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Centennial Activity Challenge

Grab a leather-bound Centennial journal, a pile of post-it notes, or whatever you want to use. Starting January 1, 2020, track your participation in WMC-posted activities. The first 100 members who participate in 100 posted club activities will receive a WMC Centennial Challenge jacket!

#WMC100Challenge

RULES

- **Any activity that is posted on the calendar will count.**

That includes club socials, membership meetings, sing-alongs, board meetings, boating permit parties, trainings, etc. If it's posted on the calendar (which means the activity has to be an approved WMC activity), it counts. Now that being said . . . no fair back-dating an activity, or only giving an hour notice! Stay within the spirit please.

- **If it's a multi-day activity, each day the activity is posted on the club calendar**

can be counted as an activity. You'll be doing something fun and different every day, right? If the travel day is included in the post, that counts too. It's an important "activity" of sharing resources, planning, and camaraderie!

- **Activities start counting as of January 1, 2020**, but all 100 activities do NOT have to be completed this year. History shows that we're going to be around a while.

- **Once you record 100 activities (or 100 days of**

activities, if you participate in multi-day events), submit your documentation to the board. You will be highlighted in the Rambler, and you will get your prize at the next membership meeting or social.

- **The more club activities you participate in, the sooner you reach the goal.**

If you don't see an activity that suits you, jump in an organize or co-organize! If you're not one of the first 100, that's ok. We'll come up with another prize :-).

**Ski season ends,
but the adventure
doesn't.**

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The **Wasatch Mountain Club** is an outdoor recreation club for adults dedicated to fostering awareness of the scenic beauties of the Wasatch and encouraging preservation of our natural areas. Club activities include hiking, backcountry skiing, backpacking, camping, conservation, trail maintenance, canoeing, climbing, canyoneering, kayaking, mountaineering, mountain biking, road biking, river rafting, socializing, snowshoeing and multi-day adventures.

Cover Skiing Special Edition: Hsiu-chi "Ammo" Alberque on the Slate Creek Alpine Ski Tour January 25, 2020. Photo Credit: Kathleen Waller.



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By Julie Kilgore

The March 2020 Rambler highlights the history of skiing in the Wasatch Mountain Club. As a Salt Lake native, I'm one of those very odd people who never skied. Not once. But one of the many great things about hanging out with the Wasatch Mountain Club is having the opportunity to try new things, and having fellow club members help get us started.

My recent dabbling into backcountry skiing was accomplished only because fellow club members helped get me geared up and patiently helped me learn a few skills. The same can be said for snowshoeing, canyoneering, and mountaineering. I've even managed to get myself into and out of a watercraft or

two without causing too much trouble for myself or others.

The WMC is a great place to learn new things, explore new places, and meet new friends.

Our volunteer organizers and our robust activity calendar are the core of the club's success. Sure, we don't have the roller blading group anymore, and no more ladies chorus or men's basketball team. But with over 1,000 members and as many as 20 activities a week, the WMC is as strong as ever! Try a new activity, or post an activity you'd like to share, and come out to enjoy the fun.



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Contact Greg Libecchi for details: glibecchi@yahoo.com 801-699-1999

Save the Date

Break out your party shoes or hiking boots
and dance to music from the past 100 years

Centennial Birthday Bash

May 13, 2020 - Red Butte Orangerie

Watch for details in upcoming issues of The Rambler
& on the WMC website Activity Calendar

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In 2020, the WMC turns 100

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Donate to the WMC Centennial Scholarship Fund. The WMC is creating a lasting legacy by establishing a permanent Education Endowment at the U of U. Learn more about the endowment and donate <https://wasatchmountainclub.org/centennial/education-endowment>

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2020 Centennial Key Dates

Mar 7- 8	Winter Sports Weekend	Wasatch Mountain Lodge
May 13	WMC Official Centennial Anniversary Event	Red Butte Orangerie
Jun 6	National Trails Day, Centennial Project TBD	
Jul 17-19	Life Member Celebration & Multi-Sport Weekend	Wasatch Mountain Lodge
Aug 23	Member Meeting, Awards & Historic Photo Reveal	Wasatch Mountain Lodge
Sep 26	National Public Lands Day, Centennial Project TBD	
Oct 31	Halloween Party - Carrying on the tradition	Wasatch Mountain Lodge
Dec 5	Centennial Holiday Party Closing Event	Alf Engen Ski Museum

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47th ANNUAL KINGS PEAK SKI TOUR

Saturday March 21st, 2020

Join us for the classic of all classic ski tours. The 47th running of the KPT. Mostly difficult and VERY long. The first half is in a sheltered creek bed or in the forest, depending on snow conditions, and is moderate. The last half is open and exposed and has a stiff climb to the summit. The total RT length is about 32 miles, with a whopping 4600 ft gain in elevation. Most folks turn around at one of many good options short of the peak. The tour is very scenic and worthwhile from any turn-around point. We go in and out on the same trail for safety.

No beacons, shovels, or probes are required, but good headlamps with ample batteries

are mandatory as we start around 4:30 AM and return after dark. It is a very long day. Bring plenty of water. Climbing skins are often helpful. Standard Nordic gear is best. Racing skis are a poor choice and not advised.

Meeting at the Walmart parking lot on Parleys Way on Friday at 5:00 PM is optional. Many also meet at Jody's restaurant in Evanston around 6:30 PM, but that is also optional. Most camp out at the start of Henrys Fork road on Friday night. Checking in at the HF trailhead before starting and checking out at completion of the day are mandatory.

Those attempting the peak

should be at Gunsight Pass by about noon. **Mandatory turn-around time is 3 PM, no matter where you are on the route.**

Don't forget - we carry out absolutely all paper waste including TP. Get or bring a bag! It is a good idea to carry a 2-way radio to facilitate group communication if you are planning to go high on the route.

Registration is required. Driving directions and more information can be obtained from Larry Swanson, oldswaney@gmail.com, (801) 946-6372 or Steve Swanson, stephenswa@gmail.com, (801) 557-2172.

The History of Skiing in the Wasatch Mountain Club

By Larry Swanson

Any mountain club in the state of Utah obviously will have a strong skiing contingent. The Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) is no exception. No one from the founding is still around at this 100-year historical point although Yenta Kaufman (102), Ann McDonald (98), and Milt Hollander (97), are closest. The very best source for the history of skiing in Utah is the classic Alexis Kelner book, *Skiing in Utah: A History*. It was the source for most of this article and is a delightful must read! In addition, the Alexis Kelner-Dave Hanscom series of Wasatch Tours guide books describe many of the ski tour routes.

Even before the WMC was founded, enthusiasts were skiing over the passes from the Park City mine areas and overnighing at the Salt Lake Waterworks Department cabin in Big Cottonwood Canyon (BCC). 1913 saw the first assembling of enthusiasts who would later officially become the Wasatch Mountain Club. By 1920 skiing already included what we term "downhill" as well as "cross country" and jumping. Downhill was mostly just that - little turning and often terminating with a crash. The skis, bindings, which were mostly just a leather strap, and poles were pretty primitive. A single long pole to drag on one side or another to effect steering was still in use. The skis ranged in length from about 8 feet up to the ones owned by a BCC Watermaster that were 14 feet long and 6 inches wide. Speed was ample but turning was sketchy.

The sport was catching on. WMC members skied where the University of Utah is now located; in the area of the Avenues (before houses of course); on land now used for golf courses; and in destinations for ski outings like Pinecrest Lodge in Emigration Canyon. The WMC folks expanded their outings in the 1920s to include the foothills above Bountiful, the Jordan Narrows area, the summit of Parleys Canyon, and canyons near Payson and Provo. Access to Alta was difficult, so only the hardest WMC tourers utilized Little Cottonwood Canyon (LCC) in the 1920s.

One long way to get to Brighton was from the mouth of BCC, but WMC members perfected a better route from Park City. They skied in and utilized facilities at the Comstock miners' dormitory for an overnight and then on to Brighton on the second day. As many as 30-40 WMC men and women skiers would make the trip. It was intermittently "annual" for many years.

The Depression affected skiing somewhat but by 1938, a lift in Alta Canyon and a cable tow built even earlier in BCC, had breathed new life into the sport. The WMC even had its own modest ski tow. In 1939, ten rescue caches were placed in the Brighton area to cope with the increased number of ski injuries. They contained rescue toboggans as well as first aid supplies. The idea was popular but upkeep and maintenance were difficult.

In 1942, there was an "annual" moonlight ski trip from Park City to Brighton, an interclub race between the Ogden Ski Club and the WMC, a Brighton-Alta trip, a Cardiff Fork "up and over" for a Lake Blanche descent, a Red Pine Canyon trip over the pass for a descent to Alpine, and finally a two-day trip to Ben Lomond Peak near Ogden -- all on wooden skis, with no release bindings, and with low-cut leather boots.

Things almost came to a halt during WWII. A Civil Defense Corp initiative allowed a few WMC members who were not in the Service to remain active skiers. Several others joined the 10th Mountain Ski Division, some becoming instructors. When the war ended the returning soldiers brought with them enthusiasm for skiing, gleaned from the Europeans, and plans for ski areas that popped up around the State. In 1948, the WMC was given responsibility and funding to construct the first three of a series of sturdy ski huts, high up on ridges, to serve ski tourers. Original plans were for fourteen to link Park City to BCC, LCC, and American Fork. Only three, near Alta and Brighton, were ever funded and built, and they served as occasional

WMC destinations for some time.

Equipment had taken a giant leap forward, so real "lift skiing" became very popular. Touring remained strong in the WMC, but regular WMC outings to resorts for downhill skiing also increased in number. In 1960, for example, there were eighteen Club outings, nine to ski resorts and nine back-country touring events.

The 1960s ushered in the "golden age of ski touring." The better skis were helpful, especially for the steep downhills, and enthusiasm was high. All the major peaks and ridges of the Wasatch and the Uinta Mountains were visited, some regularly. Major first winter ascents were made on Mt Owen and Mt Moran in the Tetons and the Dinwoody Glacier in the Wind River Mountains.

