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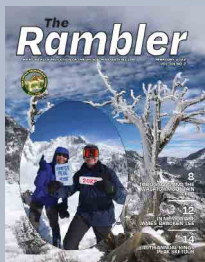
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## ON OUR COVER:

On Sat., January 1<sup>st</sup>, Michael Hannan organized a 'Happy New Year' hike / snowshoe on Enniss Peak. Michi Bracken (L) and Dave Kolbo (R) are celebrating their New Year's day accomplishment on the summit of Enniss Peak. See trip report on pg 30.

Photos courtesy of Michael Hannan (Michi / Dave) & Andee Thatcher (scenic vista)



Correction: On pg. 18 of the January 2022 Rambler, Giulia's name was misspelled. The correct spelling is Giulia Roselli

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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# President's Message



The Snow has finally arrived! Whether we play in the mountains, the foothills, or the valley, we are so fortunate to have so many amazing winter outdoor recreation options and the WMC is so fortunate to have like-minded outdoor recreation enthusiasts who organize a variety of activities. Join us on February 8th for a virtual Planning Session where we can help organizers get activities posted for next month (see calendar for RSVP details and instructions to get the Zoom link). Need ideas for places to go? Check out past activity postings on the WMC on-line calendar, like February and March 2007 or 2008. Organizing just 2 activities (or one multi-day) qualifies for an invitation to the Annual Organizer's Banquet, and new this year it will qualify for two raffle tickets 😊.

For activities to be listed in the next month's Rambler, activities need to be posted by the 10th. But short notice postings are OK too. When posting an activity that will be in the next few days, it's helpful to send an email out to your activity list to let members know something new is on the calendar.

Organizing is one way to give back to the club. But there are lots of other opportunities as well:

- If you have a love for history, Mark Jones, the club Historical Preservation Coordinator, is actively seeking many more people to join the WMC History Committee. Mark wrote up a great piece in the January Rambler (see pages 8-11). Mark needs a LOT of help archiving photos, and history reports, and coordinating with the WMC Special Collections at the University Library. Contact Mark at [hikermrj@aol.com](mailto:hikermrj@aol.com).
- The May 13th Centennial+2 Birthday Bash is on! This is the big event that was sidelined in 2020. Virtual planning meetings are underway. If you would like to participate in planning the party of the Century, reaching out to special guests and media, setting up, breaking down, etc., etc., contact Heidi DeMartis at [heidijodemartis@gmail.com](mailto:heidijodemartis@gmail.com).
- Give Blood! The club surpassed the goal of 100 pints in 2020 for the Centennial, and Tony Hellman has continued his commitment for a few hundred more. This month the Red Cross has set aside February 7th for the WMC. Check out the calendar for more details.

Remember to join us for our Virtual Membership Meeting on February 16th. Members will vote on the new slate of officers and new Life Members, we'll share club stats for the past year, and Salt Lake Climbers Alliance will give us an update on the Jacobs Ladder re-route our club members provided financial support for. See the calendar for details and zoom link instructions.

Stay Safe and Stay Healthy!

*Julie Kilgore*





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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](mailto: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 know? 1. We haven't yet started tracking that information. 2. It doesn't matter. There are older folks who can out-hike/-bike/-paddle any younger person. There are also younger people who like to do lighter activities. Sometimes many people show up for activities; sometimes only a couple. This is a nice thing.

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

AndeeThatcher





# The 10 Essentials

## What are the “Ten Essentials”?

The “Ten Essentials” are essential gear that you should always carry. This list of essential gear has its origin with The Mountaineers, a famous Seattle hiking and mountaineering club. As stated in their book *Mountaineering, The Freedom Of The Hills*: “You won’t use every one of these items on every trip, but they can be lifesavers in an emergency, insurance against the unexpected.” Lists vary and this list isn’t perfect, but it’s very good. Yes, there really are more than ten items on the list, but hey, the name’s catchy.

## What should you do with the Ten Essentials?

Based on the observation that there is no crystal ball giving infallible weather predictions, the professional meteorologists don’t have one either and that conditions in the mountains are incredibly changeable the WMC recommendation is to:

- Put the Ten Essentials in your pack.
- Always keep them in your pack.
- Always bring your pack.

Yes, that means you should not remove your rain jacket from your pack because you’re “sure” it won’t rain today. Nine times out of ten you’ll be right. The 10<sup>th</sup> time you might get hypothermia.



### **NAVIGATION** – Map, compass, and GPS system

Navigation systems are used when planning your route before your trip, and when you need help orienting yourself in your surroundings during your activity. Know how to use a topographical or relief map as well as your compass or GPS unit before going out.



### **SUN PROTECTION** – Sunglasses, sunscreen, and hat

Sun protection is necessary to protect your skin and eyes against harsh UV rays that are responsible for sunburns and skin cancer. Consider using sunglasses, sunscreen, and hats. Sun-protection clothing such as pants and long sleeve shirts can also help minimize your exposure to the sun.



### **INSULATION** – Jacket, hat, gloves, rain shell, and thermal underwear

Nature is unpredictable. Be prepared for sudden changes in weather conditions. Pack an extra layer of clothing that reflects the most extreme conditions you could encounter.



### **ILLUMINATION** – Flashlight, lanterns, and headlamp

Lighting is indispensable in the outdoors where no conventional light sources can be found. Items include flashlights, lanterns, and headlamps. Headlamps are the preferred light source because they are hands-free. Be sure to pack extra batteries.







### **FIRST-AID SUPPLIES** – First Aid Kit

Be prepared for emergencies by packing first-aid supplies with you. Start with a pre-made kit and modify it to fit your trip and your medical needs. Check the expiration date on all items and replace them as needed. Consider including an emergency guide in case you are faced with an unfamiliar medical emergency.



### **FIRE** – Matches, lighter and fire starters

Fire can be an emergency signal and a heat source for cooking and staying warm. Pack matches (preferably waterproof) and fire starters - items that catch fire quickly and sustain a flame (e.g. lighter). Familiarize yourself with the fire use regulations of your park before heading out. Learn more about campfires.



### **REPAIR KIT AND TOOLS** – Duct tape, knife, screwdriver, and scissors

Carry a basic repair kit with you to help repair equipment. The kit should include items such as duct tape, a knife, and scissors. Consider packing a multi-tool, a compact version of many tools that can include a knife, screwdriver, can opener, etc. Be sure to bring any tools specific to your trip and your activity.



### **NUTRITION** – Food

You should always be prepared for the possibility of changes to your trip plans. Pack an extra day's supply of food, preferably no-cook items that have good nutritional value in order to keep your energy high. Salty and easy to digest snacks (e.g. trail mix, nuts, and granola bars) work well for outdoor activities.



### **HYDRATION** – Water and water treatment supplies

Staying hydrated on your trip is of utmost importance! Physical activity increases your risk of dehydration (loss of water and salts from the body), which can lead to negative health consequences. If you're active outdoors (hiking, biking, running, swimming, etc.), especially in hot weather, you should drink water often and before you feel thirsty. Prepare your water before you need it and do not allow yourself to become dehydrated. Before heading out on your trip, be sure to identify if there are any bodies of water at your destination that you could collect water from and treat using your water treatment supplies. Learn more about purifying water.



### **EMERGENCY SHELTER** – Tent, space blanket, tarp, and bivy

Shelter is one of the most important elements during an emergency survival situation. It can protect you from severe weather conditions and exposure to the elements. A tent, tarp, bivy sack, or emergency space blanket are all light weight options for emergency shelter.

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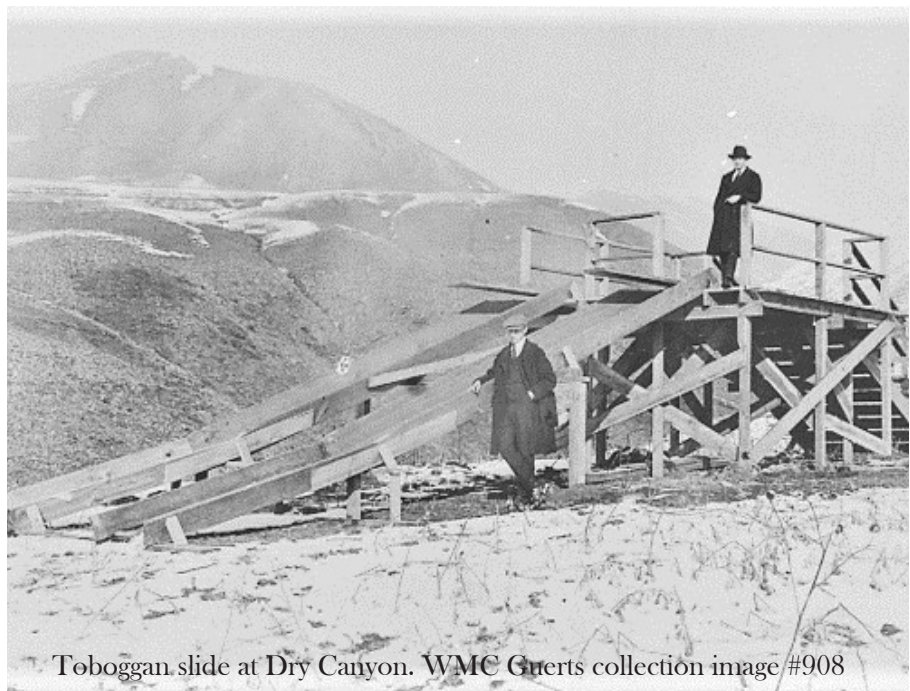




# Toboggans and the Wasatch Mountain Club

By Mark Jones

From its earliest beginnings the Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) was not just a two-dimensional Club of skiers and hikers. They were also involved in other sports like baseball, softball, basketball, bowling and many other activities. One such activity was the sport of tobogganing. There is quite a history of tobogganing in the early years of the WMC. Just about 100 years ago, the WMC, with permission and help from Salt Lake City, constructed a double toboggan slide and run in Dry Canyon, Salt Lake County, Utah.



Toboggan slide at Dry Canyon. WMC Guerts collection image #908

A nice article called “Tobogganing, the Latest Thriller” was written in the January 1923 Rambler. “Salt Lake City is ideally situated as a winter resort, and it is the intention of the

Wasatch Mountain Club to popularize it as such. As an initial step in this direction, we recently obtained permission from our mayor, whom we proudly claim as a member of our club, to construct a toboggan slide in the hills near the mouth of Dry Canyon. Not only did he give his permission but his hearty support and he has been interested in securing the co-operation of others in the enterprise. The work has gone forward with the help of Professor Ketchum of the engineering department of the University

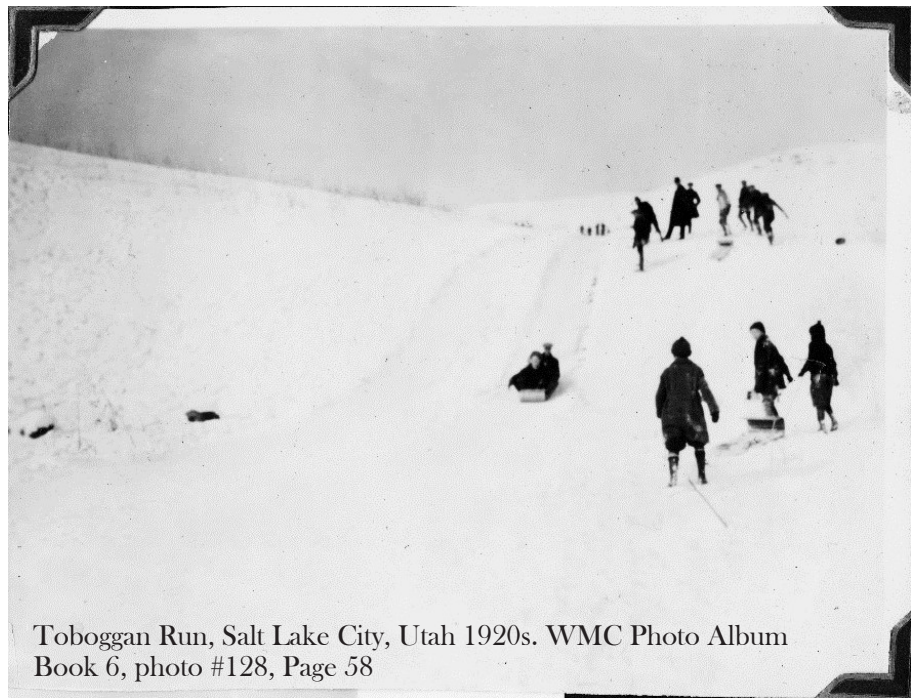


Toboggan Run, Salt Lake City, Utah 1920s. Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) Photo Album Book 6 Page 57. Photo # 122. The sign on the top of the slide reads: “COMMUNITY TOBOGGAN SLIDE, Built by Wasatch Mountain Club, with the co-operation of Salt Lake City.



of Utah, who drew up the plans for the slide; Commissioner Burton, who sent tractors up to grade the slide and who promises that the city will furnish water to flood and freeze it when it is completed; Chief of Police Burbidge, who sent prisoners out to assist in the work of construction. It is very gratifying to know that we have our city officials behind us; it is another evidence that the club is receiving recognition and is becoming identified with the organizations representative of our city and state. While these people have helped so loyally, our own boys have worked hard and succeeded in having it ready by the last snowfall. That it is a wonderful success is attested to by the crowds of people who have visited it since the slide was completed.”

