

Covid-19 Guidelines

We are in a state of transition as more people get vaccinated and mask restrictions are lifted. WMC members should stay informed on current guidelines. As of March 8, 2021, the CDC stated that "fully vaccinated people can visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing," but "should take precautions in public like wearing a well-fitted mask and physical distancing." For WMC activities, organizers should ask all participants if they have been vaccinated so the group can gauge the level of protection and distancing necessary for the WMC group, and the face protection/distancing appropriate for the area of the activity.

Signing a form in an outdoor environment appears to be very low risk. WMC organizers and members can choose to use the traditional WMC sign-up sheets. Still, as a precaution, members should bring their own pens or an organizer can choose to have wipes available.

Confirmation about COVID symptoms and exposure should continue.

WMC members should make individual decisions about carpooling. We strongly encourage that carpooling be limited to those who are fully vaccinated.

The CDC continues to recommend avoiding medium to large size groups. The recommendation does not define the numbers, but for the WMC, keeping groups to no more than 10 is still suggested particularly since many of our activities are in wilderness areas. Group size can be managed by continuing with registration, or one large group can break into smaller groups.

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Perfect Kiva Ladder Light (Cedar Mesa). Photo courtesy of Lonnie Baskett. See Trip Report on pg. 40

Editor's Note:

There is 1 correction to the April 2021 Rambler:

1) On pg 4, Tanner's name was misspelled (Tanner Morrel). The correct spelling is Tanner Morrill.



Carol & Sandra snowshoeing towards Peak 8281 (pg. 43)

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.

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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 rambler@wasatchmountainclub.org or call someone from the governing board (inside front cover). The average age is . . . honestly, we don't know. Why don't we knows? 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!

WMC Heroes and Legends The Stoney Family and the founding of the WMC

The Origins of the Wasatch Mountain Club

And why we accept May 13, 1920 as the formal start of the WMC

By Mark Jones

Perhaps there is nothing more important to an organization than the who, the how, the where and the when it was founded. I was not there for the founding of the WMC and thus have had to rely on information gathered from the WMC Special collection at the J. Willard Marriott Library at the University of Utah. I also researched the Clubs newsletter, The Rambler, dating back to 1922. Also, much information came from the "Stoney Sisters", Donna Urbanek and Marlene Stoney Francis, who are the daughters Leon P. Stoney. Marlene has written a book about the Stoney family history in which she recounts her family's memories of the founding of the WMC. In 2020, Donna age 91, and Marlene age 85, were interviewed by Mathew Jason Green for the WMC Centennial Oral History Project.

Donna states in the interview: "Well, I want to tell you one thing that my dad [Leon Stoney] said I think many times is that he organized the Wasatch Mountain Club in 1913 on the 13th day of June with 13 members. Now, I realize that isn't what you have as an organization, but that's what Daddy said, and he was only 18 at the time. So, it really wasn't an organization, you know, that made note of it. He just knew it in his mind that that's when he did it." And then Marlene adds: "Actually, it really is I would say it would be formed by my grandfather [Charles Thomas Stoney]. He was the instigator. He was a man that wanted his children to work hard and play hard."



Charles P. Stoney in 1913. Age 50.

It was Charles Thomas Stoney who actually formed the boys into a formal organization and incorporated the WMC in the State of Utah. Marlene writes in her book about Charles: "My grandfather was an exceptional man. In his lifetime he had accomplished much, worked harder than most, influenced many, ruffled some feathers, gained a great deal of respectability and managed to remain a significant part of his children's lives, even when they were approaching middle age. My grandfather knew the importance of education, and he not only acquired it for himself, but worked at establishing a quality public school system in Utah. He gave to hundreds of his students the skills needed for success in a changing world. I have told how influential my grandfather was in helping my father and uncle organize the WMC. He was a participant in the early stages of the ski industry in Utah and I have recently learned that his picture is in the [Alf Engen] museum at the [Utah] Olympic Park in Park City." Marlene further wrote, "In the ensuing years, the club became popular and others, including females, became part of the group. The activities of the club were mainly hiking, snow shoeing, and other popular sports of the day. There was no skiing, or groomed places to ski in Utah, at that time. The only known skiers were two young men from Norway. Wanting to get the WMC boys involved in that sport, Charles Stoney contacted the Norwegians, and with their help learned how to make skis. This became one of the most popular activities of the club. Charles ended up making dozens of pairs of skis until they finally found a shop in the Midwest where they could buy ski equipment. During those first few years, Leon's sisters, Lois and Oral joined the club and learned to ski on the hills above the university."

As this group of friends with no specific laws or regulations, and calling itself the Wasatch Mountain Club, were enjoying their various activities, other people, hiking in the mountains and exploring the vast Utah landscape were also forming small groups and clubs. One such group was started by an early and long-

time WMC member, Clarence "Pa" Parry. His story was related in the March, 1982 Rambler: "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 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 andfound a neighbor doing the same thing. Neither of us knew the interest of each other inhiking 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."

"Later, Dr. Foutz [Dr. Pfouts] joined us on our many trips and in the meantime, another group composed of the Stoney Bros. [Stoney Brothers Leon P. and Claude], (of Tooele), Lignel [Einar Lignel] (from Norway), Curtis (from New York) and a Mr. Ammot [Eugene D. Ammott] were also hiking, and we met each other at the top of City Creek and had lunch together. After this, we seriously planned trips together and enjoyed the adventures that extended to us out of doors."

Charles Thomas Stoney was the father of Leon and Claude are recognized as the original organizers and founding fathers of the WMC and Leon was the first President of the WMC. Their sister Oral and grandfather Charles were early members of the WMC. On May 13, 1920 Leon would have been 25 years old.





Leon P. Stoney in 1913. Age 18.

Claude A.. Stoney in 1913. Age 16.

So, we have these other groups of friends that eventually 1913. Age 18. in 1913. Age 16. joined in with the original 13 WMC members. Marlene tells the story in her book of why the original club was formally organized and incorporated. "It remained a loose knit group until 1919 when a member was injured on a trip, causing him to lose three fingers. At that point it was decided that the Club should incorporate. Also, to attract more participants they decided they needed to be better organized. With the help of my grandfather, [Charles Thomas Stoney] by-laws were enacted, a constitution was written, officers were elected, and the club was incorporated in the State of Utah. The **Wasatch Mountain Club** was formally born May 13, 1920. My father [Leone P. Stoney] was the first president to be elected, and what was to be a one-year position turned into three."



Some of the organizers of the WMC. George Ringwood, "Rich" Siebert, Rollo Bidgood, Vernon Townley, and Leon Stoney. The Photo was taken by Claude A. Stoney in the early 1920s.

The original 13 members of the WMC were as follows: Leon P. Stoney, Claud A. Stoney, Lorris Holdaway, James DeBrie, Lewis Casto, George Ringwood, Rollo Bidgood, Ivan Jensen, Vernon Townley, Robert Smith, Frank DeBrie, Lewis Villet, and Sylvan Dunn.

Once the club became formally organized, it was time to expand with new members, new ideas, and new activities. With more members came the need to communicate. Thus, a newsletter was born, and they called it "The Rambler." The first Ramblers came out in September and October of 1922 and members wrote about the many trips that were taken with many participants. As printed in the 1923 Rambler Yearbook, Volume 1 Number 4 on page 4, "What we have Accomplished: In looking back on the past year we feel more than gratified with the wonderful beginning we have made. During the years of 1920-21, a great deal or exploration was undertaken, but little organization, and it was not until spring of 1922 when a more definite organization was accomplished. The club at that time had some sixty members. We are now proud to boast of 250 members in good standing."

The first WMC membership list beyond the original 13 members is in the 1923-1924 Rambler on pages 21 and 22 and is dated September 21, 1921. I counted 204 members on this list. Only seven of the original members remained – Leon P. Stoney, Claude Stoney, James DeBrie, Lewis Casto, Vernon Townley, Robert Smith and Sylvan Dunn.

The next record of the membership comes from the 1924-1925 Rambler on page 79 which gives a detailed [5 year] history of the WMC. "The club's record of growth as shown below is certainly a most enviable one. In a short five-year span, it has become a potent factor in the civic life of Salt Lake City, and one should be proud to be a member of such an organization, which from a humble beginning has experienced already such a large measure of success and accomplishment." It lists the membership as being 580 for 1924 and I counted 624 members for 1925.

As stated earlier, Leon P. Stoney was the father of Donna Urbanek, Marlene Stoney Francis, and also Richard Stoney. Richard and his wife Cleva are the parents of daughter Julie Stoney Mason. Julie is married to John Mason and both are long time members of the WMC. Julie received Club recognition as featured in the May 2007 Rambler: "The 2007 Pa Perry award was presented to Julie Stoney Mason by Trustee Linda Kosky. Julie has been in charge of Club rentals of the lodge for about 10 years. Her interest in the lodge was inspired by her family's historical involvement; she is a descendant of Leon Stoney who helped found the club in 1920. Early members helped build the lodge in the 1930's and Julie's family developed a strong attachment to the structure. She has given many hours each year in providing personal contact with members and non-members who wanted to use the lodge for parties, family gatherings and weddings. And her personal concern for the preservation of the lodge has been evident in all her efforts and have helped us maintain the lodge as a living tribute to our predecessors in the Wasatch Mountain Club."

A great deal of thanks and appreciation go out to Marlene Stoney Francis for her help in editing this report and all of her efforts over the years to preserve the history of the Stoney family and thus the history of the WMC.

50 Years ago in the Rambler

Transcribed by Donn Seeley

Club activities for May 1971 [...]

May 1-2 Weekend RAINBOW BRIDGE — Since the club is involved in the legal pursuit of saving Rainbow Bridge from being inundated by the water rising behind Glen Canyon Dam (the name Lake Powell really is an insult to this great explorer of the West and nature lover), interest was expressed in organizing a hiking trip to this eighth World Wonder. The route begins at the now deserted former Rainbow Lodge from the foot of Navajo Mountain which is still sacred to the Navajo Tribe. From here a non-contour trail goes into Horse Canyon, crosses over Redbud Pass and from there follows Bridge Canyon. After a long and quite hot hike through this meandering canyon one is suddenly confronted with the splendor of this magnificent monument of eroded Navajo Sandstone. The trip is planned for the May 1-2 weekend and will take at least 4 days. The hike (13 miles) is quite difficult but a strong desire to see this beautiful creation should make it possible for you to endure some hardship. Only if at least 10 people sign up for the trip will we go. If you are interested please call Fred Bruenger [...] MONUMENT PEAK - rating 7.5 — This was a novel activity last year. If you like the thrill of good friction climbing and if you are not afraid of some exposure, you will certainly enjoy this hike which will lead you up one of the lesser peaks in the lower Little Cottonwood Canyon area. Come out for a different type of hiking experience but remember, this is an advanced trip and not intended for tender souls. You must

register with Gerhard Henschel [...] Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at

May 22 Sat.

PFEIFFERHORN [3/20/1971] by Phil Dahnken

8:00 a.m.

Red Pine is beautiful summer or winter but it was especially beautiful for our meanderings in the snow, sunshine, and pines. Three snowshoers and nine skiers, half waxers and half skinners, trudged up to upper Red Pine Lake nestled beneath the corniced wall that leads to the Pfeifferhorn.

