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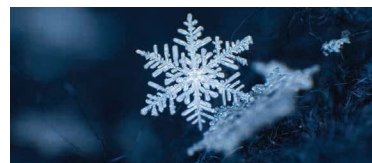


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Winter Sports Message



Greetings winter enthusiasts! We're hopeful that we can have a somewhat normal winter sports season given the circumstances. The backcountry crowds will likely be higher this season so organizers may want to think about less popular destinations, days and start times. There are a number of useful links on the club website under ski or snowshoe tabs and there are some good avalanche safety videos on the Know Before You Go website (<https://kbyg.org/>). Feel free to contact either of us if you have suggestions, questions or concerns for the upcoming season. Bring on the snow!

Steve Duncan, Winter Sports Director
Lisa Verzella, Skiing Coordinator

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Front Row (L to R): Giulia Roselli, Cindy Smith, Julie Kilgore

Back Row (L to R): Zig Sondelski, Tony Hellman, Brad Yates, Donnie Benson, Bret Mathews

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COVID-19 Guidelines for WMC Activities

Groups no larger than 10, fewer if the activity warrants or the organizer prefers.

All activities are registration only, so the organizer can control the group size.

The day before or the day of the activity, the organizer will send an email to all participants that asks specific COVID-related symptom/exposure questions, and provides the WMC liability form (activity directors can provide these to the organizer). Some organizers have created very nice digital forms that work well too.

Participants must answer the COVID questions and agree to the WMC liability waiver, preferably with a reply email, or using the digital form.

Face coverings are required at meeting locations, trailheads, and anywhere distancing cannot be accomplished. Face covering is not required during the activity if distancing can be maintained. Keep coverings available for quick use when there is on-coming or passing traffic.

Organizers fill in the names of the participants on the WMC waiver and upload the form to the website as usual (for new organizers, pull up your activity on the club website and you will find easy instructions near the bottom of the page). This step is particularly important if contact tracing is needed.

Contact Tracing - Participant responsibilities:

Let organizer know if participant experiences symptoms consistent with COVID-19 within 14 days of a WMC event.

Contact Tracing - Organizer responsibilities:

Ask participants to contact the organizer if they experience symptoms consistent with COVID-19 within 14 calendar days after the event.

If contacted by a participant, send Organizer Communication to all participants from that event (see below), without disclosing the name of the individual.

Organizer communication: "Please be advised that a participant from a WMC activity that you attended within the last 14 days is experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19. This does not mean that this participant has the illness. However, we recommend that you self-monitor for symptoms and follow CDC guidelines regarding potential community related exposure."

President's Message - Time Capsule Dedication & Closing of the Box

By Julie Kilgore

Present: Julie Kilgore, Zig Sondelski, Donnie Benson, Mark Jones, Bret Matthews, Brad Yates, Tony Hellman, Giulia Roselli, Cindy Smith, and (better late than never) Phyllis Anderson

On January 9, 2021, a group of 10 gathered outdoors for a COVID friendly Time Capsule dedication and closing of the box. We wish we could have invited the entire club!

A special thanks to boating member Donnie Benson, who donated a dry box that she started rafting with (a military surplus box) and later upgraded with a very expensive, custom-made, genuine, built-for-rafting, made-to-fit, very sleek dry box. Her donation got the project rolling. Then Zig Sondelski led the effort to gather items to fill the box.

It was so fun to see all the items that members had donated. Zig put together a 3-ring binder with a cover letter from us to the future (see right), an inventory of what is in the time capsule, and by far the greatest contribution to the time capsule, all the WMC member letters to the future. Wow! Such diversity among our members, and what amazing stories. **The box contains about**

ments, minutes, our budget, Ramblers and such. We tried to include items from the centennial and from some of our activities, as well as technology that may seem like an antique by the time the box



Space for more items in the future

is opened.

The idea is to have the box opened in 25 years, ooh and aah over the contents, then add or replace a few things in the box, reseal and re-lock the time capsule, and send it another 25 years into the future, then another 25, then another, until the WMC is celebrating its bicentennial! And who knows, maybe beyond.



Organizing the time capsule items

50 letters and 140 items. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this deeply personal special collection.

We included some papers that should give a sense of how the club operates, like centennial docu-



Zig sealing the Time Capsule



Time Capsule gathering (L to R): Tony Hellman, Giulia Roselli, Mark Jones, Zig Sondelski, and Donnie Benson



Sealed Time Capsule

COVER LETTER FOR 2020 WMC CENTENNIAL TIME CAPSULE (Condensed)

Greetings from the Wasatch Mountain Club members of 2020. If you are reading this, we hope that it means that the WMC is still around and doing well.

We hope that this time capsule gives you some insight about the club and the members during the centennial. The most important items in this time capsule are the letters we wrote about us to you, the future WMC. If you look at only one thing, let it be these to truly show you what our club was like then. Our members define what our club is. What a diverse and interesting bunch we are, coming from all around the world and being involved in wide range of activities.

We are concerned about our political system. We are concerned about our planet and climate and habitat. We are also hopeful. That is why we assembled this time capsule – our message to the future.

What do we have in the time capsule for you to peruse? There are about 50 letters from our members to you. There are papers that should give you a sense of how the club operated, like centennial documents, minutes, our budget and Ramblers. We tried to include items from the centennial and from some of our activities, as well as technology that may seem like an antique from when you are. There is an inventory of about 140 items in the time capsule.

This is your decision, but may we suggest that, when you are done enjoying the contents, that you reseal and re-lock the time capsule with its contents and send it another 25 years into the future. You may want to add some of your own items and/or replace some of our items.

Best of luck to you

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The time capsule was created to celebrate our organization's first 100 years in 2020 and to start our second 100 years. It is a sign of our hope for the future. It extends the connection that we have with the members before us to the members coming after us. And it was fun to do because of the involvement and support of our members. . Contributing to the future, Commemoration / Ceremony, Capturing an event. Our opening date is January of 2045, our 125th anniversary. Our plan is to open every 25 years.

Adrienne Waterman
CO-FOUNDER

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New WMC Hiking Co-Director Daisy DeMarco was highlighted last fall in the South Jordan Journal!

Conquering fear one peak at a time

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Teacher Daisy DeMarco, who reached her goal of climbing 24 of the Wasatch's 11,000-foot peaks in two months, makes a sign for every peak she climbs. (Photo courtesy Daisy DeMarco)

By Linnea Lundgren | linnea.l@mycityjournals.com

What does it take to overcome a fear of heights? For Daisy DeMarco, it took a mindset flip, 24 Wasatch peaks and a whole lot of PB&J sandwiches.

When the 36-year-old school teacher moved here from New Jersey six years ago, she was immediately taken with the magnificence of the Wasatch mountains. But when she attempted to

climb the steeper hikes, she'd reach a point and be paralyzed by fear. She would have to crawl down.