WMC President and founding member Leon P. Stoney writes in the 1923-1924 Rambler: “Toboggan slides have been built for speed and thrills. By carefully planned accident, bumps appear on the slide which send the toboggan with its load flying through the air thirty feet or more, sometimes to land upside down and scatter its occupants into the deep drifts. One load scarcely collects themselves before another comes screaming after them, this time to go far out across the flat and slowly come to a halt. To add variety shovels, tin pans, tubs, broken skis, sleds and numerous freaks are collected from back yards and brought into use by enterprising youngsters.”



Toboggan Run, Salt Lake City, Utah 1920s. WMC Photo Album Book 6, photo #128, Page 58

When the WMC took a winter trip in the 1920s, it was not always just for skiers. Those who didn't ski could snowshoe or ride toboggans. An interesting story was written by Alta Overmeyer in the 1924-1925 Rambler about how the D&RG train from Sugarhouse to Parley's Summit was delayed because the WMC toboggans were late. On page 56 of the article, we can read: “About 8:45 the Park City express, consisting of engine, tender, baggage car, smoker and one coach, roared up. In two-minutes the skis were loaded, all had found seats and we were ready and anxious to be off. Before the engineer could open the throttle, some raised a staying hand, all seemed to sense a feeling of vacantness as though some thing or somebody were missing. Then it dawned on the consciousness of all that Fat had not arrived. As he had the toboggans, there was nothing to do but to wait. We would probably have waited anyway because no outing could be truly successful without him. That last sentence may have a ring of sarcasm but the writer feels none and means sincerely the thought expressed. We could not understand the reason for his non-appearance. Now if it had been Andy, we could have blamed Mah Jong, but Fat, we just couldn't understand. Some had visions of his body horribly mangled under street car wheels, and some felt he was heeding the words of Harry Lauder's song. Then a shout went up for up the street roared



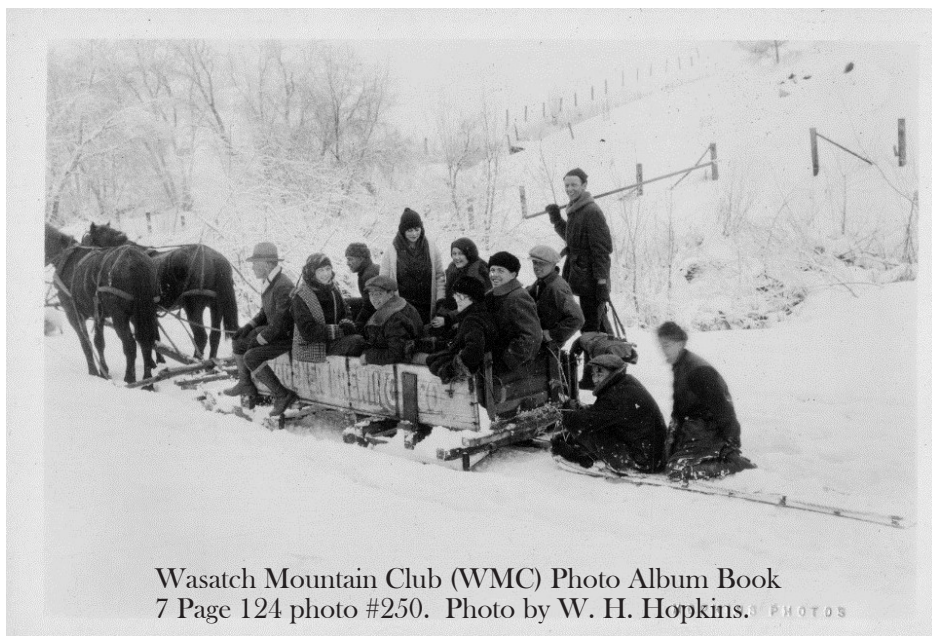


a Ford Coupe in a cloud of dust-that is, an imaginary cloud of dust. The car cracked the whip with the toboggans tied on behind two or three times, then came to a halt. Some tried to blame Audry for the delay and Fat blamed the toboggans, but the real reason will ever remain a mystery.”



WMC 1925 “Fat and Hilmer go off the toboggan jump at Parley’s Summit

Toboggans were also taken on the WMC annual New Year’s trips to the Pinecrest Inn above Emigration Canyon in Burr Fork. Not to be mistaken with the present Pinecrest bed and breakfast located at the entrance to Pinecrest Canyon Road, the Original Pinecrest Inn built in 1913 was located higher up the canyon on the Pinecrest Canyon Road in Burr fork, The original Inn was demolished and then burned down in the 1950s. One such New Year’s trip was taken in 1924-1925 and a write-up was done by Alta Overmeyer in the 1924-1925 Rambler on pages 5 thru 9. She describes how the Toboggans were transported to Pinecrest Inn. “On the back of the second bob [Bobtail Sleigh] were fastened three toboggans. Most of us took a turn at one time or another performing acrobatic stunts on them: Before the trip was half over Mulligan decided to try his hand at driving the four-horse team and for one who is accustomed to pulling teeth he did remarkably well.”



Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) Photo Album Book  
7 Page 124 photo #250. Photo by W. H. Hopkins. 3 PHOTOS

Once everyone got to the Pinecrest Inn the fun would begin. Those that didn’t ski or snowshoe could test their skills on the toboggans. After everyone took several runs and felt like they had enough experience on the toboggans, teams were formed and the races were on. As many as three toboggans at a time would line-up for the big race. I’m not sure what the prize was for winning but I am positive everyone had a wonderful time.







Toboggans line-up for a race at the Pinecrest Inn, New Years 1923-1924. WMC PA Book 7 photo # 233. Photo by W. H. Hopkins.



WMC PA Book 7 photo # 224. Note the "Wasatch Mountain Club" written on the front of the toboggan

It wasn't just WMC folks that used the toboggans, Santa also rode a Toboggan.



Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) Photo Album Book 7 Page 122 photo #246





## 2021 Endowment Financial Summary

### Wasatch Mountain Club Centennial Scholarship for the Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Program

*The WMC  
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#### Distributions to Campus

\$977.90

The distribution is the investment income made available to the dept for expenditure



#### Additional Gifts

\$12,965.00

New gifts to the principal investment



#### Beginning Market Value

\$15,959.31

July 1, 2020



#### Ending Market Value

\$33,781.15

June 30, 2021

Market value represents the book value plus the unrealized gains or losses on investments, less the distributions to the fund purpose, and fees



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**We are grateful** for your generosity in 2021 towards achieving our \$25,000 goal!

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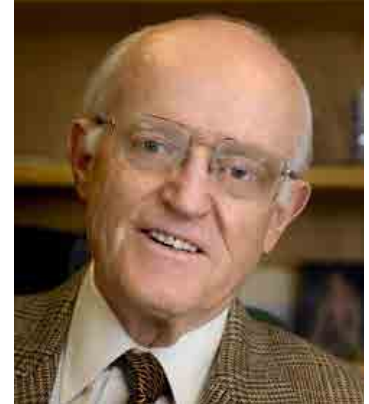




# James Bracken Lee

1930 - 2021

James Bracken Lee, a man with a generous heart, passed away peacefully at home on December 26. A new General has entered heaven. James was born April 28, 1930 in Price, Utah to Margaret Draper and J. Bracken Lee. James graduated from Carbon High School in 1948 and was appointed to the West Point Military Academy. He graduated from West Point with honors in 1952. He was commissioned Second Lieutenant and served in the Korean War. When he completed his active military duties, he returned to Salt Lake City and worked for Kennecott Copper Corporation as a civil engineer. In 1957, he went to Stanford University Law School and later transferred to George Washington University College of Law, graduating in 1960. Returning to Utah, he clerked at the Utah Supreme Court. He joined Parsons Behle Evans & Latimer in 1961, a small firm of six lawyers. He was instrumental in the growth of the firm and served as President from 1979 to 1993 and retired in 2020.



James loved the law. His service over the years to the Utah State Bar was legendary. He served as a Bar Commissioner and as its President, and he was recognized for numerous leadership roles. He mentored many young lawyers, emphatically promoting the careers of women lawyers. The Utah State Bar gave him its Lifetime Achievement Award. He was a founding member of the Utah Legal Services serving as Chairman of the Board in 1978. He was appointed by the Utah Supreme Court to Chair the Lawyer Discipline Committee. He was a member of the Board of the American Bar Association from 2000 to 2003. He served on the ABA Federal Judiciary Committee from 2003 to 2006. He gave his all to the legal profession and received multiple awards for his remarkable service to the community over 50 plus years.

James also loved the military. He was deeply committed to his military assignments. He was a graduate of the U. S. Army War College. He served for over 30 years in the Utah National Guard and was President of the Utah National Guard Association in 1966. As a Colonel he taught leadership skills to guard members. He was Commander of the XI Corp Artillery. He retired as a Brigadier General in 1983.

James was a member of the Wasatch Masonic Lodge No. 1 for 66 years. He held a 32nd Degree and Knight Commander of the Court of Honor of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, achieving the same degree as his father and grandfather.

He married Jeanne Mitchell in 1961. They were later divorced. In 1978 he married his loving partner, Evelyn Brown Lee. They were soulmates and loved each other unconditionally for over 43 years. Together they traveled extensively, enjoyed river rafting, tennis, hiking, politics, lively discussions and laughter. James loved parties and his many friends. He enjoyed a glass of good wine and joyfully entertained with enthusiastic storytelling. He was proud of his children and loved them deeply.

The family would like to thank his wonderful law partners, Raymond Etcheverry and Frances Wikstrom for their enduring love, commitment and assistance especially during the past year of his illness.

James is survived by his loving wife, Evelyn, and his devoted children, James M. Lee (Judith), Bonn, Germany; Johanna Lee (San Antonio, Texas); Jennifer Brown Christiansen (Kurt) Dover, New Hampshire; and Dr. Jonathan H. Lee (Denison), Ashland, Oregon. His grandchildren (Rachel Christiansen, Ian Christiansen, Elsa Lee, Greta Lee, River Echohawk and Rainn Echohawk); his sister Jon L. Taylor (Lewis), as well as many loyal friends.

As per James's wish he was cremated, and there will be no funeral service. A celebration of life will be held later. Those who wish to make donations may consider his favorite organization "and Justice for all".