At 11 a.m. we decided on a direct route to the ridge in hopes of reaching the summit by 1:00 p.m. We moved forward to treeline. Suddenly two echoing booms greeted our ears and we looked to see what part of the mountain had fallen in. Upon inspection we found two cracks in the snow above us — the one running across the ridge about 400 yards and the other about 20 yards away running straight down the mountain.

With little doubt as to what the settling would do if we continued upward we skied down to the pines. Some lingered to eat in this warm panorama while others skied down to Red Pine Lake to test the powder. Our return was equally beautiful and some promised to return to try for the summit another time. Participants were: Fred & Eveline Bruenger; Dixon Smith; Wayne Slagle; Barent TenEyck; Alan Fritzberg; Phil Dahnken; Ivan Cendese; Don Carlton; David Hanscom; Don Black; Greg Voigt.

[The Navajo Legal Aid Society filed a federal lawsuit in 1974 on behalf of eight Navajo singers and three chapters of the Navajo Nation, asking that the Bureau of Reclamation limit the filling of Lake Powell so that it did not inundate Bridge Canyon inside the National Monument. They lost at trial in 1977, then lost on appeal in 1980 and 1981. The court ruled that the Navajo didn't have the right to sue, because the government had taken over Navajo land in and around the national monument, and the Navajo couldn't sue over land that they no longer owned; in addition, the government's interest in water storage overruled any First-Amendment religious claims of the Navajo. — Donn]

The History of the WMC Hike Rating System

From the measuring wheel to the GPS

By Mark Jones

In the early days of the WMC, there was no concept of rating hikes other than this "hike might be more difficult than that hike" and there was no guide for inexperienced hikers or common language to talk about local hikes

The first hike rating system for the WMC was established by Dale Green in the 1960s. Dale calculated the distance for his hike ratings table by personally walking many of the trails with a measuring wheel. Dale wrote about it while President of the Club in the June 1963 Rambler:

"Starting with this RAMBLER, a number will be listed after each hike. This number is a relative measure of the amount of energy required to complete each hike. It is not meant to represent hours. The system is based on the number of round-trip miles and the elevation gain with various "fudge factors" thrown in. So far, the ratings have only been made for one day hikes that involve no climbing. There are nearly 50 hikes on the list.



Measuring wheel gauge

Sample hikes are:

Lake Mary from Lodge	1.5	Mt. Olympus (any route)	8.0
Katherine Pass from Lodge	3.0	Red Pine Lake-Pfeifferhorn	10.0
Mt. Majestic from Lodge	4.5	Lone Peak via Bells Canyon	15.0
Little Black Mountain	6.5	Red ·Pine-Pfeifferhorn-Bells Canyon	17.0

Looking at a hike listing from June 1963, we see a hike with a rating:

"June 7 --Moonlight Hike. Same hike as announced last month. This will be a little unusual but lots of fun. Bring a flashlight and jacket because Grandeur Peak might be a little cool. Meet at Finnlandia at 6:30 p.m. No children please. Leader, Dale Green. (4.5 rating)." The rating was not listed on all hikes and it was up to the leader if they wanted to post a hike rating. It didn't seem to catch on about showing the hike rating on each hike but rather the list of all hike ratings would be periodically posted in the Rambler. Such a posting can be found in the July 1965 Rambler: "WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB RATING SYSTEM. The following list contains most of the local hikes that we take. Our rating system is designed to give some idea of the effort involved on each hike. A person can then decide whether to advance to a more strenuous hike, based on his own experience. A hike rated 10.0 is not necessarily twice as hard as one rated 5.0, but all 10.0 rated hikes will be of about the same difficulty. Hikes rated less than 5.0 can be classed as easy. Those rated from 5.0 to 8.5 are intermediate; 9.0 through 11.5 are long. And anything over 12.0 is difficult."

By 1986, Dale Green saw the need to revise the Hike Rating List as documented in the May 1986 Rambler:

"1963 marked the appearance in the RAMBLER of a hike rating system. I devised the system because of numerous complaints from new members who were unable to determine if a particular hike was within their capabilities. The original idea was to give each hike a rating number proportional to dif-

ficulty or time, i.e., a hike with a rating of 8.0 would be twice as difficult and take twice the time as a hike rated as 4.0. Each one-way mile (2 miles round trip) was given 1.0 points and each 1000' elevation gain was given 1.0 points. A few fudge factors were thrown in for high altitude and exposure. The system has worked fairly well for the past 23 years but there have been problems."

By 1995 Kip Yost saw a need to upgrade the WMC hike rating system, as we see in the "HIKE LISTING & RATINGS TABLE (Data compiled by Kip Yost):

"In order to serve the club better, this year's edition of Hike listings is a little different than in year's past. You will notice a couple of new features that will give you a better idea of what a particular trail will be like, how steep it is and what difficulties you are likely to encounter. Also the rating system has been slightly modified to give very steep hikes more difficulty points, and very mild hikes less. Hikes with an average rate of incline will not be affected by this change. Please note, however, that some hikes are of such an analogous nature that they will not conform to any rating system. Your best source of information will always be your trip leader. You will notice three new columns of information on this new list, the first being "other factors"; this column will tell you what other difficulties a hike may have, such as scrambling or exposure. One rating point of difficulty is awarded to the hike for each of these factors, which are outlined below. The next new column is "est. hrs.", this column gives an estimate of the round-trip time required for the hike (travel time only), which is based on an average speed of 32 minutes per mile on an average incline and adjusted for rate of incline variation and other factors. The third new column is "avg. gain per mile", which tells you how steep a trail is in feet per mile based on elevation change divided by one-way miles. Time and difficulty ratings are based on a fit hiker hiking in clear weather on dry terrain, some statistical data is approximate, your individual results will vary."

Also in 1995, from Rambler editor Jim Zinanti:

"The WMC now has three semi-official hike ratings. The traditional system has been developed over 30 or so years by Dale Green. It is based on distance and gross climbing and adjustments for an enormous base of experience. New hiking director, Kip Yost, has introduced a system based on more variables and little or no fudging based on experience. A third system is included in "Hiking The Wasatch", by John Veranth, which gives estimated hiking times for many of the WMC hikes. The Rambler is publishing the new rating system in this issue and will publish the traditional system in the next."

The next evolution was to separate hikes into four general categories. There is a good overview of these categories in the April 2017 Rambler:

"If you are a new organizer, you might even ask, "What is the definition of an NTD, MOD, MSD or EXT hike?" The answers to these and related questions are a few clicks away on the WMC website. Start by clicking on the Activities Menu and select "Hike, Backpack & Camp". Choose "WMC Hike Ratings" and start exploring. Here are the basics: NTD Not Too Difficult (Lightly Strenuous) MOD MODerate (Moderate to Strenuous) MSD MoSt Difficult (Very Strenuous, Difficult) EXT EXTreme (An MSD with special requirements)."

In an August 2017 Rambler tribute to Dale Green, Julie Kilgore wrote:

"In the 1950s, Dale calculated the distance for his hike ratings table by personally walking many of the trails with a measuring wheel. Dan Smith, who developed the 2012 hike ratings database system, has hiked many of these same trails with three GPS units strapped across his chest. And the results have been amazingly consistent!" Dan has updated the data from the Dale Green and Kip Yost hike ratings tables and compiled the data into various PDF files for easy viewing. The present hike rating system, along with the Dale Green and Kip Yost systems, can all be found on the WMC website under Activities, then go to Hike, Backpack and Camp.

A lot of time, thought and hard work have gone into the development of the WMC hike rating tables, and it all started with Dale Green. A tribute to Dale, along with a photo of his measuring wheel, can be found in the August 2017 Rambler.

WMC Blood Drive Update

By Tony Hellman, WMC Blood Drive Coordinator

Hey Clubbers,

The Red Cross has given the WMC a special honor as a "Blood Referral Partner" due to the on-going and outstanding commitment to our community. A quick recap:

The WMC had 104 people sign up on line & 81 appeared In Person!! And 76 were able to donate!

8 of these were first timers, "WOW" This is Amazing- We always hope they will become Lifetime Donors, since only 3% of our population donates.

79 donations were made and can Impact 237 Patients within 4 days after your drive!

The Red Cross liaison hopes everyone has a Fabulous & Safe Week and hopefully everyone received their Antibody Test Results! The Red Cross staff said things went fabulous and You are Wonderful People! Here are is the cumulative tally:

Feb. 13, 2020 = 31 Donations

Jun. 18, 2020 = 44 Donations

Oct. 15, 2020 = 55 Donations

Dec. 29, 2020 = 73 Donations

Mar. 25, 2021 = 79 Donations

Grand Total of Pints = equal 282 pints which equals 35.25 gallons of life-saving blood.

A barrel of wine is 32 gallons. Historically a beer barrel was a standard size of 36 US gallons and there are 2 kegs in a barrel. So, the club and its friends can truly say we "rolled out the barrel(s) and had a barrel of bloody good fun! Source: Wikipedia

The next Blood Drive is June 28, 2021 from approximately 2-8 pm. A link will be posted in the WMC calendar shortly.





WMC Trail Building Crew

We all love trails. Bushwhacking is hard, and rips up your new Goretex jacket! But trails wear out and need ongoing TLC. Join us this year for several opportunities to help maintain and build our Wasatch trails.

Check-out the awesome Wasatch Mountain Club Trail Crew T-Shirt!

These shirts are not for sale. The only way to get a shirt is to earn one trail building. Join us on these volunteer activities and on the second event you will receive a FREE shirt.





Is trail work in your bones?

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

Please watch the Rambler and subscribe to the WMC Hiking email list for details about these upcoming service events:

May 22 BST - Ferguson Canyon

Jun 5 National Trails Day (BST/ Ferguson Canyon)

Jun 26 Ferguson Canyon (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.

For more information or to RSVP for work days, please email Kyle Williams (1959.kyle@gmail.com)

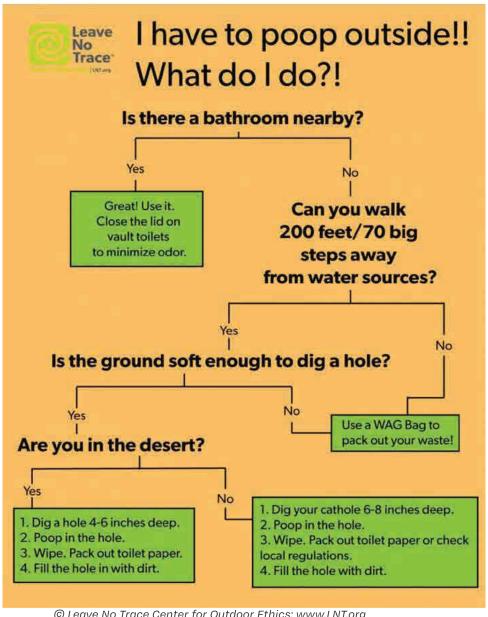
Keep our Recreation Areas Clean

We all have a responsibility to keep our recreation areas clean of litter and waste. I am sure WMC members are better than most about not leaving a mess, but an occasional reminder is good for everyone. Not too many things are more disturbing while recreating in our beautiful state than seeing tissue and toilet paper scattered around hiking and camping areas. In this day of COVID it is even more problematic since it is harder to get any of us clean up someone else's messes. We must all take responsibility to leave our recreation spaces as good or better than we found them.

The Wasatch Mountain Club continues to be Community Partner with the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. They have kindly provided the graphic below depicting best ways to dispose of human waste when we are recreating in our outdoor spaces. Please follow these guidelines.

