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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the Wasatch Mountain Club!

The Wasatch Mountain Club is turning 100! We'd love to have you join us as we launch our second century as custodians of our environment here in the Wasatch Front, and as active participants in hiking, climbing, canyoneering, river rafting, road and mountain biking, backcountry skiing, snowshoeing, backpacking, car camping, and multi-day adventures. If you haven't already done so, please consider joining us at a club activity. Many of our activities are open to non-members, and our schedule is available on our website, www.wasatchmountainclub.org, as well as via our monthly publication, *The Rambler*, (back issues dated to 1922 are available [online](#)). Check out a brief [description](#) of our history and purpose. Our annual membership dues are quite reasonable (some would way ridiculously low), so membership is not really a cost of admission to participate in an activity. WMC membership commits to a larger purpose, supporting our organized outdoor recreation community, and local conservation efforts. It's easy to [join](#), and you can be part of a history that has come to define what makes living and playing in Utah so unique.

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

How quickly fall is settling in along the Wasatch! As the summer season winds down, there is still a lot of great hiking, biking, climbing, and boating to be done. Each year we celebrate and honor the dedicated group of activity organizers and other volunteers that make this club so great. Any club member who has posted two activities (or one multi-day activity) between November 1, 2018, and October 31, 2019, will receive an invitation to the annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet that will be held on November 9, 2019. If Halloween rolls around and you have not received your invitation, be sure to contact your activity director so he or she can secure your RSVP!

Ah, yes, Halloween! See this month's calendar posting for the annual WMC Halloween Masquerade Party at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge on Saturday October 26th for our annual Halloween Masquerade party. We have seen some creative costumes over the years! BYOB and bring a ghoulish Halloween dish to share, if you would like. A \$10.00 per person cover charge to support the Lodge will be collected at the door; children are free. Bring a sleeping bag, and for an additional \$10 per person, you can stay overnight at the lodge (again, children are free). There will also be plenty of WMC Centennial swag on hand for suggested donations to the Centennial Education Endowment.

Another really fun event this month is the 5th Annual Corner Canyon Trails Foundation Shindig Fundraiser Dinner the evening of Friday, October 4th. They will have great food, beverage, entertainment, and silent auction items. If you hike, bike, or horse ride in the Draper area, the Corner Canyon Trails Foundation is directly responsible for that! In 2018, the WMC honored the Foundation with a \$5,000 grant and the Alexis Kelner Conservation Award. Check out the calendar posting in this month's Rambler for details.

As announced in last month's Rambler, the University of Utah's J. Willard Marriott Utah Ski Archives Advisory Board has selected the Wasatch Mountain Club as the recipient of the 2019 History Maker Award in recognition of the WMC's 100th year celebration. The WMC was selected for the club's "long commitment and its serious approach in the sponsorship of skiing, and for the club's encouragement of outdoor winter activities." The award will be presented at the University of Utah Ski Archives Annual Ski Affair at the Little American Hotel on November 6th. The evening will include the awards program, a silent auction, cash bar and buffet dinner. Several key club representatives will be in attendance, and additional tickets are available at \$80/person (the event is a fundraiser in support of developing the Ski Archives at the University of Utah). **We're still looking for any footage showing winter activities of Wasatch Members at work or play, which may be incorporated in the evening's presentation.**





WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB CENTENNIAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

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

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

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

	King's Peak	Summit	Ridgeline	Canyon	Trailhead
	\$13,534	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$500	\$100
Sponsorship Availability	1 exclusive spot available	<i>exclusive spot secured by Black Diamond</i>	unlimited	unlimited	unlimited

Inclusions

Commemorative Centennial Booklet	Largest Logo in booklet & on back cover	<i>Large Logo</i>	Logo	Logo	Listing
12 Months in 2020 Rambler "Centennial Spotlight" Page	Largest Logo	<i>Large Logo</i>	Logo	Logo	Listing
2020 Rambler Ads	Full page, 12 issues	<i>Full page, 6 issues</i>	1/2-page, 6 issues	1/2-page, 2 issues	
Logo placement on 80" vertical banner	Largest Logo	<i>Large Logo</i>	Logo	Logo	
WMC annual memberships	6 memberships	<i>4 memberships</i>	2 memberships		
Complimentary admissions to all Centennial events	8 people	<i>4 people</i>	2 people		
Use of the Wasatch Mountain Lodge	3 Days & 2 Nights	<i>2 Days & 1 Night</i>			

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

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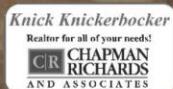
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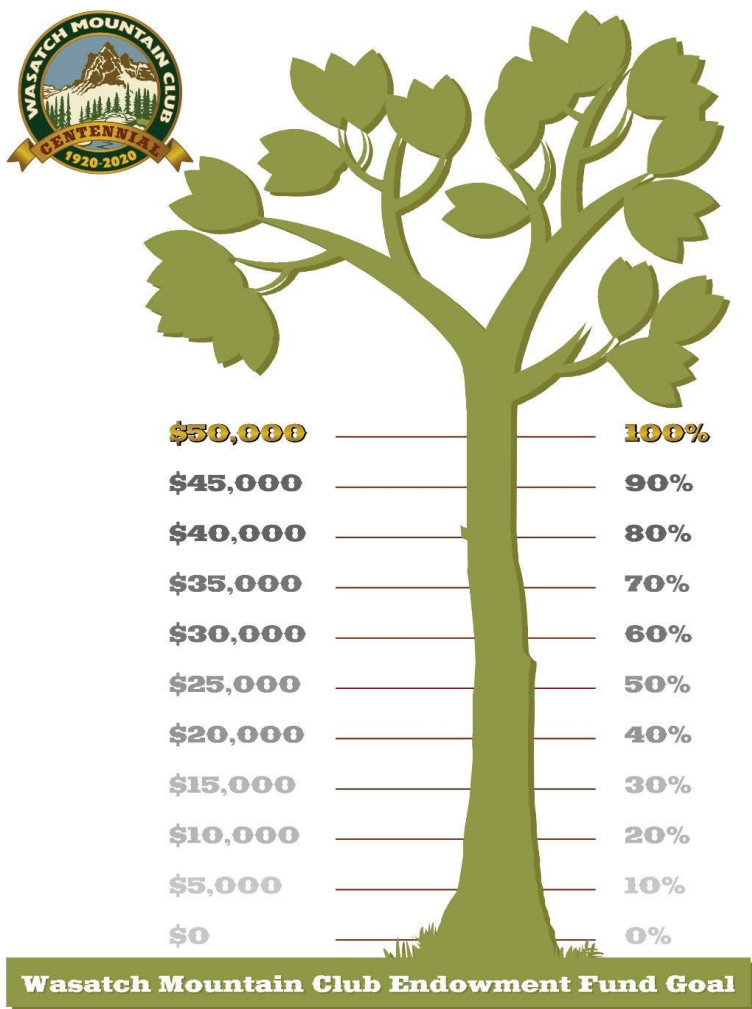
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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB CENTENNIAL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT

Wasatch Mountain Club Scholarship Fund

The Wasatch Mountain Club will make a lasting legacy in commemoration of the 2020 centennial year. Past President John Veranth is collaborating with the University of Utah (U of U) to establish an endowed scholarship fund to support students in the Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) department pursuing degrees focused in environmental health and community outdoor recreation.

The PRT program is part of the College of Health. The program inspires students to inform policy, serve social needs, promote sustainability, and advocate for the health of people, communities, and the environment.

This is closely aligned with the purpose statement of the WMC.

\$25,000 is required to establish the endowment, but our goal is to establish a \$50,000 endowment that can continue to be funded year after year. The U of U distributes ~3% endowment fund balances annually, depending on investment returns.

Donations made through the WMC would not be tax deductible (we are a non-profit membership organization, but not a 501c3). Donations made directly to the U of U will be tax deductible and you will be credited as a donor to the U of U.

Fun centennial items are available in exchange for endowment donations (hats, shirts, patches, coasters, mugs, koozies, etc.) Additionally, any sponsorship funds remaining over and above the cost of the Centennial events will be directed to the endowment,

Donations can be made through the WMC, either by check or on the website [Click to Donate](#). If the donation is large and tax deductibility is important, checks should be made out to the University of Utah with a memo "WMC Scholarship Fund." The Club Treasurer can receive and hold any initial checks and once they are transferred to the U of U.

Donate today & help reach our club goal!

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB CENTENNIAL

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE RAMBLER 2020



The Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) is turning 100! We invite you to advertise with the WMC and increase visibility to your business as we launch our second century as stewards of our environment here along the Wasatch Front. Our members are outdoor enthusiasts and have actively participated in hiking, climbing, canyoneering, river running, road and mountain biking, ski touring and ski mountaineering, snowshoeing, backpacking, car camping and multi-day adventures since 1920.

As our own promotional campaign for our 2020 Centennial Celebration is kicking off, we invite you to consider joining our efforts by purchasing advertising spots in our popular monthly publication, *The Rambler*. The 2020 centennial issues will feature full color content, and **you can expect high visibility of your advertisements.**

The Rambler is distributed in print to WMC members as well as to outdoor retailers such as REI. We circulate more than 500 print copies each month, *The Rambler* is viewed on-line by our 1000+ members and countless other Utahns. **Secure your advertisement spots by December 10, 2019 for the early bird rates listed below.** Advertising secured after the deadline will be at higher rates.

The Rambler features a monthly activity calendar and can be accessed at <https://wasatchmountainclub.org/admin/menu.php?dir=Calendar>

Money raised through your advertisement will go towards promoting and honoring the Centennial Celebration of the Wasatch Mountain Club, and any remaining funds will go toward our University of Utah Scholarship Endowment Fund to support students pursuing degrees related to outdoor education and/or environmental conservation <https://wasatchmountainclub.org/admin/menu.php?add=admin/education-endowment-donate.php>

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For more information or to book your advertisement, please email/text/call eVette Raen, Rambler Content Editor at Rambler@WasatchMountainClub / 801-913-4100.

We hope YOU join us for this opportunity to affiliate with our engaged outdoors community and become a part of our history!

50 YEARS AGO IN THE RAMBLER

Transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC Trustee

CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR OCTOBER '69 [...]