*note: James' obituary was reprinted from the Salt Lake Tribune, January 2022*



# Tributes to Jim

## Phyllis Anderson

*I was saddened to read about the passing of James Bracken Lee, who was a well-known attorney and club member from 1964 to 2020. I suspect most members did not know him, as his service was primarily during his earlier years of membership. I discovered in trying to write something about Jim that it became a bit of a history lesson.*

*Perhaps the highest profile case fought by Jim on behalf of the club was the suit brought by a number of conservation groups in the 60s and 70s to prevent Lake Powell from reaching Rainbow Bridge. The conservation groups won the case in federal court, but it was overturned in the appeals court. Ultimately, in 1974, the case ended when the Supreme Court refused to hear the case and the appeals court ruling held. Over the years Jim provided legal service not only to the club, but I suspect to a number of club members who sought his advice in personal matters. There would be no way to put a value on the services he rendered.*

*On a personal level, one of my fondest memories of Jim was in 1966 when I was on a club trip to the Zion Narrows (we got rained out) when our bus ran out of gas at about 10 a.m. at the Virgin River. Jim and family just happened to be driving by and got us on the road again by letting us syphon gas out of his car. I was also lucky enough to be on the same trip to Africa with him and his wife in 1996. He was just a very nice man and I felt privileged to know him.*

## Dennis Caldwell

*When I was president of the WMC in the 1970's a recrudescence of the controversy over the WMC bus and its purchase some years earlier encroached upon the scene. In the immediate aftermath the Board of Trustees was created in order to put tighter controls on such large expenditures of club dues. For some years this served largely as an honorary institution like the British House of Lords.*

*Subsequently, we reached a "Repair or Lose" point in the upkeep of the Lodge. Voluntary fundraising efforts were mounted including special dinners, and sufficient funds were amassed to cover the first phase of renovation.*

*This then led to an understandable misunderstanding where the Trustees asserted that they must approve all large expenses irrespective of the source of funds and the Board felt that by virtue of the ring fencing of the expenses implicit in the special fundraising enterprises they could proceed with the Lodge project independently.*

*This impasse was remedied in the following manner: Previous management of the Club had wisely anticipated the possibility of legal snarls, as for example negligence in climbing or river running mishaps. This led to the quest for an official legal advisor, who ultimately turned out to be Jim Lee.*

*We then got the two parties together in a facsimile of a Binding Arbitration session presided over by him. To make a long story short he pointed out that legally the WMC had inadvertently set up two Boards of Directors, who were destined for collision given suitable circumstances. He then volunteered to draft a new Constitution which eventually led to the shrewd feature of combining both these groups into a single entity.*

*Since then both duly elected Trustees and Board Members sit in a common governing body that meets on a regular basis with voting rights for the former. This has the feature that all these officials know and participate in crafting WMC plans and policies. It would be hard to envision a wiser outcome, and we owe it all to Jim Lee. May he rest in peace.*





# 2022 WMC BOARD ELECTION CANDIDATE LIST

The next annual election of the Wasatch Mountain Club Board of Directors will occur at the membership meeting on **Wed, February 16, 2022 (Zoom Mtg)**.

The WMC is a volunteer-run organization including the Board. The candidate list to the right includes the roles to be elected by WMC members at the upcoming membership meeting. Other board roles are appointed by Directors.

The 2022 Nominating Committee members are Robyn Heilbrun, Cheryl Soshnik, and Cindy Spangler. Each year, this committee oversees the annual election of the WMC Board of Directors. Serving on the WMC Board of Directors is a worthwhile and rewarding undertaking.

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

**New candidates and vacant positions are highlighted.**

## Executive Officers

Julie Kilgore	President
Steven Gadd	Secretary
Merilyn Kessi	Co-Treasurer
Tillman Seebohm	Co-Treasurer

## Administration

Bret Mathews	Information Technology Officer
<b>Heidi DeMartis</b>	<b>Membership Co-Director</b>
<b>Connie Modrow</b>	<b>Membership Co-Director</b>
Da Yang Wipfel	Public Relations Director
Steve Leitch	Publications Director

## Biking

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

## Boating

Kelly Beumer	Boating Co-Director
Dianne Budig	Boating Co-Director

## Climbing/Mountaineering

<b>Mark Maier</b>	<b>Climbing / Mountaineering Director</b>
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## Conservation

Dennis Goreham	Conservation Director
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## Hiking

Daisy DeMarco	Hiking Co-Director
<b>Paula McFarland</b>	<b>Hiking Co-Director</b>

## Social

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

## Winter Sports

Steve Duncan	Winter Sports Director
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## Trustees

Brad Yates	Trustee 2020-2024
Will McCarvill	Trustee 2021-2025
Michael Budig	Trustee 2019-2023
John Veranth	Trustee Emeritus
<b>Zig Sondelski</b>	<b>Trustee 2022-2026</b>



# 50 Years Ago in *The Rambler*

Transcribed by Donn Seeley

club activities for febr 1972 [...]

Feb. 6 Sun. **ALEXANDERS BASIN** - Expert -- This tour was first run last year and has some of the best skiing in the Wasatch on it -- also some of the worst. We climb Gobblers Knob from Butler Fork and then drop into Millcreek via Alexanders Basin. The hardy can tour back to Butler Fork while the rest ski down the Millcreek Road. Meet at 8:00 a.m. at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Cars will be spotted by the leader, Dave Smith [...]

Feb. 19 Sat. **SILVER FORK FROM BRIGHTON** - Intermediate -- This is one of the more self-indulgent tours as the downhill portion is really much greater than one deserves for such a small gain in elevation. Leader: ?? Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 a.m. Call D. George for more details.

## LEAVES FROM THE OLD WASATCH: AN ALTA APPARITION

About the year 1878 James Kennedy built a saloon in Alta, not far from the Emma mine. In the process he placed a stout post in the basement to support the floor of the saloon and an attached shed. After the saloon opened, Edward Crocket, a miner, moved into a small room behind the barroom. Early in 1884 he was employed as a fireman at the Emma mine, and was on duty that fateful night when a snow avalanche roared down off Emma hill, destroying much of the town and many mine buildings, including those of the Emma. Ed Crocket was among the victims, having been crushed against the boiler by the snow. His body suffered severe burns before freezing.

Late in the summer of that same year, Jeremiah Reagan leased the Kennedy saloon and opened it for business, moving into the back room where Crocket had lived until his death. No stranger to Alta, Reagan had known Crocket in years past, but was in a San Francisco hospital at the time of the avalanche and read of his friend's death in a newspaper.

On the night of September 29th, Reagan awoke to the call of his name. At first he thought it was someone outside, but then the voice came from his bedside: "Jerry!" He jumped up in bed and answered, "What in hell do you want?" The voice asked, "Do you know that post in the cellar...?" Reagan now recognized the voice as Crocket's, and answered with a fearful "yes." Crocket told him, "You go down there and get my money and you keep it."

With that he turned and walked out of the room into the saloon. Reagan called after him, then went into the barroom himself, but Crocket was gone. Following instructions, he went into the basement and dug around the post. About five or six inches down he uncovered a pocketbook with \$75 in notes and two or three letters. Knowing full well that no one would believe him, he decided to keep the whole thing a secret. But it was, as he later wrote, "on my mind like a man that murdered someone," so that evening he told everyone. They laughed and said he was dreaming, but when he showed them the pocketbook, letters and the moldy bills, the laughter died. He described Crocket's clothes to George Cullen, Jim Watson and others, and Cullen, who helped bury Crocket, said that was how Crocket was dressed when they buried him.

Reagan was known as a reliable and honest man. The incident left him shaken, as was evident in a letter he wrote to a friend in Salt Lake City two days after the appearance. "I am in a hard fix now," he wrote. "I am afraid to stay in the house, so what shall I do?" The townspeople, too, no longer believed it was a joke, though they might still have laughed in public. Their fears, however, were needless, for the ghost of Ed Crocket bothered them no more. [...]

[The avalanche occurred on March 7, 1884. Another article by Charlie Keller notes that 11 people came up from Alta to hide from avalanches in the Emma Mine's tunnels, but were caught in the boiler room with Crocket when the big avalanche came down; all of them died. -- Donn]







**Be part of the 2022 Activity Challenge! Grab that centennial journal, notebook, or calendar, and track your WMC activity participation. The first 100 club members to participate in 100 posted club activities will receive a WMC “Activity Challenge” jacket.**

Here are a few rules:

- Starting January 1, 2022, start recording any activity you participate in that is posted on the WMC calendar.
- Any activity that is posted on the calendar will count. That includes club socials, membership meetings, singalongs, board meetings, boating permit parties, trainings, etc. If it's posted on the calendar (which means the activity is an approved WMC activity), it counts. No fair backdating an activity, or only give an hour notice! Stay within the spirit please.
- For multi-day activities, each day the activity is posted on the club calendar can be counted as a separate activity. You'll be doing something fun and different every day, right? If the travel day is included in the post, that counts too. It's an important “activity” of sharing resources, planning, and camaraderie.
- Take your time. All 100 activities do NOT have to be completed by the end of this year.
- Activities prior to 2022 do not count, EXCEPT the activities that enthusiastic clubbers recorded from January 1, 2020, through March 22, 2020, when the original Centennial Activity Challenge was launched.
- Once you record 100 activities (or 100 days of activities, if you participate in multi-day events), submit your documentation to the board. You will be highlighted in the Rambler, and you will get your prize at the next membership meeting.

The more club activities you participate in, the sooner you reach the goal. If you don't see an activity that suits you, jump in an organize or co-organize!





**WMC members should stay informed on current COVID guidelines. Those who are not feeling well, whether COVID symptoms or other illness, should not participate in WMC activities. During a club activity, the use of face masks or carpooling is up to each individual, unless otherwise specified by the organizer. Organizers can opt for a group size they are comfortable with, except for the group size limit of 10 in wilderness areas.**

Feb 1	Rock Climb - Sandy Momentum - ntd- - 35' ascent <i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at 220 W 10600 S, Sandy, UT 84070 <i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com If you've got a Momentum membership and are looking for partners... why not join us weekly on Tuesday afternoons/evenings? I am most always there by 4pm with a small entourage of fellow WMCers. Some arrive later and stay late. Ask for John Butler at the front desk if we haven't met yet :-)
Feb 2	Alpine Ski Tour - Millcreek Canyon Road - ntd- - Loop - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Winter Parking Lot, Millcreek Canyon Road <i>Organizer:</i> Steven Gadd 801-540-6622 swgadd10@gmail.com Ski up the Millcreek Canyon Road. This is not a backcountry ski tour. We'll ski up the road for 1 hour and then slide back to the trailhead. Alpine and Nordic gear will both work.
Feb 3	Relaxed Pace Night Hike And Optional Post Hike Appetizers/beverages - ntd - Out & Back - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5432 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com New switchbacks have been constructed at the Mt. O trailhead, making the approach to Pete's Rock so much more pleasant. Then We'll pick up the Bonneville Shoreline Trail and head north for about one hour, maybe making it to the Z trail. Optional apps and beverages at the Porcupine following the hike (depending on the COVID situation).
Feb 5	Snowshoe (or Hike) - Dutch Point, Draper - mod+ - 9.0 mi - 3000' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is not enough snow) to Dutch Point (8,343 ft) in Draper, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Depending on conditions, the location may change. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) is not required or optional (will be determined when it gets closer). Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 4, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.
Feb 5	Snowshoe: East Canyon Trail (parleys & Alexander Creeks) - ntd - 4.1 mi Out & Back - 450' ascent - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 10:30 am at Meet near where Parley's Creek enters Mountain Dell Reservoir. Park anywhere along the road where the shoulder is wide enough. <i>Organizer:</i> Robert* Turner 801-560-3378 r46turner@gmail.com This is an easy out and back snowshoe that follows Parley's and Alexander's Creeks east from Mountain Dell reservoir for a couple of miles and returns the same way. We did this as a hike three months ago, and now it is time to do it as a snowshoe. The organizer will proceed at a relaxed pace, but participants can choose their own pace since it's an out-and-back. To join the group, you need to be fully vaccinated.
Feb 5	Hike - Bair Canyon - Kaysville - ntd - 2.0 mi Loop - 1200' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 300 South 1800 East, Fruit Height, Utah <i>Organizer:</i> Steven Gadd 801-540-6622 swgadd10@gmail.com Bair Canyon is located just North of the FFA Radar Towers in Davis County. Planning to hike 1 hour up to the 3rd stream crossing and then back to the trail head. Traction devices are required for the icy trail. Most of the trail is in the shadows, so dress appropriately.