Always remember to pack out everything you carry in. When on hiking trails, that means your dog waste too. Thanks to all.

Dennis Goreham WMC Conservation Director



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Boating Directors' Update

By Kelly Beumer & Tanner Morrill

WMC boaters,

We had a very successful planning meeting in March. Thank you all for working so hard to get permits and organize trips. We have a full docket of boating trips this year for people of all abilities, from April through October. The list is too long now to publish here so email: **boatingdirector@wasatchmountain-club.org.**

If you expressed interest in a trip via our new google forms questionnaire and haven't heard from the trip organizer please reach out to them & let us know. The questionnaire hopefully made it easier to express interest in many trips all at once, as well as help organizers keep track of potential participants. Now that's over, please email organizers directly if you are interested in a trip.

Beginner's Trip

Coming up fast is the annual beginner's trip. We're still looking for a couple of mentors for this trip on May 21-23rd. This year we'll enjoy the Moab Daily (Colorado river east of Moab).

Local Paddling

Last year we enjoyed several evening trips in the Provo & Jordan Rivers, all of which were very popular. I would love to explore the other local rivers this spring. If you want to organize a short local trip let us know. Unfortunately, I (Tanner) won't be able to organize as many short, local trips this year.

See you on the river!

Tanner Morrill & Kelly Beumer



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Backpacking Training



Learn to Backpack

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Registration will open in May.
Final capacity will be determined based on pandemic guidelines at that time. Stay tuned to the WMC Hike email list for announcements.

Who: You, that's who!!! No experience necessary. This course is designed for first-time backpackers.

What: 2 days of instruction. We will go over the gear and skills required to successfully complete your first backpack.

Those who attend will have the chance to go on backpack trips led by the instructors later in the summer.

Where: The WMC Lodge in Brighton.

When: June 5th and 6th

Why: Because we all want to get outdoors more. You'll learn a new skill and maybe even make some friends.

Experienced Backpackers

If you are interested in volunteering as an instructor or leading a trip, please contact Casey Landru at casey.landru@gmail.com

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We are grateful for your generosity in 2020 towards achieving our \$25,000 goal!

There are limited quantities of Centennial Thank-You gifts still available if you want to contribute to the Education Endowment. Get yours today!

- 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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May 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, on-line registration is required for all in person WMC events

May	White Water Rafting-john Day River-oregon – class III – 68.0 mi – 11′ ascent
1 Sat	Meet: Registration required Organizer: Tanner Morrill 801-809-0170 tannermorrill@gmail.com
_	Add a travel day to front & back of dates listed. Gorgeous John Day River from Clerno to Cottonwood (Segments 2A
May 5	& 2B). 5 days, 4 nights. (May 1st-5th). Undammed tributary to Columbia river. Drive time is 11 hours from boat shed. We need to book lodging in Fossil, Oregon & probably one night on the way home (Boise?). Details to come. We need
Wed	rowers!
May 1	Snow Travel And Ice Axe Self Arrest Training Class – mod – 4.0 mi – 1000′ ascent Meet: Registration required
Sat	Organizer: Brad Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net Hopefully there will be still be some snow left! Brad Yates and anybody else who wants to help will be teaching basic alpine snow travel, self arrest with ice ax and crampon basics. We will practice on ski runs at Alta which will be closed by this time of year. Ice ax, helmet and sturdy boots required, crampons optional and wear clothing practical for rolling around in the snow! If you do not own or are unable to borrow an ax, the club has a limited number to rent (\$5.00) for the class, please reserve in advance. Post class an optional short hike with more glissading practice will follow.
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May	Day Hike - North Pass Canyon Peak, South Davenport & Maybe More - mod+ - 8.0 mi - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace
1 Sat	Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu
	We plan to hike to North Pass Canyon Peak (8843 ft), South Davenport (8900 ft) and maybe more bumps via North Willow Canyon TH in the Deseret Peak Wilderness, weather, conditions and situation permitting. We will start from North Willow Canyon TH in Grantsville near Tooele. Two-thirds of the parts will be on the trail. Off-trail on the ridge-line. Distance and elevation gain will depend on how many peaks (bumps) we will make. Exploratory. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on April 30 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.
May	Terry Rollins Memorial Road Bike Ride – ntd+ – 33.0 mi
2 Sun	Meet: 9:00 am at Weather Bureau Building at 2200 West North Temple Organizer: Michael* Budig mlbudig@gmail.com
	In memory of Terry Rollins, who passed away in 2013, this will be our sixth annual ride to Saltair. This classic ride was one of Terry's favorites and we want to share the ride and memories of our dear departed friend. Hopefully the weather will be great this year. Social distancing will be practiced and we request all participants have their COVID vaccinations prior to the ride. Co-organized by Thom Dickeson 801-588-9088 and Michael Budig 801-328-4512. Address questions by email to: mbudig@mail.com
May	Day Hike: Sunday Morning Stroll – ntd – Slow pace
2 Sun	Meet: 9:00 am at Register with the organizer for details Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Continuing this "hiking for healing" series, gently nudging up the mountain a little longer and a little higher. The specific hike will be determined the week before, and will depend on the weather and trail conditions. Plan on total relaxed pace hiking time of approximately three hours.
May	Hike Storm Mountain From Ferguson Canyon – msd – 8.0 mi Out & Back – 4300′ ascent – Moderate pace
2	Meet: Registration required Organizer: Mark Maier 703-408-6912 maiermw@gmail.com
Sun	Climb Storm Mountain from Ferguson Canyon. Expect rock scrambling and snow. There is considerable exposure near the top. Spectacular view from the top. Bring 10e's, microspikes.
May	Very Relaxed Pace Draper Hike – ntd- – Slow pace
3 Mon	Meet: 5:45 pm at Registration Required Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
	This hike will be appropriate for those who want to move slow and steady on mostly flat and stable trail. We'll shoot for two hours of hiking time. Please RSVP with the organizer.

Cherry Canyon Evening Hike - ntd+ - Out & Back - 1500' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 4 Tue Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Cherry Canyon logging trail on the side of Lone Peak in Draper. We'll see which of the 3 1-hr rocks we make it to. Contact me to register (link provided). Prior to this hike, please indicate that you agree to the WMC liability waiver, you have not been experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms near the time of the hike, and that you have not been in contact with any people sick from COVID-19. I will reply with the information about the time and meeting. Мау Wmc Board Meeting Meet: 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103 5 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. Day Hike: Heughs Canyon - mod - Out & Back May Meet: Registration required Wed Organizer: Cindy Wolfe wolfehiker58@yahoo.com Join Cindy and Liz for a hike in beautiful Heughs Canyon toward the waterfall. Slower pace; check the website for May Bike Touring Planning Meeting - ntd-Meet: Registration required Organizer: Angela Vincent 801-792-5515 avince182@yahoo.com Thu This is the initial planning meeting for a bike tour (self-supported) that I am planning for the first week of August from Salt Lake City to West Yellowstone. The distance is about 350 miles and will take 7-8 days to complete. At this meeting we'll discuss options for overnighting, logistics, and other details. Text or email me if you have any questions. May Maze District Car Camp - mod Meet: Registration required Fri Organizer: John* Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com A short trip using some of the less popular campsites in the Maze district of Canyonlands NP. One night at Cleopa-May tra's Chair above the rim, and one night at Sunset Pass. Day hikes from various points on the park roads. Number of participants depends on balancing park group size limits (9), COVID precautions, and space in 4WD vehicles (3 max 9 Sun on permit). Contact organizer for full information. Day Hike - Powerhouse Mt In Springville - mod+ - 9.4 mi - 3323' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 8 Sat Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Powerhouse Mountain (7990 ft) via Spring Canyon in Springville, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Powerhouse Mt is one of the prominence peaks with over 1000 ft of prominence. There is a trail all the way to the peak. But it looks like the last 0.8 mile to the peak may be bushy. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 7 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. Day Hike - Centerville Peak & Peak 7382 In Parrish Canyon - mod+ - 7.5 mi - 3000' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 9 Sun Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Centerville Peak (6400 ft) and Peak 7382 in Parrish Canyon, weather, conditions and situation permitting. There is a trail all the way except the last very short section to the peaks. The trail has some steep sections. I have hiked the trail a while ago but do not think I went to the peaks. Exploratory. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 7 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. May Social - Virtual Book Club Meet: 5:30 pm at ZOOM 11 Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Tue 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 May book is All We Can Save: Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis, edited by Ayana Elizabeth Johnson and Katharine K. Wilkinson. The meeting will be on May 11 Tuesday from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm MST via ZOOM. If you would like to participate, please contact Akiko for the access information. Bells Canyon North Ridge Evening Hike - ntd+ - 3.0 mi Out & Back - 1700' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 11 Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Tue Contact me to register (link provided). Prior to this hike, please indicate that you agree to the WMC liability waiver. you have not been experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms near the time of the hike, and that you have not been in contact with any people sick from COVID-19. I will reply with the information about the time and meeting.

May 12 Wed	Canyoneering "exploratory" -canyon Trifecta-neon, Choprock And Ringtail – mod+ Meet: Registration required Organizer: Gustavo Carrillo 518-928-3396 gustavo@carrillogonzalez.com This year the trip into the Escalante River Valley to run 3 canyons is moved up earlier in the year expecting to have
May 16 Sun	the canyons full of water. This is not a trip for beginners, they are wet canyons and two of them have an R rating. Choprock is the most physically enduring canyon and will be a long day (Approx 12 hours). We will backpack in on day 1 and leave on day 5. Groups of 6 will alternate canyons each day, the groups will be determined after the event reaches its max. You MUST be able to attend all days and physically able to participate every day, your team will need you each day. I can't express the physical demands required each day and especially on your specific Choprock day, this day, a faster than normal pace on the approach/ exit and efficiency in the canyon is a must. You need to RSVP at the meetup site: https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/277457560/?isFirstPublish=true
May 13 Thu	Wmc Centennial+1 Evening Hike – ntd – Out & Back – Slow pace Meet: 5:45 pm at TBD Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com It's still too soon to gather a large group for a big birthday bash, but we can still get together for a celebratory evening hike.
May 13 Thu	Wmc Centennial +1 Flat Water Sunset Paddle – flat water – 2.0 mi Meet: Registration required Organizer: Kelly Beumer 801-230-7967 kellybeumer@gmail.com Have you ever had the opportunity to paddle East Canyon Reservoir at sunset? Its magical. Animals come to the shore to drink, the water glows. What a lovely time to celebrate our clubs birthday! This is best for flatwater boats, but we aren't going to be in a rush, so bring what you have. We will meet at 6:30, and plan on being on our way home by 9.
May 13 Thu	Rock Climb - Ledgemere Bcc – ntd Meet: 5:00 pm at Ledgemere - Free parking area on North side of BCC road Organizer: Neil Schmidt 832-316-7122 neilschmidt40@gmail.com Let's get together at Ledgemere Wall in BCC to celebrate the WMC Centennial (+1). Mostly 5.easy sport, with a couple of trad routes. The area is relatively spread out, so we can social distance and still socialize. Registration is required, and current COVID protocols will be followed. Helmets required.
May 15 Sat - May 16 Sun	Conservation Spring Service In The San Rafael Swell Meet: Registration required Organizer: Will McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com There are many newly designated wilderness areas in the Swell. We will be working on Wild Horse road which is the boundary between the Big Wild Horse Mesa and the Middle Wild Horse Mesa wilderness areas. These are near Goblin Valley state park. We will be installing wilderness boundary signs and building barriers to vehicle traffic. Plan on a dry camp and bring all your food. In mid May the days will be pleasant but the nights will be cool. Please arrive Friday as we start work Saturday morning under the supervision of BLM staff. Please call me for more details. Limit 12. The BLM is prepared to work under best Covid practices.
May 15 Sat	Day Hike - Flat Top & Lewiston Peak In The Oquirrh Mountain Range – msd- – 11.0 mi – 4000' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet</i> : Registration required <i>Organizer</i> : Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to Bag Flat Top (10,620 ft) and Lewiston Peak (10,411 ft) in the Oquirrh mountain range, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring microspikes, 10 Es and poles. Depending on the snow conditions, we may also need to carry ice axe. Class 2 scrambles. We will be crossing private land and have received permission from the landowner. Well behaved dogs and dog owners welcome. Expect a long day. Co-organized with Barb Gardner. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 14 for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 10. COVID-19 protocols will apply.
May 15 Sat	Day Hike- Killyon Canyon To Affleck Park – mod – 6.0 mi Out & Back – 1000' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: 8:00 am at Rice Eccles Football Stadium Parking Lot (1400 East 500 South) Organizer: Chris Venizelos 801-554-3697 cvenize@xmission.com This is a nice Spring hike in an area that the Wasatch Mountain Club helped preserve. We will hike about 1.5 mi up and down the first side canyon which has a stream. Then we will continue on to Affleck Park. Plan on being back about noon.
May 16 Sun	Hike "the Pig" (pfeifferhorn Including Glissade]. – msd – 10.0 mi Out & Back – 3800' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Brad* Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net The Annual Classic is back for another year, Climb the Pfeifferhorn via Red Pine. Followed by some fun glissading back to Red Pine Lake. the pace will be dialed back a bit to Mod+. Ice ax and self arrest skills required, typically crampons are not needed but not a bad idea to carry.