"It was so debilitating," said DeMarco, who lives in South Jordan and teaches third grade at Herriman's Silver Crest Elementary. Her hiking opportunities were suddenly limited to trails with minimal altitude. "It became a mindset, one that started to define me."

But this summer, something clicked. The pandemic shut down school, so she was able to spend time in the mountains, but fear held her back from hiking the big peaks. Her mindset needed changing, so drawing from lessons learned in her yoga training, she slowly started working on facing her fear.

"I realized I had the ability to change that mindset [of fear] with effort and work," she said. "I was creating [a] story that I had a fear of heights. I had the ability to change that." She started to become aware when fear-filled, negative thoughts crept into her mind before or during a hike, and she would intentionally replace them with positive, helpful thoughts. Tuning into her body and breath helped when trails became steep.

Throughout the process, DeMarco found it important to be kind to herself. When frustration arose as others passed her up, she'd just stay with that feeling and notice how it rises and falls away. "I'll meet myself where I am at," she said explaining the importance of staying in the moment.

On July 18, she put her new mindset to the test and conquered the strenuous 11,330-foot Broads Fork Twin Peaks, with the help of fellow climbers in the Wasatch Mountain Club. The members cheered her climb up the vast scree field and patiently coached her on proper foot and handholds on the boulder-covered ridgeline.

Feeling confident by this accomplishment, she was determined to continue climbing more peaks.

Referencing the classic book "Wasatch Eleveners" by Randy Winters, and with support from her club climbing buddies, she developed a plan: climb 24 of the 11,000 foot-plus peaks along the Wasatch. Someone said it would take a year to accomplish, so, she said, "I allowed the comment to limit me. I just went with it." Soon, though, DeMarco realized that needing a year to accomplish these hikes didn't seem right. "I thought, 'Wait, I could do this in one summer.' That felt right," she said.

During August and September, she bagged several peaks each week, saving Mt. Nebo at 11,928 feet—the tallest peak—for her final ascent. On each summit, she photographed herself holding a sign with the peak's name and height. Then she sat down and treated herself to a Gatorade and PB&J.

The mountains, she learned, are transformative. "These types of challenging summits hold a special place in my heart," she said. "I learn so much from the mountains and the climb, from the struggles and the accomplishment, from the fear and the joy. How to overcome and let go. I am grateful for this connection to nature and for all the beautiful people I get to share it with."

As she has become well-versed in hiking the Wasatch, she has developed some opinions on the peaks. The most difficult hike was the one she did before officially starting her 24-peak quest, Broads Fork Twin Peaks via Robinson's Variation, a demanding, exposed 12 ½-hour hike. "It was mental exhaustion," she said.

The easiest hike was the two-peak hike of Sugarloaf (11,051 feet) and Baldy (11,068 feet). "Walks in the park," DeMarco joked, referencing the description from "Wasatch Eleveners."

Pfeifferhorn (11,326 feet), which required maneuvering around boulders, was the scariest hike. "I did a lot of concentrating on my breath on that one," she said.

DeMarco found Lone Peak (11,253 feet) to be also one of the most difficult, but also the most breathtaking. "I could sit up there forever," she said. "The amount of granite is dizzying."

Lessons learned from climbing peaks translated well to her elementary school class, a group of terrified third graders who were not scared of heights but of learning multiplication. Adults forget how scary memorizing times tables can be for children, she noted.

"I tell my kids we can work on flipping that fear of math and make it something that excites us," she said. She will show them pictures of her Lone Peak hike and tell how scary it was. But, she told them, "It ended up being really exciting because I did it and overcame my fear." And, she tells them it is OK to stop, regroup and try again. In fact, when she first hiked Lone Peak two years ago, she turned around before reaching the summit.

"The mountain isn't going anywhere," she said. "I can always go back, summit, conquer and work toward my goal."

DeMarco complements her stories by reading the Dr. Seuss book, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" and encourages students to write about or draw their dreams. "It helps them embrace the idea that we can do things that may seem out of our reach or really far away," she said. Displayed in her classroom is a poster that reads, "You Can Do Hard Things." Every other week she introduces an inspirational poster and talks about the theme and how kids can apply it to school and everyday life.

From the classroom window, she points up to the Wasatch and shows students her goal for next summer—hiking the WURL or Wasatch Ultimate Ridge Linkup—ridge-to-ridge hiking along 22 peaks with some 18,000 feet of elevation gain and approximately 32 miles total distance.

"People say, 'Daisy, you can't do that,'" she said. "But tell me that, because then I can. I am already practicing the routes and hiking sections one at a time because, you know, they aren't easy."

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50 Years Ago in the Rambler

Transcribed by Donn Seeley, WMC trustee

CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY 1971

February 7 Sun RED PINE – MAYBIRD — Advanced (3,5) This tour excites many passions, from the ecstasy of the proficient skier who is first down to the invective of the wood skier who brings up the rear. (A wood skier is either a person who uses wood skis or skis in a wooden fashion.) We have just the leader for this tour, Alexis Kelner [...]. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:00 a.m.

Feb. 17 Wed. ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING AND EXTRA SPECIAL TREAT — SLIDE PROGRAM OF THE 1963 AMERICAN EVEREST EXPEDITION!! [...]

The WMC now has over 700 members and some people are wondering if membership policy should be revised. Barry Quinn and Bill Viavant will present short discussions on two different points of view.

Dave Dingman, member of the 1963 American Everest Expedition, will show slides of that expedition. The slides and presentation are rated superb. [...]

LETTERS

THIS... by Bill Viavant

Growth is not progress, and big is not better, necessarily. I've been preaching this for twenty years or more, and I believe it now. So it is with real uneasiness that I now undertake to argue against cutting back on Club membership, or even putting a ceiling on it.

I believe that there has been a general awakening of Americans, in just two years, to the problems of the environment, to the need to change our priorities, our economics, our very life-style. I believe this awakening obligates the Wasatch Mountain Club (and all other outdoor organizations), as a group of people with special knowledge and deep commitment, to work harder than ever before at educating and persuading the rest of our society to do the things that need doing: to give up some convenience, to use more muscle instead of coal and gas, and to back good guys and beat the bad ones, whether in business or schools or government. [...]

OR... WMC — QUO VADIS? by Barry Quinn

[...] At the risk of offending the Great Gods Growth and Prosperity, I think it's time to call a halt to growth. We should become more selective in choosing our members. As one possible solution to both the problems of growth in absolute numbers and growth of the conservation interests, I would propose that the WMC be divided into separate divisions — a Mountaineering Division and a Conservation Division. Each division would have its own dues, publications, and membership requirements. The Mountaineering Division would require that the prospective member participate in a minimum of two activities (instead of the present one) from the following categories: climbing sessions (actual climbing and not merely sitting around eating hamburgers and drinking beer), hiking (including show shoe hikes), ski touring and avalanche schools, and work parties (not social parties). Spouse memberships could remain as now, or requirements could be initiated, depending upon the membership's desires. [...]