Oct. 15 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. After a brief report about club business we will
Wed. have a narrated showing of Dale Green's and Harold Goodro's slides of their recent
climbing expedition in Peru. The meeting begins at 8 p.m. at the La Morena Cafe, 346
West 1st South. Beer and Mexican goodies will be available.

Oct. 18, NOTCH PEAK. Elev. 9,653; Rating 6.0. Escape the opening of deer season by taking this
19 Sat. & trip to the western part of Utah. This peak is a historic landmark in this area. Also has a
Sun. 2,500 ft. face yet to be climbed. Meet at 4230 Sovereign Way at 2:00 p.m. Saturday. Have
dinner in Delta. Take food for breakfast and lunch, water and sleeping bag. Leader: Dale
Green [...]

PARUNUWEAP CANYON

by Kathy Kellett & Larry Swanson

... We encountered a place nicknamed "Devil's Slide" by Larry Swanson. A very short waist-deep pool had to be crossed which ends on top of a small log jam. After the log jam was a large boulder and a pool. The technique here was to slide down the long sloping boulder and spring from the end of it in order to hit a sand bar where the water was only a little over waist deep. A snaky route on top of the sand bar allowed one to navigate the deep pool with water never reaching the armpits. Naturally the exact route was the result of trial and error. The King boys providing the trial, and Larry Swanson providing the error. Dick Bell made light work of the whole thing by removing his pack and doing a flying something-or-other into the pool.

Several pools and rock piles were navigated until another obstacle had to be overcome. The technique here was either a chimney down the wall and one side of a big boulder, or, as was done with the smaller folks, climbing down thru Larry Swanson's legs to Pat King and then to the waiting arms of Mike King who was knee-deep in quick sand.

For miles the canyon had been as narrow as the narrowest spots in Zion Narrows with vertical, if not overhung, walls. Pat King decided the next pool should be easily navigated even though the water was rushing rapidly thru a quite narrow chute. As hiking turned into panicked paddling (a Kelty pack makes a super Mae West), Larry Swanson scrambled up to a ledge and discovered that 20 feet ahead of where Pat had managed to snag onto the side was "The Waterfall". A fixed rope from a provident tree on the ledge provided easy access for the group. The narrow ledge soon turned into a nice wide ledge where everyone rearranged himself. Each hiker jockeyed for an appropriate position so as not to be the first one off the rappel that was imminent.

The rappel was a really neat setup. Two massive boulders spanned the walls of the canyon. The technique was to slide down a log to where the first boulder met the wall, friction climb this boulder, then slide down the other side to the point of contact between the two boulders, then climb to the flat top of the second boulder. A simpler, but not much used, method was to make a standing broadjump

Kathy Kellett, followed in succession by the rest of the group, rappelled off the top of the boulder some 40 feet to the middle of the stream below. Up popped Gerry Powelson with his flamboyant river-running mustache. Gerry was eventually “Swiss-seated”, his advisors confidently chortling, “No problem, it’ll be duck soup.” As Gerry backed out over the edge of the rock the Swiss seat tended to slide down his legs providing a perfectly horizontal rappel... the now widely acclaimed “Powelson Rappel”. The rappel was uneventful with exception of the last few feet in which Gerry was lowered gently, entirely, and completely into the water by the belayer, Larry Swanson. Oh well, river runners like to get wet, don’t they? ...

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OLDTIMER/NEWCOMER SOCIAL & MEMBERSHIP MEETING

AUGUST 24, 2019

Report by Petra Brittner



The Wasatch Mountain Club's (WMC) Newcomer and Oldtimer event in late August was a huge success that included member socializing, the meeting and contributions to the Educational Endowment. Many new and seasoned club outdoor enthusiasts joined together at the historic Wasatch Mountain Lodge in Brighton and the annual member picture was taken outside by Dave Vance.

The WMC regularly provides members opportunities to enjoy various outdoor activities, engage in conservation and, on special occasions such as this, connect socially. The potluck feast was exceptional as one could hardly resist trying the large variety of foods that were shared. Accompanying the feast, we were treated to extraordinary members personal accounts of near death experiences during outdoor escapades. Believe it or not, there were many hair-raising stories of recent experiences but also of adventures from years past that captured the audience's attention. Surely, many that venture into the great outdoors have memories that forever connect us to the associated people and places.

Our WMC President, Julie Kilgore, provided the membership with important club updates. She featured the volunteer contributions of the WMC Board of Directors, Trustees and Coordinators. Many volunteers make club activities possible including the 2020 Centennial Celebration with a dedicated planning committee. Julie's enthusiasm for the WMC's Centennial Celebration is contagious, and the anticipation of next year's events is growing in intensity. Additionally, the Educational Endowment was promoted at the event. Centennial patches, hats, shirts, and other items were displayed for sale and were popular among the attendees. Thank you to the Social Co-Directors and others that made the event possible. Cheers to many more events such as this one!



SEEKING THE 1923 IRON SIGN FOR MT NEBO SOUTH SUMMIT

Hello WMC:

I'm writing to ask if you might have any information about the old 1923 iron sign (pictured) which was atop the south summit of Nebo for many years. The photo is from August 1976.

With the delicate sensibilities of many alpine travelers these days, I thought perhaps some member(s) of your group may have brought it down the mountain. I would like to see it again....perhaps at your club office(s).....?

Best regards,
Neil Hinckley
Kent, WA

If you have information about the sign, please email rambler@wasatchmountainclub.org or contact any board member.



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The Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation is in need of your HELP!

The Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation is the non-profit entity that has the mission of protecting and maintaining the Lodge that club members erected in 1929.

The foundation is governed by a Board of Directors who serve on a volunteer basis. The Board is in need of more directors to help carry out this important work. We are in need of; a secretary, a marketing director, a fundraising director, or anyone that is willing to give us a hand. If interested, please call Renae at (385) 315-6917 or by email at wmcf123@gmail.com.

JOIN THE WMC TRAIL CREW & BUILD THE NEW BST SECTION FROM BCC TO FERGUSON CANYON



Do you have trailwork in your bones? Join the WMC trail builders Saturday, October 12, 2019 8 am for a trailwork day with the US Forest Service and other partnering organizations. The club has had a long standing relationship with the US Forest Service to collaboratively support the construction and sustainability of outdoor recreation areas in the Wasatch. Help the club continue these efforts by becoming a regular member of the WMC trail crew.

For this project, we are building a brand new section of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST), connecting Big Cottonwood Canyon to Ferguson Canyon. The work will involve digging tread, shaping the backslope and removing rocks. Remember proper trail building gear including safety/sun glasses, gloves, pants, long-sleeved shirts, water, sun protection, snacks and sturdy work or hiking boots. Fruit & Clif bars will be provided for volunteers. We will carpool to the worksite from the BCC overflow lot. The service day will conclude at 1pm. Please RSVP email me to allow us to bring the right amount of tools for the group.

Alex Arakelian, Trail Maintenance Co-Coordinator
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LIFE AT THE MT. OLYMPUS TRAILHEAD

by Ronna Cohen

Known by several names.....Trash Angels, Trashers, Trash Fairies.....this stalwart, under the radar group makes the world, and especially Mount Olympus, a better place for all. This group picks up trash....literally. This group puts on work gloves and hauls the trash from the Mount O parking lot to the nearby dumpsters at the Old Mill Golf Course.

Seven years ago, the Club entered into an agreement with Salt Lake County to keep the trailhead clean. Garbage trucks can't get into the parking lot. Each year, the trailhead is supposed to be upgraded and each season passes by with nothing done and we are still collecting the garbage.

With no glory, each on the Mount O Team has many stories. Matthew DeLong, as a Trasher neophyte, discovered that it is not unusual to find more trash outside the bag than inside because the bag fell halfway down into the can. Then, one must face the challenge of wrestling a 42 gallon plastic bag full of overflowing trash.

Kristen French, another newbie, has raised the bar. One of her first experiences involved medical gloves and a headlamp at 5:45 am on the way to work. She did not find any money, though Susan Allen did.

Susan reported that she had a few extra minutes so she picked up cigarette butts from the parking lot and found 64 cents. She would like all to know that this can be a paying job.

David Andrenyak has been trashing since the beginning. He remains so enthused, he has two slots on the schedule. He also travels with a broom and dustpan due to the large number of car window break in's. Lots of shattered glass in the lot.

And for all who pass by or use the Mount O trailhead, we invite you to perform Random Acts of Kindness. We want everyone in the Club to know that you, too, can collect the garbage and dump it at the golf course. Here are the guidelines:

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

My personal procedure:

Park right by the can. Collecting the garbage takes just a minute or so. I don't care if I block folks in for such a short time.

Use work gloves to remove bag and set on parking lot to check for any leakage.

Replace bag. Bags are in the cage behind the can.

Check for leakage. If so, I double bag.

Put down old newspapers under bag in car.

If have time, tour around parking lot to pick up trash.

If more time, circumnavigate Pete's Rock.

Winter time: Though the parking lot doesn't get plowed, the garbage can still gets used but not as much.



Residue from a party on the east hillside.

A shout out to all who are the Trash Calendar:

Daisy DeMarco
Cindy Crass
Dave Andrenyak
Heidi Demartis
Kristen French
Karen Perkins

Susan Allen
Matthew DeLong
Katie Slack
Bruce Christenson
Nancy Munger
Steve Duncan

BULLION DIVIDE – WHEN A “HIKE” ISN’T JUST A HIKE

AUGUST 3, 2019

Organized by Julie Kilgore & Nancy Munger // Trip Report by Julie Kilgore // Photos by Ray Daurelle



I am frequently asked which hike in the Wasatch is my favorite. Hands down, for me, it has to be the Bullion Divide. This hike goes across up to 9 of the highest summits in Salt Lake County, and each one has its own unique features. I didn't love this hike so much the first time I attempted it 20 years or so ago. I tried following the “directions” in the Hiking the Wasatch book, doing reasonably well, until I poked my head out of a couloir and found myself

staring at the backside of Red Baldy. I was absolutely certain I had done something wrong, because there was no way in h#!@ that going up that thing could possibly be the right way!

It turns out, it was the right way, the next year Brad Yates and Will McCarvel did indeed take me up that thing, and it wasn't so bad after all. Since then, I have thoroughly enjoyed organizing a variation of this ridgeline hike almost every year since. I very often hear that same gasp of disbelief from someone in the group who sees that very same view of Red Baldy that I did all those years ago! Some come back to do it all over and over again. Others are quite satisfied with a one-and-done.