Day Hike - Sentinel Ascent & Patriot Ridge In Herriman - mod - 7.0 mi - 2000' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 16 Sun Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Sentinel Ascent (6113 ft) and Patriot Ridge (5552 ft) in Herriman, weather, conditions and situation permitting. There are trails almost all the way to the peaks. But if we follow the trails all the way, we would need to go around many times. Hopefully we will find good short cuts. I have hiked in this area - the land is like a desert. So bushwhacking there is not so bad. Please bring 10 Es. Exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 14 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. Very Relaxed Pace Draper Hike - ntd- - Slow pace May Meet: 5:45 pm at Registration Required 17 Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Mon This hike will be appropriate for those who want to move slow and steady on mostly flat and stable trail. We'll shoot for two hours of hiking time. Please RSVP with the organizer. White Water Rafting - Rogue River - Southwestern Oregon - class IV- - 40.0 mi May 18 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Steven Gadd 801-540-6622 swgadd10@gmail.com Tue Come join us for a 4 day, 40 mile trip on the beautiful Rogue River. The Rogue was one of the original eight rivers in May the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968. We will likely leave Salt Lake City on the afternoon of May 16th and 21 return home late on May 22nd. Mostly class III with a few class IV rapids. Great water! Great camping. Great scenery! Fri Mule Hollow Evening Hike - ntd+ - 3.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace May 18 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Tue Just around the corner from the Storm Mountain picnic area. Contact me to register (link provided), Prior to this hike, please indicate that you agree to the WMC liability waiver, you have not been experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms near the time of the hike, and that you have not been in contact with any people sick from COVID-19. I will reply with the information about the time and meeting. May Kayak/canoe - Stillwater Canyon/green River. - flat water - 52.0 mi Meet: Registration required 20 Thu Organizer: Kathy Jones cooperdog1@comcast.net Kayak/canoe trip in Canyonlands Nat. Park. 4 nights/52 miles. Paddling, camping, hiking in beautiful canyon scenery. May Intermediate paddling and backcountry camping skills required. Weather and conditions can vary in the canyons, but 25 late May should be nice. This is a self support trip. Bring your own boat, camping gear, food, water. Approximate trip. Tue cost is \$300/person which includes transport to put-in, jet boat shuttle back to Moab, and river permits. Drive down to Moab May 20, launch May 21, shuttle back to Moab May 25. Need a firm commitment and non-refundable deposit before March 26. Email organizer if interested. 3/15 - Trip is now full. May Beginner's Boating Trip Rafting & Kayaking - class III- - 13.0 mi - 15' ascent Meet: Registration required 21 Fri Organizer: 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 on the river Saturday and Sunday. We'll be camping next to the river but just doing day trips on the river. Group 23 size may be limited due to Covid 19. Hiking Trail Maintenance Bonneville Shoreline Trail Ferguson Canyon - ntd - 2.0 mi Out & Back - 500' ascent - Slow May 22 расе Meet: 9:00 am at Lower Big Cottonwood Park N Ride (across from Alpha Coffee), (https://goo.gl/maps/2vec1vwXEb-Sat 5c4YMu5) Organizer: Kyle Williams 435-258-8297 1959.kyle@gmail.com We all love trails! Bushwacking is tough and shreds your new \$300 Gore-Tex coat, so join us for some much needed trail maintenance. Meet 9:00 AM at Lower Big Cottonwood Park N Ride (across from Alpha Coffee), (https:// goo.gl/maps/2vec1vwXEb5c4YMu5) Expect to hike a few miles, carrying trail tools. Will involve swinging picks and pulaskis, raking dirt, shoveling dirt, moving rocks, and building structures. Bring work gloves, closed toe shoes, long pants, eye protection, drinking water, lunch, clothing for the weather of the day. (Snow, hurricanes, boiling heat...) Also, signup for the WMC Hiking emails group for last minute updates. Full regular Covid safety precautions will be May Day Hike - Onaqui Benchmark & Peak 8790 In Oquirrh - mod+ - 7.5 mi - 3700' ascent - Moderate pace 22 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Sat We plan to hike to Onaqui Benchmark (9141 ft) and Peak 8790 in the Oquirrh mountain range, weather, conditions and situation permitting. We will start from West Canyon TH in Grantsville near Tooele. The first two miles are on the ATV trail. Then we will take off-trail. After making Onaqui BM, we will follow the ridgeline to bag Peak 8790 and go back to the ATV road. Exploratory. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 21 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.

May Rock Climb: 101 Clinic - Learn To Climb, Rock Canyon In Provo Meet: Registration required 23 Sun Organizer: Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com THIS ACTIVITY IS LIMITED TO 4 PARTICIPANTS AND TWO ORGANIZERS (6 PEOPLE TOTAL). This is a beginners' workshop on the fundamentals of rock climbing plus equipment use and selection. If you have always wanted to experience climbing, are rusty and just want a refresher, or just want to improve your fundamental skills, this is your chance. This is also a great opportunity to meet and learn with other interested beginner climbers. We will cover gear and techniques including proper belay, top roping, and climbing with a focus on safety. You will need a harness, belay device with locking carabiner, helmet, and shoes. There is a suggested \$15.00 clinic donation. This outdoor clinic will last a few hours. Please include in your RSVP email: full name, phone number, WMC member status, gear owned, and prior experience if any. Participants that are not fully covid19 vaccinated are expected to wear a mask. Co-organized with Mark Maier. Day Hike - Session Peak Via Kenny Creek - mod+ - 10.0 mi - 3850' ascent - Moderate pace Mav 23 Meet: Registration required Sun Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Session Peak (9240 ft) via Kenny Creek Trail from Mueller Park TH, weather, conditions and situation permitting. There is a trail all the way, except the last 20 yards. If the group is interested, we can take Mill Creek Trail to go back to the TH and make a loop (this will add about one mile). Exploratory. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 21 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. Day Hike West Rim Trail Into Beautiful Zion National Park – 15.0 mi Shuttle – Slow pace May 25 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Bruce Christenson 801-824-0131 b.c.com@hotmail.com Tue West Rim Trail a 15 mile one day hike with a 3140 foot decent into Zion National Park. Email for details. Mill B North Fork Evening Hike - ntd+ - 3.0 mi Out & Back - Moderate pace May 25 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Tue In Big Cottonwood Canyon, Contact me to register (link provided). Prior to this hike, please indicate that you agree to the WMC liability waiver, you have not been experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms near the time of the hike, and that you have not been in contact with any people sick from COVID-19. I will reply with the information about the time and meeting. May Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue - Escaping The Belay - ntd-Meet: Registration required 26 Organizer: Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com Wed This workshop series covers high-angle self-rescue for teams of two. The skills developed and practiced in the workshop are applicable to anyone who might need to rescue their partner on steep terrain, including rock climbing, canyoneering, glacier travel, etc. This is part 1 of 4, each of which covers a different aspect of the self-rescue toolbox. It is not necessary to attend all 4, but each part is distinct from the others. This part is escaping the belay, and will also include a brief introduction to the overall strategic plan of a self-rescue attempt. Helmets required, and public health guidelines will be followed. Climbing shoes not required for this workshop. These workshops will be Wednesdays at 1800 hrs this year. Мау Dark Canyon Backpack - mod+ - 32.0 mi Out & Back - 1900' ascent - Moderate pace Meet: Registration required 27 Organizer: Russell* Patterson 801-973-6427 patterson.russell@comcast.net Thu Dark Canyons. Drive down the evening of the 27th. Dark Canyon is a major side canyon of Lake Powell. We will back-May pack down the Sundance trail to the bottom of Dark Canyon and backpack/day pack upstream to Young Canyon and downstream to the Colorado River and then hike out (Goggle: Hiking Sundance Trail - Dark Canyon - Road Trip Ryan). 31 Mon This is a deep scenic canyon with Indian petroglyphs, waterfalls and swim holes. Leader has an extra backpack & tent & a water filter & camp stove he can share. Carpools will be arranged so there is not more than one Un-vaccinated person in a vehicle Day Hike: Bells Canyon - mod - Out & Back May 27 Meet: Registration required Thu Organizer: Terri Ruesch tlruesch@yahoo.com Join Terri and Liz for a gorgeous hike from the foothills to the first waterfall, or snow/mud line, whichever is first. Slower pace. Some hikers might continue to the second waterfall, depending on conditions. Check the website for details.

