thu *Organizer:* Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 [shaneswallace@gmail.com](mailto:shaneswallace@gmail.com)

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

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

9 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 [kathwaller79@gmail.com](mailto: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**

9 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 [kathwaller79@gmail.com](mailto:kathwaller79@gmail.com)

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

Thu *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 **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

25 keep one busy, but nothing death defying.

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- Aug 20 **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail System – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**  
 Tue *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Park City Mountain Resort  
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- Aug 24 **Social-oldtimers/newcomers Party, Membership Mtg, Presentation, Book/map Sale**  
*Meet:* 5:00 pm at WCMF 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 25 **Day Hike - The Sundial – msd – 10.5 mi Out & Back – 4300' ascent – Moderate pace**  
*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 27 **Mountain Bike Pcmr And Deer Valley Trail System – mod+ – 15.0 mi Loop – 2500' ascent – Fast pace**  
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- Aug 30 **Exploratory Ridgeline And Summit Day Hikes In Yellowstone – msd**  
*Meet:* Registration required  
 Fri *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com  
 – Using the Kilgore Kompound 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 of the park the second day.  
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- Sep 2 **White Water Rafting Salmon River – class III+**  
*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 Sep 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  
Wed 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 **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  
Sep possibly one or two overnights. If you want to sign up, please email me so you know which  
13 campgrounds to reserve. You will need to reserve early as the reserved sites will fill up.

Fri

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  
Sep Forest. The lower trail climbs steeply through an old mountain mahogany and mixed conifer forest before  
8 reaching an open alpine ridge. The trail continues along this ridge with incredible views until we cross  
Sun 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 **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,  
Sep training and camp site will be provided. No prior experience necessary. We will be removing fence on an  
14 old allotment on Strawberry Creek as it poses a threat of entanglement to wildlife. We will be pulling  
Sat 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 **Pink Flamingo Party - Everyone Is Invited – flat water**

21 *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 **Protect The Mexican Mountain Wsa**

21 *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  
Sep are a number of vehicle intrusion.

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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

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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.



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# 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](http://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? \_\_\_\_\_

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# WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgement of Risk and Release from Liability

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director  
Wasatch Mountain Club  
1390 S 1100 E STE103  
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