Some were Club trips, but many were small groups of WMC members who regularly ski toured and climbed together, a practice that continues today.

In 1974 a new annual ski tour was added to the WMC schedule. It is a long trip in Henry's Fork in the Uintas, capped with climbing Kings Peak, the highest in Utah. 46 years later, the Kings Peak Tour remains a popular annual event.

Snow sport activities continue to increase. Resort skiing as a Club event has waned, while snowshoeing has exploded as the favorite Club winter sport. Ski touring continues at a good rate. In the month of January 2019 alone, there were eighteen snowshoe trips and eleven cross country ski trips on the WMC event schedule.

**The vision of
the founders --
that of a vibrant
organization
of outdoor
enthusiasts --
lives on.**



Centennial Winter Sports Social

March 7th & 8th, 2020

@ WMCF Lodge

Alpine Resort Ski

Nordic Ski Tour

Snowshoe

Snow Removal Service Opportunity

Social

By Greg Libecci

What a Centennial birthday present the Wasatch Mountain Club is receiving! As of February 8th Upper Little Cottonwood has a 127" base and has received 390 inches and Upper Big Cottonwood Canyon isn't far behind having received 320 inches of that precious white fluffy magic! It seems every weekend has been epic or near epic conditions.

I hope to see many of you up at the **Wasatch Mountain Lodge on March 7th and 8th**. Check the club calendar for activities and for details pertaining to this **Centennial Winter Sports Social**. While the beds are all claimed there may still be some floor space available. So come on up and hang by the fireplace, **enjoy a free dinner** (breakfast too if you stay overnight ;-)) and spend some time getting to know your fellow WMC

winter sport enthusiasts. **You must RSVP** (by email to glibecci@yahoo.com)!

I'd like to acknowledge the club members who have been stepping up and organizing snowshoeing, ski touring and backcountry alpine activities! While there are some consistent organizers there remains a great need for others to give back. Just post a favorite activity, it's that simple! While it's nice when activities post by the 10th of a month so they get listed in the next month's issue of *The Rambler*, members are encouraged to post anytime to the website Activity Calendar. More and more members, old and new alike, are finding their activity by checking the on-line activity calendar.

Have fun and be safe out there!

Little Cottonwood Canyon Environmental Impact Statement Process Update

By Dennis Goreham

Transportation and parking in Little Cottonwood Canyon have been challenging for many years. As the population increases along the Wasatch and tourism grows, it will only get worse.

Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is leading the effort to develop recommendations for improvements to S.R. 210, the highway from the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon, up LCC to Alta, and develop transportation alternatives. These alternatives are being developed and evaluated in the Little Cottonwood Canyon (LCC) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process.

The Wasatch Mountain Club has been engaged in each of the steps through a number of opportunities of stakeholder engagement. We have participated in open houses, topic specific stakeholder meetings with UDOT, and our official written comments at each step.

UDOT recently held a public comment period from November 4 to December 13, 2019, providing an opportunity for the community to provide input on the Draft Purpose and Need and Draft Alternatives Development and Screening Methodology and Preliminary Concept Report. You can see our submitted comment on the WMC website.

Much of the focus of this effort has been on winter transportation for the resort skiers at Alta and Snowbird. Although this is certainly an issue that needs attention, dispersed recreation in both winter and summer is just as important to our members.

There has been good discussion about improvements to trailheads and better use of mass transit (buses) for dispersed users. But also

concerning for us is talk of eventual closure of all roadside parking except at a couple designated trailheads. Although we believe the long-term transportation solution must focus on mass to the maximum extent possible, we should not be restricted from roadside parking for dispersed recreation until an acceptable mass transit alternative is implemented.

As part of the EIS, UDOT is also analyzing other types of mass transit including rail or aerial modes up LCC. These could have devastating environmental and visual impacts on the canyon, and really only help get people to and from the resorts. And at huge cost to taxpayers.

We have advocated for better bus service. Buses provide many more options for frequent stops for dispersed recreation users. Hiking, climbing, fishing, etc. don't just happen where UDOT wants to concentrate parking. Focusing on buses utilizing existing road right-of-way and minor road improvements for passing lanes and bike lanes make more sense than aerial or rail alternatives up LCC.

Development and evaluation of potential transportation alternatives is the next step in the EIS process and will be occurring over the next year. During this phase, UDOT will develop and evaluate transportation alternatives that have been brought forward by stakeholders or were identified in previous studies. These alternatives will be screened based on how they meet the purpose and need, along with quantifying the potential impacts. We believe evaluating and minimizing environmental and visual impacts is critical.

This phase will happen between now and summer of 2021 when the Draft EIS is completed. The final EIS is scheduled to be released Spring 2022. Please stay tuned for updates and if you have not signed up for the Conservation email alerts, please sign up on the WMC web site.

Boating Planning Party

**Wednesday, March 11, 2020
6:00PM**

Join us as we get together to go over the permits we got as a group and plan out our boating season for 2020! Dinner will be provided.

**Junior League SLC Building - 526 East 300 South
Park across the street in the Steel Encounters parking lot**

Celebrate the legacy *by Giving*

In 2020, Wasatch Mountain Club turns 100! We have a year of celebration with many ways you can participate!

■ Attend a Centennial Event

- January 27: Centennial Kick-Off
 - May 13: Anniversary Party
 - December 5: Closing/Holiday Party
- For a full list of Centennial activities, visit WasatchMountainClub.org

■ Donate to WMC Centennial Education Endowment Fund: Create a lasting legacy at the University of Utah. Details on our website. Use this form to receive Thank-You gifts, or donate online.

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WMC Centennial Scholarship Fund

The Wasatch Mountain Club is making a lasting legacy in commemoration of the centennial year. Past WMC President John Veranth has worked closely with the University of Utah to establish an endowed scholarship fund at the University of Utah to support students in the Parks, Recreation and Tourism 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.

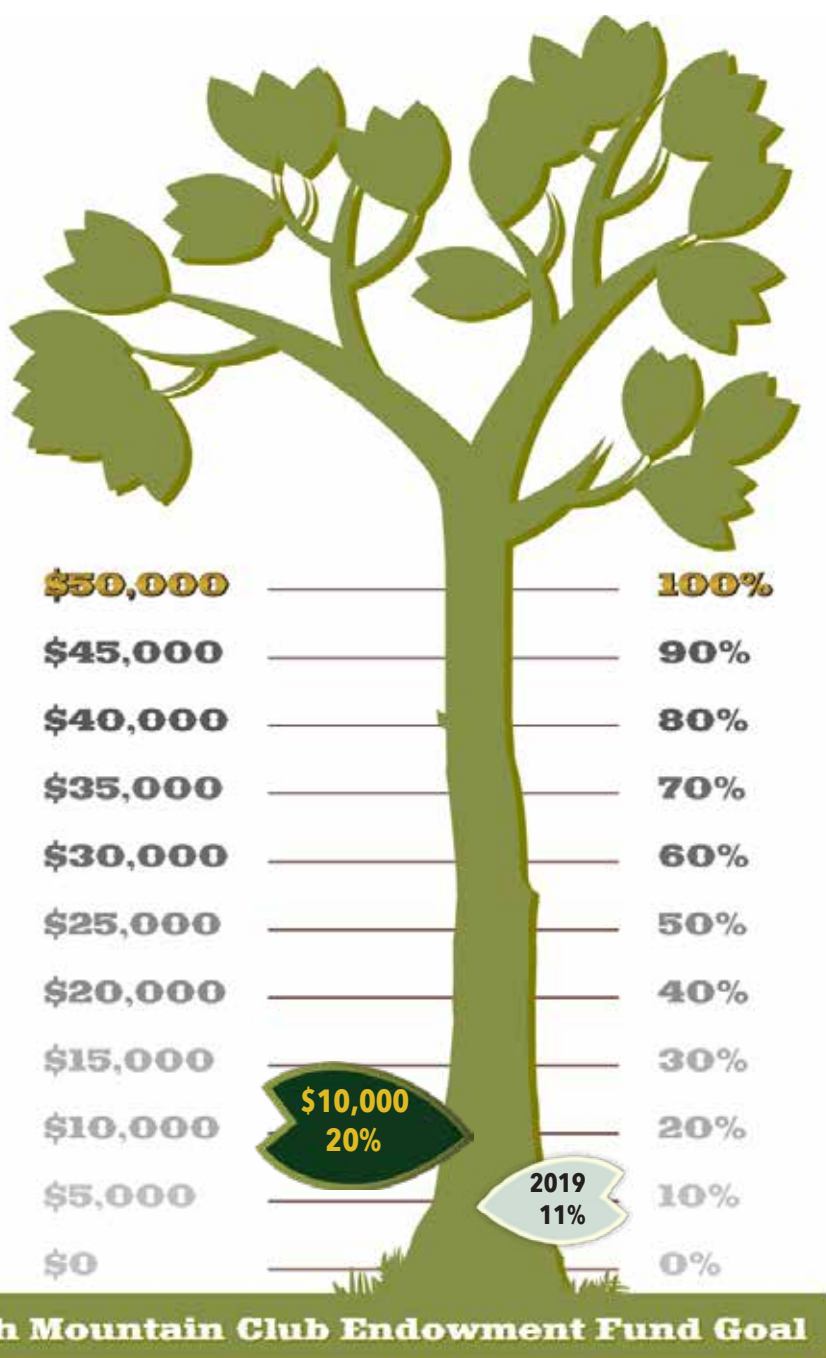
\$25,000 is required to establish the endowment, but our goal is to establish a \$50,000 endowment that can continue to be funded year after year. The U of U distributes ~3% endowment fund balances annually, depending on investment returns.

Donations made through the WMC will not be tax deductible (we are a non-profit membership organization, but not a 501(c)(3)). 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, journals, 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.