Car Camp, Swasey And Notch Peak Day Hikes - msd- - 8.0 mi Out & Back - 2800' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 29 Organizer: Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com Sat Swasey Peak and Notch Peak are both classic hikes in western Utah and easily done in a short weekend trip. The May drive is about 180 miles each way. Swasey is the high point in the House Range and Notch Peak is on the southern end of the range and famous for its huge face on the west side. We will drive out and meet at the trailhead for 30 Sun Swasey on Saturday morning and do the peak that afternoon. The hike is approximately 4 miles round trip and 1600 ft. elevation gain with a little bushwhacking. There is a great camping area right where we start the hike. Sunday morning we will drive the 20 miles south to Notch Peak. That hike is approximately 8 miles round trip with about 2800 feet elevation gain. Return home that afternoon. This is a remote area. We will be camping in an undeveloped area so you will need to bring everything you need including plenty of water. Plan for COVID19 precautions. Register with Dennis to get logistic details. Limit 8. Day Hike - Snowdrift Via Lambs Canyon Or Millcreek - mod+ - 8.0 mi - 3500' ascent - Moderate pace May Meet: Registration required 29 Sat Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Snowdrift (8490 ft) via Lambs Canyon or Millcreek, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The route will be finalized when it gets closer depending on conditions. The Millcreek route has a shorter off-trail section than the Lambs Canyon route. Exploratory. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 28 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. May Parowan Car Camp - mod+ - 8.0 mi - Moderate pace Meet: Registration required 29 Sat Organizer: Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com The hills behind Parowan have red and pink formations very similar to Cedar Breaks, but at a somewhat lower eleva-May tion. We'll visit some spectacular examples of this terrain such as Noah's Ark, and perhaps also branch out to Spring Canyon south of Cedar City, or to the petroglyphs in Parowan Gap. You can expect exploratory cross country travel 31 Mon on steep terrain. Be prepared to take appropriate Covid-19 precautions. Day Hike - Buckley Mountain In Provo - msd- - 10.0 mi - 4500' ascent - Moderate pace May 30 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Sun We plan to hike to Buckley Mountain (9502 ft) via Slate Canyon in Provo, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring microspikes and 10 Es. The peak is rarely climbed but offers great views of surrounding mountains. There is a trail at Slate Canyon. We will take the off-trail ridgeline to make the peak. The off-trail part is steep and involves class 2 scrambles and bushwhacking. Exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm on May 28 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. Jun Bells Canyon North Ridge Evening Hike - ntd+ - 3.0 mi Out & Back - 1700' ascent - Moderate pace 1 Meet: Registration required Organizer: Ray Daurelle 801-652-2554 rmdaurelle@gmail.com Tue Contact me to register (link provided). Prior to this hike, please indicate that you agree to the WMC liability waiver, you have not been experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms near the time of the hike, and that you have not been in contact with any people sick from COVID-19. I will reply with the information about the time and meeting. Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue - Ascending The Line - ntd-Jun Meet: Registration required 2 Wed Organizer: Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com This workshop series covers high-angle self-rescue for teams of two. The skills developed and practiced in the workshop are applicable to anyone who might need to rescue their partner on steep terrain, including rock climbing, canyoneering, glacier travel, etc. This is part 2 of 4, each of which covers a different aspect of the self-rescue toolbox. It is not necessary to attend all 4, but each part is distinct from the others. This part is ascending a fixed line, using the gear typically carried. Helmets required, and public health guidelines will be followed. Climbing shoes not required for this workshop. These workshops will be Wednesdays at 1800 hrs this year. **Backpack Training** Jun Meet: Registration required 5 Organizer: Casey Landru casey.landru@gmail.com Sat Join us for a beginner backpack training 2-day course at the lodge. Registration will open in May. Jun 6 Sun Hiking Trail Maintenance Bonneville Shoreline Trail Ferguson Canyon – ntd – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 500' ascent – Slow Jun 5 Sat Meet: Disseminated via the 'wmc-hike' activity email list Organizer: Kyle Williams 435-258-8297 1959.kyle@gmail.com We all love trails! Bushwhacking is tough and shreds your new \$300 Gore-Tex coat, so join us for some much needed trail maintenance. Details will be updated ASAP, so watch this for more info. And signup for the WMC Hiking emails group for last minute updates. Full regular Covid safety precautions will be observed

Jun 6 Sun	Rock Climb: 201 Clinic - Learn To Sport Lead, Rock Canyon In Provo Meet: Registration required Organizer: Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com THIS ACTIVITY IS LIMITED TO 4 PARTICIPANTS AND 2 ORGANIZERS (6 PEOPLE TOTAL). This is a clinic for experienced toprope climbers on the fundamentals of sport leading and lead belaying. If you have always wanted to try leading sport this is your chance. We will cover gear and techniques including proper lead belay, leading sport (bolted) routes, sport anchors, and safety. Climbers will faux lead on toprope while practicing clipping bolts and lead belaying on a second lead rope. Participants will need shoes, harness, and belay device with a locking carabiner. Please bring quickdraws if you have them. There is a suggested \$15.00 clinic donation. This outdoor clinic will last a few hours. Please include in your RSVP email: full name, phone number, WMC member status, date you want to attend, gear owned, and prior climbing experience. Participants that are not fully covid19 vaccinated are expected to wear a mask. Co-organized with Mark Maier.
Jun 9 Wed	Wmc Board Meeting Meet: 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103 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.
Jun 9 Wed	Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue - Anchors And Raising Systems – ntd- Meet: Registration required Organizer: Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com This workshop series covers high-angle self-rescue for teams of two. The skills developed and practiced in the workshop are applicable to anyone who might need to rescue their partner on steep terrain, including rock climbing, can- yoneering, glacier travel, etc. This is part 3 of 4, each of which covers a different aspect of the self-rescue toolbox. It is not necessary to attend all 4, but each part is distinct from the others. This part covers anchors and mechanical advantage raising systems. Helmets required, and public health guidelines will be followed. Climbing shoes not re- quired for this workshop. These workshops will be Wednesdays at 1800 hrs this year.
Jun 11 Fri	Angel Leading Ledge Walk- Via Ferrata - Multi-activity Event, Canyoneering – mod- Meet: Registration required Organizer: Kevin Earl, Brent McCormick 801-568-3791, 801-580-6647 kbe44@hotmail.com, bmccormi@comcast. net
Jun 13 Sun	Last year we scheduled a very popular event to do the Angel Leading Ledge Walk- Via Ferrata in the Zion area near Kolob Reservoir. We had over forty people signed up for the event. Unfortunately bad weather caused us to cancel the trip. We have now planed the Angel Leading Ledge Walk- Via Ferrata trip again with a little different agenda. We have scheduled the Via-Ferrata on Sunday June 13. We have arranged camping near the Kolob General store for the weekend. Cost for the Via-Ferrata and camping is \$80. We are asking other club members to plan hikes, Canyoneering and mountain biking for this weekend. Full details and updates are posted on the WMC Meetup event site. Here is a link to the Meetup page: https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/277039178/ Please register for this event on the Meetup site.
Jun 16 Wed	Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue - Tandem Rappel - ntd- Meet: Registration required Organizer: Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com This workshop series covers high-angle self-rescue for teams of two. The skills developed and practiced in the workshop are applicable to anyone who might need to rescue their partner on steep terrain, including rock climbing, can- yoneering, glacier travel, etc. This is part 4 of 4, each of which covers a different aspect of the self-rescue toolbox. It is not necessary to attend all 4, but each part is distinct from the others. This part covers tandem rappels, where your partner is not able to rappel themselves down the wall. Helmets required, and public health guidelines will be followed. Climbing shoes not required for this workshop. These workshops will be Wednesdays at 1800 hrs this year.
Jun 25 Fri - Jun 26 Sat	Moab Daily White Water Rafting – class II+ – 24.0 mi Meet: Registration required Organizer: Lucy Smith 801-274-0546 lusmith2@xmission.com This activity will include individual day raft trips on the Moab daily section of the Colorado river on June 25 & June 26. A group campsite is reserved at Dewey Bridge the nights of June 24, 25, & 26. Please plan to bring your own boat. Nothing will be organized on June 24 or 27 so folks are welcome to do their own trip on these days. Group meal planning is TBD based on COVID. Kids and well-behaved dogs allowed.
Jun 26 Sat	Hiking Trail Maintenance To Be Determined – ntd – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 500' ascent – Slow pace Meet: Disseminated via the 'wmc-hike' activity email list Organizer: Kyle Williams 435-258-8297 1959.kyle@gmail.com We all love trails! Bushwhacking is tough and shreds your new \$300 Gore-Tex coat, so join us for some much needed trail maintenance. Details will be updated ASAP, so watch this for more info. And signup for the WMC Hiking emails group for last minute updates. Full regular Covid safety precautions will be observed

Jul 21 Wed - Jul 22 Thu	Day Hikes - Co 14ers In The Sawatch Range – msd – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to make class 2 CO 14ers in the Sawatch Range. The planned schedule is: July 20 Tue Road Trip. July 21 Wed Belford (14,197 ft) - Missouri (14,067 ft) - Oxford (14,153 ft) combined (11 miles RT, 5800 ft gain). July 22 Thu Columbia (14,075 ft) - Harvard (14,420 ft) combined (14 miles RT, 4,600 ft gain). July 23 Fri Road trip. The schedule may change depending on weather and conditions. Due to a high possibility of afternoon thunderstorm in CO, we will start a hike very early. The hikes will be exploratory. WMC members only. For more details, please contact Akiko.
Sep 18 Sat	Storm Mountain Potluck Meet: 2:00 pm at We will meet at Storm Mountain group site G1. Paid parking is available inside the gates, but you can park for free along the main road and nearby parking areas. Organizer: Tonya Karren 801-493-9199 tonya.karren@gmail.com Reserve the date for our Storm Mountain Potluck social. There will be multiple activities happening in Big Cottonwood Canyon before the social in the day camp group area. More details to follow.
Sep 19 Sun - Sep 28 Tue	Flat Water-green River Through The Uinta Basin (grub) – flat water – 103.0 mi – 100′ ascent Meet: Registration required Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com I did this last year and liked it so much I decided to do it again. Put in at Split Mountain, take out at Sand Wash. Self supported, but I have reserved a campsite for the first night and know of a good shuttle company. Pretty scenery, abundant wildlife, and plenty of sandbars to camp on at low water. Not a wilderness trip; cell phone coverage for most of the time and machinery often audible in the distance.
Oct 7 Thu - Oct 10 Sun	2021 Moab Canyoneering Rendezvous Meet: 6:00 pm at https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/277515669/?isFirstPublish=true Organizer: Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 shaneswallace@gmail.com Follow this link: https://www.meetup.com/Wasatch-Mountain-Club/events/277515669/?isFirstPublish=true

May is Mental Health Awareness Month

by Elizabeth Griffen

Everyone feels a little blue once in a while, but what if it is more than that? Oftentimes, people are afraid to ask for help because of the fear of what people will think about them. Well, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (www.nami.org) is here to tell you that "You Are Not Alone" and has declared May Mental Health Awareness Month. NAMI wishes to help take the stigma out of living with mental illness and reminds us that we are all people and it is "okay to not be okay."

The presentation/Q&A is expected to last 60-90 minutes and designed to spread awareness and help provide the resources people need. It will include an interactive Q&A session. We're still working with NAMI to finalize the Zoom presenation date/time (mid to end May), so please check the on-line WMC calendar regularly for final details.

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Trip Report: Snow Shoe - Peak 8319 via Lamb's Canyon

March 13, 2021

Organized, report & photos by Mac Brubaker & Akiko Kamimura

Our original destination was Snowdrift (8,490 ft). When we started from the Lambs Canyon winter parking lot, it was cloudy with few snow showers. After hiking 1.66 miles on Lambs Canyon Rd, we took the Lambs Canyon Trail (the Great Western Trail) to get to the pass between Lambs Canyon and Mill

Creek. The trail had wonderful powder snow. From the pass, we followed the ski track to the north. There are three bumps before Snowdrift. The first two bums were easy to make. There was a steep drop between the second bump and the third bump (Peak 8319). Since it became snowy much harder, the visibility was very low. Andy went down on the steep downhill quickly. So the rest of us followed him. From the bottom, we could see a much easier route to go down the hill. We discussed we would go to Peak 8319 and decide whether we would continue to Snowdrift. When we made Peak 8319, the weather was like blizzard. Some of us snowshoed toward Snowdrift from Peak 8319 but turned around because the conditions were like mountaineering conditions. We had lunch at the place between Peak 8319 and the second bump.