The Conservation Division would require only that a prospective member have a sincere interest in conservation. [...] Conservation Division members would not receive the Rambler or the Club patch. Such a division of the Club might encourage more out-of-state people who couldn't meet the activity requirements of the Mountaineering Division to join the Conservation Division, with its lessened requirements and its cheaper dues. [...]

[Bill Viavant lost the debate. The WMC board voted to change the by-laws to require that prospective members complete two activities instead of just one, effective June 1971. Club membership had required two qualifying activities from 1948 through 1965, when the board dropped it to one activity, so the board was just returning to a long-standing practice. In 2002, I led the charge to remove the activity requirement entirely, and the board voted to approve in December. — Donn]

ELFRIEDE PAULA SHANE

1923-2020



Salt Lake Tribune Obituary

Elfriede Paula Shane passed away on December 3, 2020 due to natural causes. Elfriede was born on March 2, 1923 in Mannheim, Germany. She came to America in 1925 with her parents and lived in Villa Park, Ill. It was there that she met and later married Jim Shane, her husband of 57 years. He died in SLC in 1998. Jim & Elfriede were married 11/22/41 in Idaho Falls, ID, two weeks before Pearl Harbor and moved to SLC in May 1942.

After serving in the US Air Force and stationed at Williams Field, AZ, they came back to Utah in 1945. Jim attended the University of Utah and obtained his Electrical Engineering degree, and Elfriede worked for army corps of Engineers. During this period, they discovered the Wasatch Mountain Club and became very active in their programs of hiking, river running, skiing, etc. This led to the construction and operation of the Goldminer's Daughter Lodge in Alta, UT, which opened for the 1962-1963 ski season.

When Jim died in 1998, Elfriede operated the lodge for 2 years, and then retired. She loved her "job" at GMD and cherished the memories of the many guests and the employees that were all part of her life from 1962 to 2002. Elfriede was also active in tennis, water skiing and golf.

Honor The Masters That Came Before Us.

MEMORIES OF THE SHANES

By Gary Larsen

Jim and Elfriede Shane were both dearly loved friends, mentors and a powerful influence on me, my wife Annette and thousands of other skiers and lovers of the Wasatch Mountains.

I first met the Shane's in 1956 at the Thursday night WMC climbing sessions where Jim and Harold Goodro became my life long climbing and skiing mentors. Those wonderful evening climbs always ended up at the old Dyer's Inn at Knudsen Corner for a cold beer and fascinating stories such as Jim and Harold's first ascent of a new route on the North Face of the Grand Teton where Harold had to stand on Jim's shoulder to reach a crux handhold.

My next memory of tripping out with the Shanes and other WMC club members was the infamous Yampa River trip in May 1957 which is best described in Roy Web's book *If I had a Boat*.

"...in 1957 the club borrowed a couple of pontoon rafts and set off to try running rivers. One of their first trips, down the Yampa in May 1957, has become something of a legend among club members. A trip down the Yampa in May means gambling with the unpredictable western Colorado weather, and in this case, the club members lost. It rained, turning the clay road into quagmires. The old bus the club used for trips got stuck several times and the passengers were forced to push it out. The rain turned to hail once they were on the river, and things went from bad to worse. Three people were thrown overboard in Teepee Rapid, the first of any consequence on the Yampa. One of the three, tangled in his poncho, spent a dangerously long time in the cold water and was in pretty bad shape when finally pulled aboard..."

You better believe that story got re-told and embellished many times over while having a beer at the Goldminer's Daughter bar with Jim and Elfriede.

As a member of the Alta Ski Patrol I spent many week-end evenings at the Goldminer's Bar after a great day of skiing. Jim and Elfriede were so gracious to the patrol and mugs of beer always seemed to appear at our table. On nights when the canyon got snowed in and we had early morning avalanche control work there was always a room to stay in.

One particular act of generosity was never forgotten. In 1988 my son Rodney qualified for the Olympic Freestyle Demo Team for the winter games held in France. Some of my Patrol buddies started a fund to help get him there. When the Shane's heard about it they said, "Done deal, we will sponsor him." And they did.

The last time I visited with Elfriede was at the Goldminer's Lodge for the 2019 annual Start the Ski Season party. She was, of course, the guest of honor and at age 96 was totally vibrant, alert and sharing stories with a smile and a twinkle in her eye.

She was a true matriarch of the Wasatch Mountains.

WMC Heroes and Legends: Clarence 'Pa' Perry (Jan 2021 - Reprint)

By Mark Jones

Clarence R. Parry was born in 1892 in Birmingham, England, and emigrated to America as a young boy. He was a jeweler by trade and one of the early organizers of the WMC. "Pa" would have been 22 years old in 1914 when he first started hiking in the Wasatch Mountains, and 28 years old in 1920 when the WMC was formally organized. His early service to the Club included Chairman of the Committee on Advertising and

about all the wild animals that were reported to be dangerous for hikers and the such. One day, I decided to take the Park City train and when it stopped at Lamb's Canyon, I got off and hiked up to Murdock Peak. I ate lunch, rested awhile, and walked around the top of the peak and found a neighbor doing the same thing. Neither of us knew the interest of each other in hiking and enjoying this mountain beauty. We talked all the way home as we hiked together and we made many trips as a pair of happy hikers. My partner in this adventure was Dr. Hopkins and you might say that this was the beginning of the Wasatch Mountain Club."

In the same article he also tells the following story. "This affiliation of men was strictly a men's hiking club, but it made us very suspicious with all of the ice cream and cake the men's sisters were so gracious to feed us. One day we planned a trip to Lake Blanche at 6:00 AM. The rules of the group were, no women on the trips. Even back then the women felt unfairly discriminated against and wanted to know why they couldn't go on the trips. So on this trip to Lake Blanche, they decided to meet us (behind our backs) at the appointed place at the old Salt Lake Theatre. We insisted they could not go, and when the J&M Truck arrived we began to load. The girls began to do the same. We insisted they could not go and began to carry them out of the truck. The girls would run around to the opposite side and climb back on. We kept putting them off, and they kept climbing back on. This collected a crowd including the police from the station that was across the street. This was a very funny scene and after everybody enjoyed a good laugh, the men gave up the cause and the girls went on the trip. The age of this group was from 18 (being my age) to the early forties."



Clarence R. "Pa" Parry is on the far left in this photo and the others are unknown. This photo was the cover of the March 1983 Rambler and taken at an early WMC ski outing, circa 1920. Photo by Samuel Dean Green, from Alexis Keiner's collection.

Publicity and also the Trips and Outings Director for many years.