Donate to the WMC Centennial Scholarship at the University of Utah online

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Winter 2020 Ski Touring for Beginners to Experts

By Robert Myers

Early this winter, I continued the series of ski tours that I started for members several years ago, enabling members and others to become more involved in the Club's winter skiing program. Judging from the past years, not enough emphasis was placed on attracting new members and training our existing members to improve their skiing and practice skiing safely. In offer, I and others have been providing avalanche awareness classes and entry level ski training/tours. The hope is that we are enabling more people to gain involvement in our winter programs.

Our skiing programs have been in existence for a long time, since

the origin of the Club, 100 years ago. In that tradition, we need to recognize that our current needs are to include an introduction for new participants, as well existing members. Let's just call this, our methods for improving our ski program and teaching others "how to play safe in the backcountry". I have been involved with the Club for many years, with everything I have done, there are ups and there are down.

As we go through those ups and downs, we need to be aware of what lies ahead of us, make dinner that night, and not be carried away. We learn by listening to others' mistakes, and "we take care of those we know by teaching them how not to do it, rather how to do it".

You can make mistakes, I did one this past week, by crashing into a tree, but you can learn by such a mistake and hopefully teach others what happened and how to stay away from them things. Our training needs to be in the effort of preventing adversity/accidents from happening.

I have been in the Club for 41 years, I joined the Club to learn backcountry skiing from the best. I have had some good training and I am still here. I am glad that you are reading this and hopefully you are going to join us.

Photo credit: Robert Myers



Some of the crew for March 19, 2019 Snow Removal Work Party

Lodge Snow Shoveling Crew

Help Needed - Join a Work Party

We need your help this winter removing snow from the roof of our historic Lodge. Construction of the lodge began in 1929 and with help from volunteers, through the years we have managed to prevent snow from damaging the roof of the building. This building was carefully designed by the members 91 years ago and it took the Club 8 or 9 years to complete the basic structure you see today. The lodge has seen many

improvements, but more importantly, though our volunteer labor we still have the building.

This season, most of our snow removal work is done during the week, because of weekend rentals January through the start of March. We will be working mid-week, generally on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Dates for work, are yet to be announced. Come March, we will start working on available weekends.

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Volunteers Needed for Lodge Foundation Board

Secretary - Take meeting minutes, write monthly Rambler article, help with Donor Perfect

Event Marketing - Research possible events, advertising, contact potential event sponsors/planners

Grants Coordinator - Research available grants, write grant applications

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50 Years Ago in the Rambler

Transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC Trustee

CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH '70 [...]

- Mar 1 Sun. TWIN PEAKS VIA BROADS FORK: Advanced (5,5) In the hopes that conditions may have taken a turn for the better, we are prepared to tempt the gods in an all out assault on rugged Twin Peaks. The scenery is spectacular and the effort is vigorous. Register with the Leader: Caine Alder [...] for current conditions and other information. Tentative departure time 6:30 a.m. from the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. If conditions are hazardous, a very scenic and much shorter tour is still to be had by going to the lower part of Broads Fork Cirque.
- Mar 8 Sun. AMERICAN FORK TWINS: Advanced (3,5) In the hope that the stabilizing trend will continue we are scheduling this classic tour. Those who dread harassment from the Scourge of Sikorsky are advised to contact the leaders for possible car spotting arrangements in American Fork Canyon the night before. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon. Leaders: Chauncy & Emily Hall [...].

PARK CITY RIDGE RUN


By Carol Edison

It was a really beautiful morning as we assembled at the parking lot at Park City West. The seven showshoers (I was the one at the rear) hiked to the upper lift, took the lift, and waited and WAITED at the top. We discovered the reason when Milt Hollander, our leader, and the skiers joined us. Ruth Hensen had had an unfortunate accident skiing from one lift to the other. She suffered two breaks in her leg below the knee. Mary Belange stayed with Ruth to help. We all, and Milt especially, thank Mary for her assistance.

When all were assembled, we crossed the south side of Murdock Peak singly and on foot and then headed for the main Park City Ridge and had lunch looking over Millcreek

Canyon. The snowshoers then headed for Red Pine Canyon and the parking lot, meeting skiers there. This part of the tour was highlighted for me by continual tightening of bindings while observing enviously the trim backsides of others (I am really going on a diet!) and the awesome sight of Fred Bruenger running uphill and down keeping his splinter group in some sort of order (thank you, Fred). I am told the skiers had a fine second half.

Participants were: John MacDuff, Betty Bottcher, Mike Belange, Carol Edison, Shelly Hyde, Don Coleman, Aaron Filler, Herman & Melba Wiebe, Fred & Eveline Bruenger, June & Al Wickham, Lief Hendrickson, John Riley, Dave Smith, Dave Boyd, Carol & Del Wiens, Suzanne Stensaas, Rob Thompson, Diana & Andy Schoenberg.



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Is trail work in your bones?

Here are your upcoming opportunities to help out & earn your trail crew t-shirt!

Apr 18	Mt. Olympus Trailhead Clean-up & Hike organized by Bruce Christensen
May 16	Trailwork Day with Draper City Trail Crew
May 30	Wasatch Mountain Club, Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee and U.S. Forest Service Trail Crew work day on the new section of the BST from Big Cottonwood Canyon to the Ferguson Canyon Trail
Jun 6	National Trails Day is a huge annual event that attracts over 100 local volunteers. This year's specific project is in the works with partnering organizations. Details will be provided in upcoming issues of <i>The Rambler</i> and on the WMC website activity calendar.
Jun 20	We will be helping the U.S. Forest Service Trail Crew with some projects further up in the canyons that may require a more hiking than a normal volunteer day
Sep 26	National Public Lands Day (Centennial Project TBD)



Check the activity calendar on the WMC website for more information about these days and keep an eye out for more opportunities to help build and maintain the trails we all know and love.

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or to RSVP for work days, please email
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work events, please email
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Become a Life Member in 2020

Life Members are recognized for their continuous membership and service in the Wasatch Mountain Club. There are currently 57 Life Members in the Wasatch Mountain Club. With over 125 regular members that are potentially eligible to become Life Members, we challenge those members that qualify to apply for Life Member status. If you've been considering applying, the centennial year is a great time to give it a shot.

Requirements to Become a Life Member

25 years of continuous dues paying membership

Service on the Board of Directors OR accumulated service of 100 hours in organization and/or leadership of WMC activities/functions

Submission of a written application to the WMC Board describing your service, qualification & the importance of the WMC in your life. Approval of your application by the Board.

Approval of your application by vote at a general membership meeting (August 23, 2020)

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Centennial Kick-off at the Utah State Capitol Rotunda

By Petra Brittner

The Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) kicked off its Centennial at the Utah State Capitol on January 27, 2020. There was a sense of enthusiastic anticipation in the Capitol's Rotunda as members of the Centennial Planning Committee hustled about to set up newly printed banners, masterfully created picture displays, tables with Centennial merchandise, and an exhibition for Alexis Kelner's books and pictures. While the caterer still unloaded the appetizers from its delivery truck outside the steps of the east-side of the Capitol, one life-time member, Dr. Bruce Parsons was already on-site, ready to engage with curious visitors who were eager to learn more of the WMC's history.

As the festive displays were put in place and Club members along with families and friends gathered, there was a common bond, that united all of us in the Rotunda on that very special day. We, outdoor enthusiasts, have forged life-long friendships through the WMC, have volunteered countless hours to support the WMC and our public lands, and continue the legacy of the WMC's that now spans 100 years. The kick-off event was more than a gathering of Club members, however, there was historic business to be conducted. The Deputy Chief from the Governor's Office presented the congratulatory Proclamation (pictured above) to 20 WMC

commemorate the WMC's Centennial. Next, David Whittekiend, a United States Forest Service supervisor, offered his compliments to the WMC by highlighting its longstanding partnership with the WMC and the valuable contributions of Club members toward the stewardship and conservation of public lands. Dr. Kelly Bricker, College of Health, University of Utah applauded the WMC for creating a lasting legacy through the establishment of an endowed scholarship fund at the University of Utah to support students in the Parks,



Kathleen Riebe UT Senator "rep-ping" the new WMC t-shirt w/ Greg Libecci



Photos by decade spanning the WMC Centennial. Display created by JoDene Arakelian.

Recreation and Tourism department pursuing degrees focused in environmental health and community outdoor recreation which closely aligns with the vision of the WMC. Blake Perez, Deputy Director, Central Wasatch Commission spoke about environmentally sustainable planning for the Wasatch. The WMC's President, Julie Kilgore, gracefully accepted the many accolades on behalf of the Club as some

us stood in the audience with teary eyes so proud to be a part of a Club that has brought so much to so many for so long. After the formal speeches and congratulatory ceremonies concluded, things quickly reverted back to what members do when they are together. They share stories, they point to pictures featuring daring hikes, memorable bike tours, wild river runs, exhilarating canyoneering adventures, breathtaking snowshoe



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excursions, and beautiful backcountry ski outings. Members can't help but promote the Club, and they invite literally anyone they come in contact with to join in on the fun. Thus, it is not surprising that even a Utah State Senator who passed by to learn about the WMC, walked away with newly acquired WMC merchandise.

The WMC's Centennial kick-off event at the Utah State Capitol is now a part of the WMC's history as it was the first of many special events that the WMC will host throughout its anniversary year.

We invite you to
continue to participate
in the Club's legacy as
we venture on into the
next 100 years.



Dave, Daisy, and Julie at the Hughes Canyon Waterfall Alcove

Mt. Olympus Trailhead Clean-up & Hike

January 12, 2020

Organizer: Daisy DeMarco, Report & Photos: Julie Kilgore

The WMC has a long history with and a deep personal connection to the Mt. Olympus trailhead area.

In spring of 2012, the WMC entered into a formal agreement with Salt Lake County to “adopt” the Mt. Olympus Trailhead,

which came about after the WMC approached the County with an offer of assistance to deal with a particularly prolific graffiti tagging of Pete’s Rock.