From there, Mac, Will, Bob and Sandra took the shorter route to go back to the summer TH (the intersection of Lambs Canyon Rd and Lambs Canyon Trail) while Andy, Al, Deb and Akiko went back on the same way that we came to meet Russell who were still on the way. Although we did not make the original destination, it was a great adventure. This snowshoe took 5 hours and 50 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 8.83 miles, elevation gain – 3,299 ft).





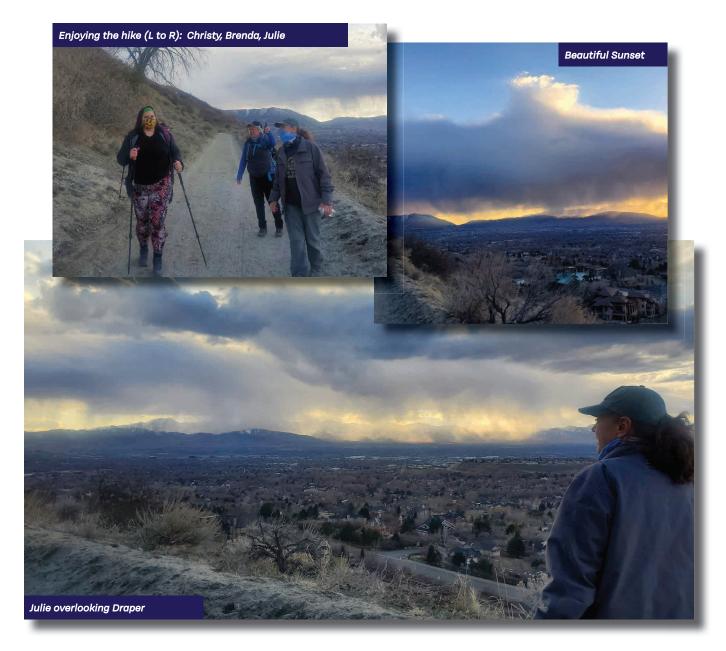
Trip Report: Evening Hike - Hiking for Healing

March 15, 2021

Organized by: Jule Kilgore

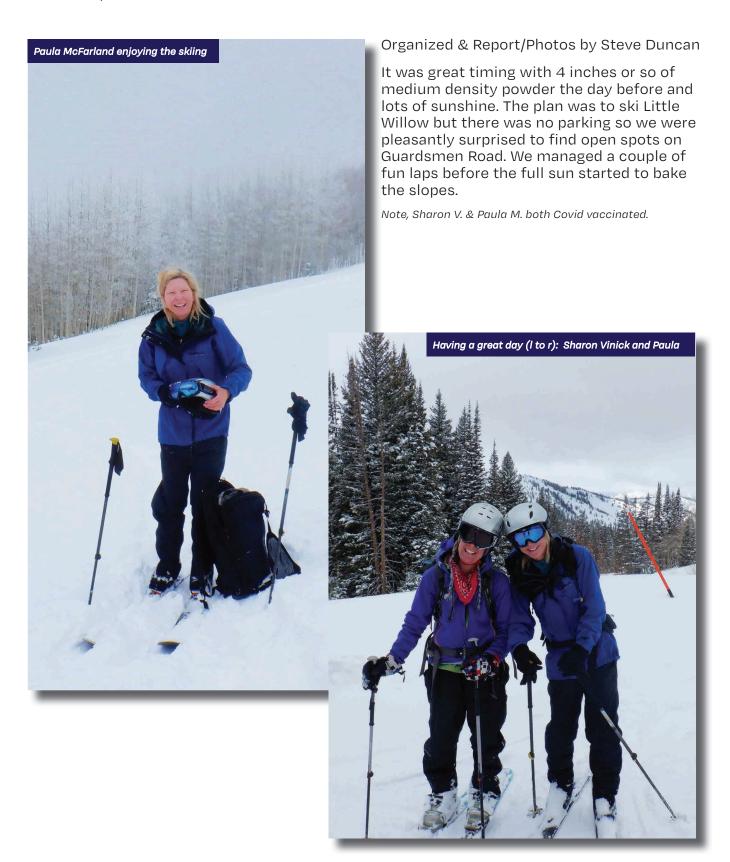
Report by Christy Giblon / Photos by Terri Ruesch

Five hikers, led by Julie, went on a very relaxed pace hike from the Orson Smith trailhead to the Draper Water Company road. It was a gorgeous way to celebrate the longer daylight hours of the time change. As the sun set over the valley, we observed a rain storm to the West that created a photo worthy light show. The weather was perfect on the East side of the valley with comfortable temperatures and no precipitation. We stopped to view the suspension bridge from a distance and learned about the history of its construction. It was exciting to still have a little bit of light left as we finished. This hike was a perfect way to feel Spring returning to the Wasatch Front.



Trip Report: Backcountry Ski - Scott's Pass

March 14, 2021



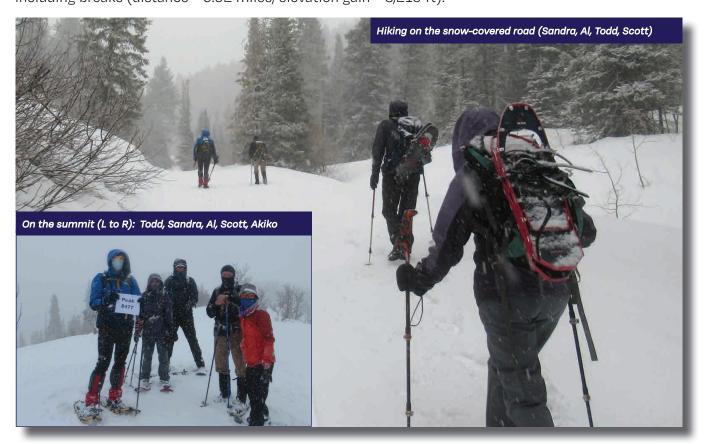
Trip Report: Snowshoe - Peak 8477 via Lamb's Canyon

March 20, 2021

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

It was rainy a lot in the valley and the Lambs Canyon winter parking lot. But all registrants came. It was the first club activity for two of the participants, Todd and Scott. Right after we left the parking lot, we saw a moose in front of us. Fortunately, the moose went up on the hill soon. While hiking on Lambs Canyon Rd for 4.34 miles, the rain turned to the mix of rain and snow and then all snow. We went up on the 4WD road from Lambs Canyon Rd and took off-trail toward the peak. The visibility was very low due to heavy snow. But we could figure out the direction to the peak and made it finally. We continued off-trail on the ridge and went down on the steep slope to get back to Lambs Canyon Rd. This off-trail part was bushy and had some fallen trees. The snow conditions (powder) were helpful to snowshoe on the bushy slope. The sceneries from Lambs Canyon Rd looked very different. When we were up, we saw lots of greens like spring. When we were going down, we saw beautiful snow sceneries like winter. We saw only a few other people on the road. Although the weather might not be ideal, we had a great time. This snowshoe took 6 hours and 30 minutes including breaks (distance – 9.92 miles, elevation gain – 3,219 ft).





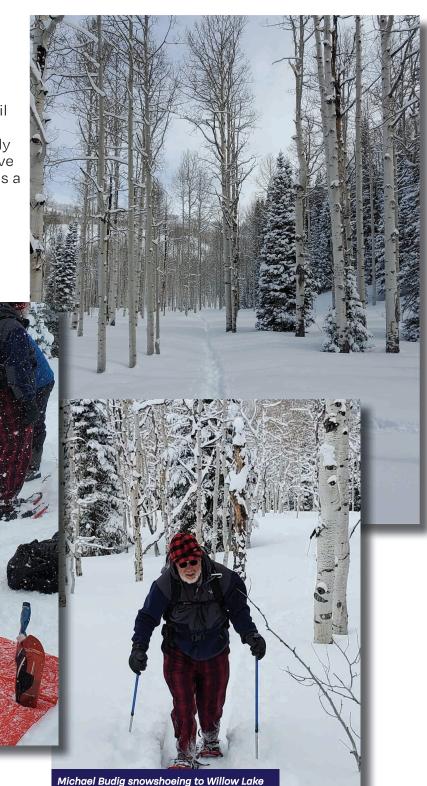
Trip Report: Snowshoe - End of Season Gourmet Snow-shoe - Willow Lake

March 21, 2021

Steve D. enjoying lunch

Organized by Steve Duncan Report/photos by Steve Leitch

The end-of-season gourmet snowshoe to Willow Lake was a great trip. Fresh snow required some trail breaking. The group started off in light snowfall but the sun eventually broke through (as promised by Steve D.) making for a fantastic day. It was a great way to end the season.



Trip Report: 48th Annual Kings Peak Ski Tour

March 19-20th, 2021

Organized by Larry Swanson & Steve Swanson Report by Larry Swanson

The 48th running of the Kings Peak Tour is complete. The weather forecast looked fierce, but still 18 enthusiastic skiers showed up and took advantage of the record amount of great snow in Henrys Fork this year. The wind howled all Friday night, but it was partially sunny on Saturday morning. A couple of hardy folks had skied in on Friday and set up a camp a long way in, providing a fresh track in all the deep new snow that covered the tracks that six of us had set on the 10th. The creek is somewhat sheltered, but after Elkhorn, the wind had the upper hand. Estimates ran up to 40 MPH. Many turned around at Elkhorn or somewhere up in the basin at various destinations as far as Dollar Lake. One couple pressed on to the foot of Gunsight Pass, making for a long day. It was blustery up there! The summit went untouched this year. It started to snow on schedule in the afternoon, providing a real winter experience for all.

Steve and I especially want to thank everyone who shoveled out parking places along the road, so the logging trucks could pass. That was a great effort and helped to ensure our trip for next year.

As usual, a mix of long-term regulars, even one from Colorado, and first-timers made up the group: Janene Holmberg, Paul Barringer, John Campbell, Charles Young, Jim Petrie, Gary Bruschke, Martin Holdrege, Kendall Baker, Barry DeHaan, Bruce Coulter, Mike Berry, Rob Rogalski, Sam Zachary, Mike Gleue, Curtis Fowers, Steve Swanson, Sharyl Smith, Larry Swanson, and the dogs, Aussie and Lumi.

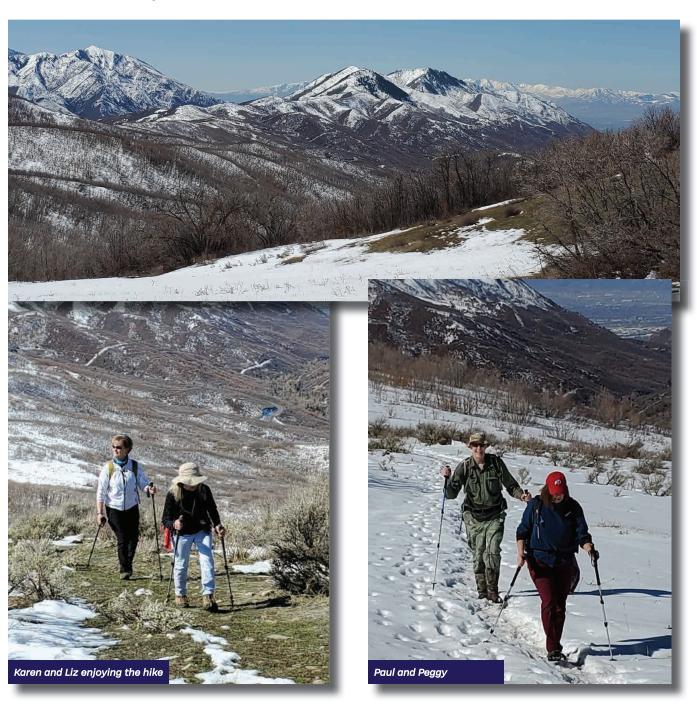


Trip Report: Day Hike - Little Mountain Ridge

March 28, 2021

Organized by Liz Cordova Report & photos by Steve Leitch

It was sunny and unseasonably warm as we started the hike from Little Mountain summit trailhead. The beginning was steep but short but then leveled off with a few rolling bumps. Paul spotted a moose down in the valley. We hiked approx. 3 miles (just shy of the trail junction w/ the Affleck Park trail) with a mix of dry, muddy, and/or snowy trail conditions. It was a fantastic day for a hike.