Clarence recalls some of his early hiking memories in the March 1982 Rambler at which time he would have been 90 years old. "As a young boy of 18, the talk around town was that the Wasatch Mountains were dangerous and a place to stay away from. That made me more curious

In the May, 1964 Rambler Dale Green relates a Pa Parry story about why Girls in the WMC wear bloomers. "When we first started we didn't even allow girls in the Club. There were only 13 of us and we didn't take in any new members for several years. However, some of the members had sisters who would occasionally come along on our hikes. Many other fellows would also

tag along. We decided since these people were going to be with us whether they were members or not, we should reorganize so they could join the Club. This was around 1920.

The girls almost always wore skirts on our outings because bloomers, which is what we called girls' pants in those days even though they were worn on the outside, were looked on by the local ladies' church groups as decadent, undecent, immoral and unladylike. This was very upsetting to our girls. They enjoyed the out-of-doors but long skirts on the trails were impractical. No amount of verbal argument with the church ladies would change their minds. The situation was finally remedied when I invited some of the ladies from the Relief Society and Young Women's M.I.A. to accompany us on a hike. About five of them showed up. The hike was straight up a steep hill and we allowed our girls, all of whom were in skirts, to go ahead of everybody. The girls who knew what was going on, gave us boys a show unlike anything we had seen before and left our visitors aghast. One by one they dropped out until about five blocks later only one of the ladies was still with us. Exhausted and mortified by what she realized the boys were seeing, she turned to me and said, "Mr. Parry, you win." And, that is why the girls in the Wasatch Mountain Club wear bloomers."

Clarence also writes in the March 1982 article about how he got the nickname Pa. "You have all wanted to know how my nickname of Pa Parry started and has lasted all these years. At one of our outings at the lodge, we seemed to run out of things to do or say and so jokingly I said, "Why don't we play house." So everybody jumped up and took a big chair, draped it with a blanket, like a king's throne, and sat me there and, as if a ceremony, and knighted me "Pa" Parry."

Pa Parry is probably best known for his name sake the "Pa Parry" award. In March of 1954 he established what was known at the time as the Parry Trophies. There were two trophies, one for mountaineering and one for service to the Club. From the April, 1954 Rambler we read "The Parry Trophies consist of two trophies to be presented each year by Clarence R. Parry. One, as mentioned in the March Rambler, is a "Mountaineering Award" to be given to a member each year for outstanding mountaineering activity. The second is an "Activity Award" to be given in recognition of service to the Club. The latter coveted award is very worthwhile in that it gives recognition for work done on behalf of the Club.

There is an old saying, "You get out of a thing just what you put into it," so there should be an incentive for greater service and thus more enjoyment from the Club." Two Mountaineering awards were given the first year, one to Harold Goodro and the other to Jim Shane while the Activity award was presented to Janet Roberts.

1982 March Rambler FROM THE PRESIDENT by Mike Treshow: "Our nomination banquet was an even greater than usual success this year. First of all, the "Pa" Parry award for service was given to "Pa" Parry himself in appreciation of his role in founding the Club 60 years ago, and contributions made ever since, including establishing the award in 1954. Appropriately, he also celebrates his 90th birthday this year. (Some of his early WMC experiences are recalled elsewhere in this RAMBLER)." Clarence Pa Parry died February 6, 1983 at the age 90.



PA Parry from the WMC Collection



February 17, 2020

General Membership Meeting

6:00 to 7:00ish

Hosted via Zoom

No limits on participation

But RSVPs Required

The Wasatch Mountain Club is directed by its By-Laws to hold two general membership meetings a year, so we need to get a bit creative and go virtual!

We'll start the evening out with a New Member Orientation. New members are encouraged to log in at 6 and we'll show you around the club website, provide activity and participant information, and answer any questions you might have. Several board and committee members will be on hand to walk you through where to find what you're looking for. Send an email to president@wasatchmountainclub.org prior to the meeting if you have something specific you need help with, and we'll make sure we have the right info ready.

The slate of candidates proposed for the 2021-2022 election year will be presented and voted on. The slate recommended by the nominating committee is presented in this month's Rambler. Members will also vote in any new Life Members that have been vetted by our Life Member liaison and approved by the board. The WMC Treasurers will present a summary of the 2020 financials and our projections for 2021. The membership can also discuss current COVID protocols for organizing and participating in WMC activities.

We will conclude the evening by recognizing our 2020 Pa Parry awardees, Phyllis Anderson and Mark Jones; and the 2020 Alexis Kelner Conservation Awardee, Utah Open Lands. Wendy Fischer, Executive Director with Utah Open Lands will close the evening with a brief presentation to update the membership on the recently acquired LCC parcels (to which the WMC donated \$15,000), and inform the group of upcoming projects/partnerships/acquisition opportunities.



2021 WMC BOARD ELECTION CANDIDATES

The next annual election of the WMC Board of Directors will occur at the membership meeting February 17, 2021. The WMC is a volunteer-run organization including the Board. The candidate list (right) includes the roles to be elected by WMC members at the upcoming membership meeting. Other board roles are appointed by Directors.

The 2021 Nominating Committee members are Petra Brittner, Carrie Clark, and Steve Leitch. Each year, this committee oversees the annual election of the WMC Board of Directors. Serving on the WMC Board of Directors is a worthwhile and rewarding undertaking.

The WMC is most grateful to its current and former Board of Directors and encourages its members to consider filling a position. If interested in serving on the Board, please contact the Nominating Committee by email at **info@wasatchmountainclub.org** or by leaving a phone message at **801-463-9842**. Your information will be promptly forwarded to the Committee.

New candidates are highlighted.

Executive Officers

Julie Kilgore	President
Deidre Flynn	Co-Secretary
Steven Gadd	Co-Secretary
Merilyn Kessi	Co-Treasurer
Tillman Seeborn	Co-Treasurer

Administration

Bret Mathews	Information Technology Officer
Sue Baker	Membership Director
Da Yang Wipfel	Public Relations Director
Steve Leitch	Publications Director (Rambler)

Biking

Mike Roundy	Biking Co-Director
Cecil Goodrick	Biking Co-Director

Boating

Kelly Beumer	Boating Co-Director
Tanner Morrill	Boating Co-Director

Climbing/Mountaineering

Neil Schmidt	Climb/Mountaineering Director
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Conservation

Dennis Goreham	Conservation Director
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Hiking

Daisy DeMarco	Hiking Co-Director
Liz Cordova	Hiking Co-Director

Social

Tonya Karren	Co-Social Director
Petra Brittner	Co-Social Director

Winter Sports

Steve Duncan	Winter Sports Director
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Trustees

Brad Yates	Trustee 2020-2024
Dave Rumbellow	Trustee 2018-2022
Michael Budig	Trustee 2019-2023
Will McCarvill	Trustee 2021-2025
John Veranth	Trustee Emeritus



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our partnership with

Engelmann Mountain School and Learning Center: Learning through Adventure.

Engel Mountain School is a nonprofit, private school, offering the community of Big Cottonwood Canyon, a pre-K through 2nd grade school for younger children and a learning center for students of any age looking for academic support, outdoor adventure, and continuing education in the community.