There was no question for me which hike I was going to organize to support Backpacker Magazine's second annual National Summit Day on August 3. We had a great group that varied in size and number of bagged peaks, depending on how much of the day they could commit.

Participants: Nancy and Jeff Munger, Alex Arakelian, eVette Raen, Michele Stancer, Mohamed Abdullah, Diedre Flynn, Ray Daurelle, Shannon Sousa, Scott Griffin, Stephen Higgins, Laraine Mills, Keith Markley

HIGH SIERRAS BACKPACK

AUGUST 8 -15, 2019

Organized by Michael Budig // Trip Report by Michael Budig // Photos by Dianne & Michael Budig

The High Sierras in California are spectacular and generally at their best in August. So, I have organized several backpacks in August of recent years, hoping to

enjoy the great weather and low density of mosquitoes. So for this year's trip, Karen Perkins, Russell Patterson, Mark Bloomenthal, my wife Dianne and I left Salt Lake City on Thursday with a planned loop hike in the Emigrant Wilderness just west of Sonora Pass.

However, we were dissuaded from this agenda as the high water made one river crossing at the end of the planned loop too problematic. And because of this year's incredibly wet conditions, the mosquitoes were a menace in the highest elevations. It seems that due to the heavy snowfall and late spring, everything was about a month later than normal, including the beautiful and wide display of flowers, which were nearly at peak. So, we amended our plans, deciding to set up a basecamp at Sheep Camp and venturing into the higher country on dayhikes.

We set up camp in a big open area, surrounded by Joshua Tree-like rock formations. And from there we wandered into the higher country of Emigrant Meadows, Emigrant Pass and Emigrant Lake and the mosquitoes lived up to their billing, constantly harassing and buzzing us, hoping to draw blood. To counter, we wore long-sleeves, long pants, mosquito repellent and even headnets and allowed the amazing scenery to distract us (at least some of the time) from the nearly constant buzz. And the scenery was superb. Karen called the second hike "the most beautiful day hike she had ever done".

We moved from there to Relief Valley, where we made the forewarned river crossing, but with daypacks. The scenery here too was on a grand scale and the mosquitoes were (finally) at bay.

The next day we headed out to Kennedy Meadows Resort, where we showered and had lunch before heading home, with another great trip in our memories. *Above: Russell Patterson, Karen Perkins, Dianne Budig, Mark Bloomenthal*



TETON MULTISPORT TRIP: MOUNTAINEERING, FLOATING AND CLIMBING

AUGUST 9 -12, 2019

*Organized by Kathleen Waller // Trip Report by
Kathleen Waller // Photos by Kathleen Waller and
Greg Baldacci*



Wasatch Mountain Club members Kathleen Waller, Greg Baldacci, Scott Stebbins and Parker Winkel ventured to the Tetons to participate in hiking, mountaineering, climbing, fishing, boating, and consuming a lot of pizza. The boating and fishing took place on the Snake River below Jackson Lake Dam to Pacific Creek. The climbing took place at Rodeo Wall in Hoback Canyon. And the following is a report of the group's journey up and down the Middle Teton in Grand Teton National Park.

Kathleen, Greg, Scott, and Parker arrived Friday afternoon at the Grand Teton Climbers Ranch inside the Grand Teton National Park. The climbers ranch offers very affordable cabins with bunk beds and toilets. The ranch has hot showers, cooking area, laundry room, and a wonderful library stocked with books about the local climbing and mountaineering.

We were up early Saturday morning to hike the Middle Teton. We began at the Lupine Meadow Trailhead an hour before sunrise to assure we would be off the peak before possible afternoon storms. The hike began on a well-maintained trail with Parker commenting on how much easier the trail was than what he expected. We ascended a few miles of switchback with the sun rising and illuminating Taggart and Bradley lakes below. As we entered Garnet Canyon, the hiking turned to class 3 scrambling and route finding. We made our way over car-sized boulders with a daunting view of the Middle Teton and snowfields in our path. Gaining the saddle to the south of the Middle Teton looked to be our greatest challenge. Avoiding steep snow would require a lot of meandering over loose rocks so we choose a more direct line that took us up an incredibly steep snowfield. At one point, Scott was using crampons, knees, and hands with ax to precariously ascend. As we ascended, we began to see the true saddle obscured by a false saddle viewed from below. We reached the base of the Middle Teton by noon and paused to take in the view of the backside of the Teton Range. From the saddle, we had one more snowfield to ascend and more route finding to the base of the South-West Couloir. The SW Couloir is a class-4 route and the easiest route on the Middle Teton. The route was steep with tons of loose rock. I would highly recommend a helmet for anyone that chooses to do this route. The peak sits at 12,805 feet with a beautiful view of the Grand Teton to the north. The peak is very small with space for only a few people at time. Descending was fast but dangerous as we continually knocked rocks towards climbers below. We descended from the saddle along a less steep route but a route that took us over half a dozen snowfields. Greg, Scott, and Parker put their faith in their axes and glissaded many of the snowfields very quickly. Exiting the snow and class-3 terrain, Kathleen stopped to remove her mountaineering boots and put on comfortable trail runners. The boys complained about soreness and blisters for the remaining miles. Hiking the Middle Teton is over 14 miles round trip with over 6000 feet of elevation gain. The trail begins easy but quickly becomes challenging due to terrain and route founding. Regardless of time of year, I would recommend always bringing a helmet, crampons, and alpine ax. It may have been possible to avoid snow, but travel across the snow makes the ascent and descent significantly more efficient. And after burning many calories, the beer and pizza at Dornan's in Moose is exceptionally satisfying. *Above: Kathleen Waller at the top of the Middle Teton*

SPANISH FORK CANYON HOT SPRINGS HIKE

AUGUST 11, 2019

Organized by Petra Brittner // Trip Report by Petra Brittner // Photos by Petra Brittner



We made the beautiful drive out to the trailhead in Spanish Fork Canyon today that took us through parts of the Uinta National Forest. The weather was perfect, and the trail was mostly in good shape considering the recent rainfall. The hike took us along the scenic river, and we crossed the bridge which marks the half-way point to the hot springs. The hot springs never disappoint as the water temperature was perfect for a Sunday morning soak. We enjoyed much fun, laughter, and conversations with fellow hikers we met on the trail. The slower pace of the hike made a 4.5 mile hike last for a pleasant 2.5 hour which included time in the springs.

BIG HORN DAY HIKE

AUGUST 18, 2019

Organized by Andrea Thatcher // Trip Report by Andrea Thatcher // Photo by Ray Daurelle

Oh man! By far the most exciting hike!

We started at bells canyon and headed up to the lake. Making it there, we continued south east through some easy rock jumping and grassy valleys to get to the saddle between Thunder and Big Horn. Turning right, we climbed through technical but fun class 3 scrambling to the top of Big Horn. The scramble is about 100 yards long with no exposure. From there, we continued on the ridge... this is where the fun begins, to the south, huge cliffs! We tried to stay on the north side and picked our way across the treacherous ridgeline! Some moves were technical with okay exposure, Easier class 4. After this ridge came the slog up to south Lone which had amazing views of north Lone Peak and the cirque. Pushing forward, we traversed our way from the south on a decently exposed ridgeline. This one got to me but my buddies helped me through it and we soon found ourselves on the top of north Lone Peak! From there, we eased our way down the peak and headed on the normal route to the Orson trailhead. Overall, this hike was not for the faint of heart. It had exposure, it was steep, it had technical moves! Participants: Andee, John, Ray and Jacob.





THE SUNDIAL HIKE

AUGUST 25, 2019

*Organized by Jim
Kucera & Akiko
Kamimura // Trip
Report by Zhiheng
Liu //*

*Photos by Akiko
Kamimura*

Sundial Peak (10320 ft) constitutes the iconic view of our Wasatch Mountains together with Lake Blanche in front of it. And this became the logo of our Wasatch Mountain Club. While most people end their hikes at the lake and admire this majestic peak from the lakeside,

one may very well wonder how the views will look like when you're actually on top of that peak! To find out, a group of ten Club members started 6:50 am, Aug 25 on the popular Lake Blanche trail with a goal to summit Sundial Peak. It was late summer, yet the mountains were still very lush. Morning chill and shade from the mountain ridge made the 3-mile hike to the lake very pleasant. We had a break at Lake Blanche, applied sunscreen, looked up at Sundial Peak behind Lake Blanche and headed its way.

A faint trail led us around Lake Blanche and into the terrains that much fewer people visited. And that's where the real excitement began. It is usually true that the best outdoor experience lies above and beyond popular destinations, such as Lake Blanche, Red Pine Lake, and Upper Bell Reservoir. The terrains and rocks above Lake Blanche were amazing. A lot of rocks were layered, or cleanly cleaved into blocks, as if they were man-made. There were large areas of smooth rock outcroppings, with beautiful reddish color. Who says red rocks only belong to southern Utah? They are right in our backyard! Wild flowers were still in blossom. Adding the tranquility and solitude because of much less visitation, this area offered a sense of true wilderness, very much different from the lakeside crowded with hikers.

Sundial Peak is on a narrow ridge that requires Class-3 scrambling to cross it. We went the long way and attained the ridgeline through a gentle slope. Then it was a sustained scramble to reach the summit. There was exposure at some spots. But as long as you make steady move every step of the way, you will be safe. And group members helped each other. More experienced hikers provided guidance on holding points and how to maneuver through difficult sections. After enjoying great thrills on the ridge, all of us reached the

top and signed the notebook in the mailbox on the summit. Of course, we had a good rest, had our lunches, took in the views, and "looked down" at Lake Blanche 1500 ft below. What a unique viewpoint!