Feb 6	Death Valley Winter Escape Car Camp - Road Bike - Hike - mod <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun -	<i>Organizer:</i> Cheryl* Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com Join us on the WMC's annual "Bob Wright Winter Escape" to the heat of Furnace Creek in Death Valley National Park. There we will car camp (although we're seeing a lot more RVs and Vans too), complete with optional Dutch Oven meals and pool time. During the days, you can road bike, hike, or take part in Park Service guided events. Our official days for the escape are Sunday thru Friday, but feel free to come down any part of that to join in on the exercise, fun and socialization. You will need to register, just so we know who all is coming, and if you will be partaking in the group dinners. Some members have already taken the tent-only campsites, and there may be room for folks to join them. If not, you will need to make your own reservations at Furnace Creek Campground via recreation.gov. Oh, and if you want to splurge, there is the motel and the hotel nearby...be our guest! There will be daily bike rides and hikes, which we will announce the evening prior, or you can go off on your own adventures each day for as short or long as you desire. Or you can just sit at the pool or play golf at the Furnace Creek Golf Course! No matter what, even if you are coming down on your own, I'd like to know, so I know who is coming. We'll be having a planning meeting via Zoom in early January.
Feb 6	Snowshoe Or Hike - Granger Mountain, Springville - mod+ - 5.0 mi - 2,700' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun	<i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is no enough snow) to Granger Mt (7258 ft) in Springville, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Depending on conditions, the location may change. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) optional. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear if someone wants to practice/use. The route is off-trail. This is not a long distance snowshoe/hike. But it's steep. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, Feb 4, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8. COVID-19 protocols will apply.
Feb 6	Fremont Island, Great Salt Lake, Long Day Hike - msd- - 20.0 mi Out & Back - 800' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun	<i>Organizer:</i> Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com The State of Utah now owns Fremont Island in the Great Salt Lake. The Nature Conservancy holds a conservation easement on the island ensuring it will never be developed. We plan to take the long walk out there to check it out. One of the highlights of the Island is a cross chiseled in a rock outcrop by Kit Carson during the Captain John Fremont Expedition in 1843. The hike will be mostly dry (may be some mud) from the Antelope Island causeway to the southern tip of Fremont Island. The high point of the Island is 4995 feet and current lake level is about 4191 feet, so we will have about 800 feet elevation gain to the top. Count on a nearly 20 mile exploratory hike from the Antelope Island marina to the high point and back. Email registration is required.
Feb 6	Snowshoe- Draper Corner Canyon Hike - ntd <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Sun	<i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com The activity is listed as a snowshoe; however, conditions may permit travel with hiking boots and traction devices. Conditions will also be a factor in determining what trails to travel on. I hope to avoid muddy trails. One possible hike would be a lollipop loop involving the lower Corner Canyon, the Coyote Hollow footpath loop, and Creekview trails. These Corner Canyon trails offer the possibility of experiencing wildlife that includes deer, rabbits turkeys, coyotes, weasels. The views of the Wasatch and Traverse mountains are beautiful. The round trip hike distance is around 4-6 miles with net elevation gain of around 500 feet. Avalanche safety gear is not required. I suggest a start at around 0900 AM.
Feb 7	Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain - mod- - Out & Back - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate
Mon	<i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com One minute more of daylight each day! But still, bring a headlamp and dress in layers. There are a few different routes to choose from on this brisk 2-hour hike behind the "H" rock, but they are all STEEP. If there is snow on the foothills, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. If inversion is in, we'll move the hike into Millcreek to get above it. Dogs are ok. Prompt 5:45 pm departure.
Feb 7	<b>Multi-activity Event: WMC Blood Drive, Red Cross 2-8 Pm Feb. 7, 2022</b> <i>Meet:</i> 2:00 pm at Address: 6616 S. 900 E., Salt Lake City, UT, 84121 Room Name: Cottonwood Rooms <i>Organizer:</i> Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com The WMC Centennial Blood Drive efforts continue the tradition of the WMC core values of contributing to the community by "Giving the gift of Life". We are at 325 pints and hope to reach 500 by the Centennial celebration.
Feb 8	Rock Climb - Sandy Momentum - ntd- - 35' ascent <i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at 220 W 10600 S, Sandy, UT 84070
Tue	<i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com If you've got a Momentum membership and are looking for partners... why not join us weekly on Tuesday afternoons/evenings? I am most always there by 4pm with a small entourage of fellow WMCers. Some arrive later and stay late. Ask for John Butler at the front desk if we haven't met yet :-)



❄️ More activities will likely be added to the on-line calendar. Check [wasatchmountainclub.org/calendar](https://wasatchmountainclub.org/calendar) for updates, and join the activity email list for short notice postings.



Feb 8 Tue	<p>Social - Virtual Book Club  <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at ZOOM  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>Sierra Club Huron Valley Group Book Club in Michigan, which focuses on environmental issues, welcomes participants from Utah. Participants do not need to be members of Sierra Club. The format will be hybrid most likely - some participants will meet in-person in Ann Arbor, Mi while others will be on ZOOM. The February book is Eager: The Surprising Secret Life of Beavers and Why They Matter, by Ben Goldfarb. The meeting will be on February 8 Tuesday from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm MST. If you would like to participate, please contact Akiko for the ZOOM access information.</p>
Feb 8 Tue	<p>On-line Winter Sports Organizers Planning Session For March Activities  <i>Meet:</i> 6:30 pm at RSVP to receive an email with your Zoom invitation.  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Join your Winter Sports director and coordinators and other regular winter sports organizers for this one-hour on-line activity planning session for March calendar postings. We'll go over the WMC website resources, where to find forms, share destination ideas, post some activities, maybe partner up co-organizers, and go over how to submit sign-up sheets, a trip report, avalanche safety gear, and/or any other topics of interest.</p>
Feb 9 Wed	<p>WMC Board Meeting  <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.</p>
Feb 10 Thu	<p>Alpine Ski Tour - Millcreek Canyon Road - ntd- - Loop - Slow pace  <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Winter Parking Lot, Millcreek Canyon Road  <i>Organizer:</i> Steven Gadd 801-540-6622 swgadd10@gmail.com</p> <p>Ski up the Millcreek Canyon Road. This is not a backcountry ski tour. We'll ski up the road for 1 hour and then slide back to the trailhead. Alpine and Nordic gear will both work.</p>
Feb 12 Sat	<p>Snowshoe (or Hike) - Salem Peak, Spanish Fork - mod+ - 8.6 mi - 3570' ascent - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is not enough snow) to Salem Peak (8,746 ft) near Spanish Fork, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The route is on the trail, except the last short part to the peak. Depending on conditions, the location may change. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) not required or optional. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 11, 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.</p>
Feb 12 Sat	<p>Big Grandeur Peak Loop Hike - msd- - Loop - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Grandeur Peak Trailhead (2910 S Wasatch Blvd, SLC, UT)  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Dragons Tail or Spire Ridge up, down Churchfork, pick up Pipeline, make our way to Special Rock, down Water Tank Draw, and catch the BST back to our point of beginning. Plan on a good 5 hours or so. If inversion is in, we will change the destination.</p>
Feb 12 Sat	<p>Hike With Spikes Porter Fork - ntd - Out &amp; Back - Slow pace  <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Porter Fork TH  <i>Organizer:</i> Bruce Christenson 801-824-0131 b.c.com@hotmail.com</p> <p>A short 1 mile hike up the snow packed Porter Fork road in Millcreek Canyon. Bring a Sled if you want for a slide back down. Dogs welcome.</p>
Feb 12 Sat	<p>Hike - Bair Canyon - Kaysville - ntd - 2.0 mi Loop - 1,200' ascent - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 300 South 1800 East, Fruit Height, Utah  <i>Organizer:</i> Steven Gadd 801-540-6622 swgadd10@gmail.com</p> <p>Bair Canyon is located just North of the FFA Radar Towers in Davis County. Planning to hike 1 hour up to the 3rd stream crossing and then back to the trail head. Traction devices are required for the icy trail. Most of the trail is in the shadows, so dress appropriately.</p>
Feb 13 Sun	<p>Snowshoe (or Hike) - Location Tba - mod+ - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is not enough snow) in BCC/LCC, Provo, Tooele, Park City, the Uintas, American Fork or somewhere, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Whether avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) is required, not required or optional will be determined based on the location, conditions and weather. Most likely, we will pick the location where avalanche safety gear is optional or not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear if someone wants to practice/use. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 11, 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.</p>





Feb 14 Mon	<p>Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike – Jack’s Mountain – mod- – Out &amp; Back – Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com            Be my valentine and join me for this steep brisk 2-hour hike behind the “H” rock. If there is snow on the foothills, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. If inversion is in, we’ll move the hike into Millcreek to get above it. Dogs are ok. Prompt 5:45 pm departure.</p>
Feb 14 Mon	<p>Alpine Ski Tour- Tbd – mod+ – Out &amp; Back  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Cheryl Krusko 801-474-3759 ckrusko@gmail.com            Mod+ Alpine Ski Tour. Plan to be out 3-4 hours with 3,500+ vertical. Destination to be chosen based on snow and road conditions. Level 1 Avy course and vaccination(s) required. Beacon, shovel and probe. Registration required.</p>
Feb 15 Tue	<p>Rock Climb – Sandy Momentum – ntd – 35’ ascent  <i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at 220 W 10600 S, Sandy, UT 84070  <i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 john@utahman.com            If you’ve got a Momentum membership and are looking for partners... why not join us weekly on Tuesday afternoons/evenings? I am most always there by 4pm with a small entourage of fellow WMCers. Some arrive later and stay late. Ask for John Butler at the front desk if we haven’t met yet :-)</p>
Feb 16 Wed	<p><b>Virtual Membership Meeting, Election, Presentation, And Zoom Around</b>  <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at A Zoom invitation email will be sent to all who register.  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 President@wasatchmountainclub.org            If you can Zoom, you can join us for our annual February Membership Meeting/Social. Load up with your favorite snacks and beverage, and settle in for a virtual membership gathering. We’ll start the evening at 6 p.m. with club business, elections, and new Life Member approvals. Your directors will share some club doings and volunteer opportunities. Julia Geisler with the Salt Lake Climbers Alliance will give club members an update on the Jacob’s Ladder re-route (<a href="https://www.saltlakeclimbers.org/jacobs-ladder-re-route">https://www.saltlakeclimbers.org/jacobs-ladder-re-route</a>), and we’ll wrap up the evening with a series of zoom breakout socials. RSVPs are required to receive the zoom link. Send your RSVP to president@wasatchmountainclub.org.</p>
Feb 18 Fri	<p>Gold Butte National Monument Car Camp, Day Hikes – msd- – 11.0 mi Out &amp; Back – 4,100’ ascent – Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com            Plan a few days to explore southern Nevada’s Gold Butte National Monument. We are still putting the itinerary together but plan to do Virgin Peak, the high point in the Monument, (11 miles, 4,100 feet elevation gain) and a couple more peaks. We also will plan to see other highlights, possibly including Little Finland, various petroglyphs, and other interesting features in the area. We are getting pretty familiar with this area but have not been to all destinations so at least part of this trip will be exploratory. This is a remote area. We will be camping in an undeveloped area so bring everything you need including plenty of water. Register by email with Dennis to get logistic details. Limit 8.</p>
Feb 19 Sat	<p>Snowshoe/ski &amp; Snow Camp In The High Uintas – mod+ – Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu            We plan to snowshoe or ski (choice of each participant) and camp in the High Uintas, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Day 1(Feb 19 Sat): Road trip (approximately 3 hours &amp; 20 minutes to the TH. Any passenger cars can get to the TH), snowshoe/ski to the end of the trail (3 miles one way. 813 ft gain. 1.5-2 hours), and set up a campsite. Day 2 (Feb 20 Sun): Snowshoe/ski to Mt Lena (9,755 ft) as well as 3 bumps on the ridgeline (7 miles RT. 2,000 ft gain). Nordic skiers may ski on the nordic ski trail instead. Day 3 (Feb 21 Mon - President’s Day): Take down the campsite, snowshoe/ski to the TH &amp; road trip. Those who prefer a shorter trip may go home on Day 2. Please email before Friday, 3 pm, February 18, 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.</p>
Feb 19 Sat	<p>White Fir Pass Snowshoe – ntd – 3.5 mi Out &amp; Back – 1300’ ascent – Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Skyline High School frontage road (3713 Virginia Way Salt Lake City UT)  <i>Organizer:</i> Michael* Budig 801-403-7677 mbudig@mail.com            Meet Michael and Dianne Budig for leisurely paced hike to White Fir Pass. Please address all questions by email.</p>
Feb 20 Sun	<p>Snowshoe-west Uintas – mod-  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com            This activity will be a lollipop loop hike that involves travel on the Beaver Creek-Taylor Fork-Plantation trails. A possible destination is peak 8781. The area is south of the Mirror Lake Highway. These trails are in open forest and offer great views of the West Uintas area. The round trip distance is about 6 miles with a net elevation gain of about 1600 feet. The activity will be less crowded compared to the busy Wasatch tri-canyon area on Presidents Day weekend. Because of the longer drive distance, the activity will take up most of the day. Avalanche equipment is not required.</p>