To learn more about the school, see their website: www.engelmannmountainschool.org.

In looking for new community connections and increased revenue opportunities, the Wasatch Mountain Club Foundation finds that this partnership with Engelmann Mountain School is a perfect fit. Winter is the least-used season at the Lodge because of the limited accessibility. The directors of Engelmann Mountain School live in the Brighton community, are aware of these challenges, and are prepared to meet them. The Lodge will continue to be available for private rental on winter weekends and during the summer months. The additional income will enable us to guarantee continued operational upkeep while we pursue funds for a major renovation.

This partnership fits in with the mission statement written when the WMCF was formed, “The Foundation’s purposes include, to unite the energy, interests and knowledge of students, explorers, and lovers of the mountains ... of Utah.”

Look for more new and exciting ventures coming to the Lodge in the months ahead.

We are currently taking reservations for events happening in Summer 2021 and are hopeful that restrictions will be eased in regards to wedding receptions, family reunions, parties, etc. Please pass this information on to family and friends. To make a reservation, contact JoDene at: www.wlodgerentals@gmail.com.

WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB FOUNDATION

EST. 2011

A 501(c)3 non-profit organization with the mission to maintain and preserve the historic WMC Lodge.

February 2021 Activity Calendar

The WMC offers COVID conscious opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. Participants of all in-person events should bring and wear face coverings, expect social distancing, and changes to our usual practices. To support contact tracing and hands-free signing of the WMC Liability Waiver, online registration is required for all in person WMC events.

Feb **Relaxed Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – Slow pace**

1 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. Bring a headlamp or flashlight as well as traction devices for winter trail conditions.

Feb **Leisure Hike/snowshoe To Frozen Stewart Fall – mod – 3.8 mi Out & Back – 750' ascent – Slow pace**

2 *Meet:* 10:00 am at Aspen Grove Trailhead Parking lot; at Alpine loop,

Tue *Carpool:* 9:00 am at Due to Covid, no carpooling

Organizer: Da Yang Wipfel 801-635-6189 dayang007@gmail.com

Everyone is welcome to join this morning hike/spikes/Snowshoeing to the partially frozen waterfall. We will take our time enjoy the fresh mountain air & beautiful scenery, take some photos & bring lunch and 10E. We will start at Aspen Grove Trailhead on Alpine loop, just past the Sundance Ski Resort. Due to Avalanche conditions, We will sent an email to confirm the night before hike. RSVP Bring your National Park pass or Golden Pass, otherwise \$6 fee for parking We follow the Covid protocol, mask on with 8ft apart at the gathering. Then keep good distance when we hike. RSVP Limited 10,

Feb **Dragon's Tail (grandeur) Evening Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

2 *Meet:* Registration required

Tue *Organizer:* Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com

Bring micro spikes or other studded footwear, headlamp/flashlight, and dress in layers. Prompt 6pm departure. Limited to 10 people.

Feb **Alpine Ski Tour - Backcountry Ski Tour – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 1900' ascent – Moderate pace**

3 *Meet:* Registration required

Wed *Organizer:* Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com

Interested in Backcountry Skiing, come join me. Must have good skiing experience with the correct equipment, skis, skins, avalanche beacon, probe, preferable avalanche classes. Warm clothing and gloves are suggested. Destination will be determined by snow conditions and given the ski conditions and Corona Virus - dress accordingly w/ mask. Most likely will be a conditioning tour with snow pit evaluations, a few turns and introduction. Registration Required

Feb **Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace**

6 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 5 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.

Feb **Alpine Ski Tour - Break Into The Backcountry – mod+ – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 1600' ascent – Moderate pace**

6 *Meet:* Registration required

Sat *Organizer:* Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com

Are you interested in Back country skiing and would you like to see and experience what we do when we go back country skiing, this is an introduction to the sport and how we tour. If you have any question on the equipment, clothing or equipment requirements contact me. We generally meet and discuss where we will be going and the physical requirements of the tour. This will not be a "show & go event", so you must register in advance. It is highly suggested that you have prior experience in the resort or back country.

Feb **Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace**

7 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 5 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.

Feb **Relaxed Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – Slow pace**

8 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. Bring a headlamp or flashlight as well as traction devices for winter trail conditions.

Feb **Social - Online Book Club**

9 *Meet:* 5:30 pm at Online

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

The Sierra Club Huron Valley Group Book Club in Michigan, which focuses on environmental issues, welcomes participants from Utah while they have meetings online during the pandemic. Participants do not need to be members of Sierra Club. The February book is Reading the Rocks: The Autobiography of the Earth by Marcia Bjornerud. If you would like to participate, please contact Akiko for the access information.

Feb **Bell Canyon Evening Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace**

9 *Meet:* 5:45 pm at Cottonwood Heights Park & Ride (8101 S 3500 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT)

Tue *Organizer:* Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com

Bring micro spikes or other studded footwear, headlamp/flashlight, and dress in layers. Prompt 6pm departure. Limited to 10 people.

Feb **WMC Board Meeting**

10 *Meet:* 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103

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

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

Feb **Alpine Ski Tour - Backcountry Ski Tour – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace**

12 *Meet:* Registration required

Fri *Organizer:* Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com

Interested in Backcountry Skiing, come join me. Must have good skiing experience with the correct equipment, skis, skins, avalanche beacon, probe, preferable avalanche classes. Warm clothing and gloves are suggested. Destination will be determined by snow conditions and given the ski conditions and Corona Virus - dress accordingly w/ mask. Most likely will be a conditioning tour with snow pit evaluations, a few turns and introduction. Registration Required

Feb **Snowshoe - West Uintas/Heber/park City Area – mod – Moderate pace**

13 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We plan to snowshoe somewhere in the West Uintas/Heber/Park City area, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 12 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.

Feb **Snowshoe - American Fork/Provo/Tooele Area – mod – Moderate pace**

14 *Meet:* Registration required

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

We plan to snowshoe somewhere in the American Fork/Provo/Tooele area, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety

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Feb 15	Relaxed Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – Slow pace	
	Meet: Registration required	
Mon	Organizer: John Kiedaisch 630-803-2452 johnrk@hotmail.com	
	We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. Bring a headlamp or flashlight as well as traction devices for winter trail conditions.	
Feb 16	Mount Olympus Evening Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace	
	Meet: Registration required	
Tue	Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com	
	Bring micro spikes or other studded footwear, headlamp/flashlight, and dress in layers. Prompt 6pm departure. Limited to 10 people.	
Feb 17	Virtual Membership Meeting, New Member Orientation, Election, And Presentation	
	Meet: 6:00 pm at A Zoom invitation email will be sent to all who register.	
Wed	Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 President@wasatchmountainclub.org	
	If you can Zoom, you can join us for our annual February Membership Meeting/Social. Load up with your favorite snacks and beverage, and settle in for a virtual membership gathering. Be sure to RSVP and we'll send you the virtual invitation.	
Feb 17	Alpine Ski Tour - Backcountry Ski Tour – mod – 4.0 mi Out & Back – 2000' ascent – Moderate pace	
	Meet: Registration required	
Wed	Organizer: Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 (C) robertmyers47@gmail.com	
	Interested in Backcountry Skiing, come join me. Must have good skiing experience with the correct equipment, skis, skins, avalanche beacon, probe, preferable avalanche classes. Warm clothing and gloves are suggested. Destination will be determined by snow conditions and given the ski conditions and Corona Virus – dress accordingly w/ mask. Most likely will be a conditioning tour with snow pit evaluations, a few turns and introduction. Registration Required	
Feb 18	Gold Butte National Monument Car Camp, Day Hikes – mod – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace	
	Meet: Registration required	
Thu	Organizer: Dennis Gorham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com	
–	Plan a few days to explore southern Nevada's Gold Butte National Monument. We are still putting the itinerary together	
Feb 21	but plan to do a couple peaks, probably Mica Peak and Gold Butte peak. We also will plan to see other interesting features including Little Finland, various petroglyphs, and the Seven Key Holes. We are getting pretty familiar with this area but have not been to all destinations so at least part of this trip will be exploratory. This is a remote area. We will be camping in an undeveloped area so bring everything you need including plenty of water. Plan for COVID19 precautions. Register with Dennis to get logistic details. Limit 8.	
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Feb 20	Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace	
	Meet: Registration required	
Sat	Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu	
	We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 19 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.	
Feb 20	Alpine Ski Tour - Break Into The Backcountry – mod+ – 3.0 mi Out & Back – 1600' ascent – Moderate pace	
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Sat	Organizer: Robert* Myers 801-651-9965 robertmyers47@gmail.com	
	Are you interested in Back country skiing and would you like to see and experience what we do when we go back country skiing, this is an introduction to the sport and how we tour. If you have any question on the equipment, clothing or equipment requirements contact me. We generally meet and discuss where we will be going and the physical requirements of the tour. This will not be a "show & go event", so you must register in advance. It is highly suggested that you have prior experience in the resort or back country.	

Feb 21	Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun	<i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 19 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.
Feb 22	Relaxed Pace Draper Evening Hike – ntd – Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Mon	<i>Organizer:</i> John Kiedaisch 630-803-2452 johnrk@hotmail.com We will depart promptly at 6pm. Come out and explore the south end of the Salt Lake valley. The Draper hikes are geared toward newcomers or those who just want a more relaxed pace, and would be suitable for kids about 12 or older accompanied by a responsible adult. Bring a headlamp or flashlight as well as traction devices for winter trail conditions.
Feb 23	Dragon's Tail Evening Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Tue	<i>Organizer:</i> Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Bring micro spikes or other studded footwear, headlamp/flashlight, and dress in layers. Prompt 6pm departure. Limited to 10 people.
Feb 25	Moonlight Ski On Us-65 - Beginners Welcome! <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Thu	<i>Organizer:</i> Jessica Montgomery j.m.montgomery108@gmail.com Evening ski by the gorgeous light of the moon! Mellow night ski on the closed road US-65. Bundle up, wear a mask, bring a headlamp, and be ready to go at a slow to mellow pace. We will ski in 45 min, and then turn around and come back. Beginners welcome. No drop. Per current WMC protocol, Please review the new COVID questionnaire and the "Activity Release Form." After reviewing these documents, please email me back let me know if you were able to answer as follows: - "NO" to the COVID 19 questions - "Yes" that you reviewed High Risk guidelines and are okay with what it prescribes - and "Yes" that you agree with (and thus electronically sign) the Activity Release form (we won't need to sing it in person, just acknowledge in your return email that you agree to it). COVID numbers are spiking, as you know, so we need to be masked up in the parking lot, then we can spread out on the ski and have masks or other face covering available when we meet oncoming traffic if we can't give each other appropriate space.
Feb 27	Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sat	<i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 26 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.
Feb 28	Snowshoe - Location Tba Depending On Snow/conditions – mod – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun	<i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe somewhere in BCC, LCC, the Uintas, Heber, Provo, Park City, American Fork or somewhere weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring snowshoes, microspikes, and 10 Es. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required (If this changes, I will post a note). But if you want to practice using avalanche safety gear, please feel free to bring it. If you want to try avalanche safety gear, I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow for snowshoeing anywhere, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on February 26 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.

Mar 5	Motel Car Camp: Yellowstone Wolves, Wildlife, & Winter Activities - 4-6 Days – ntd
Fri	<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> <p>We're making a COVID-appropriate plan for this annual winter trek into Yellowstone. 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 the group. We'll be driving separately 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 get a later start. 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. e-mail Robert or Julie for more details.</p>
Mar 9	Social - Online Book Club
Tue	<p><i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Online</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>The Sierra Club Huron Valley Group Book Club in Michigan, which focuses on environmental issues, welcomes participants from Utah while they have meetings online during the pandemic. Participants do not need to be members of Sierra Club. The March book is Soil Not Oil: Environmental Justice in an Age of Climate Crisis, by Vandana Shiva. If you would like to participate, please contact Akiko for the access information.</p>
Mar 10	WMC Board Meeting
Wed	<p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>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.</p>
Mar 19	Alpine Ski Tour, Kings Peak – ext – 33.0 mi Out & Back – 3500' ascent – Fast pace
Fri	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Larry* Swanson 801-946-6372 oldswaney@gmail.com</p> <p>Participants must follow the State of Utah's Covid19 Enjoying the Outdoors Safely and Responsibly recommendations, and this is a "Registration Required" event. This is the 48th annual Kings Peak tour for those interested in trivia. The historic Kings Peak ski tour, hosted by Steve and Larry Swanson, will convene on Friday night (March 19th) at the Henry's Fork Snow-Parking area and get under way very early on Saturday morning. Avalanche transceivers, shovels, and registration are not required. Headlamps are mandatory (double check that they work and that the batteries are fresh). Lots of water (2-3 liters) and protection from facing directly into the sun for most of the day are also important. Standard backcountry touring gear is best but every possible combination has been used in the past. Climbing skins are often handy but not essential. We generally leave the skis at Gunsight Pass and climb the peak on foot so Vibram-type soles on your boots are usually helpful if the snow is hard. Snowshoers are welcome but they need to remember that since they cannot just kick and glide back to the car they have a much earlier turn-around time. 1:00pm is the usual turnaround time for Snowshoers. It will be a long day; we start before dawn and usually end after dark. It's not at all necessary to climb the peak, however, to enjoy the ski touring in this lovely, gentle drainage and normally more than half of the participants turn around short of the peak. Elkhorn crossing is a good scenic NTD destination used by many. Gunsight Pass, 5 miles farther, is MOD and gives wonderful views. Gunsight Pass is the standard turn around place for most and for ALL those that arrive after 1:00pm. The summit is MSD chiefly because of the length of the day and the climb of the peak at the end. Mandatory turnaround is 3:00 pm no matter where you are on the route. We carry out ALL waste paper including TP so carry a plastic bag and plan for it. For additional information call Larry at 801-583-4043 or Steve at 801-272-5750. We will start out no matter what the weather and assess the summit from the basin or Gunsight. The trip to the basin is sheltered and makes a nice ski tour even in stormy weather. We prefer the creek route as it is safer but that decision will be made on the morning of the tour. We want everyone to go up and back down on the same route for safety reasons so check with Larry or Steve on the route of choice if you plan to leave extra early.</p>
Mar 26	Backpack Cedar Mesa – mod+ – 18.0 mi Shuttle – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace
Fri	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Tanner Morrill 801-809-0170 tannermorrill@gmail.com</p> <p>Grand Gulch is filled with archeological sites and beautiful sandstone. This area was slated to be part of the Bears Ears national monument until it was scaled back. We'll be scrambling down Todie Canyon and out Bullet Canyon. Members should be comfortable with some rock scrambling in Todie Canyon and possibly in Bullet Canyon. Water should be available to filter. We'll drive down the evening of the 25th. We could grab a hotel in Blanding if folks want.</p>
Mar 28	
Sun	