On the way back, we scrambled a shorter portion of the ridge and descended into a small gully on a steep slope. Then we wandered around the ravine immediately below the peak and ridge to do some exploring. The beautiful rocks continued to amaze us. And it turned out this ravine was flanked by high cliffs to the west. On its edge, you could admire Broads Fork Twin Peaks high above, or overlook all of the three lakes down below. After a brief break at Lake Blanche, it's a smooth and speedy walk straight to the trailhead. We finished around 4 pm. It's an 11-mile hike (round trip) with 4060 ft of elevation change. It's a wonderful feeling to be on Sundial Peak and in other people's pictures. I'm sure some people on the lakeside must have taken picture of Sundial Peak when we were on top of it! The serene, pure, and fascinating nature above and beyond Lake Blanche is what impresses me most on this hike. *Opposite Page: Group photo at the peak of the Sundial. Front from left – Donn, Paul, Rich, Daisy and Akiko. Back from left – Robert, Zhiheng, Josh, Jim and Julian. Below: Descending. From front – Paul, Rich, Daisy, Zhiheng, Julian, Josh and Robert.*



DAY HIKING IN YELLOWSTONE - BIG HORN PEAK & CACHE LAKE

LABOR DAY WEEKEND 2019

Organized by Julie Kilgore // Trip Report by Julie Kilgore // Photos by Julie Kilgore & Alex Arakelian



Nothing sounds more UN-inviting than day hiking in crowded Yellowstone National Park over Labor Day weekend. Unless, that is, it's the Wasatch Mountain Club on an exploratory excursion to seek out a couple of MSD hikes that are beyond the interest and effort of the general National Park tourists.

The selected destination for Day 1 of this adventurous group of clubbers was a loop hike in the far northwestern corner and seldom visited area of the park. We

selected a route that started on the Daily Creek Trail, connecting to the Sky Rim trail, along a ridge and up and over several summits that form the border of the Gallatin Petrified Forest as we made our way towards the ultimate goal of Big Horn Peak, then down the Black Butte Trail. Depending on which sign mileage you believe, and which GPS data suits you, it was roughly 17-mile glorious day that we had almost entirely to ourselves, with the exception of a few hunters that were scoping out the back side of the park boundary in hopes of bagging a couple of bighorn sheep.

After such a long and rewarding first day hike, the group took it a bit easier on Day 2, opting for a reasonable 14 miles or so, out-and-back on a well-maintained and slightly undulating trail to Cache Lake which sits at the base of Electric Peak. The primary goal was to scope out the neighborhood, and plan some possible future hikes into this remote area. It was a great day with the typical wildlife sightings of meandering bison, curious elk, and talkative eagles. But only Alex Arakelian can find what may perhaps be the biggest bull snake that exists in the park!

Each day ended with a relaxing evening back at the cabin compound in Island Park where we enjoyed the 3Bs (bed, bath, and beverage) that make for a great multi-day hiking trip! Our own private Labor Day Weekend in Yellowstone without the crowds. Can't beat that!



GREAT BASIN NATIONAL PARK, NEVADA CAR CAMP & HIKING TRIP

LABOR DAY WEEKEND 2019

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

I told folks that we would meet at the Mt Wheeler Mine on the Friday before Labor Day, so that we could get an early start on the Mt Washington [sic] trail. My memory of the road turned out to be a little dated (say, 25 years or so); it could use a good blading. Michelle was able to get up the road with her lightweight teardrop trailer behind her Subaru, but Jen's more substantial trailer wasn't going to make it. She ended up spending the night in the heat down in Spring Valley, while Michelle, Stanley, Dave and I stayed at the mine. In the morning, I drove down to Jen's camp and picked her up. We then all piled into my 4Runner and I drove it up the steep narrow switchbacks to the first saddle on the Mt Washington road. It was an exciting drive, and I was happy to park just past the saddle.

We hiked up the rocky old road, admiring the view over the huge limestone cliffs to the west. This section is full of tall, healthy bristlecone pines; the only gnarled ones are perched at the cliff edge. When we reached the point where the road bent eastward to the St Lawrence Mine, crossing a burned area, we decided to go cross-country up the slope directly toward the peak. We picked up the road again as it neared treeline and got steeper.

The summit is broad and bare. We could look over the northwest and northeast cliffs, and across to Mt Lincoln (due south) and imposing Wheeler Peak (due north). Stanley and I identified the enormous Chinese Wall feature in the north fork of Big Wash, which we had seen from below 10 years ago. The next day, we decided to hike up Wheeler Peak. The parking lot was jammed. We decided to check out the campground. That turned out to be a great idea, because we managed to score three sites as people left early for home on Sunday morning. We walked from the campground to the Wheeler Peak trailhead and started up through the forest.

The Wheeler Peak trail doesn't have any of the famous bristlecone pines, but it does have a great view of the cirques around the peak. The wind was blowing ferociously at 12,000 ft, enough to discourage Michelle, but Dave and Stanley and I plowed onward. Oddly, there was just a light breeze at the summit. The trail is much improved from the last time I was there many years ago -- while it's still steep and rocky, there are actual switchbacks now, and a consistent tread to follow.

For our last day, we decided to do the classic 90-minute Lehman Caves tour. We arrived at the caves' visitor center just after they opened, but most of the tour slots were booked already (!). We managed to slip in on the 10 AM tour. One slot opened up on the earliest tour, and Stanley seized it, so that he could get home a little earlier. The caves are even more amazing than I had remembered. My digital camera actually was able to take available-light photos in the caves using the recessed illumination, with help from flashlights. The amount of decoration in Lehman Caves is totally insane; we all had a great time there. Many thanks to the participants: Michelle Couderc, Stanley Chiang, Jen Heineman and Dave Andrenyak.

AMERICAN FORK CANYON ROCK CLIMB

SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

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

Members of the Wasatch Mountain Club met for breakfast at Blue Lemon Café in Alpine to discuss where we wanted to climb. The group agreed on wanting to climb in the shade and wanted to climb at a crag with at least a couple of routes easier than 5.10. The group decided on Serenity Wall in American Fork Canyon. Serenity Wall has a short approach and faces North with over 30 bolted routes mostly 5.10, 5.11, and 5.12. The group carpooled from the café since parking in American Fork canyon requires a national park pass and parking is crowded on Saturdays. The group snagged the last couple of parking spots at the base of the crag. The crag was very crowded but everyone was extremely friendly and willing to share the area. Given the crowds, the group decided to warm up on a 5.10c and a 5.9+ while waiting for some of the easier routes to open up. Scott did an impressive lead on the Hands of Blue, a sustained 5.10c while Tom and Parker attempted to lead Jubal, a 5.9+ with a sketchy run out at the crux. Kathleen attempted a lead on Too Pretty to Die (5.10c) but



bailed when realizing it shared anchor with the route being led to the right. As the hours passed, the crag became less crowded and easier routes opened up. The group climbed Out of Gas (5.9), Shindig (5.8), Out to the Black (5.9), and Black Market Beagles (5.9). Many agreed Shindig was the most enjoyable with many a lot of stemming up a right-facing corner. Participants included Kathleen Waller, Sam Wes, Scott Stebbins, Parker Winkel, Paul Gettings, Sharon Vinnick, and Tom Oaks. *Scott, Paul (belay), and Parker (on rope) at Serenity Wall*



MT EMMONS, UINTAS BACKPACK

AUGUST 15 -18, 2019

Organized by L Beth Blattenberger //
Trip Report by L Beth Blattenberger

Six of us - Sue Raymond, Mary Whittington, Jean Rengstorf, Deirdre Flynn, Mohamed Abdallah and I (Beth Blattenberger) – headed east on Route 40 midday on Thursday August 15 to Roosevelt and then north to the Uinta River trailhead. We arrived late afternoon and hiked 3.7 miles along the rushing river, passing beaver dams. At a trail junction and

bridge, we were delighted to find a good camp on the other side of the river. We were equally delighted with the weather, sunny but not too hot, and breezy enough to keep the bugs away. And we were happy the site was not already taken. Although there were reports that this is a popular trailhead and the places we were going are heavy-use areas, we saw extremely few other people on our entire trip.

On Friday our trail left the river and climbed up multiple switchbacks to the Chain Lakes. When we arrived at Lower Chain Lake, we got our first view of Mount Emmons. Although it had a gentle ridge profile, we knew our challenge for our planned ascent the next day would be to get from the valley below up onto the ridge, because there is no trail to the summit. Meanwhile, our destination was the Fourth Chain Lake at an elevation of nearly 11,000 feet. There we found places for our 4 tents amid spruce trees that provided some shelter from the strong wind gusts blowing across the lake, and had plenty of time to enjoy the afternoon.

On Saturday there was some wind, rain and lightning in the very early hours of the morning. But the wind blew the rain clouds to the south, the sun came out, and we started for Mt Emmons at 7:15 am, following a route recommended online. We followed the trail part way up to Roberts Pass, then left the trail to enter a sort of hidden valley. We hiked through a beautiful meadow along the base of Emmons' rocky east ridge, looking for a reasonable place to get up onto the ridge. Eventually we decided on the best spot and scrambled over medium-sized rocks to gain the 400 or so vertical feet up to the ridge. The ridge itself was broad and much less steep but still rocky, with loose rocks that required a lot of attention to where we were stepping, so we were glad of short stretches where we could walk on snow. The summit is a large area where it is difficult to tell what spot is highest, but there is a rock cairn and summit register in an ammo can. We reached the summit around 11 am and spent time relaxing and enjoying the view, which we had to ourselves, although other parties had signed the register in the preceding days.

The next challenge was to get down. We chose to go down to the north, on the opposite side of the ridge from our camp, by a route that is longer but not as steep. There was still plenty of loose rock, which we all had our fill of by the end of the day. When we reached the valley below Carrot Lake, we headed cross country through open forest and past several lakes looking for a trail that would lead us back to Roberts Pass, but when we got to the place where our GPS devices showed the trail should be, it was not there. So we followed the mapped trail route until eventually we met up with the trail. We finished the day by climbing up again to the scenic pass and then dropping down to our camp, which we reached around 6:15 pm. It was a 10.5-mile and 11-hour day, mostly off trail and on some difficult terrain, but it included multiple breaks to stop looking at our feet and enjoy the beautiful and varied scenery. Sunday it was all downhill for the 11-mile hike back to the cars with a lunch break at the bridge where we spent the first night. We agreed it had been a successful trip.