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Feb Mon	<p>Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain - mod- - Out &amp; Back - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 <a href="mailto:jk@wasatch-environmental.com">jk@wasatch-environmental.com</a>  Just a few more weeks before the time changes, but it's still a bit dark on the way back down. We'll pick one of several routes on this brisk 2-hour hike behind the "H" rock, but they are all STEEP. If there is snow on the foothills, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. If inversion is in, we'll move the hike into Millcreek to get above it. Dogs are ok. Prompt 5:45 pm departure.</p>
Feb 22 Tue	<p>Rock Climb - Sandy Momentum - ntd- - 35' ascent  <i>Meet:</i> 4:00 pm at 220 W 10600 S, Sandy, UT 84070  <i>Organizer:</i> John Butler 801-718-4166 <a href="mailto:john@utahman.com">john@utahman.com</a>  If you've got a Momentum membership and are looking for partners... why not join us weekly on Tuesday afternoons/evenings? I am most always there by 4pm with a small entourage of fellow WMCers. Some arrive later and stay late. Ask for John Butler at the front desk if we haven't met yet :-)</p>
Feb 24 Thu	<p>Relaxed Pace Winter Night Hike - New Parley's Point Trail Above Foothill Blvd - ntd - Out &amp; Back - Slow pace  <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north a so, just south of the cul-de-sac.  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 <a href="mailto:jk@wasatch-environmental.com">jk@wasatch-environmental.com</a>  There is a new trail between Parleys and Jack's. It has a nice gradual grade, perfect for a relaxed pace winter night hike above the city lights. Bundle up and let's follow the trail for one hour, then head back, setting a pace that keeps the group together.</p>
Feb 26 Sat	<p>Snowshoe (or Hike) - Location Tba - mod+ - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura <a href="mailto:kamimura@umich.edu">kamimura@umich.edu</a>  We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is not enough snow) in BCC/LCC, Provo, Tooele, Park City, the Uintas, American Fork or somewhere, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Whether avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) is required, not required or optional will be determined based on the location, conditions and weather. Most likely, we will pick the location where avalanche safety gear is optional or not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear if someone wants to practice/use. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 25, 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.</p>
Feb 27 Sun	<p>Snowshoe (or Hike) - Location Tba - mod+ - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> Registration required  <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura <a href="mailto:kamimura@umich.edu">kamimura@umich.edu</a>  We plan to snowshoe (or hike if there is not enough snow) in BCC/LCC, Provo, Tooele, Park City, the Uintas, American Fork or somewhere, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The specific location will be posted when it gets closer. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Whether avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe and shovel) is required, not required or optional will be determined based on the location, conditions and weather. Most likely, we will pick the location where avalanche safety gear is optional or not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear if someone wants to practice/use. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, February 25, 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.</p>
Feb 28 Mon	<p>Foothills Flashlight Winter Hike - Jack's Mountain - mod- - Out &amp; Back - Moderate pace  <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate  <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 <a href="mailto:jk@wasatch-environmental.com">jk@wasatch-environmental.com</a>  Come on out for this brisk, STEEP 2-hour hike behind the "H" rock. If there is snow on the foothills, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. If inversion is in, we'll move the hike into Millcreek to get above it. Dogs are ok. Prompt 5:45 pm departure.</p>
Mar 2 Wed	<p>Boating Season Planning Party  <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Sugarhouse Garden Center, 1602 E 2100 S, Salt Lake City, UT 84106  <i>Organizer:</i> Kelly Beumer 801-230-7967 <a href="mailto:kellybeumer@gmail.com">kellybeumer@gmail.com</a>  This is our annual meeting where you will get a chance to share permits and non-permitted trip plans, as well as sign up to learn more about other people's trips. Please consider leading or co-leading a trip this year. We have lots of great resources to help you with this! We are going to try an indoor meeting this year, at the Sugarhouse Garden Center-- a large space with plenty of room for distancing. Dinner will be provided.. Questions? email Kelly or Dianne.</p>







Mar 3	Motel Car Camp: Yellowstone Wolves, Wildlife, & Winter Activities – ntd <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Thu –	<i>Organizer:</i> Robert Turner, Julie Kilgore 801-560-3378, 801-244-3323 r46turner@gmail.com, jk@wasatch-environmental.com
Mar 6	Join us for wildlife watching and general winter activities in the northeast corner of Yellowstone Park. Sightings of wolves, foxes, coyotes, bighorn sheep and eagles are common. We'll motel it in Gardiner, MT, where we have secured the entire bottom floor for group meals and socializing. We'll drive into the Park each day on the only road kept open in Yellowstone in the winter. Some will get going very early each morning (about 5:00am), while others can linger and mingle over breakfast. There are also lots of opportunities for cross country skiing and snowshoeing, so bring your skis or snowshoes if you want to enjoy some time trekking around in Yellowstone's spectacular winter wonderland. The drive to Gardiner in the winter is about 500 miles since we can't go through the Park to get there. Another option is to fly into Bozeman. e-mail Robert or Julie for more details, to register, and get instructions to reserve a room at the lodge.
Mar 7	Final Jack's Mountain Foothills Flashlight Hike And Post-hike Social – ntd+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at From Foothill Boulevard, go east at the light for 2100 South, which becomes Hyland Hills Road as it winds uphill above Foothill and Wasatch drives. At the very top, turn left on Lakeline and drive north 0.3 mile to the cul-de-sac. The trailhead is a gate. <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com
Mon	The time change next Sunday, so this is the last week we will be hiking under the cover of darkness! Come out for the last of our weekly winter jaunts up and down these steep routes along the ridge behind the "H" rock. If there is snow on the foothills, yak trax, micro spikes or other studded footwear will be needed. There won't be much darkness now, but it may still be cool and dark so bring a headlamp and dress in layers. Dogs ok. We'll reconvene at the Bombay House for an optional post-hike celebration that spring will be here soon!
Mar 8	Social – Virtual Book Club <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at ZOOM
Tue	<i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu Sierra Club Huron Valley Group Book Club in Michigan, which focuses on environmental issues, welcomes participants from Utah. Participants do not need to be members of Sierra Club. The format will be hybrid most likely - some participants will meet in-person in Ann Arbor, Mi while others will be on ZOOM. The March book is Great Lakes for Sale: Updated Edition, by Dave Dempsey. The meeting will be on March 8 Tuesday from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm MST. If you would like to participate, please contact Akiko for the ZOOM access information.
Mar 9	Wmc Board Meeting <i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info or WMC Office - 1390 S 1100 E Suite 103
Wed	<i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.
Mar 19	Broad Fork Snowshoe – mod – 5.0 mi Out & Back – 2200' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:15 am at Butler Elementary - 7080 S 2700 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT
Sat	<i>Organizer:</i> Michael* Budig mbudig@mail.com Snowshoe with Michael and Dianne Budig up Broads Fork to the spectacular meadow overlook. Plan to meet at 9:15 for a departure at 9:30 sharp. Please address questions by email to: mbudig@mail.com
Mar 25	Nordic Ski Tour: Kings Peak – msd – 32.0 mi Out & Back – 4,500' ascent – Fast pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required
Fri –	<i>Organizer:</i> Michael Berry 801-750-1915 mcber.ut@gmail.com The Swanson Brothers 49th annual Kings Peak ski tour will be organized this year by Mike Berry and Steve Swanson. The outing will convene on Friday night (March 25th) for snow camping along the road to the Henrys Fork Campground. On Saturday, checking in at the Henrys Fork parking area before starting the ski tour and checking out at completion of the day are mandatory. Standard backcountry ski touring gear that you have been using all winter season is best. Essential equipment and supplies include high quality sunglasses, high SPF sunscreen, 2- 3 liters of water, a headlamp with fresh batteries, and for those planning to go above Gunsight- it is mandatory to carry a two-way radio or 'Spot' device. More information will be available later on the type of radios and the channel to use. Many skiers start before dawn (~5:00 am) and some may end after dark. We generally take the 'creek bed' route and NOT the Kings Peak summer trail. Everyone must follow the chosen ski route out and back for safety. Skiers may travel independently from the vehicles to the high basin and back. Elkhorn Crossing is a good, scenic MOD destination, 6.0 to 9.0 miles from the vehicles depending on access road plowing. Gunsight Pass, 4.5 miles farther up is an MSD destination. Typically, less than a third of participants go above the pass. We generally leave our skis below Gunsight Pass and climb the peak (if the weather is favorable) by booting up with Vibram-type soles. In that situation, leaving the ski poles and traveling with a light ice axe in self-belay mode can be more efficient for the two sections of 30 to 40 degree slopes (usually hard, wind-blown) ahead. Anyone attempting the peak (2.5 miles more) needs to be teamed-up with other participants (the 'buddy system') and should be starting across the traverse above Gunsight NO LATER than 12:30 pm. Mandatory turn-around time is 3PM, no matter where you are on the route. Driving directions and more information can be obtained from Mike Berry, mcber.ut@gmail.com (801) or Steve Swanson, srsanson_581@hotmail.com (801) 272-5750. If the weather is unfavorable (driving and/or mountain), a delay in the trip may be considered by the organizers until the 1st weekend in April.
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Mar 28	<b>Multi-activity Event: WMC Blood Drive, Red Cross 2-8 Pm March 28, 2022</b>	
Mon	<p><i>Meet:</i> 2:00 pm at Address: 6616 S. 900 E., Salt Lake City, UT, 84121 Room Name: Cottonwood Rooms</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com</p> <p>The WMC Centennial Blood Drive efforts continue the tradition of the WMC core values of contributing to the community by "Giving the gift of Life". We are at 325 pints and hope to reach 500 by the Centennial celebration.</p>	
May 13	Wmc Centennial+2 Birthday Bash	
Fri	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Centennial Birthday Bash Committee 801-463-9842 info@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>World-wide circumstances shut down the grand plans for our Centennial Birthday Bash in 2020. We have our fingers crossed that we can pull it off this year. Party plans are in the works at the Natural History Museum for the evening Friday May 13th, so mark your calendars for this special belated celebration! Watch the calendar for more details and RSVP instructions as the plans unfold.</p>	
May 20	Beginning White Water Boating – class II+ – 8.0 mi	
Fri	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Kelly Beumer kellybeumer@gmail.com</p> <p>– Swasey's Beach BOATING Class-II III Besides being a fun river trip this trip introduces you to WMC Boating trips. On a commercial boating trip, the Guides do everything for you (inflate the boats, make the meals, guide you down the river, ...) but on Club trips there are no paid guides. Hence everybody on the trip contributes to completing the tasks that need to be done. Club members will share with you what they know about running rivers. This should include how to "read the river", throw a throw bag, right a flipped raft, paddle a paddle boat/paddle a duckie (inflatable kayak)/row an oar rig, what it's like to swim a rapid, and other safety skills. Non-river skills you will learn about are what personal gear works well on river trips, how to make group meals using the WMC Boating's kitchen, what gear the club owns (and is available for cheap private rentals when it's not being used on a club trip). This trip is done on the Green River Daily. That's the stretch of the Green River that's just North of the town of Green River. It's also the last part of a Deso-Grey Canyon river trip. We will be camping in Green River at the State park For information, contact kellybeumer@gmail.com or Dianne, pdbudig@gmail.com</p>	
Jun 19	Maple Grove: Camp, Hike, Fish, And Rock Climb	
Sun	<p><i>Meet:</i> 2:00 pm at REGISTRATION VIA EMAIL IS REQUIRED. Directions: From Scipio, Utah, take U.S. 50 south. Turn west at Maple Grove Campground sign/Forest Road 101 at milepost 146. Travel 4 miles to the campground.</p> <p>– <i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>Jun 21 Tue</p> <p>Maple Grove Campground sits in Fishlake National Forest in central Utah (about 2hrs south from SLC). The campground sits beneath towering red cliffs and offers scenic views of the valley below. Thick stands of maple, cottonwood, box elder, oak and pine provide plentiful shade. The 3.2-mile Rock Canyon Trail begins in the campground and leads to the top of the Pahvant Range. Campers enjoy fishing for rainbow trout in Ivie Creek running through the campsite. Group site B can accommodate up to 13 vehicles (RVs up to 30ft) and 56 people. Check in and check out are 2pm. No hookups. Pets and kids allowed. Participants can expect to financially support the cost of the reserved group site (total is \$70 per night and reserved for 2 nights).</p>	
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Jul 5	Mountaineering - Mt Rainier – ext	
Tue	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>– We plan to do a 2-day climb to Mt Rainier (14,411 ft), the highest mountain in Washington State, via the Disappointment Cleaver (DC) route. While the climb will take only 2 days, the trip schedule will be from July 5th (arrival) to July 9th or 10th (departure) so we will be able to adjust the climbing dates based on the weather and conditions. Climb Day 1: from Paradise TH to Camp Muir (4.5 miles, 4,500 ft gain). Stay at Camp Muir. Climb Day 2: From Camp Muir to the summit (9 miles RT, 4,500 ft gain/loss) &amp; from Camp Muir to Paradise TH. The DC route is not considered technical. But participants must: 1) have stamina to hike 6 hours with a heavy pack on Day 1 and 13 hours on Day 2; 2) not have a history of altitude sickness - ideally have done a 14er(s) without having altitude sickness; 3) be willing to buy/rent necessary individual gear if necessary - we already have most of the group gear; and 4) have at least basic mountaineering skills (e.g. how to use crampons, ice axe etc.) and be willing to participate in workshops/practice if they have not learned skills for glacier travel and crevasse rescue - there will be mountaineering workshops as well as practice sessions. For more details, please contact the organizer (please include your current fitness level and mountaineering experience). Limit 8. WMC members only. Co-organized with David Baumann.</p>	
Jul 20	Day Hikes - Co 14ers In The Sawatch Range – msd – Moderate pace	
Wed	<p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>– We plan to make class 2 CO 14ers in the Sawatch Range. The planned schedule is: July 19 Tue Road Trip. July 20 W Belford (14,197 ft) - Oxford (14,153 ft) combined (9.8 RT, 5,967 ft gain). July 21 Thu Columbia (14,075 ft), Huron (14,003 ft) or Princeton (14,197 ft). July 22 F 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 the organizer.</p>	





# Organizer's Raffle

Each year the club holds an appreciation banquet to show our support and appreciation for our organizers and other volunteers. To qualify for the banquet, a member must organize at least two activities or one multi-day activity. This year, the appreciation banquet will also include an Activity Organizers Raffle.