As part of that agreement, the club requested that a trash can be placed at the parking lot and we committed to empty it regularly, something that the County could not service because of the steep

approach.

You may have read about our Mt. Olympus Trasher Angels in a recent Rambler! Daisy DeMarco is part of the Trasher team, so she scheduled a Mt. Olympus trailhead cleanup and hike on January 12, 2020. A big snowstorm was hitting us that day, and with all that snow on the ground there was no cleanup to be done so we just hiked instead.

There was a brief thought of shooting for a winter summit, but then Dave Andrenyak offered to show us the proposed location for the memorial plaque for Brett Smith along the BST between Mt. Olympus and Hughes Canyon. So we headed off that direction, breaking trail all along the BST, continuing on to Hughes Canyon and into the alcove hiding a beautiful winter waterfall.

Peak 8442, Slate Creek West

Uintas Snowshoe & Alpine Ski

January 19, 2020

Organizers: Kathleen Waller (ski) & Akiko Kamimura (snowshoe), Report & Photos: Akiko Kamimura

This activity was a joint activity of Kathleen's Alpine ski group and Akiko's snowshoe group. It was very cold early in the morning - single digits. We started from the Yellow Pine TH on Mirror Lake Hwy to explore Slate Creek. For all of us, it was the first time to snowshoe/ski/hike at Slate Creek. Also, it was the first club activity for Marisa who moved to Utah four months ago.

At first, we traveled on the snowshoe/ski track toward Peak 7687 (north), but after the track ended we had to break snow. We found the track that went west and took that to Peak 8442. By then it became sunny and very warm. We had lunch at the peak and enjoyed nice weather and wonderful views. We took a different way that went directly toward the trailhead for a return trip. This route was fun in the beautiful forest but was sometimes challenging due to the heavy wet snow. The joint activity of alpine ski and snowshoe worked well - we had a great time together. This trip took 4 hours and 30 minutes including breaks (distance - 4.17 miles, elevation gain - 1,498 ft).



Group from left (front) Akiko, Kathleen, Cora (dog), Marisa. (back) Dave, Craig, Ellen, Peter

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Random Acts of Kindness: Any and all passing by.... grab the garbage anytime.

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 while replacing bag to check for any leakage. If

leaking, double bag.

Replace bag. Bags are in the cage behind the can. Put the bungee cord around the top of the can, holding the bag in place.

If have time, tour around parking lot to pick up trash or circumnavigate Pete's Rock.

Dumpster South: .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.

Garbage Cans North: 1.5 miles north on Wasatch Blvd. Left on 4500 South for ¼ mile. Olympus Hills Park on north side of 4500 South. Cans on north side of parking lot. We have permission.

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Slate Creek Alpine Ski Tour

January 25, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photos: Kathleen Waller

Participants: Beth Blattenberger, Hsiu-chi "Ammo" Alberque, Scott Stebbins, Zhiheng Liu, and Cora "The Dog"

Slate Creek is a 1.5-mile drainage in the low/west Uintas. Skiable terrain flanks either side of the drainage. As the group began up the drainage we quickly saw short but skiable knolls on our right. We followed an old skin track and ascended a short hill and gained a few turns through some trees and back to the drainage.

This first drop was good snow and coverage but tricky to find a good line through the trees. We continued up the drainage and veered left heading into the unknown. Beth broke trail and we all agreed to keep climbing looking for openings in the trees. We gained a ridge and only stopped when veteran skier Beth called "skins off". This was our longest skin and eventually brought us to a side drainage with good coverage and thin trees with nice turns. But we also began to feel the warm snow sticking to our skins and skis and agreed to look for further terrain on a different aspect. From this vantage point we could also see more potential lines. We viewed a knoll slightly further up Slate Creek with a beautiful west facing line free of trees and opposite the sticky snow. The knoll was awesome.

The approach was short and easy and the drop was super creamy. We all loved it so much that we all lapped it at least three times. Scott used his quick transition skills and fast ascent to lap one more time than the rest of the group. Gliding back down to our cars was easy with minimal pushing off our poles. And after a few good lines on a blue bird sky Saturday, we only encountered two other people.



Scott Stebbins and Cora ascending a small knoll



Beth Blattenberger atop our favorite knoll



Zhiheng Liu enjoying a slope above Slate Creek

By Greg Libecchi

Five of us met at the 6200 and Wasatch Park and Ride and boarded an early am bus bound for Alta. Scott was toting a split board while Hardy, Steve, Neil and myself were with skis. The plan was to skin up to the ridge, drop into Silver Fork climb the ridge between Silver and Days, drop into Days Fork and ultimately exit out to Big Cottonwood Canyon via Spruces Campground with a hitch hike back to the cars. Neil had never done a Little to Big cross canyon tour before and was excited to do so.

The ascent was uneventful other than the spectacular views looking south with ever shrinking sight of the Alta parking lot and the hordes of people scampering like ants to ride the chairlift. Devils Castle looked like you could reach out and touch it! Once on the ridge we agreed on a line to drop into Upper Silver and one by one enjoyed the carefree powder turns down to the up track headed for Days. The drop into Main Days was awesome so we decided, since we landed on an up-track, to do it again. This is when things got interesting... we skinned up a bit higher than we had planned and wound up above a cliff band! When they say... 's__t can happen' in the backcountry... this is what they are talking about! Steve pushed on trying to find a crack we could squeeze through but that proved fruitless and put him in a precarious situation with no way out other than reversing direction. This required post-holing in 4 feet of sugar like snow and climbing back to the traverse track with a 30' cliff directly below him. Greg found himself in a similar situation on a different section of the cliff band. Fortunately, Scott and Neil had not yet crossed over into the danger zone so they, after dealing with their own issues while transitioning over to downhill from climbing mode on a steep sugary slope, skied back to the transition zone where we started the ascent. There they waited patiently for 45 minutes as the rest of us dealt with our situation above the cliff. What was 45 minutes for them felt like an eternity for us.

Once reunited and stories shared (along with apologies for the poor route) we agreed to make one last climb up a sub-ridge and drop into Banana Days. The 1,000 + foot climb, while exhausting given our recent exertion, was rewarded with an exceptional powder run down to the main Days Fork hiking trail. Rides were quickly secured in Spruces parking lot and all 5 were delivered back at our cars. Happily, and with some relief, we exchanged handshakes and retreated to our safe and cozy homes. This tour will be remembered as one that proves you need to expect the unexpected in the backcountry and don't think, just because you are signed up for a 'club tour', that things will go smoothly. They also say, "All is well that ends well". ☺

Little to Big Cottonwood Canyon Backcountry Ski Tour

January 25, 2020



Left to right. Scott, Neil, Steve and Hardy after the drop into Days Fork

Willow Heights Loop Snowshoe

February 9, 2020



Group photo from left - Michi, Akiko, and Jim

Organizer, Report & Photo: Akiko Kamimura

When we started from north of Solitude to snowshoe at Willow Heights, it was snowing. But it became sunny while going up to the ridge toward Willow Bowl. The transition of the weather created beautiful sceneries of shining snow, sunlight, and tree shadows. We had a great conversation with skiers from the East Coast on the way to the ridge. Once we were up to the ridge, the views became more remarkable. After snowshoeing on the ridge for a while we found a safe place to go down. Snow conditions were excellent. We enjoyed plunging. Snow covered trees were stunning. We tried to be on off-trail as much as possible to delight in the powder snow. This snowshoe took 3 hours and 50 minutes in total including breaks (distance - 4 miles, elevation gain - 2,176 ft).

Desolation Lake Snowshoe via Spruces Loop

February 2, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photo: Akiko Kamimura

We started from Beartrap TH, snowshoed to Desolation Lake, and went down to Spruces to complete the loop. It was mostly cloudy and windy but was not cold. While snow was consolidated at most places, snowshoes were still very helpful.

When we got to the ridge, south of Desolation Lake, the wind became even stronger. But views were very beautiful. We enjoyed plunging to go down to the lake. We found a "shelter" (trees) from the wind to have Dave's delicious homemade bread and lunch.

On the way to Spruces, some of us went off-trail and enjoyed wonderful powder snow. For some of the participants, it was the first time to do this route. This snowshoe took 4 hours and 20 minutes including breaks (distance - 6.17 miles, elevation gain - 2,219 ft, elevation loss - 2,518 ft).



Desolation Lake from left (front) Deirdre, Sandra, and Akiko. (back) Daisy, Mohamed, Bob, Deb, Dave, Al, and Rich

Big Baldy Snowshoe

January 25, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photo: Akiko Kamimura

We hiked/snowshoed to Big Baldy (8,756 ft) via Dry Canyon in Lyndon. It was hazy early in the morning but became sunny. The road to Dry Canyon Trailhead (TH) was closed for winter so we walked to the TH from the gate (0.4 miles).

We did not need to use snowshoes the first 2.6 miles (elevation 7,400 ft) of the Dry Canyon Trail. Soon after that, the trail went from the beautiful forests to the open area that offered magnificent views of Mt. Timpanogos. The final ascent to the peak on the east ridge was only about one mile, but since we had to break soft, deep snow on the steep ridgeline, it took more than one hour. The efforts were worth it. The views from the peak were stunning. We met a hiker who made the peak via the south ridge. We took the south ridge to go down following

the hiker's track. The clouds were below us and Utah Lake looked merging with the clouds. While we enjoyed the remarkable views from the south ridge, the route was challenging - very steep slope with slippery snow. Because of the snow conditions, this snowshoe took much longer than we expected - seven hours in total including breaks and photo times (distance - 6.88 miles, elevation gain - 3,780 ft). Nevertheless, this snowshoe was one of the most beautiful snowshoes I have done.