MT WHITNEY, MT LANGLEY, TRAIL PEAK & MAYSAN LAKE HIKS IN THE HIGH SIERRAS

AUGUST 6-11, 2019

Organized by David Lewis, Jim Kucera & Akiko Kamimura // Trip Report by Akiko Kamimura // Photos by Akiko Kamimura



August 6: Road trip & permit pick-up

August 7: Mt Whitney (14,505 ft) 22 miles, 6,145 ft elevation gain

Mt Whitney is the highest mountain in the lower 48 states. We started very early at 2:30 am to find parking at the trailhead (TH) and to avoid afternoon thunderstorms. The first 3.5 hours were hiking in dark. Then we saw beautiful sunrise. Some of us filled water neat Consultation Lake. Then we started 99 switchbacks. Akiko was taking pictures and talking with other hikers on the switchbacks. She passed slow hikers, so was not so slow, but was the slowest in the group. When she was done 99 switchbacks and got

to Trail Crest, she found she was left by the group. She talked with other hikers on the way to make sure she was going to the right direction. A couple hikers suggested her climb up boulders 300 ft to get to Mt Whitney. She went up on the class 3 boulders and ended up cliffed-out. She was unable to find the way to go back to the trail and tried to call the group. But there was no cell service. She blew her whistle. Finally, several hikers saw her, helped her to go down from the cliff, brought her back to the trail, and gave her the correct direction to Mt Whitney. When she was approaching the peak, Dennis, Matt and Greg were already descending. She spent time at the peak and descended with the rest of the group – Dave, Larry and Jim. Several hours after we started descending, thunderstorms began. Fortunately, we were already low enough to avoid a high risk of lightning strike. The sky became clear when we were close to the TH.

August 8: Rest day, Alabama Hills

Dave and Larry left for Fresno. The rest of us did a short hike at Alabama Hills and enjoyed seeing interesting forms of rocks.

August 9: Mt Langley (14,032 ft)/ Trail Peak (11,605 ft)

We divided the group into two, a fast-pace group and a moderate-pace group. The fast-pace group hiked to Mt Langley. Mt Langley is considered as one of the easiest CA 14ers. But it's very long – 19 miles for the shortest route. The group took the New Army Pass route for ascent and the Old Army Pass route (short-cut) for descent (23 miles with 4,372 ft cumulative elevation gain). The hike took 10 hours. The moderate-pace group went to Trail Peak. Trail Peak is located near Horseshoe Meadows and is not commonly climbed because there is no trail to the peak. The last part to the peak involved mostly class 2 scrambles with some easy class 3 sections. The views from the peak were remarkable. Wild flowers were beautiful. It was a wonderful 8 mile hike.

August 10: Meysan Lake/ Mt Langley (14,032 ft)

The fast-pace group did a 10-mile hike to Maysan Lake from Whitney Portal and enjoyed beautiful scenery. The moderate-pace group hiked to Mt Langley via the easiest but longest route by New Army Pass RT (25.5 miles with cumulative elevation gain 5,165 ft). From New Army Pass, Mt Langley looked very close. But it was still a long way to get to the peak. Although it was windy and cold at the peak, all hikers at the peak (approximately 15 people) shared the wonderful summit moment each other. The views from the peak were stunning. This route was well-defined and very beautiful. The group took 13 hours to complete the hike.

August 11: Road trip

Some of us stopped at the Death Valley National Park visitor center on the way.



HIKE – DEVIL’S CASTLE & PEAK 10,864

AUGUST 24, 2019

Organized by Jim Kucera & Akiko Kamimura // Report and photos by Akiko Kamimura

Devil's Castle (10,920 ft) is a rugged peak above Alta Ski Resort. We started from Albion Basin Campground (9,414 ft). Our first destination was Cecret Lake. Then we hiked up to the saddle between Devil's Castle and Sugarloaf Peak. We bagged one bump on the way to the west peak of Devil's Castle. The route to the west peak involved a trail and easy class 3 scrambles. The route to the east peak of Devil's Castle looked much more challenging but was not so bad – the rocks were very solid. Each peak of Devil's Castle had a mail box. We confirmed that the west peak was slightly higher than the east peak. We took a long break at each peak and enjoyed the views. From Devil's Castle, we continued the ridge line and bagged four bumps and finally reached our final peak – Peak 10,864. We took a long break again at Peak 10,864 and made a counter-clockwise loop to go back to the campground. It was a short hike (distance – 4.13 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 2,170 ft). But it took six hours because we enjoyed each peak/bump

and took three long breaks and several short breaks. The late summer display of wildflowers was spectacular. We encountered the many ancient marine invertebrate fossils. We had a great time on the rocks and beyond. *Dave going down from the east peak of Devil's Castle // Stanley and Dave on the way to the east peak of Devil's Castle*



MOUNT TIMPANOGOS HIKE

AUGUST 24, 2019

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

Our group hiked to the Mount Timpanogos summit and back by way of the Timpooneke trail. This past winter's heavy snowfall and the cool late spring resulted in persistent snow condition on Mount Timpanogos and the need to schedule the hike in late August. Although there was several snow crossings, we had good trail conditions. Other than a stiff wind from the west as we traveled from the saddle to the summit, the weather was good and with no threat of thunderstorms. Throughout the hike, there were excellent views of the Wasatch Range. Many wildflower areas appeared to be at peak bloom. Some of the flowers that we saw were lupine, Indian paintbrush, Jacob's ladder, wild geranium, columbine. The participants were Mohamed Abdallah, Deirdre Flynn, and Dave Andrenyak (organizer). Thank you Deirdre and Mohamed for sharing in the wonderful experience. *Mohamed and Deirdre. After reaching the summit, were carefully dropped down a few feet to a ledge on the east side to get out of the wind.*



HIKE – 6 PEAKS & 3+ BUMPS FROM FRANCIS PEAK TO THURSTON PEAK

SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

Organized by Stanley Chiang, Ed Hemphill, Jim Kucera & Akiko Kamimura // Report & Photos by Akiko Kamimura



Our original plan was making 8 peaks on the ridge of Francis Peak to Thurston Peak. Due to the wildfire above Layton, we modified the route and bagged 6 peaks and 3+ bumps on the ridge (from south to north). The trail head (TH) meeting place was East Mountain Wilderness Park in Keyesville. From the TH, we drove to near Francis Peak (50 minute drive). Our first peak was Francis Peak (9,520 ft) that has two radar towers. Quad Peak (9,408 ft) was our second peak which is located within half mile from Francis Peak. On the way to our third peak, Peak 9381, we bagged several bumps. There are two container type buildings on Peak 9381. Between Peak 9381 and our fourth peak, Peak 9491, there are three Smith Creek Lakes below the cliff on the east side of the ridge. We took a break on a bump before getting to Peak 9491 and had a lunch break at Peak 9491. We decide to pass Peak 9423 and make Thurston Peak (9,706 ft) first. Thurston Peak is the highest peak in Morgan and Davis Counties. We approached the peak from the west ridge. There were a number of rocks which had zebra-like layers. We had a long break to

enjoy the wonderful views at Thurston Peak. We took a short-cut to go down from Thurston Peak and hiked back to south to bag our last peak, Peak 9423. The notebook in the mail box on Peak 9423 called it “Maggie Peak.” But it did not look like an official name. From Peak 9423, we went down on the south side of Adams Canyon to go back to East Mountain Wilderness Park. It was a very long steep downhill. The last downhill was probably the hardest part of this hike. The hike took 9 hours and 40 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 11.1 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 3,588 ft, cumulative elevation loss – 7,880 ft).

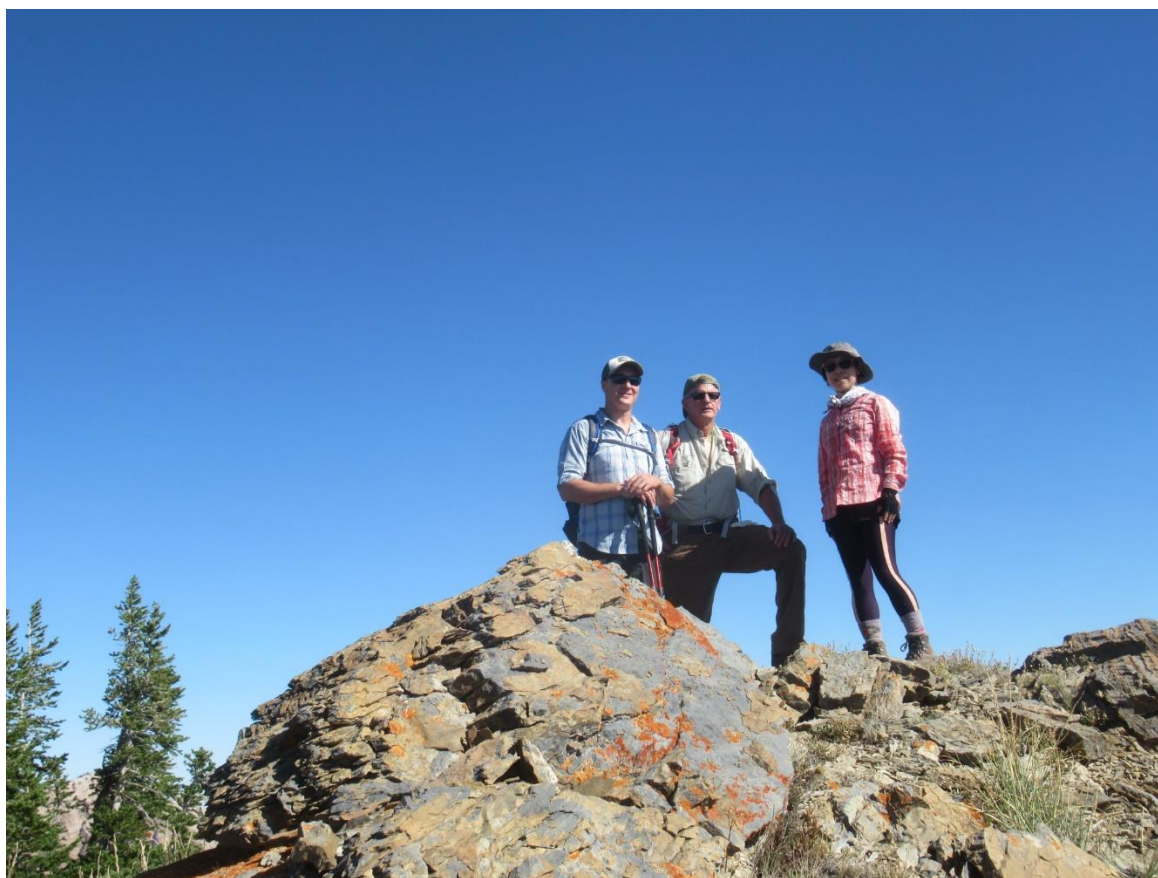
Going down on the south side of Adams Canyon. From left – Stanley, Ed and Paul.