Trip Report: Snowshoe - Peak 8753 via Slide Canyon

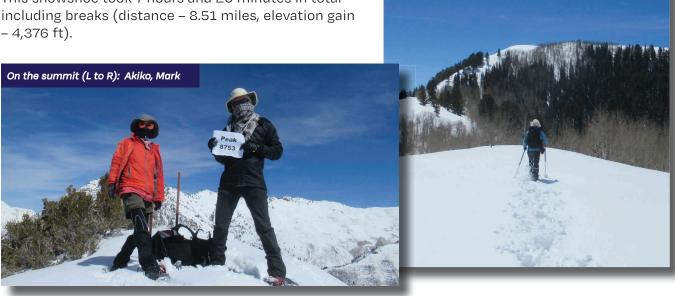
March 28, 2021

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

Peak 8753 is located in the northwest of Provo Peak and the north of Lions Head and is known as a safe backcountry ski destination. We started from Y Trailhead and took Y Trail and Slide Canyon Trail. There was still lots of snow above 6,800 ft. Right after we passed the junction with Y Mt Trail, we put on snowshoes. The snow was packed to the next junction with Rock Canyon Trail. We were very surprised there was no track beyond the junction that indicated nobody else came recently. We had to break the trail from the junction. We were planning to take the trail that goes to the saddle between Peak 8753 and Lions Head. But without tracks, we were unable to figure out where the trail was. Based on the GPS, we were too high or low of the trail but went to the correct direction toward the saddle. We snowshoed on the southeast ridge to the peak from the saddle. The views from the peak were stunning - Provo Massive, Cascade Mt Timpanogos, Utah Lake, Oquirrh mountains, and many more! It was sunny and warm. Roller-balls cascading down the slope would be possible. We carefully selected the safe slope to go down to avoid avalanche risks. But we went down too much and had to climb up to go back to Slide Canyon Trail. Peak 8753 is lower than most other surrounding peaks but was not easy to make in snow conditions. It was worthwhile to make the peak, which offers remarkable views and wonderful snow. This snowshoe took 7 hours and 20 minutes in total including breaks (distance - 8.51 miles, elevation gain



Mark descending towards the saddle. Lions Head in front of him.

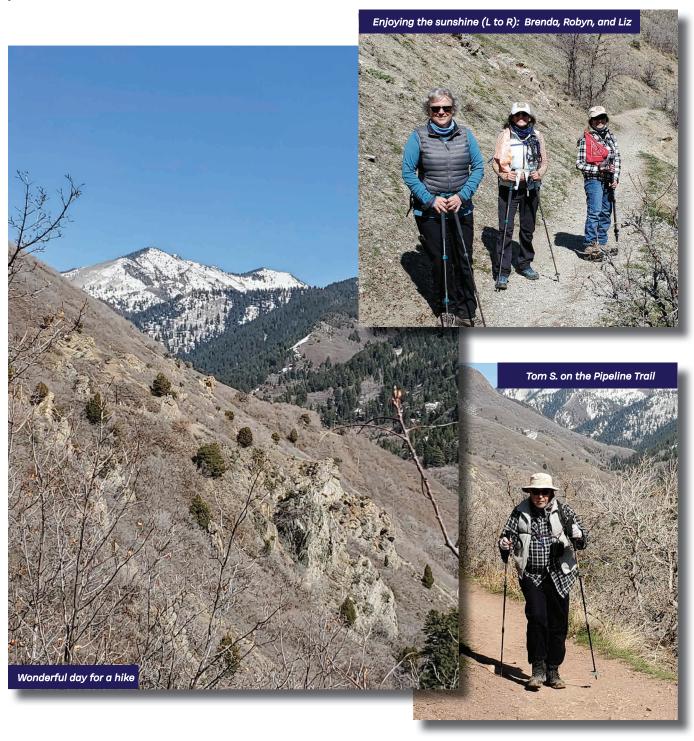


Trip Report: Day Hike - Pipeline Trail

March 31, 2021

Organized by Liz Cordova Report & photos by Steve Leitch

Five ambitious hikers (Liz, Robyn, Steve, Brenda, and Steve) gathered at the Rattlesnake Gulch trailhead for a mid-afternoon hike on the Pipeline trail. It was a beautiful, sunny afternoon. We hiked out-and-back to Church Fork on the Pipeline trail enjoying wonderful views of Millcreek Canyon.



Trip Report: Hike - Griffen Peak

April 03, 2021

elevation gain - 2599 ft).

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

For all of us, it was the first time to hike at Settlement Canyon in Tooele. We aimed at bagging a rarely climbed peak, Griffen Peak (7160 ft), and started from the parking lot right before the tollbooth. We talked with a local runner at the parking lot. While there is no trail on a map to make Griffen Peak, he told us there was a trail from the parking lot. We followed the trail to the ridge. This part was a little bit steep and snow free. We saw four deer on the way to the ridge. Once we were up to the ridge, the rest of the part to Griffen Peak involved only small ups and downs. There were some small patchy snowfields on the ridgeline. On the way to Griffen Peak, we made Peak 7075 and Peak 7113. We had a long break at each peak and enjoyed chatting and nice weather. There were lots of moose poops and some animal tracks on snow on the ridgeline. But we did not see any animals except the four deer. We saw hawks in the sky, though. On the way back, Akiko made two more bumps, Two O'Clock (6006 ft) and One O'Clock (5847 ft). The rest of the group, Cigi, Sandra, Al and Scott, went back to the parking lot directly from the ridge. This hike took 4 hours and 50 minutes including breaks and the last two extra bumps (distance - 5.93 miles,







Trip Report: Evening Hike - Brett Smith Memorial via Heughs Canyon

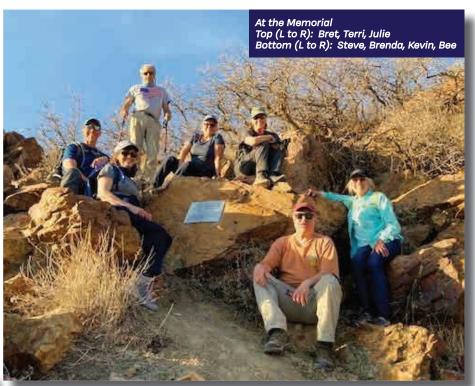
April 02, 2021

Organized by Julie Kilgore Report by Steve Leitch Photos by Christy Giblon / Steve Leitch

It was a very nice evening for a hike to the Bret Smith Memorial. Eight hikers (Julie, Bret, Bee, Terri, Kevin, Christy, Brenda, and Steve) enjoyed the hike up Heughs Canyon to the BST and on to the Memorial. The Glacier Lilies were just starting to bloom, a sure sign of Spring.

We took a short break at Brett's memorial and Julie explained Bret's passion / commitment to the trails and in particular, the BST.







Trip Report: Hike - St. George, Utah

March 25-28th, 2021

Organized by Bruce Christenson Report by Tonya Karren Photos by Irene & Da Yang

Bruce Christenson sure does know how to put an incredible multi day hiking trip together in the St. George area and welcomed Irene Yuen, Bret Matthews, Aaron Jones, Da Yang, Yi Qu, Tonya Karren, Barbara Boehme and Zig Sondelski to

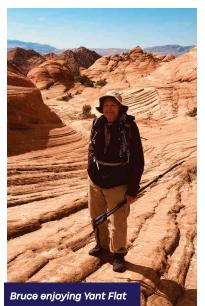
join him on his fun adventure. All in our group are vaccinated and it was wonderful to gather again as a group, without fear of infection, although we still practiced COVID19 protocols. Soon after arriving in town on March 25th, we set out to reach the top of a high butte near the edge of town that local legend says Paiute Indians used for a spiritual and safe sanctuary from other marauding tribes. It was a steep, winding trail to the summit, but worth every drop of sweat, because we had a bird's eye view of the landscape below and beautiful red rock mountains surrounding the valley. We found what may have been an ancient Native American spiritual symbol of a wagon wheel shaped with stones at the top of the butte as well as a

more recent 30 x 6 ft. giant cement arrow sign, looking to me like a sidewalk to heaven. It was probably mixed and poured up there by hand in the 1930's, to be used by pilots to navigate their way to the airport. It quite literally pointed the way and Bruce said there were other such arrows on top of other ridges along the route. On day two, March 26th, it was overcast and drizzling rain in St. George, so we caravaned 45 minutes West out of town towards the mountains and into the sun shining down on a slick rock area known as Saddle Mountain. It had rolling red and gray hills that looked like a giant puffy quilt had been shaken out and thrown over the hillsides and each square of sandstone was crisscrossed with patterns and stitching. It's the kind of sight that leaves you intrigued and wondering what forces of nature can

create such art. We stepped our way up nature's staircase, past cacti and pools of recent rainwater collected in shallow stone bowls, until we reached the mountain's landing. Then we scrambled up a bit farther to the tip top, where we found a deep, hollowed out pit in the sandstone, known as the Vortex. It was super windy up there and felt like the wind force was trying to blow us overboard. We braced against the wind and took turns de-

scending the steep walls down into the giant pit, while holding onto a backup strap, with Bret as our meat anchor. The wind swirled around us in the pit, like a vortex, for which it was aptly named. Once back down from Saddle Mountain, we headed to the nearby Maze Trail and ascended it too. We scrambled through several obstacles in the Maze, including up a small waterfall and over and under large rockfall piles. This one was my personal favorite, since we had a fun challenge around every corner. March 27th, we drove along a winding and rutted dirt road until we arrived at Yant Flat, in a canyon out of Leads,

UT. We hiked towards the canyon rim through pinion pines and along a red, sandy trail until we reached our red rock destination and looked out over the canyon rim. It was a breathtaking view to behold and there is nothing "flat" about Yant Flat. It was mound after mound of scale like reptilian looking red rock, etched by wind and water into fascinating shapes. One of these series of scaly mounds resembled a giant, sleeping dragon, just moments from waking and taking its lumberous flight into the vivid blue sky overhead. I could have sworn another large mound was a tortoise shell, with its tiny rock tail on one end and his long neck stretched out with rounded head on the other and he was looking directly at me. One thing for sure, Yant Flat was a wonderland for the imagination. Some call it the candy bowl, my guess is because

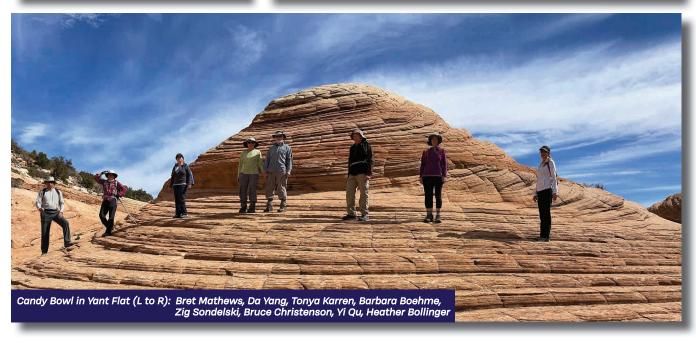


it's an outdoor lover's eye candy, with so many yummy sights to see. Morning of March 28th, some of the group split off and headed to various other destinations. Most drove to East Zions Loop, just beyond the Mount Carmel tunnel inside Zions Park. Bruce led us up a rolling red rock mountainside, past a series of beautiful cascading pools worn into the cliff side. They were mostly dry this season, but must be absolutely spectacular when swirling and flowing freely from pool to pool. We hiked to the waterfall above the succession of

pools and then followed them back down as they scooped their path down the mountainside. At the bottom we passed through a cave style culvert under the road and followed a rocky stream-bed back to where our cars were parked above on the roadside. It was a pleasant finish to several wonderful days together with the group. Thanks to Bruce from all his guests and to all who cooked fabulous meals and contributed to a successful trip and a special shout out to Aaron Jones for making his delicious fruit trifle.