Big Baldy Peak - Jim and Akiko

Taylor Fork Snowshoe & Alpine Ski

February 8, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photo: Akiko Kamimura

It was a snowshoe and alpine ski activity - while Kathleen skied, the rest of us snowshoed. It was a high avalanche danger day. But our original plan, aiming at Peak 8829 via Taylor Fork in the West Uintas, worked well because it is a very safe route. We made Peak 8781 instead of Peak 8829. It was a beautiful sunny day and was warm. After a couple of snowstorms, there was lots of fresh snow. We started from Shingle Creek Campground and went up to the ridge from Taylor Fork Trail by breaking snow. We made Peak 8781 on the ridge and continued toward Peak 8829. But Peak 8829 was still very far. We ran out of time and turned around. We took the Plantation Trail to go back to the trailhead and made a loop. Until we became very close to the trailhead, we did not see anyone else. Even though we did not make the peak that we planned, we had a great time on such a wonderful day. This snowshoe/ski took 5 hours and 45 minutes in total including breaks (distance - 7.05 miles, elevation gain - 1,825 ft).



Kathleen, Jim & Andrew on the way to the ridge



Gobblers Knob from Left (back) Michi Bracken, Sharon Vinick, Lana Christiansen, Deirdre Flynn (front) Andee Thatcher, Michael Hannan, Signe Gines, Mohamed Abdallah

Gobblers Knob Snowshoe

February 1, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photos: Lana Christiansen

What a fabulous day this turned out to be. Weather was perfect, conditions were great and the group was unsurpassed in fitness, performance and chemistry. Of the many mountaineering trips I have led to the top of Gobblers, this one was truly amazing.

We rejoiced at the top and enjoyed the endless views, the calm breeze and the sunshine that warmed not only our bodies but our spirits as well. Our ascent started at approximately 7:00 AM and we were back at the trailhead by 2:00 PM.

This winter route which is not well known sneaks up on Gobblers from the West Ridge to the North Ridge and then to the summit. The views are amazing and never disappoint. Those who have ventured out on this route in the winter are blessed beyond belief. Thanks to all who joined me on this adventure.

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Wolverine Cirque Snowshoe

January 26, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photos: Akiko Kamimura

It was a beautiful day with a low avalanche risk to snowshoe Mt Wolverine. We started from Alta. Our first destination was Catherine's Pass. Then we went to Mt Tuscarora and Mt Wolverine. We were very surprised that we saw many backcountry skiers/ boarders there. It was very exciting to see skiers/boarders going down on a very steep slope.

After we had lunch at Mt Wolverine, we snowshoed on the ridge to Patsy Marley. We continued on the ridgeline to enjoy the outstanding views of surrounding mountains and made a loop. We had done this snowshoe before. But every time, we were impressed by magnificent views from the ridgelines and peaks and felt we would like to do this again. The snowshoe trip took 4 hours and 20 minutes in total including breaks and frequent picture times (distance - 5.06 miles, elevation gain - 2,332 ft). hamed, Peter, Akiko, and Jim.



Mohamed and Jean on the way to Mt Wolverine



Trip Stats:

Distance = 5.06 miles

Elevation gain = 2,332 feet

*Group from left - Jean, Michi,
Mohamed, Peter, Akiko, and Jim*



Group at Greens Basin Knob

Greens Basin Snowshoe

February 1, 2020

Organizers: Julie Kilgore & Mac Brubaker, Report & Photos: Karen Bertolini (with contributions by others)

A group of adventure seekers got exactly that, as the actual trails were not quite so visible. No problem - breaking fresh snow and blazing our own trail to traverse a steep climb got us all where we wanted to go. Starting from Spruces Campground, the group headed to the top of the hill overlooking Greens Basin where we stopped for a quick lunch before heading back down, more or less the way we went up!

And what a group it was! This WMC Julie-led snowshoe to Greens Basin was posted on the same day that WMC member Mac Brubaker had agreed to take a group from the Winder Mid-Single Adult Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ snowshoeing. Julie invited Mac to combine the groups. The combined group ranged in age from 20 to 70+, and the multicultural group included one each from Switzerland,

Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, and Chile. Those from south of the border kept marveling at the beauty of the snow-covered trees and mountains. The deep snow and steep side slope into Days Fork presented some navigation and some traversing challenges that all were pleased to have overcome.

The weather could not have been better with warm temps, blue skies, and bright sunshine.

What a wonderful day to be in the mountains!

The Church group appreciated the Wasatch Mountain Club for a great outing. We all enjoyed each other's company and just may have recruited some additional members!

Cedar Hollow Alpine Ski Tour

February 1, 2020

Organizer, Report & Photos: Kathleen Waller

The Uintas are one of my favorite places to ski. A warm and sunny Saturday still equates to very few people (mostly nordic skiers and snowshoers). Finding a parking spot is easy and dogs are allowed.

Six skiers and my dog met up at South Summit High School in Kamas and made the scenic drive up Mirror Lake highway. We only needed to drive a couple of miles before scouting skiable lines from our cars. It took us only a couple of minutes to dash across a field and reach the bottom of our objective. We skinned a packed and gentle ATV road to the top of a gentle knoll overlooking our cars and the Beaver Creek groom track.

The skin up was about a mile and the pace was enjoyably conversational.

We dropped creamy snow, popped through a couple of trees, and found a line that rolled all the way down to the Beaver Creek trail.

The group ate it up and we quickly agreed to ascend and rip at least a couple more times. Temperatures rose, snow softened, and we added a little extra wax to our skins and bases.

Three laps completed with utter bliss.

The Notch bar is located along Mirror Lake highway in the town of Samak. We stopped for beers and bites. The service was fast and friendly and I do recommend the sweet potato fries.



Participants prepare to descend off a knoll above Beaver Creek



Ray and Cora enjoy a gentle ascent on a sunny day

Mt. Olympus Snowshoe

January 18, 2020

Organizer & Report: Lana Christiansen, Photos: David Lewis & Lana Christiansen

Who could know for certain what the snow conditions would be at the top or even the saddle of Mt. Olympus on Saturday after the winter storm put down 12 to 14 inches of snow at Alta on Friday? Certainly not me. So I planned for almost anything, just in case. Our group took everything from snowshoes, micro spikes, and ice axes to lightweight crampons.

We started at 7:40 AM with hopes of another beautiful day in our Wasatch Mountains. We were not disappointed. The temperatures were in the high 30's to the low 40's with blue skies and beautiful clouds. We donned the snowshoes above the second stream in an effort to level out the uneven track leading to the saddle. The snowshoes were especially helpful in covering up the deep impressions of a cow moose that seemed very determined to see just where this trail led. Snowshoes have a way of making a snowy trail not only more enjoyable to trek on but also very aesthetic to view. Our pace was slow, steady and methodical. We reached the saddle at about 11:05 AM, where we took a short break. Only one other person had been to the top and he had post holed severely. We were determined to try to remedy the condition of the trail to the top. The crux was fun to negotiate with so much snow packed on it. The ridge walk was enjoyable and the mailbox just barely visible. We didn't bother to dig it out. The hour it took us to reach the summit was an hour well spent. We were blessed with no wind as we enjoyed the breathtaking and never ending views we had worked hard to achieve. We exchanged congratulation knuckles, high fives and took summit pictures. We headed down knowing we would reach the saddle and enjoy a good long break and lunch. Upon reaching the saddle we were thrilled to meet both Deirdre and Mohammed. They are both such a joy to interact and hike with.

The descent was epic in that one of the advantages of wearing snowshoes is knowing that you don't need a trail to descend on. We were able to make our own tracks through all that powder south of the established trail, whooping and hollering all the way to the second stream. Every now and again one of us would get stuck but the joy of snowshoeing with a group is that there are others willing to dig you out. Thanks David for all your help!



Last 600 vertical feet (scramble) to the summit. Michael is leading. Andee second and Lana in the back.



Summit (back from left) David Lewis, Andee Thatcher, and Lana (front) Michael Hannan



Hiking Organizer Meeting/Training

Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 pm

Join us for the annual Hiking Organizer meeting at the Salt Lake REI meeting room. We will cover the fundamentals of organizing hikes, car camps and backpacking events.

Never organized a hike?
Occasional organizer?
Experienced at all types of events?

This get together is for you! We will cover the essentials and share some tips to ensure your hike is successful. We will start with pizza, drinks and socializing at 6pm. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30 pm.

PLEASE RSVP by 3/20 to hikingdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org so we can plan for food. Hope to see you there!

- Nancy Martin & Michele Stancer

100 Miles of Organized WMC Hikes Challenge

We have a 2020 challenge for our Hiking Organizers! Keep track of your total miles organized for hiking events. The first three to 100 miles will receive a prize. All hike organizers with 100 miles in total will be announced in the 2020 Ramblers. Organize, track and let the WMC Hiking Directors know when you hit your goal! Happy trails...