HIKE – INDIAN HICKMAN, BOX ELDER & DESERET PEAKS

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Organized by Akiko Kamimura // Report & Photos by Akiko Kamimura

John and Akiko started from Loop Campground in the Stansbury range to bag rarely climbed peaks, Indian Hickman Peak (10,122 ft) and Box Elder Peak (10,230 ft). We happened to see a solo hiker, Kiel who is working for the company of the club's president, Julie. Kiel was hiking to Deseret Peak (11,031 ft). It turned out Kiel hiked with us from the beginning to the end and officially signed in the hike. When we got to the intersection at the saddle via Mill Fork, John said he had never been to Deseret Peak and would like to go there. We decided to make all three peaks - Indian Hickman, Box Elder and Deseret Peaks. From the saddle, we hiked to Rear Fork to make our first peak, Indian Hickman Peak. The views from Rear Fork were magnificent. From Indian Hickman Peak, we followed the ridgeline to Box Elder Peak. Then, we went back to the saddle and had a lunch break. Our last peak, Deseret Peak, was not very far from the saddle. It usually shows a sign of the beginning of fall early in September in the area. But wild flowers were still blooming this time. We saw a couple of snow patches on the way to Deseret Peak. From Deseret Peak, we hiked to north, went down via Pockets Fork and made a loop. It was a hot day in the valley. But we had nice breeze during hiking and did not feel it was hot. The hike took 7 hours and 20 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 10.7 miles, cumulative elevation gain – 5,148 ft). *Group photo at Indian Hickman Peak. From left - Kiel, John and Akiko.*



KEY CENTENNIAL DATES

2020

- 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
- May 13: WMC Official Centennial Anniversary Event – Red Butte
- June 6: National Trails Day, Selected WMC Centennial Project TBD
- July 17-19: Life Member Celebration and Multi-Sport Weekend at the Lodge
- August 23 (Sunday): Awards and Historic Photo Collection Reveal at the Lodge
- September 26: National Public Lands Day, Selected WMC Conservation Project TBD
- October 31: Carrying on the Tradition - Halloween at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge
- December 5: Closing Event/Christmas Party, Alf Engen Ski Museum



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Attend a club activity listed in The Rambler or on our website: WasatchMountainClub.org. If you like what you see or do, then join the club online or by mailing in the application form which can be downloaded from the website.



- **700+ ACTIVITIES PER YEAR** all-year 'round
- **THE RAMBLER**, WMC's monthly publication has articles and scheduled activities
- **NOTIFICATIONS**: Opt-in to receive e-mail alerts
- **EXCLUSIVE EVENTS, TRIPS, and DISCOUNTS** on rentals, retail offers and trainings
- **HISTORIC LODGE EVENTS** at the Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge in Brighton. 5% of dues supports the WMC lodge
- **10% OF MEMBER DUES** support local conservation and trail maintenance



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OCTOBER & BEYOND ACTIVITIES

Oct **Road Bike: Morgan Valley Fall Colors – ntd+ – 30.0 mi Out & Back – 845' ascent – Moderate pace**

2 *Meet:* 9:45 am at Parking area across the street from the Sinclair Station (Old Farm Market) in Mountain Green at the intersection of Trappers Loop Rd (Hwy 167) and Old Highway Rd. For Google Maps directions, plug in Sinclair, 5150 W Old Hwy Rd, Mountain Green.

Organizer: Chris Karcher 801-390-7610 zest2@outlook.com

Meet at 9:45am. Ready to ride 10am. Let's do a fall colors ride in beautiful Morgan Valley. All ability levels welcome. Coffee after. Ride is an out-and-back on the Peterson side (Morgan Valley Drive). Map provided.

Oct **Relaxed Page Night Hike And Optional Post-hike Social - Rattlesnake Gulch – ntd+ – Out & Back – Slow pace**

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

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

Rattlesnake Gulch to the Pipeline Trail, ending at a great overlook of the city lights. Bring a headlamp and layers for the dark and the cold. The pace will be adjusted as necessary to keep the group together. Food and beverage at a nearby restaurant can be an option following the hike.

Oct **Evening Hike - Broad's Fork – ntd+ – Moderate pace**

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

Thu *Organizer:* Nancy Munger 801-419-5554 nancycmartin@gmail.com

Meet at the BCC overflow lot. We will head for Broad's Fork. Plan on about one hour up. Bring your 10 Es and a headlamp! Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place.

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/>.

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Oct **Sing-a-long And Pot Luck Supper Fri Oct 4**

4 *Meet:* 6:30 pm at 4742 S Kaitlyn Ann Cr (810 W)

Fri *Organizer:* La Rae Bartholoma, Don or Angie 801-277-4093, 801-281-3160 roosiebear@gmail.com, dvince182@yahoo.com

Our gathering this month is graciously being hosted by Angie and Don (Vince) Vincent. We will circle the wagons at 6:30 at 4742 S Kaitlyn Ann Cr (810 W) See directions below and please adhere to parking requests.) Come prepared to have an evening of fun, food and entertainment! Bring something to share (appetizer, salad, entree, side vegetable or a dessert) with 4 to 6 others. BYOB. If you play an instrument, bring that as well! Following dinner we'll have our Sing-A-Long. If you haven't attended before, you have no idea how much fun you are missing out on. If you have, you will certainly want to be there! We'll wrap it up by 10 PM. Directions: exit off I-15 at 4500 South, go west on 4500 south 0.2 miles, turn left (south) at first light onto 500 West. Go 0.4 miles, turn right (west) at first light onto 4800 South. Drive 0.4 miles and turn right (north) at the top of the hill onto Shelbourne Lane. Shelbourne curves right and ends. Turn left on Kaitlyn Ann Circle. Second house on the left, 4742 South Kaitlyn Ann Circle. Please park in driveway, visitors parking or on 4800 South. Parking is prohibited on the subdivision streets. Questions: Don or Angie 801-281-3160 dvince182@yahoo.com, La Rae or Bart 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com, Frank Bernard frankbernard55@earthlink.net

Oct 4 Corner Canyon Switchbank Shindig Fundraiser Dinner

Meet: 6:00 pm at Embassy Suites South Jordan, 10333 S Jordan Gateway, South Jordan, UT 84095

Fri Organizer: Kathy Burnham 801-548-8467 socialdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org

Come out and join several WMC members in support of the Corner Canyon Trails Foundation, which will be hosting their 5th Annual Switchback Shindig! Tickets includes dinner, sodas, cash bar and a couple of comedians from Wiseguys. Dress is casual. The program includes music, games, gift baskets raffle, and a silent auction. Tickets can be purchased through the Corner Canyon Trails Foundation website or on the link below.

Oct 5 Day Hike - Ben Lomond Via Skyline Trail In North Ogden – msd- – 16.4 mi Out & Back – 3600' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Ben Lomond (9,712 ft) is a well-known peak due to its prominence and pyramid shape and is located in North Ogden. There are multiple routes to make the peak. But we will take a maintained trail, Skyline Trail. Rated MSD- for the long distance. Because of long driving (approximately one hour), expect a long day. Bring 10Es and micro-spikes. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 3 pm, Oct 4, for the meeting place and time. When you register, please indicate whether you want to meet the group at the trailhead in North Ogden or a carpool meeting place in Murray. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Oct 6 Day Hike - Provo Peak Via Slide Canyon Trail – msd- – 12.0 mi Out & Back – 6700' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Provo Peak (11,068 ft) is one of the highest mountains in the Wasatch but is not as popular as other neighboring peaks. We will take the easiest but longest route to bag the peak. We will be mostly on the maintained or unmaintained trail. The trail has some steep sections. The expected hike time will be approximately 10 hours. This hike will be exploratory. Please bring 10 essentials and micro-spikes. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, October 4th, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with John Kozloski.

Oct 6 Leisurely Hike ... Petroglyphs, Waterfall, A 1800s Militia Guard Shack & More – ntd – 4.0 mi Loop – Slow pace

Sun Meet: 9:30 am at Meeting place: Parking lot of Harmon's Grocery store at 870 E 800 N, Orem (closest parking to 800 North). From there we will drive to Canyon Glenn Park in Provo Canyon.

Organizer: Pat Christian 801-369-9466 pat@patchchristian.com

Back by popular demand ... Pat & Petra's Provo Canyon Petroglyphs & history hike. We led this hike last August and it was a bit hot, still it was popular with a good turnout and some who missed it asked me for a do-over. October hopefully will be better. Co-organizer by Petra Brittner, phone (512) 525-9285.

Oct 6 Flat Water - Causey Reservoir And Kokanee Run

Sun Meet: 11:00 am at Please RSVP so I can anticipate your participation. Head up Ogden Canyon to Ogden Valley and take the road following the south side of Pineview Reservoir. Take a right on State Highway 39 and follow until you get to Causey. Better yet; USE GOOGLE.

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

Causey Reservoir in Weber County (South Fork of Ogden River) has a large population of Kokanee Salmon. Each fall, thousands of Kokanee turn red and surge upstream to the tributaries they once hatched, where they swim, spawn and succumb. Join me at Causey for a flat water paddle across the lake and short hike to see the Kokanee. Causey Reservoir is friendly to kayaks, canoes, SUPs, and dogs. Please RSVP so I can anticipate your participation.

Oct Wild Kitten Day Hike – msd- – 12.0 mi Shuttle – 5000' ascent – Fast pace

6 *Meet:* Registration required

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

A bit milder than the cat, The hike starts at the Alexander Basin trailhead , goes up Gobblers Knob and then runs the ridge over Raymond and peaks 9661 and 9776, descending out Neffs Canyon. One of the best fall color hike in the area, pace will be fast but not death march fast. MOVED TO FROM SEPT 29, HOPEFULLY BETTER WEATHER!.