Trip Report: Backpack - Cedar Mesa

March 27-29th, 2021

Organized and Trip Report by Tanner Morrill Photos by Lonnie Basket, Diana Yang, Tanner Morrill

Bears Ears National Monument got shrunk before it even got established, but some WMC members explored the Anasazi & Pueblo ruins in the area. Grand Gulch & Bullet Canyon. First, we hiked to Moon house ruins, which includes sliding down sloped sandstone onto a stack of rocks. The rest of the hike was easier. As with nearly all ruins, the native Americans built moon house ruins in a large canyon. The ruins have a white, decorative stripe along the interior walls, and a round white circle we called the moon. We returned to camp to enjoy a campfire chat.

After a chilly night in the high 20's, the next morning we ditched the convenience of car camping and weighed our packs. Craig's scale said our packs were 26 to about 38 pounds. Some of us had wine to use up. We dropped into Todie Canyon for 5 minutes of bushwhacking fun. Most people drop into Grand Gulch through Kane Gulch but Todie canyon offers a steeper and shorter route near our campsites. Besides, the ruins high on the cliffs of Todie canyon are attractive. Some of us (Dennis, Katie, Marty, Brandon & myself) spent half an hour trying to reach them, only to decide it was a bit more exposure than we wanted to risk. We reached Grand Gulch, the main canyon, by noon to see some campers there. Unfortunately, the water we expected to find wasn't flowing. After a couple hours and some wayward GPS navigation, we found 2-level ruin and our lunch spot. A few shards of pottery were lying around the site.

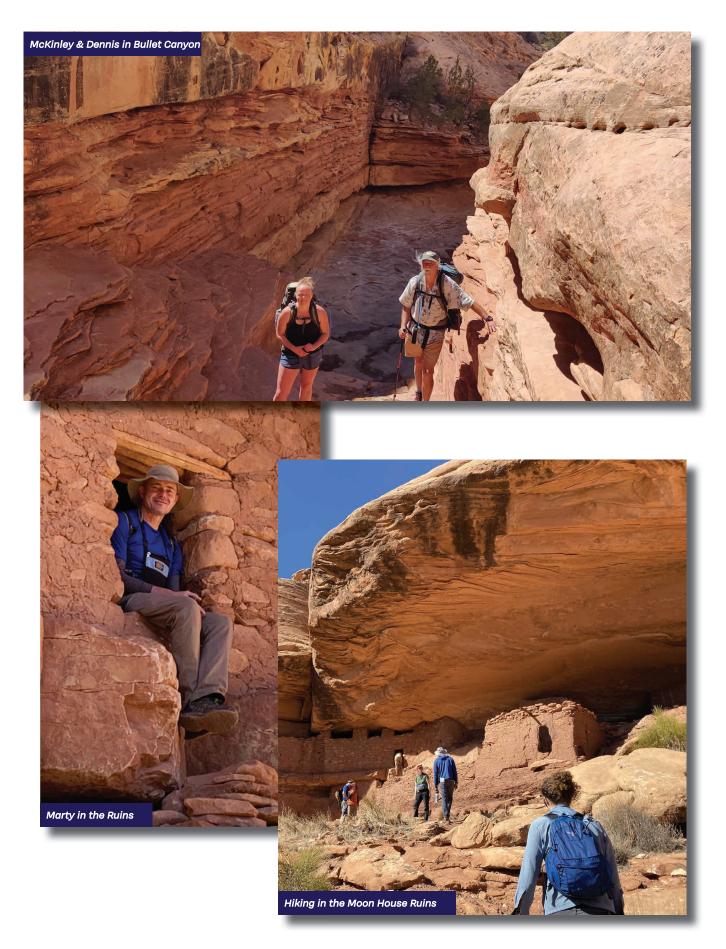
We carried on to Sheik's canyon, seeing occasional ruins and pools of water on rocky river bottom areas. At supper time we found clear water at spring 1/4-mile up Sheik's canyon near the green mask pictographs. The trickling water was clear and delicious, but since we couldn't find the source we filtered it. We decided to camp here since we had such a great water source and we were pretty tired. Besides, did we really have to carry that wine any further? Most of us ate our dinner together and had a great time. We were doing good, but one of us had some pretty bad blisters. Everyone had stayed together so well and I was impressed with the group.

After a warmer night's sleep, we got on the trail before 9am, found Bullet canyon quickly, and headed up toward the cars and the main event: Perfect Kiva. We found Jailhouse ruins and Perfect Kiva after a couple of hours. These ruins were pretty cool because they had large, 2-3' in diameter circle with at least one face. The window of jailhouse ruin had sticks in it, hence the name.

After some exploring we found Perfect Kiva was in really great shape. We descended the ladder (it' allowed) and explored the underground 10' x 10' home of those who lived here 700 to 900 years before. We continued to the cars, hiking up Bullet canyon which was occasionally clogged with house-sized boulders. We learned a lesson about following the trail even when it makes no sense. Many of us asked, why is the trail taking us so high above the dry creek bed? It turns out it was to avoid those house-sized rocks.

We had an absolutely wonderful group. Everyone was super helpful and stuck with the group.

Participants: Diana Yang, Marty Goldsberry, Katie Sullivan, Dennis Goreham, Brandon Besser, Craig Payne, Lonnie Baskett, Lissy Coley, McKinley Silvers Goreham, Tanner Morrill.



Trip Report: Hike - Mt. Van Cott

April 04, 2021

Organized by Liz Cordova Report by Steve Leitch Photos by Terri Reusch / Steve Leitch

Mount Van Cott is located immediately east of the University of Utah with an elevation of 6,351 feet. The mountain is named after Lucy May Van Cott, the first dean of women at the University of Utah. Seven energetic hikers (Liz, Robyn, Terry, Yi, Chris, Brenda, Steve L) and Sheba (Chris' dog) met for a mid-morning hike. It was a steady ascent and offered wonderful views of Salt Lake City and surrounding mountains. Great time was had by all.

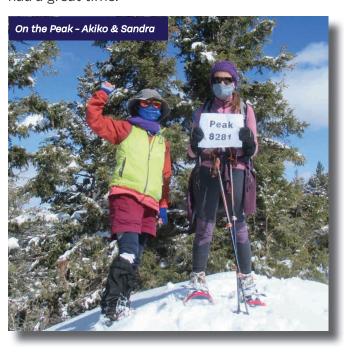


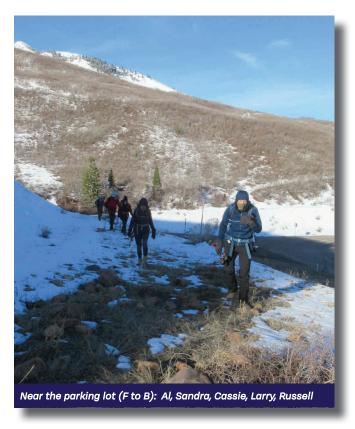
Trip Report: Snowshoe - Peak 8281 via Lambs Canyon

March 27, 2021

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

The standard route to Peak 8281 is via the Summit Park TH. The parking space is very limited during winter at the Summit Park TH, however. We started from the Lambs Canyon winter parking lot to avoid a parking issue. There are several potential routes to make Peak 8281 via Lambs Canyon. We took the northwest ridge route, which is entirely off-trail. Within 20 minutes, Cassie, Russell, Larry and Al turned around because it was very bush and went to their own activity on the road/maintained trail. The rest of us, Sandra, Carol and Akiko continued. The very bushy part was actually very short. There were steep sections. But the snow conditions were great - powder snow. We saw lots of animal tracks on the snow but did not see any other humans/ human tracks. Carol turned around when we got to the ridgeline. Sandra and Akiko followed the ridgeline and made the peak. It was a beautiful day sunny. The views from the peak and the ridge were wonderful. This is a great spring snowshoe route, except the short bushy part at the beginning. This snowshoe took 4 hours and 45 minutes in total including breaks (distance 4.52 miles, elevation gain - 2396 ft). When we were back to the parking lot, Cassie, Larry and Al were waiting for us. They also had a great time.















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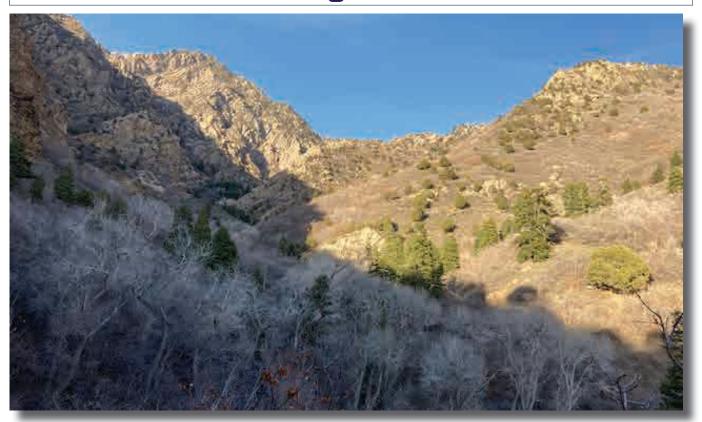
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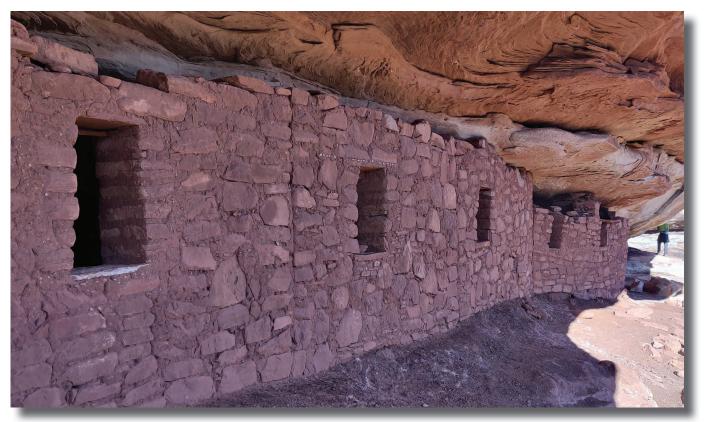
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Heughs Canyon as the sun sets (photo courtesy of Christy Giblon)



Ruins windows - Cedar Mesa (photo courtesy of Tanner Morrill)

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