Throughout the year, we'll collect a variety of fun and interesting prizes.

Activity Organizers will get a raffle entry for every activity they organize (or each day of a multi-day activity), up to a maximum of 10 entries. The more you organize, the more chances you get to win a prize!



## ORGANIZER RAFFLE

Let's show our organizers how much we appreciate them. If you have an idea or prize donation you'd like to share, send an email to:

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# Boating Directors' Message

## Join us for our 3rd Annual Virtual Permit Party

January 9-20, via email

Be sure you are enrolled for boating emails

Then, attend the Annual Planning Party, in person (we hope)

March 2, 6:00-8:00

Sugarhouse Garden Center, 1602 E  
2100 S. Sugarhouse Park

## ❄️ Winter Sports Message ❄️

Not seeing your favorite ski tour or snowshoe on the calendar, then consider organizing it yourself. There are great resources on the WMC website listed on both the Ski and Snowshoe activity pages to help you organize. There is a link to Winter Sports ratings that include if routes cross avalanche terrain along with links for Winter Sports Policy and Guidelines, WMC forms, The Utah Avalanche Center, and several others. The Cottonwood Canyons Weather Dashboard is very useful if touring in Big or Little Cottonwood. It's an all in one page resource to weather, road conditions, traffic cameras and the avalanche forecast. Let's have a fun and safe season!

Steve Duncan, Winter Sports Director

Lisa Verzella, Skiing Coordinator



# 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Kings Peak Ski Tour

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### GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD

TONY HELLMAN

Tony Hellman is an active member of the Wasatch Mountain Club, a non-profit organization that helps take care of Salt Lake County's canyons. Its mission also includes serving the community. During the pandemic, blood donations were scarce. Hellman decided to raise 100 pints of blood to help the American Red Cross. This year, the blood drive continued, with nearly 400 pints of blood donated. "Realtors® are the most giving people I know," said Sheri VanBibber, account manager of the American Red Cross. "In (Tony's) two years of blood drives, they have potentially impacted 757 patients." The Wasatch Mountain Club was formed in May 1920, on the heels of the most severe pandemic of the last century, followed by the Great Depression and World War II. Not only has the club survived, it has thrived as it serves the community.

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# Trip Reports

## Little Mt, Point 7613 & Indian Trail Road Hill North in Pleasant Grove - December 19<sup>th</sup>

**Organized, report & photos by Matt Luntz & Akiko Kamimura**

We started from Battle Creek Fall TH in Pleasant Grove. The first half mile was very steep (1,500 ft gain for half mile). It took one hour for the first half mile. After the first half mile, the trail had only gradual elevation gain. We passed a small reservoir, which was completely covered with snow (and maybe ice under the snow). To get our first peak, Little Mt (7,176 ft), we went off-trail briefly. The summit itself is in the bush. But the views were amazing. From Little Mt, we snowshoed on the trail about a mile. While there is a trail to our next destination, Point 7613, we decided to take a short-cut (off-trail) and had lunch there. There is a route to make a loop. But the loop route goes under the avalanche terrain. So, we did not do a loop and backtracked the same way. On the way back, we bagged one more peak – Indian Trail Road Hill North (7,412 ft). The route that we took offered beautiful views of Mt Timpanogos, Mahogany Mt, Oquirrh Mts, Lake Mts, Utah Lake, the mountains in the Spanish Fork area, and Big Baldy, not only at the summits but also from the trail. Thanks for the recent snowstorm, the snow conditions were great for snowshoeing. The weather was beautiful. It was a wonderful day. This snowshoe took 5 hours and 30 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 4.89 miles, elevation gain – 2,775 ft).



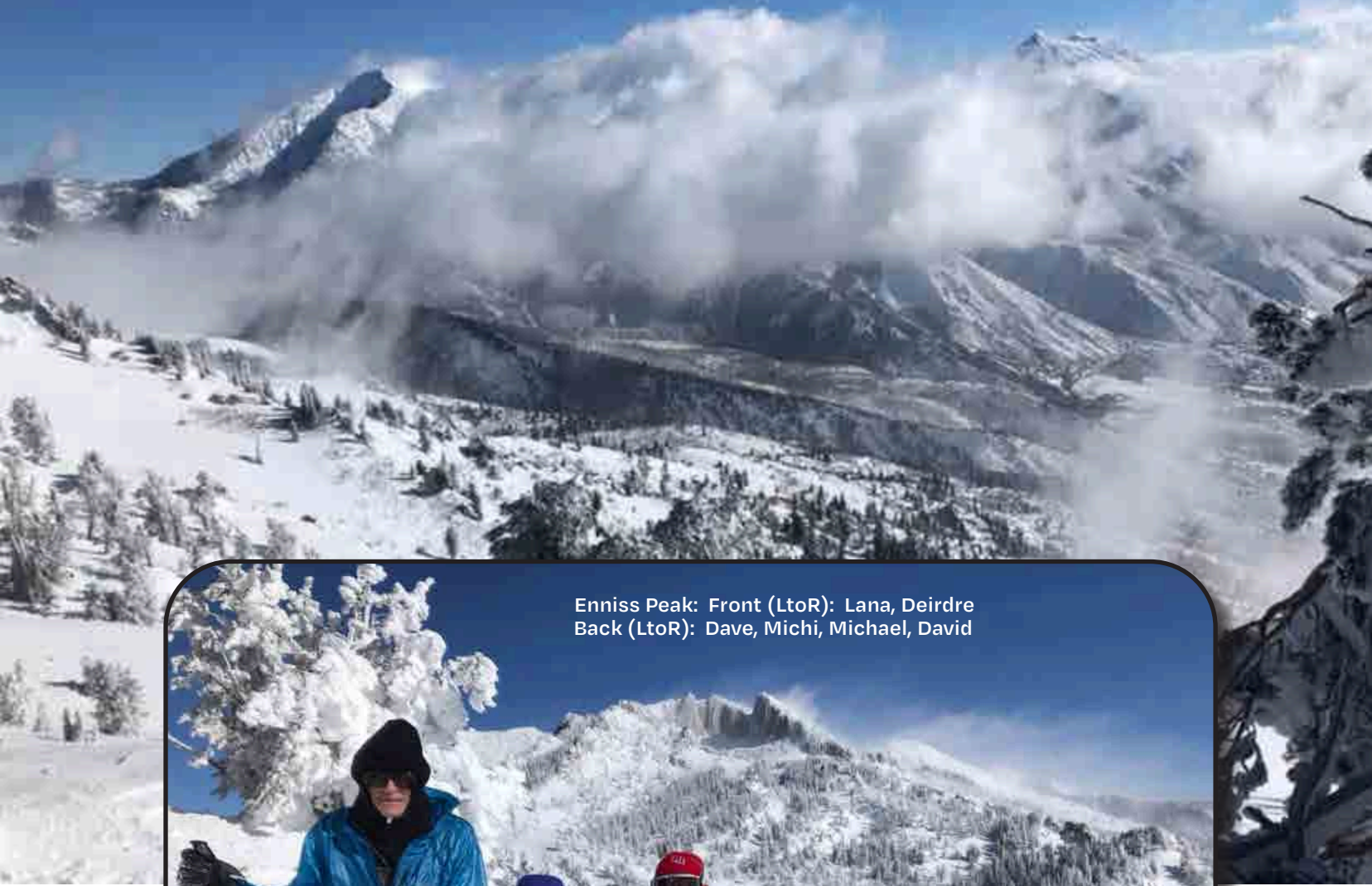
Akiko on the way to Little Mtn.



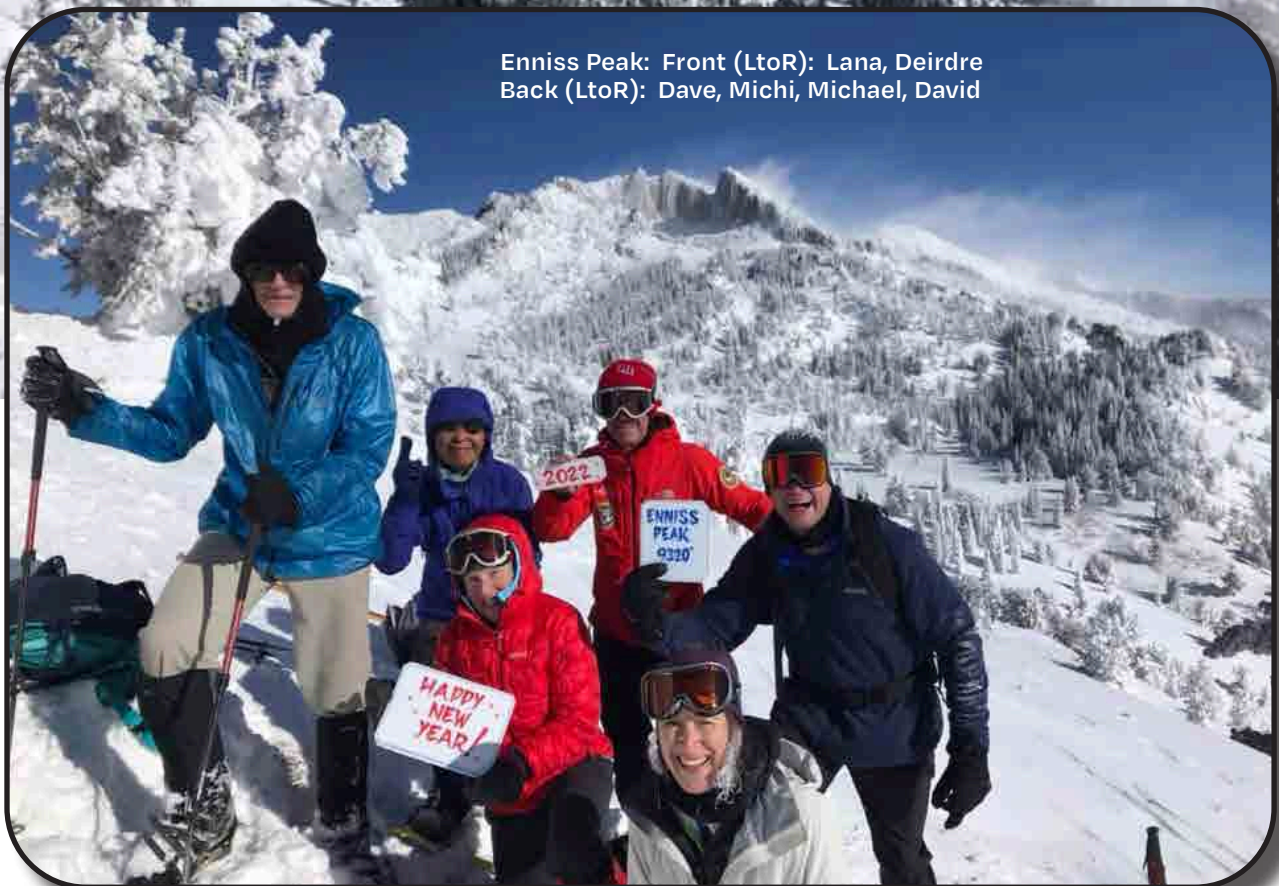
Group photo at Indian Trail Road Hill North. Mt Timpanogos on the back. From left – Akiko, Andy, Tom, Matt, Jean, Brandon & Mary



# Enniss Peak Snowshoe (Happy New Year!) January 1<sup>st</sup>



Enniss Peak: Front (LtoR): Lana, Deirdre  
Back (LtoR): Dave, Michi, Michael, David





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

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 I believe today's hike/snowshoe to Enniss Peak was the first official WMC activity of this new year. And what a fine beginning it was.