May	Beginner's Boating Trip Rafting & Kayaking – class III- – 13.0 mi – 15' ascent
21	<i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Fri	<i>Organizer:</i> Tanner Morrill & Kelly Beumer 801-809-0170 boatingdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org
–	Join us this year for the annual beginner's trip where newbies and oldies get together to learn and teach rafting,
May	kayaking, etc. We'll be in Moab this year on the Colorado river's Fisher's Towers AKA Moab Daily section. We plan on being
23	on the river Saturday and Sunday. We'll be camping next to the river but just doing day trips on the river. Group size may
Sun	be limited due to Covid 19.

Jul	Kayaking Twin Falls Shoshone Falls – flat water – 7.5 mi
16	<i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Fri	<i>Organizer:</i> Tanner Morrill 801-809-0170 tannermorrill@gmail.com
–	Exploratory trip: Come enjoy 212-foot-tall Shoshone Falls (taller than Niagara) and the Bluewater Snake River scenery!
Jul	Expect 6-8 Hours on the water RT (we paddle upstream against a slow current, then turn around). Lodging TBD.
18	Participants must be strong flatwater paddlers to qualify for this trip. Leave at 3pm on the 14th (Friday), return Sunday
Sun	night (the 16th). 3.5 Hrs. from Boat shed. Some portaging required. AWOL Adventure sports provides rentals on site or
	the WMC has rentals available. Paddle boarding isn't recommended for such a long trip, but people do it. The last day we
	could do some class II/III rafting on the Hagerman section of the snake if so desired. Guided 4 hr., 7-mile trips are about
	\$60/adult or we could bring our own club rafts.

Welcome New Members

Jackson Boyd

Peter Crowley

Robert Morrison

Wes Frenell

Madeline Bague

BJ Viehl

Anthony Lombardo

Linda Turkington

Linda Richardson

Mara Adams

David Schoettmer

Anne Tompkins

Charles Young

Barbara Larsen

Helen Knipe

Daniel Caviglia

Robert & Debra Furbee

Don & Camille Whaley

If you're a new member ... depending on your age and background ... you might have a few questions:

- 1. How do I get involved in activities?**
- 2. What kinds of activities can be organized?**
- 3. What is the average age of WMC members?**
- 4. How many people participate in the activities?**
- 5. How aggressive are the various activity groups?**

The answers ... ask away! Ask someone in the club! Send an email to wasatchmountainclub@gmail.com or call someone from the governing board (inside front cover). The average age is ... honestly, we don't know. Why don't we know? 1. We haven't yet started tracking that information. 2. It doesn't matter. There are older folks who can out-hike/-bike/-paddle any younger person. There are also younger people who like to do lighter activities. Sometimes many people show up for activities; sometimes only a couple. This is a nice thing.

The WMC activities allow for flexibility; if you can show up, do - - if you can't, don't. As for how vigorous and aggressive the various activities and groups are (hikers, bikers, etc.), contact the director or coordinator. Please don't feel like you can't organize an activity if you don't know your way around. There are so many people who can help you, and you can even decide on a destination at the time of meeting! You might have one or two awkward activities, but just get together with people who share the same interests with you, and you'll be on your way to tons of fun and excitement - - things you never thought were possible!

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Trip Report: Avalanche Safety Workshop Tour & Snowshoe to Peak 10420

December 13, 2020

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

We met at the winter gate on Guardsman's Pass Rd. Before starting snowshoeing, we discussed the avalanche and weather forecast and the route/terrain approach. Then, we put on snowshoes and hiked approximately one mile toward Peak 10420 to find a beacon practice location. On the way, we stopped frequently and talked about terrain (e.g. slope angle), snowpack and the red flags of avalanches. At the beacon practice location, we reviewed basics of avalanche rescues and practiced a rescue using a beacon and a probe. After the practice, we continued to Peak 10420 and further accessed slopes and snow conditions. We went back to the trailhead through the beautiful route in the forest and made a loop. Andy, John, Peter and Jackson made Peak 10420 for the first time. For Andy, it was the first snowshoe in his life. We have had dry winter so far. But there was sufficient snow to practice avalanche safety gear and enjoy snowshoeing. It was a great start of a snowshoe season.



Group photo (from left) – Steve, Andy, John, Jim, Peter, Akiko, and Jackson



Jackson and Peter on the ridge



Final Ascent to Peak 10420 – Peter & Andy

Trip Report: Night Hike - Corner Canyon

January 4, 2021

Co-Organized by Julie & Jamie Kilgore

Report & photos by Steve Leitch

Ten energetic hikers started the new year off right with a winter night stroll along several interconnecting trails in Corner Canyon. Hikers were: Julie, Jamie, Tonya, John, Derek, Duff, Debbie, Yi, Brenda, and Steve.

There were some very spotty off and on rain drops and an occasional icy patch. However, this didn't deter the group from having a great hike. As it turned out, the night hike coincided with the 'Thrive 125' celebration (Utah's 125th birthday). We were treated to several firework displays and holiday lights on our way back. A wonderful hike to start the new year!