Oct Evening Hike - Mt O To First Stream – ntd+

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

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

We will hike up to the first stream which is about one hour uphill. The Sun is setting earlier now. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Oct Evening Hike - Mill B North – ntd+

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

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

We will hike up Mill B North for an hour. The Sun is setting earlier now. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Oct Evening Hike-old Red Pine Road Trail-millcreek Canyon – ntd+

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

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

It's getting dark earlier, bring a head lamp and 10Es-We will hike to the overlook to view Park City-trail is out and back-prompt 6pm departure from meeting place

Oct Evening Hike - Mill D North To Dog Lake – ntd+ – Moderate pace

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

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

Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place. Bring your 10 Es; don't forget your headlamp!

Oct Rock Climb - Ibex Wells, Utah West Desert – ntd

11 *Meet:* Registration required

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

– Desert granite in the west desert of Utah. Sport, trad, and boulder climbing south of Notch Peak. Primitive camping, with no water source. Bring firewood if desired. Plan is head down Friday afternoon/evening to setup a camp, climb Saturday all day and part of Sunday before returning in the afternoon. Travel time is 3-4 hours from Salt Lake City, and the last part is on dirt/gravel road; carpooling in higher-clearance vehicles may be a good idea. Helmets required for anyone getting close to the cliffs. Note that the hiking, biking, etc. can be quite nice in this area, and there are additional tourist attractions nearby (Notch Peak, Crystal Peak, etc.) if non-climbing family members want to come along.

Oct Msd- Hike Mt Nebo-rescheduled From 2018 Fire And Snow Cancellation – 11.0 mi – 4000' ascent

12 *Meet:* Registration required

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

Mt. Nebo is the highest peak in both Utah County and the Wasatch Mountain Range. Wilderness limit. Registration Required Group will decide which approach to take Co-Organized with Nancy Munger

Oct Day Hike - Butler Fork To Circle Awl To Dog Lake Loop – mod – 7.5 mi Loop – 1649' ascent – Moderate pace

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

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

Hiked this the other day led by Gretchen Siegler, and we commented how pretty it would be in the

autumn. Most folks think the flowers were a month late this year, so with any luck we will hit peak autumn foliage through lovely aspen forests. The first couple miles up to first breakfast at Circle Awl will be steep, but the morning should be cool. We will re-group and then pick up the pace along the nearly level traverse along Mill A Basin trail to second breakfast at Dog Lake. Wear long pants because the trail is known for nettles. Sunrise is 7:37 so let's meet at 7:45 and leave at 8:00 sharp. We'll be on the trail for about 4 hours at a moderate pace, so back to the cars about 12:45.

Oct 12 Day Hike - Lightning Peak Via Great Western Trail In Provo – msd- – 13.5 mi Out & Back – 4400' ascent – Moderate pace

Sat Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Lightning Peak (10055 ft) is located northeast of Provo Peak and offers magnificent views of the mountains in Provo, American Fork and beyond. We plan to make the peak via Great Western Trail. The route does not involve scrambling/exposures but has some steep sections. Bring 10 Es and micro-spikes. Due to long driving to Provo, expect a long day. This hike will be exploratory. Please email before Friday, 3 pm, Oct 11, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Oct 12 Bst New Section Bcc To Ferguson Trail Building Service Hike – ntd

12 Meet: 8:00 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon Overflow Park & Rde (3653 Fort Union Blvd)

Sat Organizer: Alex Arakelian 801-995-5526 kyojimujo@yahoo.com

Do you have trailwork in your bones? Join the WMC trail builders for a trailwork day with the US Forest Service and other partnering organizations. We are building a brand new section of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST), connecting Big Cottonwood Canyon to Ferguson Canyon. The work will involve digging tread, shaping the backslope and removing rocks. Remember proper trail building gear including safety/sun glasses, gloves, pants, long-sleeved shirts, water, sun protection, snacks and sturdy work or hiking boots. Fruit & Clif bars will be provided for volunteers. We will carpool to the worksite from the overflow lot. The service day will conclude at 1pm. Please RSVP email me to allow us to bring the right amount of tools for the group.

Oct Day Hike - Easy Hike In Big Cottonwood – ntd – Slow pace

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

Sat Organizer: Martin and Pat McGregor 801-255-0090 mdmcmgregor@q.com

Join Martin and Pat on an organizer's choice hike in Big Cottonwood Canyon. Bring your 10 Es and your camera - the fall colors will be out!

Oct 13 Day Hike - Kelsey Peak In The Oquirrh From Herriman – mod+ – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 3833' ascent – Moderate pace

Sun Meet: Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

We will start via Butterfield Canyon from Herriman to summit Kelsey Peak (10,373 ft) in the Oquirrh Mountains. The estimated hike time is approximately 6-7 hours. Please bring 10 essentials and micro-spikes. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, October 11, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. When you register, please indicate where you want to meet with the group for carpool - in Murray or Herriman.

Oct Post-season Night Hike - Lower Ridge Of Bells – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace

14 Meet: 5:45 pm at Bell Canyon "Granite" Trailhead on Little Cottonwood Canyon Road, approximately Mon 9600 South and east of Wasatch Boulevard

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

Let's see how far we can get up the ridge between Little Cottonwood Canyon and the lower Bells reservoir. With the city lights in view, this should make a nice sunset and city-light night hike. This is a very steep hike with some tricky footing in places. Plan on a 6:00 p.m. departure and a 8:00 return.

- Oct 15 **Evening Hike - Willow Lake Moose Ride – ntd+ – 3.5 mi Out & Back – 900' ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: 5:45 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Overflow Park & Rde (3653 Fort Union Blvd)
- Tue *Organizer:* Stephen Higgins 801-608-0861 stephen@twigsinourhair.com
 Enjoy the first days of autumn with the mooses. Hiking through the Willow Lake Conservation Area, we enter the home of the elves, climbing 600' through their aspen forest in fall splendor. Approaching Willow Lake, we bait the trail with moose treats. Circling the lake, we enjoy free moose rides, then skip gaily back down, singing songs from our childhood. Bring headlamp, waterproof shell, and moose harness. Prompt 6:00pm departure.
- Oct 17 **Post-season Night Hike - Mt. O To The Stream Crossing – ntd+ – Loop – Moderate pace**
Meet: 5:45 pm at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5789 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT)
- Thu *Organizer:* Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
 Up the traditional trail and down the BST connection.
- Oct 18 **Kayak/canoe Ruby Horsethief Canyon – class II – 25.0 mi**
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.
- Oct 18 **Canyoneering, Capital Reef – mod**
Meet: Registration required
- Fri *Organizer:* Steven Duncan 801-680-9236 duncste@comcast.net
 – With average highs around 70, mid October is a great time to do some canyons in Capital Reef. There are many canyons to choose from and permits are not required but most are limited to 6 so I'm limiting this trip to 12. I've reserved a group site at Sand Creek Campground in Torrey for Friday and Saturday nights.
- Oct 20 The campground has hot showers and includes the use of a nice pavilion for meals. Final campground costs t.b.d. but should be around \$15 per person per night. Please review and agree to the canyoneering policy before registering, link provided below.
- Sun
- Oct 19 **Day Hike - Rocky Peak In The Oquirrh – mod+ – 9.0 mi – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: Registration required
- Sat *Organizer:* Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
 Rocky Peak (10278 ft) is the 6th highest mountain in the Oquirrh. We will start from Ophir Canyon and take the main drainage to the peak. There is a maintained trail only for the first 1.3 miles. The rest of the part will be off-trail and involves bushwhacking and cross-country route finding. Expect easy scrambling at the last part to the peak. If the group is interested, we can bag Lowe Peak (10,589 ft) on the way back and do a loop. Bring 10 Es and micro-spikes. Due to long driving (1-1.5 hour), expect a long day. This hike will be exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, Oct 18, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
- Oct 19 **Notch Peak Day Hike – mod – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 3000' ascent – Moderate pace**
Meet: 6:00 am at the 14600 South and I-15 Park & Ride at the Point of The Mountain on the west side of the freeway.
- Sat *Organizer:* Jerry Hatch 801-583-8047 pikahatch@gmail.com
 Once again Donn Seeley has graciously volunteered to drive us from the restroom parking area to the trail head, so once again the Wick Miller / Carl Bauer Memorial hike to Notch Peak is on! And Once again it will be magnificent! There are phenomenal views from the top of its 3000 foot cliffs, and an ancient bristle cone forest. Be prepared for a moderate hike with a little bit of scrambling.

- Oct **Day Hike: Mt. Tuscarora-wolverine Traverse – mod – 6.2 mi Loop – 2185' ascent – Slow pace**
 20 *Meet:* 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6526 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)
 Sun *Organizer:* David* Smith 801-572-0346 dave.ski.smith@gmail.com
 A very pleasant ridge traverse exploring some of the high country between Alta and Brighton. Most of the hiking is on distinct trails, but there is some moderate scrambling with exposure. We'll hike from Brighton via Catherine Pass and then summit Tuscarora and Wolverine followed by a traverse of the Wolverine Cirque to Twin Lakes Pass.
- Oct **Family Hike To Diamond Fork Canyon Hot Springs – ntd – 4.5 mi Out & Back – 800' ascent – Slow pace**
 20 *Meet:* 9:00 am at Diamond Fork Trailhead located in Spanish Fork Canyon
 Sun *Carpool:* 8:15 am at Chic-Fil-A Parking Lot in Spanish Fork adjacent to Highway 6
Organizer: Petra Brittner 512-525-9285 brittnerpetra@yahoo.com
 This hike is slow-paced and provides time to soak in the Fifts Water Hot Springs in Spanish Fork Canyon aka Diamond Fork Canyon Hot Springs. It is suited for families with children 12 and up. This hike is dog-friendly. Take I-15 to Spanish Fork, UT. Follow the exit to highway 6 toward Price (east). Meet at Chick-Filet for carpool or proceed 9.5 miles on highway 6 toward Price. Make left turn onto Diamond Fork Road and follow road for approx. 10 miles to get to Diamond Fork Trailhead on the right side of the road.
- Oct **Evening Hike - Neff's Canyon – ntd+**
 21 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Olympus Cove Park & Ride (3880 Wasatch Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT)
 Mon *Organizer:* Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com
 We will hike up for an hour. The Sun is setting earlier now. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.
- Oct **Evening Hike - Mule Hollow – ntd+**
 22 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Overflow Park & Rde (3653 Fort Union Blvd)
 Tue *Organizer:* Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com
 We will hike up to the old mine area, plan on about one hour up. The Sun is setting earlier now. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.
- Oct **Evening Hike - Millcreek Organizers Choice – ntd+**
 23 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride
 Wed *Organizer:* Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com
 Evening Hike-Millcreek Canyon-Organizer's choice bring head lamp and 10Es
- Oct **Post-season Night Hike - Mt. O To The Stream Crossing – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**
 24 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5789 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT)
 Thu *Organizer:* Keith Markley 801-560-3844 geccu123@hotmail.com
 Bring headlamp and 10 Es
- Oct **Rock Climb Moab Area**
 25 *Meet:* Registration required
 Fri *Organizer:* Parker Winkel 330-941-0502 paw123321@gmail.com
 – A weekend of classic Utah desert climbing. Climbing can be trad or sport, dessert towers or splitters.
 Oct Climbing from 5-easy to 5-Not in your wildest dreams. We will drive down Friday, climb Saturday and
 27 Sunday morning then return. We will camp in primitive BLM campsites along HWY 128 or 279 based on
 Sun what the group would like to climb. We may end up on multi-pitch tower climbs, desert splitters or sport
 craging on Wall Street all based on the groups skill level and preferences. I am particularly interested in
 doing some of the shorter/easier towers like Ancient Art but also open to other suggestions. Please RSVP
 by October 18th with the type of climbing you wish to do and skill level. Include any experience climbing

in the Moab area and ability to lead sport/trad/aid. Helmets required. RSVP with the requested information to receive meeting location and carpool information.