Seven hardy adventure seekers departed the Orson Smith TH at 7:30, snowshoes strapped on and layered up for the daunting ascent in the 12° air. A mere 5 hours later each of us stood briefly on the snowy Enniss summit and quickly dropped down 15 feet where the 0° windchill was held at bay. It had been an epic climb. Jimmy Chin has said, "Commit and embrace the struggle." That's exactly what we did.

During our 30 minutes of sunny relative warmth, we ate and reflected on our experience: fighting through a biting NW wind, breaking trail in virgin powder, slapping our snowshoes on the wind-scourged Draper ridge, hardly believing our eyes as we passed the ghostly shapes of snow-clogged trees and rock outcroppings. The views of Lone Peak and her frosted steely west face were mesmerizing as delicate misty clouds caressed her summit and then drifted south to congregate over Box Elder and Timp, seemingly unable to decide whether or not to become a serious overcast or just tease and tickle the icy mountain tops. Truly, one feels humbled here by the grandeur God so freely grants us.

Special thanks to Dave, David, Michi, Deirdre, and Kevin for trail breaking above and beyond the call of duty.

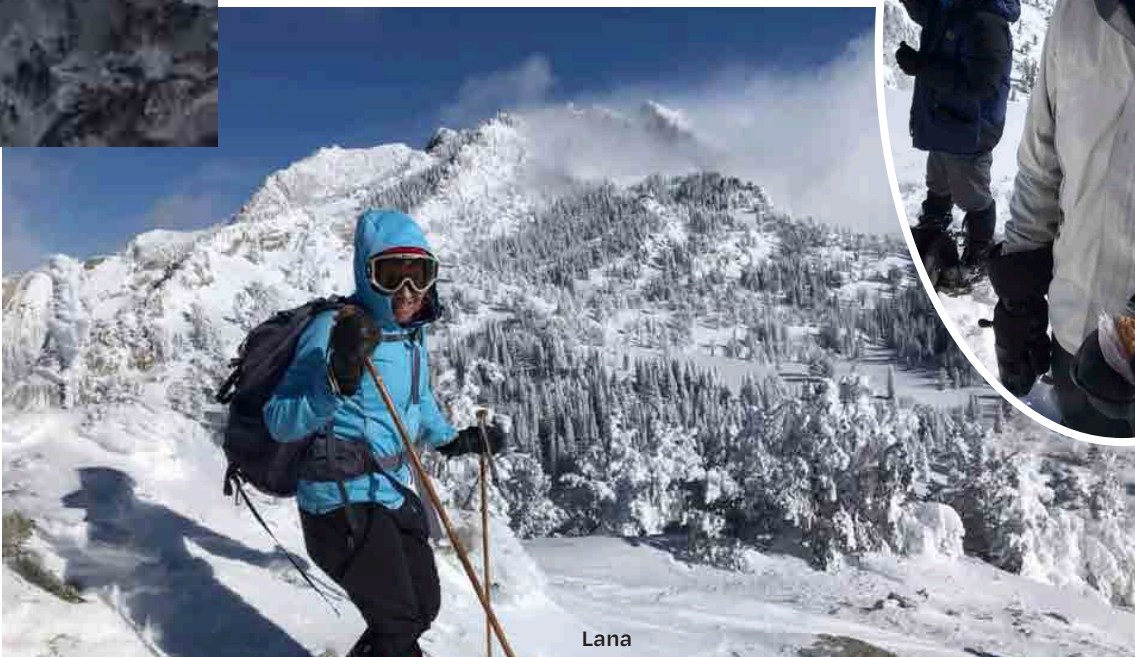
Kevin



Deirdre



Lana





# Southern Nevada Thanksgiving Car Camp November 20-28<sup>th</sup>



Organized & Report / Photos by  
Donn Seeley

I had a mandatory week off from work over Thanksgiving. Southern Nevada looked like an appealing destination, with warmer weather and lots of places to explore. I put together a WMC trip for the week. I wanted to accommodate people with other schedules, so that folks could come and go over the course of the week, and that worked surprisingly well. We had two camp sites: one at Whitney Pocket in Gold Butte National Monument (Saturday to Wednesday) and one at the Buffington Pockets near Valley of Fire State Park (Wednesday to Saturday).

Gold Butte National Monument is south of Mesquite, Nevada, between the Virgin Mountains and the Colorado River. It's famous for its scenery, its wonderful petroglyph sites and its remoteness. The scenery is a mix of Nevada-style Basin-and-Range mountains and Utah-style

red rock, with Arizona-style cholla and catclaw. We snagged a camp site on the east side of the sandstone buttes at Whitney Pocket. The site had fantastic views of sunsets and sunrises, and it came with a port-a-potty, making it unnecessary for us to scurry into shrubbery every morning.

We hit the famous rock art sites at Falling Man and Kohta Circus, and instead of just zipping through the highlights, we had fun rambling around the red-rock buttes, just enjoying the scenery. I also put a completely exploratory hike on the schedule: we drove out to the obscure southeast corner of the monument and hiked down Indian Hills Wash, which turned out to have deep, spectacular gorges (with only class-3 obstacles) and several interesting arches. We walked for hours without seeing any evidence of previous human visitation — not even tailings piles or abandoned jeep tracks.

The Buffington Pockets are in a patch of red rock country about 45 miles southwest of Mesquite. In southern Nevada, a thrust fault has pushed older gray limestone over the same sandstone that you see in Zion National Park, and the red sandstone pops out in bowls and valleys below rugged gray peaks. The Buffington Pockets are known for their petroglyphs and their terrible, rocky road; we did a loop on foot through the area and found plenty of lovely petroglyphs.

We spent Thanksgiving Day in Valley of Fire State Park. The sandstone in Valley of Fire is strikingly red, and there are plenty of petroglyphs to be found. We did a couple of short hikes plus a longer exploratory hike from Silica Dome down into Fire Canyon, the main drainage in the south end of the park. Later, we got into a bit of a traffic jam when a herd of bighorn sheep decided to cross the road. I was shocked at the number of visitors to the park,







Hidden Valley, southern Nevada

who were still rolling in when we were driving back to our camp site for dinner.

By contrast, we didn't see anyone else when we visited Hidden Valley on Friday. Hidden Valley is a bowl in the central Muddy Mountains where extensive redrock domes and fins poke up below limestone crags. We spent hours wandering around the sandstone wonderland looking for rock art and admiring the cliffs and slots, with only ravens for company. We got back to the car with a few hours of daylight left, so I decided that it would be fun to visit Arrow Canyon outside of Moapa. I had visited once before, but the gorge and the petroglyphs are so cool, I couldn't help taking yet more photos.

Many thanks to the folks who participated and made the trip so much fun: Cassie Badowsky, Bob Myers, Gretchen Siegler, Hong Duong and Deborah Askew.



Hong in the upper narrows of Indian Hills Wash







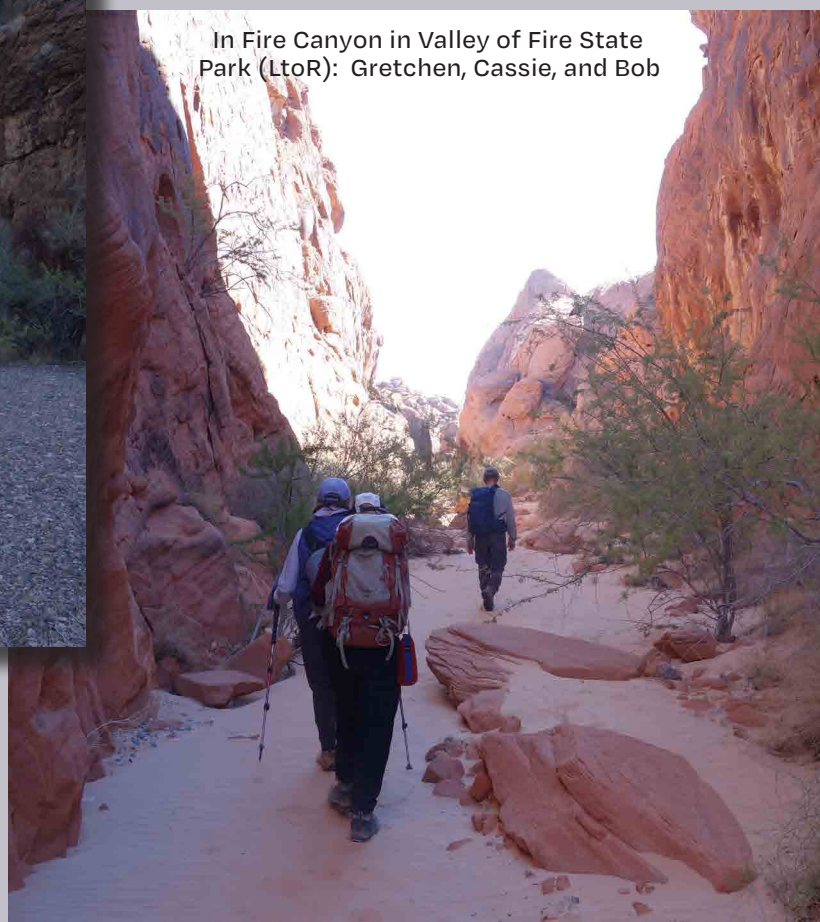
Bob on Kohta Circus Loop hike



Bob, Cassie, and Hong in the lower narrows of Indian Hills Wash



Getting ready to enter the upper narrows in Indian Hills Wash



In Fire Canyon in Valley of Fire State Park (LtoR): Gretchen, Cassie, and Bob



# Point 9105 via Nobletts in the West Uintas Hike

## December 18<sup>th</sup>

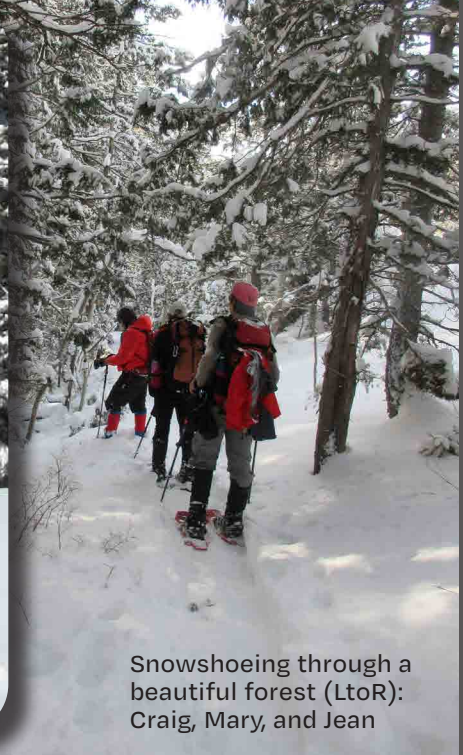


Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

It was sunny but very cold (only 3°) when we started from the Nobletts TH (7,499 ft) on UT-35 in the West Uintas. The snow on the trail was packs only for the first 50 yards. So we had to break the trail entirely. We took turns to break the trail, but were very slow because the snow was deep. The trail goes in the beautiful forest and becomes open at 8,800 ft. It took nearly 2 hours to get to the junction with Log Hollow (8,967 ft). Point 9105 was only 300 feet from the junction. But it was a very long 300 ft because the slope was very steep with deep snow. The summit has a nice flat sunny space, which was perfect for lunch. Our original plan was bagging two more bumps. But since we did not feel like breaking the snow more, we went back on the same way. We were very surprised nobody had enjoyed the wonderful snow since the last snowstorm. We also did not see anyone else on the trail. This snowshoe took 4 hours in total including breaks (distance 4.61 miles, elevation gain 1,600 ft).