Hikers heading for the TH



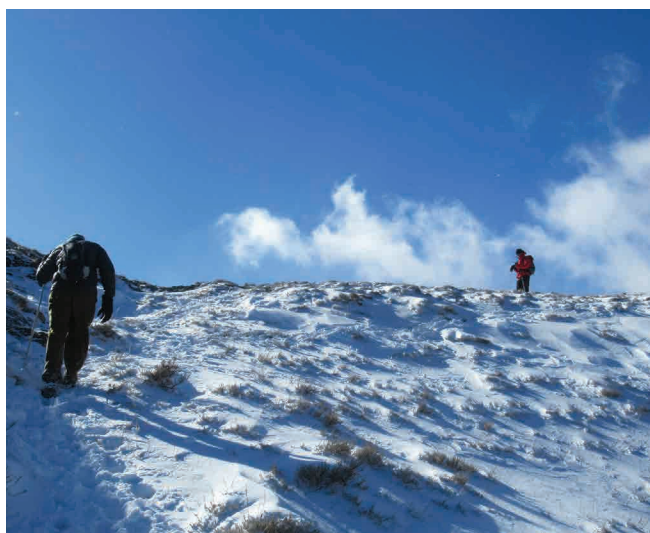
Holiday Lights in Draper

Trip Report: Snow hike - Stockings Peak, City Canyon Peak & Watts Ascent

December 23, 2020

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

We started from Yellow Fork Trailhead (TH) in Heriman to bag several peaks (bumps). For all of us, it was the first time to make the peaks. We hiked on Yellow Fork Trail to the ridgeline/ the county line (between Salt Lake Co and Utah Co). The trail was snow-covered from the beginning and had deep snow at some places. But we could manage without using snowshoes. Our first destination, Stockings Peak (7,744 ft), was close once we were up to the ridgeline. The views from the peak were wonderful. Russell decided not to go to our next destination, City Canyon Peak (7,938 ft), and waited near Stockings Peak. The rest of us, Greg, Jim and Akiko went to City Canyon Peak. City Canyon Peak was only 0.66 mile away from Stockings Peak. We went back to the place where Russell was waiting and had lunch. We went down nearly one mile on the ridgeline and took another ridge to bag our last peak, Watts Ascent (6,703 ft). It was a beautiful long ridge. After we made Watts Ascent, we continued on the ridge to go back to the TH and made a loop. We found a cadastral survey marker on the ridge and saw a hawk in the sky and animal tracks on the snow. This hike took 6 hours and 10 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 8.93 miles, total elevation gain – 2,873 ft)



Russell approaching the ridge. Greg on the ridge.



Stockings Peak Group Photo (from Left) - Russell, Jim, Akiko, Greg



Jim & Greg - final ascent to City Canyon Peak

Trip Report: Night Hike: Porter Fork

January 5, 2021

Organized by Julie Kilgore

Report & photos by Steve Leitch

It was a crisp, cold, and clear evening – perfect for an evening hike up Porter Fork. We had a great group of hikers – Julie, Pat, Mac, Steve G., Evan, Luke, Yi, and Steve L.

Porter Fork was snow-covered and we encountered several skiers, snowboarders, and sledders flying down the road. It was a beautiful night for hiking. At one of the cabins along the way, there were two magnificent Eagle wood carvings. Overall, a great hike and nice way to spend an evening outdoors.



Porter Fork - start of the hike

Trip Report: Snow Hike - Draper

January 9, 2021

Organized, report & photos by John Kiedaisch

The Telegraph Hill and South Maple Hollow trail was chosen to shelter the group from northerly winds as the trails are on the southern side of the Traverse Mountain. After completing the initial hike, the entire group chose to extend the day's hike by completing the Alien Tower trail. Heidi DeMartis joined the group in completing the Alien Tower portion of the hike. The usual wonderful 360-degree view of Salt Lake County, Wasatch Mountains, Utah County and Oquirrh Mountains from the top of the Alien Tower trail was limited due to low cloud cover. This served as the basis to return again to the Alien Tower trail on a bluebird day to get the most out of the panoramic view.



Log Bench along the Telegraph Hill trail (L to R): Russell Patterson, John Kiedaisch (Leader), Karen Bertolini, Cassie Badowsky, Shane Andrus and Irene Yuen. Not pictured is Yi Qu who took the picture.



Russell at the Telegraph trail head



Enjoying the hike

Trip Report: Exploring the new LCC acquisition area and beyond...

January 10, 2021

By Julie Kilgore

Participants: Julie Kilgore, Ray Daurelle, Yi Qu, and Irene Yuen

In 2020, the WMC donated \$15,000 towards the successful acquisition of two key parcels at the bottom of Little Cottonwood Canyon. So, January was a good time to go explore these parcels to see first-hand what we now have available to us as open space.

social trail or animal path would appear. We had no trouble at all going up the hillside, onto Forest Service land, right by the tip of a BLM parcel, then connecting to the ridge and an old mine road. We followed the old mining road straight up the ridgeline until it bears north to the old mine (which we checked out on our way back down), then we continued up the ridge to a logical resting spot with an amazing view of the valley.

On the way back down, we followed the remnants



First Mine Dump (L to R): Yi, Ray, and Irene

Three brave hikers joined me on January 10, 2021, for an exploratory hike that started as a small parking area at the northern end of the acquisition area. The sign at the parking area suggests that there might be a Bonneville Shoreline Trail in this area, but let me assure you that there are no constructed trails in this area yet! We followed a service road along the southern boundary, looking for a logical place to start going up. We found a social trail of sorts heading up to an old mine dump, so that seemed as good a line as any.

We quickly reached the mine dump (which was the first of several we came across that morning), then kept going up. Just as we would think we were going to get boxed in with bushes, another

of another old road that seemed to end at another rock harvest spot. From there, we worked our way across and down the hillside until we dropped back onto the acquisition parcels. Thank you, Ray, Irene, and Yi, for coming out with me to explore the area with me.

There are so many great routes to explore along this Little Cottonwood Canyon North Ridgeline. But as for the two new parcels of open space, I think now I'm okay with waiting until the trails to come through.



Group at LCC NR H1 rock



Julie - LCC Acquisition Area sign



Connecting to old mine road

Trip Report: Snowshoe - Peak 9050 in the West Uintas

December 26, 2020

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

Peak 9050 is located in the West Uintas, southwest of Hoyt Peak. We started from Wide Hollow on Mirror Lake Hwy. In summer, it is possible to drive to near the peak on the 4WD road. But in winter, the road is closed. We walked on the road to the junction - approximately 1.29 miles from the trailhead. We saw five deer and footprints of a mountain lion on the way. From the junction, we went toward the southwest ridge. We put on snowshoes near the ridge. Once we were up to 8,800 ft, the ridge was almost flat for 0.8 mile. Then, we climbed up to the summit. The peak was nothing special - it's just in the forest. But we could see surrounding mountains. From the peak, we went down on the steep slope and made a loop to the junction. This part was very scenic. It was mostly cloudy but became sunny toward the end. We did not see anyone else during the snowshoe. It was very quiet and peaceful. This snowshoe took 5 hours 45 minutes in total including breaks (distance - 6.90 miles, total elevation gain - 2,429 ft).



Peak 9050 Group Photo (from left) - Akiko, Andy, Jim, Craig



Craig & Andy - snack time before making the summit



Descending on steep slope - Andy fell but enjoyed it...



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