- Michele & Nancy

#WMC100Challenge

Mar 1 Sun	Snowshoe - Somewhere In Bcc, Lcc Or Emigration/east Canyon - mod - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We will snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, or Emigration/East Canyon weather and conditions permitting. The specific location will be posted later. Bring snowshoes, microspikes and 10Es. Whether avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) is required or not will be posted later. I have extra avalanche safety gear. If you want to borrow it, please indicate when you register. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 28, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
Mar 1 Sun	Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com Interested in Backcountry Skiing? Moderate ski touring requires the following: proven skiing ability, the correct equipment, skis, skins, avalanche beacon, probe, at a minimum avalanche level one training. The club offer introduction to back-country skiing tours and practice tours for beacon search and rescue. We meet early to beat the crowds. Club membership is a requirement for advanced tours, such as this one. You must register in advance to qualify to get the meeting time and place. Destination dependent on weather, roads and snow conditions. Registration Required in advance.
Mar 2 Mon	Final Jack's Mountain Foothills Flashlight Hike And Post-hike Social - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate. <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Daylight Savings begins next Sunday, so this is the last week we will be hiking under the cover of darkness! Come out for the last of our weekly winter jaunts up and down this steep route along the ridge behind the "H" rock. If there is snow on the foothills, yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. There won't be much darkness now, but it may still be cold so dress in layers. Dogs ok. We'll reconvene at the Bombay House for an optional post-hike celebration that spring will be here soon!
Mar 2 Mon	Snowshoe/ski - One Spot Available For Lamar Valley Wolf Week March 2-6 - mod <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Jennifer Arce 413-537-9927 siuraja@hotmail.com Hello everyone! Due to a last minute change of plans I have one spot available for a male participant to Lamar Valley wolf week in Yellowstone March 2nd to March 6th. The cost is \$1,050 which includes food and lodging at the Lamar Buffalo Ranch. This spot would be transferred to you and the cost may be negotiable. If interested please email me directly. You can also read more about Wolf Week here: https://www.yellowstone.org/programs/lamar-valley-wolf-week-1/ If you are traveling from SLC we may be able to carpool. I also plan on skiing Big Sky while I am up there on the way back home. Jennifer
Mar 2 Mon	Slow Paced Draper Evening Hike - ntd - 3.5 mi Out & Back - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Andy Ballard Arena (1600 Highland Drive, Draper, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonya.karren@gmail.com Come join us for a fun hike in the Corner Canyon area of Draper. Destination to be announced. You may need traction devices and will need a headlamp for this hike, depending on conditions.
Mar 3 Tue	Evening Hike - Porter Fork - ntd+ <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride <i>Organizer:</i> Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com We will hike up to the junction to the white fir trail, which is about one hour uphill. We might be hiking/sledding in the dark. Please come prepared: Bring a sled, working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food. There will be a prompt 6:00 pm departure.
Mar 3 Tue	Snowshoe, Park City Environs - mod <i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list <i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way <i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices

	or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.
Mar 4 Wed	Wednesday Snowshoe - mod- Meet: 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT) Organizer: Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com We will snowshoe somewhere in the Cottonwood Canyons - I'll decide based upon the conditions of the day. Avalanche safety equipment recommended but not required.
Mar 5 Thu	Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com Interested in breaking into back-country skiing? There are important requirements: You must have prior skiing experience, the right equipment and have training in the risks of back-country skiing. Having the ability to make parallel turns can be very helpful. The second requirement will be the possession of an avalanche beacon, avalanche shovel, probe and have the training to use that equipment. We strongly encourage all participants to attend Avalanche classes and continuing to refresh and maintain your avalanche awareness. To advance and be included in moderate ski tours, you must have the training and become a member of the Wasatch Mt. Club.
Mar 6 Fri - Mar 9 Mon	Snowshoe &/or Nordic Ski - Bryce Canyon Np - mod - Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Please join us to enjoy snowshoeing and/or nordic skiing at Bryce Canyon National Park (NP) in southern Utah. The NP is very beautiful, especially in winter. There are a number of places where we can snowshoe. In addition, the NP has many miles of groomed nordic ski trails. Avalanche safety gear not required. Bring snowshoes and/or nordic skis as well as micro-spikes, 10Es, and other stuff for a trip. The co-organizers will be there from March 6 Friday to March 9 Monday. But some participants may participate partially. WMC members only. For more details, please contact Akiko. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.
Mar 6 Fri - Mar 9 Mon	Nordic Ski Tour &/or Snowshoe - Bryce Canyon Np - mod - Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Please join us to enjoy snowshoeing and/or nordic skiing (you can do both or one) at Bryce Canyon National Park (NP) in Southern Utah. The NP is very beautiful, especially in winter. There are a number of places where we can snowshoe. In addition, the NP has many miles of groomed nordic ski trails. Avalanche safety gear not required. Bring snowshoes and/or nordic skies as well as micro-spikes, 10Es, and other stuff for a trip. The co-organizers will be there from March 6 Friday to March 9 Monday. But some participants may participate partially. WMC members only. For more details, please contact Akiko. Co-organized with Jim Kucera.
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Mar 7 Sat	Apa Sherpa Foundation Fundraiser Dinner Meet: 6:00 pm at Westgate Resort Park City 3000 Canyons Resort Dr. Park City, UT 84098 Organizer: Todd Winzenried 801-918-8467 twinzenried@netwize.net The Apa Sherpa Foundation is hosting it's annual fundraiser dinner on March 7th, 2020 6-9pm at the Westgate Resort Park City. Apa Sherpa lives in Sandy, UT and is a world record holder for climbing Everest 21 times. The Apa Sherpa Foundation supports education for children in Nepal. This is a benefit to raise funds for teacher salaries and hot lunch programs for children in the Mount Everest Region of Nepal. Garrett McNamara will be the Keynote speaker. Garrett is an American professional big wave surfer and extreme waterman, known for breaking the world record for largest wave ever surfed. There will be a showing of the film "Loved by All, The Story of Apa Sherpa" as

	well as a Silent Auction. Come mix and mingle with Apa Sherpa and other like minded mountaineers, outdoor enthusiast and people who love Nepal! Please visit www.apasherpaoundation.org for details and ticket purchases.
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Lodge Snow Removal Work Party Before The Centennial Party</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT</p> <p><i>Carpool:</i> 7:30 am at North side of the parking lot at the VIBE building (commercial bldg to the north of the 6200 S. Wasatch Blvd Park-n-Ride parking lot) located at 6440 S. Wasatch Blvd. Leave lot at 7:45</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Plan to attend the Centennial Event at the Lodge, but come up early, and help us clean snow off the roof first. We have hot showers to help you clean up after the work. Hot lunches will be provided to everyone who signs up in advance. (Important, Brighton has limited parking and you must carpool, show up early or you will be turned away. Cars that show up with one or two person may be turned away) The option is to carpool or ride the bus</p>
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Centennial Winter Sports Multi-activity Event And Overnight At Lodge</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Greg Libecci 801-699-1999 glibecci@yahoo.com</p> <p>- As part of the Centennial celebration a special event will take place March 7th and 8th at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge. The idea is for organizers to plan activities for Saturday that will culminate with a visit to the lodge for food, drink and camaraderie... celebrating the 100 year existence of this awesome club! Immerse yourself in the rich history of the lodge, share your most memorable story, sit by the awesome fireplace, make some new friends, etc. This is an RSVP event so planning ahead is crucial if you want to have a bed to sleep on or even floor space to throw down your pad. Overnight guests will be limited to 30... first 20 to RSVP can claim beds, the next 10 can claim a spot on the floor in the main lodge. Those planning to come by for post activity festivities but don't plan on staying overnight must also RSVP so we can plan on food quantities. Many more details will follow once the group is identified. The main dinner course will be provided as well as breakfast Sunday morning for those spending the night. Sunday morning will involve cleaning up the lodge and then heading out hopefully for another activity.</p>
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Alpine Ski Resort-brighton - ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com</p> <p>Please RSVP to Michele for the day of Skiing at Brighton (beginning @ 9am) we can group up according to skill level and can arrange carpools beginning @ 7:30 am. Also, immediately following, consider participating in the Centennial celebration at the Wasatch Mountain Lodge. This is an RSVP event so if you want dinner and to stay overnight (with a bed;) you better act fast! RSVP now so we can plan on food quantities and plan for overnights. Email Greg Libecci @ glibecci@yahoo.com. More details will follow once the Lodge group is identified. The main dinner course will be provided as well as breakfast Sunday morning for those spending the night.</p>
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Nordic Ski Tour- Solitude Nordic Trails</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 10:15 am at Solitude Nordic Center, Brighton. Top of the BCC road at the start of the Brighton Loop.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com</p> <p>This activity is scheduled to coincide with the WMC Centennial Winter Sports Weekend at the WMCF Lodge, Brighton. The Solitude Nordic Center has a great system of groomed trails for cross country skiing. The trails are in the forested area between Silver Lake , Brighton and Solitude Village. The cost for trail pass is \$20.00 per person. For skiers 65 and older, the trail pass cost is \$ 10.00. If we have 10 or more skiers, the trail pass is \$13.00. To rent nordic skies, boots, and poles, the cost is \$22.00. For groups of 10 or more, the rental cost goes to \$15.00. For IKON pass holders, the trail pass and rentals are half of the full price. (This is somewhat expensive but this offers a WMC activity close to the lodge and is good exercise.) Lets plan to meet at the Solitude Nordic Center at around 10:15 AM. The Solitude Nordic Center is at the start of the Brighton Loop (Top of Big Cottonwood Canyon). The Solitude Nordic Center lot usually does not fill. Also the UTA route 972 stops at the Brighton Nordic Center. Please give me an email if you plan to attend. Following the activity, it will be convenient to attend the WMC Centennial Winter Sports activity at the WMCF Lodge.</p>
Mar 7 Sat	<p>Winter At The Lodge, Evening Snowshoe Around Silver Lake And Beyond - ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at Call or email to discuss carpool or meeting options</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Whether your just coming up to the WMC Lodge for the evening or spending the night, for those of us who don't ski, Dave Andrenyak turned me on to the Solitude Nordic Center trails. Yes it costs 8 bucks or so, but we can get a group rate. So take a look at the attached trail map and contact me if you would be interested in 1) coming up to the lodge the afternoon of Saturday March 7 for socializing and fun, and 2) would like to join me on an evening</p>