Oct Wasatch Mountain Club Halloween Masquerade Party 2019 Social

26 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT

Sat *Carpool:* 5:30 pm at Big Cottonwood Canyon Park & Ride

Organizer: Kathy Burnham and Tonya Karren 801-548-8467 kbhothothot@yahoo.com, tonya.karren@gmail.com

Don't be afraid to show up! THIS IS A FUN SOCIAL, POTLUCK, DANCING AND COSTUME PARTY. Come one, come all! Club members, family and friends are invited to the WMC Halloween Masquerade Party to be held at the club's exquisitely appointed and haunted lodge at Brighton Ski Resort, in Big Cottonwood Canyon. A Potluck dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. The party is BYOB and bring food to add to the feast. Awards for the Best Costumes in the categories of Best Historic Period Costumes, Scariest, Sexiest and Funniest costumes will be given. A \$10.00 per person cover charge will be collected at the door; children are free. For an additional \$10 per person, you may stay overnight at the lodge; children are free. Bring a sleeping bag. Although the trail to the lodge will be marked with jack-o-lanterns or luminaria, bring a flashlight for the 5-minute walk through the pines from and back to the parking lot. Also, bring boots should the trail be wet or have snow on it. To get to the lodge, drive to the end of Big Cottonwood Canyon on Big Cottonwood Canyon Road (about a 20 minute drive from the mouth to the end of the canyon). Once you reach the canyon's end and the Brighton Ski Resort, there is a large parking lot. Drive to the far right and park opposite the two-story motel like the one in the movie Psycho. There will be a flashing light where the trail to the lodge begins. If you wish to car pool, arrange to meet people you want to share with at the park-and-ride lot at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon, at the intersection of Wasatch and Fort Union Boulevards.

Oct Boat Shed Closing Work Party.

26 *Meet:* 10:00 am at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W

Sat *Organizer:* Bret Mathews 801-831-5940 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com

Time to clean the boats and gear so they can be stored for the winter. Come help us out and earn our undying gratitude. Please park at the Flower Patch and walk over to the shed. #8 in the storage units.

Oct Day Hike - Regulator Johnson Horn & Mineral-cardiff Peak Via Mineral Fork – mod+ – 11.0 mi

27 **Out & Back – 3600' ascent – Moderate pace**

Sun *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

Regulator Johnson Horn (10,820 ft) is a peak between Mineral Fork and Mill D South. Mineral-Cardiff Peak (10,634 ft) is located near Regulator Johnson Horn between Mineral Fork and Cardiff Fork. We plan to bag these rarely climbed peaks via Mineral Fork, BCC. This hike will be exploratory. Expect some scrambles. Please bring 10 essentials and micro-spikes. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, October 25th, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Oct Post Season Evening Hike - Ferguson Canyon – ntd+ – Moderate pace

28 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Big Cottonwood Overflow - about 3600 E on Fort Union Blvd

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

Depending on conditions, we'll take go up the traditional canyon route, or explore the north ridge.

Oct Evening Hike - White Fir Pass – ntd+

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

Tue *Organizer:* Bruce Jensen 385-315-7833 bwjensen1982@msn.com

We will hike up white fir pass to the saddle which is about one hour up. The sun is setting early now and we will be hiking in the dark. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.

Oct **Evening Hike - Millcreek Organizers Choice – ntd+**

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

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

Evening Hike-Millcreek Canyon-Organizer's choice bring head lamp and 10Es

Oct **Post-season Night Hike - Dragon's Tail – ntd+ – Loop – Moderate pace**

31 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Grandeur Peak Trailhead (2910 S Wasatch Blvd, SLC, UT)

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

Starting at the West Grandeur trailhead, but up the steep slope to the limestone fold that forms the base of the tail of the dragon. Bring headlamps and layers for dark and cold. Optional post-hike apps and beverage after the hike.

Nov **Canyoneering Cherry Canyon In The Virgin River George – mod+**

1 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Kevin Earl 801-568-3791 kbe44@hotmail.com

– Cherry Canyon Take 2. This is an exploratory trip as I have not done these canyons. This is not a beginner trip. You must be an experienced self-sufficient canyoneer. You must have experience on 200' rappels and

Nov 3 the ability to add friction while on rope. We attempted this canyon in the spring but the water in the

Sun Virgin river was too high to safely cross. We will try to bag this canyon again. Cherry Canyon is in the Virgin River Gorge near Mesquite NV. We will drive down Friday night and stay at the Virgin River Hotel for two nights. We will be splitting into two groups to do Cherry Canyon on Saturday. On Sunday you will have the opportunity to do a canyon on the way home. Please review canyon beta on Road Trip Ryan's website to be familiar with the canyon and experience required. Depending on weather the actual canyon and location may change. Priority will be given to WMC members. Priority will also be given to people who can bring common gear like rope or write the Rambler article. Rope must be in good condition and in a rope bag. Please Email me if you have a rope or are willing be write the Ramble article on the trip. (kbe44@hotmail.com) I need to know your rope diameter and length. Looking for several 200' ropes and some 100' ropes. To reserve your spot on the trip I need you to join the wait list on Meetup for this trip, let me know if you have any rope as mentioned above or are will to write a Rambler article. I need to receive by October 7 a non-refundable check for \$80. The \$80 is an estimated cost, actual cost may be different. The \$80 will be for the hotel cost and other misc group costs (permits, webbing, quick links etc.). Travel costs are not included in the \$80. We have reserved eight rooms at the hotel for members of this trip. I will send you my address so you can mail me a check once I know if you have any ropes. Once I have received your check and you are approved you will be moved from the wait list to the going list on the Meetup site. Contact me if you have any questions.

Nov **Day Hike - South Thayne Peak Via Neffs Canyon – mod+ – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 4129' ascent – Moderate pace**

Sat *Meet:* Registration required

Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu

South Thayne Peak (9,776 ft) is located south of Thayne Peak and northwest of Mt Raymond. We plan to bag this rarely climbed peak via Neffs Canyon. The last part of the route does not have a trail and involves steep sections. Bring 10Es and micro-spikes. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 3 pm, Nov 1, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Nov **Day Hike - Miller Hill Via Alta – mod+ – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 3000' ascent – Moderate pace**

3 *Meet:* Registration required

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

Miller Hill (10,264 ft) is located in American Fork but is close to Alta. While the peak itself is not on private land, the American Fork route crosses private land. To avoid passing private land, we plan to summit the peak from the Alta side. Between Garmania Pass and Miller Hill, we will hike off-trail at places to avoid private land. After passing Garmania Pass, the route involves down and up to the peak.

Bring 10Es and micro-spikes. This hike will be exploratory. Email before Friday, 6 pm, Nov 1, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Nov **U Of U Ski Archives History Maker Awards Dinner**

6 *Meet:* 6:00 pm at Little American Hotel, 500 South Main Street

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

The University of Utah's J. Willard Marriott Utah Ski Archives Advisory Board has selected the Wasatch Mountain Club as the recipient of the 2019 History Maker Award in recognition of the WMC's 100th year celebration. The WMC was selected for the club's "long commitment and its serious approach in the sponsorship of skiing, and for the club's encouragement of outdoor winter activities." The award will be presented at the University of Utah Ski Archives Annual Ski Affair. The evening will include the awards program, a silent auction, cash bar, and buffet dinner. Several key club representatives will be in attendance, and additional tickets are available at \$80/person (the event is a fundraiser in support of developing the Ski Archives at the University of Utah).

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.

Nov **Day Hike - Reynolds Peak – mod – 6.0 mi – 2600' ascent – Moderate pace**

10 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We plan to make Reynolds Peak (9,422 ft) where many of us enjoy hiking there year around. Depending on conditions, we may do a loop. Please bring 10Es and micro-spikes. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, November 8, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

Nov **Snowshoe/ Snow Hike - Location To Be Posted Later – mod – Moderate pace**

17 *Meet:* Registration required

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

The snowshoe or snow hike location will be finalized depending on weather and conditions and be posted when it gets closer. Bring micro-spikes and 10Es as well as snowshoes (if we have sufficient snow for snowshoes). Avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) not required unless we get lots of snow by then. before Friday, 6 pm, November 15, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.

Nov **Snowshoe/ Snow Hike - Location To Be Posted Later – mod – Moderate pace**

24 *Meet:* Registration required

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

The snowshoe or snow hike location will be finalized depending on weather and conditions and be posted when it gets closer. Bring micro-spikes and 10Es as well as snowshoes (if we have sufficient snow for snowshoes). Avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) not required unless we get lots of snow by then. before Friday, 6 pm, November 22, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birth date: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

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

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

Membership dues:

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

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

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

Student members must be full-time student.

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

How did you learn about the Wasatch Mountain Club? _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature 1 _____

Date: _____

Signature 2 _____

Date: _____

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Membership Director
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