	snowshoe around Silver Lake and maybe add on the cabin loop. For me this is 100% exploratory, but how much trouble can we get into on groomed trails???
Mar 8 Sun	Morning After The Party Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 10.0 mi Out & Back - 4300' ascent - Fast pace <i>Meet:</i> 8:30 am at WMC lodge, registration in advance still required. <i>Carpool:</i> 7:45 am at Contact Brad <i>Organizer:</i> Brad* Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net The morning after the Winter Sports party at the Lodge we will head up before lift assisted skiers start coming down either to the Catherine's area or the Twin Lakes Pass area. All standard avalanche safety gear required.
Mar 8 Sun	Lodge Snow Removal Work Party After The Centennial Party <i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at WMCF Lodge - 8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT <i>Carpool:</i> 7:30 am at North side of the parking lot at the VIBE building (commercial bldg to the north of the 6200 S. Wasatch Blvd Park-n-Ride parking lot) located at 6440 S. Wasatch Blvd. Leave lot at 7:45 <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com Plan to attend the Centennial Event at the Lodge, stay over at the lodge or come up early on Sunday, and help us clean snow off the roof. Hot lunches will be provided to everyone who signs up in advance. (Important, Brighton has limited parking and you must carpool, show up early or you will be turned away. Cars that show up with one or two person may be turned away) The option is to carpool or ride the bus
Mar 9 Mon	Shoulder Season Evening Hike - Dragon's Tail - mod - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at West Grandeur trail head; north end of Wasatch Blvd, 3000 S. <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Tonight's hike is a STEEP HIKE so the rating has been bumped to a MOD-! Dogs OK.
Mar 9 Mon	Slow Paced Draper Evening Hike - ntd - 3.5 mi Out & Back - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Andy Ballard Arena (1600 Highland Drive, Draper, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonya.karren@gmail.com Come join us for a relaxed paced hike in the Draper Corner Canyon area. Bring your headlamp and traction devices for your feet, in case we need them. Destination to be announced.
Mar 10 Tue	Evening Hike - Neff's Canyon - ntd+ <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at 4326 White Way, Salt Lake City, UT <i>Organizer:</i> Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com Meet at the trail-head for a one hour uphill hike. We will be hiking in partial darkness, days are getting longer! 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.
Mar 10 Tue	Snowshoe, Park City Environs - mod <i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list <i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way <i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.
Mar 11 Wed	Wmc Board Meeting <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103 <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.
Mar 11 Wed	Boating Season Planning Party 2020 <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Junior League SLC Building - 526 East 300 South <i>Organizer:</i> Aymara Jimenez-Lofgren 435-764-4496 saymaraj@gmail.com Bring your hard won, well deserved permits. Also, if you would like to organize a trip on a non-permit river or other body of water, come with the details! We'll discuss and plan the season, create a schedule, get the trips into the events calendar, talk about snow pack and river flows, and what ever else you have on your mind. This is a great time to get your name in consideration for trips you would like to participate in, as well. All WMC members are

	invited. Be sure to sign up for the club's boater email notification system by following the link under the member menu. Please park across the street in the Steel Encounters parking lot. Dinner will be provided!
Mar 11 Wed	<p>Wednesday Snowshoe - ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at Meet at Smith's Market at 3470 E Bengal Blvd.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Larry Hall 801-386-0854 larryhall9@msn.com</p> <p>Join Larry for a hike on the snow. Location will be determined by conditions of the day. Avalanche safety equipment recommended but not required.</p>
Mar 12 Thu -	<p>Motel Car Camp: Yellowstone Wolves, Wildlife, & Winter Activities - 4-6 Days - ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert Turner, Julie Kilgore 801-560-3378, 801-244-3323 r46turner@gmail.com, jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p>
Mar 15 Sun	<p>Join us for wildlife watching and general winter activities in the northeast corner of Yellowstone Park. Sightings of wolves, foxes, coyotes, bighorn sheep and eagles are common. We'll motel it in Gardiner, MT, where we have reserved the entire bottom floor for group meals and socializing. We'll drive into the Park each day on the only road kept open in Yellowstone in the winter. Some will get going very early each morning (about 5:00am), while others can linger and mingle over breakfast. There are also lots of opportunities for cross country skiing and snowshoeing, so bring your skis or snowshoes if you want to enjoy some time trekking around in Yellowstone's spectacular winter wonderland. The drive to Gardiner in the winter is about 500 miles since we can't go through the Park to get there. Another option is to fly into Bozeman and share a rental SUV. e-mail Robert or Julie for more details.</p>
Mar 12 Thu	<p>Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Interested in breaking into back-country skiing? There are important requirements: You must have prior skiing experience, the right equipment and have training in the risks of back-country skiing. Having the ability to make parallel turns can be very helpful. The second requirement will be the possession of an avalanche beacon, avalanche shovel, probe and have the training to use that equipment. We strongly encourage all participants to attend Avalanche classes and continuing to refresh and maintain your avalanche awareness. To advance and be included in moderate ski tours, you must have the training and become a member of the Wasatch Mt. Club.</p>
Mar 12 Thu	<p>Evening Hike - Elbow Fork Loop - ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Olympus Cove Park & Ride (3880 Wasatch Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Bruce Jensen 385-315-7833 bwjensen1982@msn.com</p> <p>We will hike up the millcreek road to Elbow Fork and down the pipeline trail. 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.</p>
Mar 13 Fri	<p>Alpine Ski Resort - Evening Skin Up Pcmr - ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Park City Mountain Resort. Park and meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot (this is the lot near the ice rink and bus stops). We will skin from the base of Payday chair at 6pm sharp. Please do RSVP via email or text.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>Uphill travel is permitted from the Park City base from 6:00pm to 8:30am. The designated route is up Homerun to the old gondola angle station. We will meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot and skin from the base of Payday lift at a conversational pace (1.5 miles up) and down a green or blue groomed run. Please RSVP if you are interested in joining me so I can anticipate your participation. Please bring a headlamp. Avi gear is not required. And consider joining us after for drinks at Corner Store bar.</p>
Mar 14 Sat	<p>Snowshoe In The Oquirrh Mountains - msd - 10.5 mi Out & Back - 5600' ascent - Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Lana Christiansen 801-599-4533 laccount4u@gmail.com</p> <p>We will attempt to reach the summit of Lowe, Kelsey and Corn Peaks in the Oquirrh Mountains. This is a long, strenuous day. Please plan on at least 10 hours for the completion of this trip. We will be traveling to the town of Ophir to begin this journey. The drive time one way is approximately one and a half hours. Therefore, please plan on an early start. Co-organizer is Michael Hannan</p>

Mar 15 Sun	Snowshoe - Big Cottonwood Canyon - ntd <i>Meet:</i> 10:30 am at Butler Elementary - 7080 S 2700 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT <i>Organizer:</i> Teri Jenkins 801-661-4452 teridawnjen@gmail.com Join Teri for a glorious few hours on our abundant snowpack! Be prepared for your own comfort and safety. Avalanche safety gear is not required, but bring it if you have it.
Mar 15 Sun	Snowshoe To Lake Blanche Or In Emigration Canyon Depending On Conditions - mod - 7.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at To be determined. We will email registrants the location. <i>Organizer:</i> Debra Frank 801-860-9251 debwfrank@gmail.com We (Deb and Bob) will snowshoe to Lake Blanche if the avalanche forecast is favorable. Otherwise, we will find a route in Emigration Canyon. Bring snowshoes, microspikes and 10Es, including layers, dry bag, food and water. Avalanche gear optional since we will avoid avalanche territory. We are requiring registration since we don't yet know the location.
Mar 15 Sun	Back Country Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com Interested in breaking into back-country skiing? There are important requirements: You must have prior skiing experience, the right equipment and have training in the risks of back-country skiing. Having the ability to make parallel turns can be very helpful. The second requirement will be the possession of an avalanche beacon, avalanche shovel, probe and have the training to use that equipment. We strongly encourage all participants to attend Avalanche classes and continuing to refresh and maintain your avalanche awareness. To advance and be included in moderate ski tours, you must have the training and become a member of the Wasatch Mt. Club.
Mar 16 Mon	Hike Mount Van Cott - ntd+ - 2.9 mi Loop - 1151' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Mount Van Cott Red Butte trailhead. GPS coordinates: 40.768010, -111.824900 <i>Organizer:</i> Bart Michaelson 801-200-9272 bart.michaelson@gmail.com Mount Van Cott is loop hike above Red Butte Gardens. We will plan to start hiking at 6:00 pm. This is a dog friendly hike. This hike has some steep sections. Bring micro-spikes and gators. This may be a wintery hike, dress appropriately. This hike has great views of the U of U campus. Expect 2 hours for the hike duration, bring a headlamp or a small flashlight.
Mar 17 Tue	Snowshoe, Park City Environs - mod <i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list <i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way <i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.
Mar 17 Tue	Evening Hike In Emigration Canyon - ntd+ - Out & Back - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:15 pm at Little Mountain Summit parking lot in Emigration Canyon. <i>Organizer:</i> Debra Frank 801-860-9251 debwfrank@gmail.com Join Deb and Bob for either a hike along the ridge between Emigration canyon and Little Dell reservoir, or the Emigration Canyon Ridgeline Trail. Out and back. Plan on an hour each way. Since we live close by, we will meet at the large parking lot on Little Mountain Summit at 6:15, allowing time for hikers to assemble at the Mill Creek Park 'n Ride and carpool, if they wish. Please come prepared: Bring a working flashlight, some extra insulation, wind/rain gear, water, and some food.
Mar 18 Wed	Wednesday Snowshoe - mod- <i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Jim Kucera 801-263-1912 jameskucera@aol.com We will snowshoe somewhere in the Cottonwood Canyons - I'll decide based upon the conditions of the day. Avalanche safety equipment recommended but not required.
Mar 18 Wed	Evening Hike - Mt O To First Stream - ntd+ <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5789 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com

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Mar 19 Thu	<p>Evening Hike To Avenues Twins - ntd+ - 3.0 mi Out & Back - 1000' ascent - Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Terrace Hills trailhead: Meet at 1027 Terrace Hills (84103). To get to Terrace Hills, take 11th Avenue to Terrace Hills Drive (890 East).</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Debra Frank 801-860-9251 debwfrank@gmail.com</p> <p>Join Deb and Bob for this out and back hike with nice city views at the top. Bring your 10 Es and traction devices. Headlamp is a must.</p>
Mar 20 Fri	<p>Sing-a-long And Pot Luck Supper</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:30 pm at 8610 S Kings Hill Dr (3630-3745 E)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> La Rae Bartholoma 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com</p> <p>Our Spring-Along-Sing-A-Long is hosted by Randy Long! Come join us for an evening of fun, friends and food. Tune your vocal chords (or not!), bring your instrument (or not!) Randy Long has again graciously offered his home for this event. 8610 S Kings Hill Dr (3630-3745 E) at 6:30. Bring something to share with 4 to 6 others (appetizer, salad, entree, side vegetable or a dessert). We'll start with our pot luck supper then break into song! Please check the WMC website social calendar for any late changes to the posted event. Any questions: Randy Long 606-483-4087, LaRae & Bart Bartholoma 801-277-4093 roosiebear@gmail.com or Frank Bernard frankbernard55@earthlink.net</p>
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Mar 20 Fri	<p>Alpine Ski Resort - Evening Skin Up Pcmr - ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Park City Mountain Resort. Park and meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot (this is the lot near the ice rink and bus stops). We will skin from the base of Payday chair at 6pm sharp. PLEASE DO RSVP via email or text.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>Uphill travel is permitted from the Park City base from 6:00pm to 8:30am. The designated route is up Homerun to the old gondola angle station. We will meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot and skin from the base of Payday lift at a conversational pace (1.5 miles up) and down a green or blue groomed run. PLEASE RSVP if you are interested in joining me so I can anticipate your participation. Please bring a headlamp. Avi gear is not required. And consider joining us after for drinks at Corner Store bar.</p>
Mar 21 Sat	<p>Nordic Ski Tour - Kings Peak - ext - 33.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Fast pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Larry* Swanson 801-946-6372 http://oldswaney@gmail.com</p> <p>47th edition of longest, highest altitude gained, and longest running WMC ski tour is scheduled for March 21. Car camp on March 20th at Henry's Fork. For details see the Rambler or email Larry or Steve. Larry Swanson, (801-946-6372) http://oldswaney@gmail.com, or Steve Swanson (801-557-2172), http://stephenswa@gmail.com</p>

Mar 21 Sat	Snowshoe - Pine Hollow Peak In American Fork - mod - 9.0 mi Out & Back - 2200' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to make "Pine Hollow Peak" (8,440 ft) from Tibble Fork Reservoir in American Fork, weather and conditions permitting. This rarely climbed peak can be hiked via the beautiful forest, which offers great views of nearby mountains. We attempted to make this peak on Dec 29, 2019. But it was 200 yards short to the peak due to low visibility. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10Es. Avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) NOT required BUT recommended. I have extra avalanche safety gear. If you want to borrow it, please indicate when you register. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, March 20, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
Mar 22 Sun	Snowshoe/ Snow Hike - Maple Mt In Provo - mod+ - 9.0 mi Out & Back - 3700' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Maple Mt (9,088 ft) is located in the south of Y Mts in Provo. Winter is the easiest time to make Maple Mt because we can avoid nasty bushwhacking. We will probably start with microspikes and switch to snowshoes when snow becomes deeper. The last part to the peak does not have a trail. The route involves some steep parts. Bring snowshoes, microspikes and 10Es. Whether avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) is required or not will be posted later. I have extra avalanche safety gear. If you want to borrow it, please indicate when you register. This snowshoe will be exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, March 20, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.
Mar 22 Sun	Broads Fork Snowshoe - mod - 5.0 mi Out & Back - 2200' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:15 am at Butler Elementary - 7080 S 2700 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT <i>Organizer:</i> Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com Snowshoe with Michael and Dianne Budig up Broads Fork to the spectacular meadow overlook. Plan to meet at 9:15 for a departure at 9:30 sharp. Please address questions by email to: mbudig@mail.com
Mar 22 Sun	Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com Interested in breaking into back-country skiing? There are important requirements: You must have prior skiing experience, the right equipment and have training in the risks of back-country skiing. Having the ability to make parallel turns can be very helpful. The second requirement will be the possession of an avalanche beacon, avalanche shovel, probe and have the training to use that equipment. We strongly encourage all participants to attend Avalanche classes and continuing to refresh and maintain your avalanche awareness. To advance and be included in moderate ski tours, you must have the training and become a member of the Wasatch Mt. Club.
Mar 23 Mon	Go At Your Own Pace West Grandeur Evening Hike - ntd+ - Out & Back <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at West Grandeur trail head; north end of Wasatch Blvd, 3000 S. <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Ready for spring? This steep out-and-back hike is a great way to see how you've over wintered. Choose your pace: slow and steady or churn and burn. We'll go up for one hour, and gather everyone back up again on the way down.
Mar 23 Mon	Slow Paced Draper Evening Hike - ntd - 3.5 mi Out & Back - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Andy Ballard Arena (1600 Highland Drive, Draper, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonya.karren@gmail.com Come join Alfred and friends for a hike in the Corner Canyon area, destination to be announced. Remember to bring your headlamp and traction devices for your feet.
Mar 24 Tue	Annual Hiking Organizer Meeting/training - Rsvp Details In Description <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at REI Salt Lake City (3285 E 3300 S) meeting room <i>Organizer:</i> Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 Michele.stancer@gmail.com Join us for the annual Hiking Organizer meeting at the Salt Lake REI meeting room. We will cover the fundamentals of organizing hikes, car camps and backpacking events. Never organized a hike? Occasional organizer? Experienced at all types of events? This get together is for you! We will cover the essentials and share some tips to ensure your hike is successful. We will start with pizza, drinks and socializing at 6pm. The meeting will start promptly at 6:30. PLEASE RSVP by 3/20 to hikingdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org so we can plan for food. Hope to see you there!

Mar 24 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs - mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.</p>
Mar 25 Wed	<p>Evening Hike-salt Lake Overlook</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at 3880 Wasatch Boulevard Park & Ride</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Michele Stancer 619-368-9589 michele.stancer@gmail.com</p> <p>Prompt 6pm departure from the meeting place. Bring your 10 Es and traction devices. Headlamp is a must</p>
Mar 26 Thu	<p>Backcountry Alpine Ski Tour - mod+ - 6.0 mi Out & Back - 4000' ascent - Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com</p> <p>Interested in breaking into back-country skiing? There are important requirements: You must have prior skiing experience, the right equipment and have training in the risks of back-country skiing. Having the ability to make parallel turns can be very helpful. The second requirement will be the possession of an avalanche beacon, avalanche shovel, probe and have the training to use that equipment. We strongly encourage all participants to attend Avalanche classes and continuing to refresh and maintain your avalanche awareness. To be included in moderate ski tours, you must have the training and become a member of the Wasatch Mt. Club.</p>
Mar 26 Thu	<p>Ferguson Canyon Evening Hike - mod- - 4.0 mi Out & Back - 1400' ascent - Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Ferguson trail overflow lot on the west side of Prospect Drive, 0.25 miles before the trailhead.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Alex Arakelian 801-955-5526 kyojimujo@yahoo.com</p> <p>This hike is very near and dear to my heart as it is the one in the Wasatch that I have been hiking the longest. I like to gather everyone here for an evening hike to the overlook. Meet at the Ferguson trail overflow lot on the west side of Prospect Drive, 0.25 miles before the trailhead. Bring your 10 E's including water and a headlamp. Prompt 6:15 pm departure. This is a STEEP hike at a moderate pace. Weather conditions may vary so bring microspikes just in case.</p>
Mar 27 Fri	<p>Alpine Ski Resort - Evening Skin Up Pcmr - ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Park City Mountain Resort. Park and meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot (this is the lot near the ice rink and bus stops). We will skin from the base of Payday chair at 6pm sharp. PLEASE DO RSVP via email or text.</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>Uphill travel is permitted from the Park City base from 6:00pm to 8:30am. The designated route is up Homerun to the old gondola angle station. We will meet in the south/west corner of the upper parking lot and skin from the base of Payday lift at a conversational pace (1.5 miles up) and down a green or blue groomed run. PLEASE DO RSVP if you are interested in joining me so I can anticipate your participation. Please bring a headlamp. Avi gear is not required. And consider joining us after for drinks at Corner Store bar. This will likely be my last post for Friday skin up PCMR for the season.</p>
Mar 28 Sat	<p>Snowshoe Meeting/social - Annual Gourmet Snowshoe At Willow Lake - ntd - Out & Back - 640' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:45 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6500 South Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com</p> <p>It's time for the annual gourmet snowshoe at Willow Lake. If you've never been, you don't know what you're missing !! Rated NTD for exercise and EXT for fun. Join your fellow club members for an easy snowshoe followed by some "fine" dining which is a highlight of the snowshoeing season. Black tie and costumes are optional. Bring a "gourmet" dish to share.</p>
Mar 29 Sun	<p>Snowshoe - Somewhere In Bcc Or Lcc - mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We will snowshoe somewhere in BCC or LCC, weather and conditions permitting. The specific location will be posted later. Bring snowshoes, microspikes and 10Es. Whether avalanche safety gear (avalanche beacon, probe and shovel) is required or not will be posted later. I have extra avalanche safety gear. If you want to borrow it,</p>

	<p>please indicate when you register. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, March 27, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members.</p>
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Mar 31 Tue	<p>Snowshoe, Park City Environs - mod</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 10:00 am at Disseminated via the Snowshoe email list</p> <p><i>Carpool:</i> 9:15 am at Parleys Way Walmart lot, East side - 2703 Parleys Way</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Vince DeSimone 435-645-9344 vincedesimone@yahoo.com</p> <p>Vince will organize a Tuesday group again this year. Meet at 10:00 AM Tuesday and go places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter. Vince prefers cyberspace for questions and info. Carpool from SLC from the Parley's Way Walmart at 09:15 AM.</p>





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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Complete this paper membership application and mail it or join online at <https://www.wasatchmountainclub.org/join>. If you would like further information or have any questions, please email membership@wasatchmountainclub.org.

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

I am applying for membership as: _____ Single _____ Couple

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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)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature 1 _____

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