At point 9105 (LtoR): Akiko, Mary, Jean, Ellen & Craig



Snowshoeing through a beautiful forest (LtoR): Craig, Mary, and Jean





# Tuesday Morning Snowshoe

Vince DeSimone has organized a Tuesday group again this year that goes places in the Park City area where snowshoes are the best means of travel. Expect friendly conversation; you will feel welcome and comfortable. For meeting location and last-minute details, join the WMC snowshoe e-mail list for automatic notices or updates for all these Tuesday trips throughout the winter.



Park City Area Snowshoe, December 28<sup>th</sup>

Happy Snowshoers (LtoR): Mohamed, Leslie, Vince, Ellen (Deirdre Flynn photo)

Organized by Vince DeSimone

Trip Report & Photo by Vince DeSimone / Deirdre Flynn

Leslie Woods, Ellen Sherk, Dierdre Flynn (photographer), Mohamed Abdalla and Vince Desimone met at the Arcylon Trail Head public parking area of Discovery Ridge to enjoy fresh powder. We climbed up the Discovery hiking only trail and crossed over to the Toll New World multi-use trail then down to the Toll Canyon hiking only trail up to a scenic overlook for a brief snack and returned down to the start of the Toll Canyon Trail by an alternate route. Total distance traveled was over five miles and 1,200 feet vertical; We again saw a moose on the hike for the second consecutive week. At the start pf the Toll Canyon Trails there was a largo sign cautioning people who go into the back country to travel with avalanche equipment and how to use it. The sign even had an alarm horn that called attention to it as a person walked by it. There were also trail cameras that took a picture and registered the number and time that users passed by and I assume anytime a moose or other animal walked by!



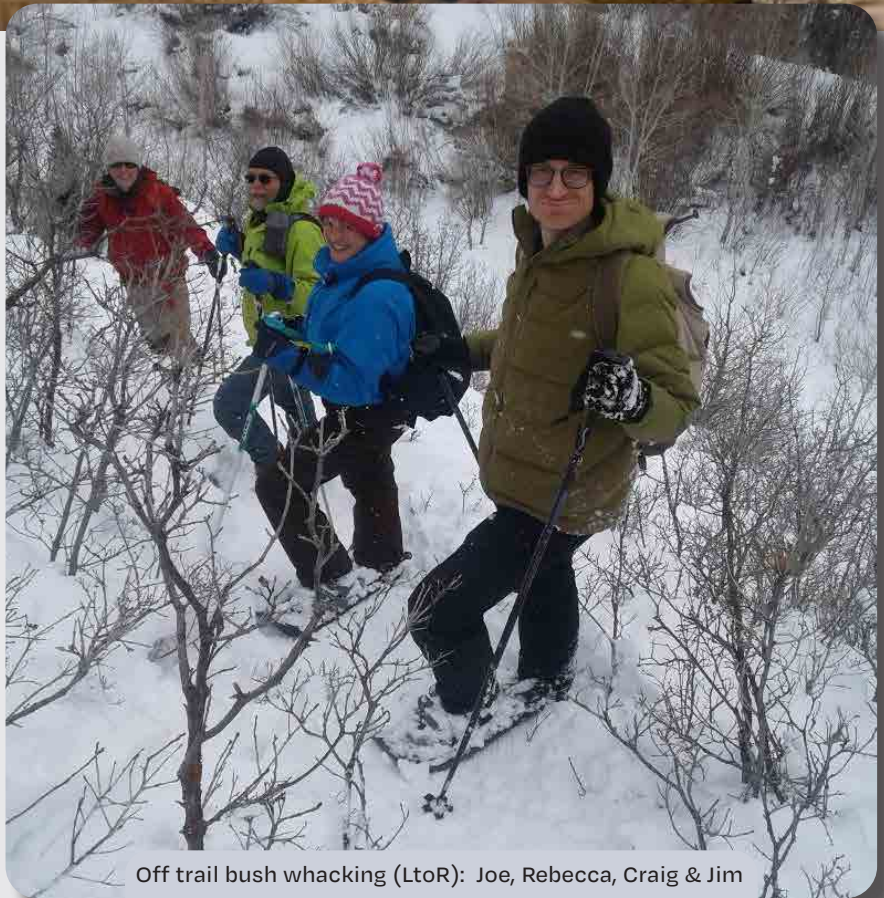
# Park City Environs

## Quarry Mountain Snowshoe, January 4<sup>th</sup>



Organized by Vince DeSimone  
Report & Photos by Vince  
DeSimone / Craig Payne

A hardy group of Rebecca Mayer, Joseph Haber, Craig Payne, Jim Kucera and Vince Desimone met across from the large white McPolin barn on Highway 224 to hike the Quarry Mountain Trail. The pace was strong and conversation friendly. We shared the mountain with a moose and her calf. There were many of moose tracks and places where they ate the leaves of the Mountain Mahogany trees along the way. This is the third Tuesday in a row we have seen moose on our snowshoe outing. Once on top of Quarry Mountain we looked east over Round Valley to the Uintas, to the southwest we could see old Park City and Deer Valley and to the west Park City Mountain Resort with Murdock Peak in the background. We then bush whacked off trail down through dense vegetation in moose tracked snow. We felt like pioneers exploring the unknown. We came down to the McCloud Creek Trail along the stream and back to our cars. While this trip was listed as NTD+, with the strong and skilled snowshoers we all agreed to do this advanced route. It was a rewarding outing. At no time were we in avalanche terrain.



Off trail bush whacking (LtoR): Joe, Rebecca, Craig & Jim

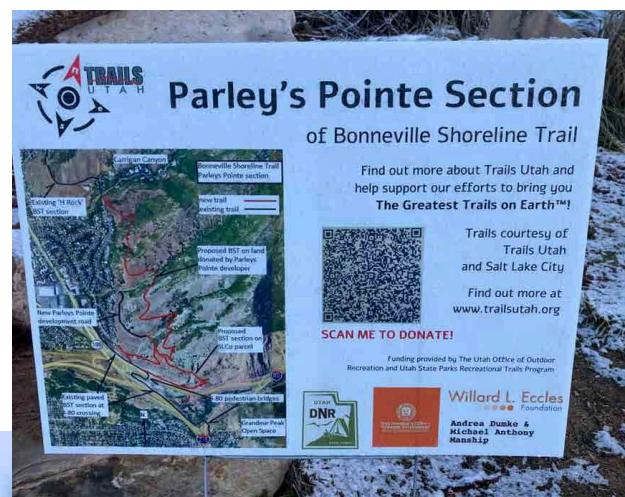


# Parley's Pointe Hike - January 8<sup>th</sup>



Organized & Trip Report / Photos by Julie Kilgore

Short notice WMC hike along the new-and-not-quite-finished Parley's Pointe trail. I do a lot of winter night hiking in this area and wanted to walk this entire route with daylight and Saturday was the perfect day. Blue skies, no inversion, and (sort of) warm. We made a popsicle loop out of it, as we evaluated all the possible starting/ending points and access options to the ridges we've been hiking for years. We came across Knick Knickerbocker who was doing the same thing but from the other direction 😊. Beautiful day, great group, and lots of ideas for future hikes!



Enjoying the hike (LtoR): Greg, Wilmer, Fabio, Audrey, Julie





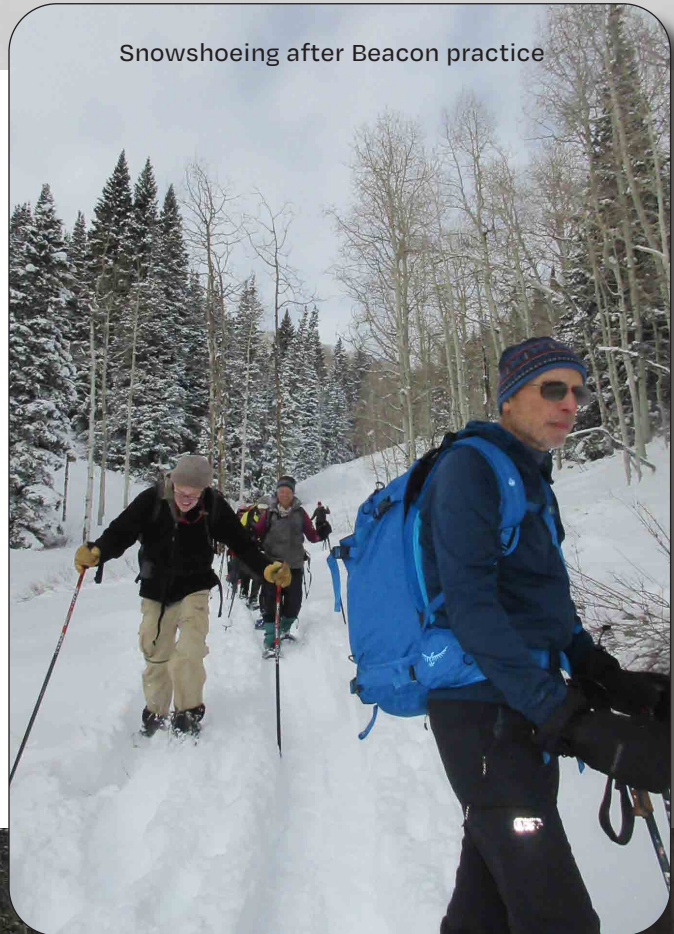
# Avalanche Safety Workshop & Snowshoe December 12<sup>th</sup>



Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

Right after the first winter storm of this season, we had fortunately enough snow to practice avalanche rescue. We snowshoed from the Spruces Campground parking lot to the beacon practice location at Dog Lake. At the parking lot, we checked avalanche safety gear, avalanche forecast, weather forecast, and avalanche transceivers. On the way to Dog Lake, we stopped frequently to discuss avalanche terrain. Before practicing beacon search, we reviewed the procedure of avalanche rescue from witnessing an avalanche to patient care. Then, we buried an extra avalanche beacon for beacon search practice. The practice situation was one victim and two rescuers. But we also discussed different situations – e.g. multiple victims and multiple searchers. After beacon practice, we took a slightly different route to go back to the TH to enjoy snowshoeing on powder snow. It was a great practice to review basic skills and knowledge about avalanche safety.

Snowshoeing after Beacon practice







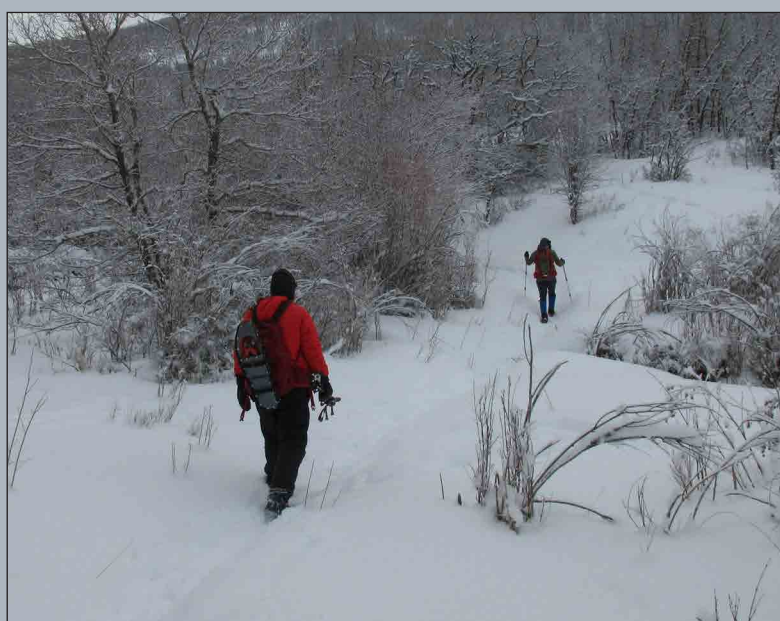
Organized and Article/Photo by Dave Andrenyak

The mid December snowstorms provided ample snow cover for this wonderful snowshoe hike in Millcreek Canyon. From the Millcreek Canyon road, we traveled on the Terraces Picnic Area road to the Bowman Fork trailhead. We continued the hike on the Bowman Fork trail to White Fir Pass. We went a little beyond White Fir Pass to a "warm" sunny spot for a snack break and a great view of Yellow Jacket Gulch. Throughout the hike, the forest scenery was great and featured snow covered trees. Just beyond the Bowman Fork trailhead, there were notable views of Grandeur Peak. The hike participants were Carolyn Charles, Leslie Woods, Michelle Finnegan, and Dave Andrenyak (organizer). Thank you participants for sharing in the excellent experience.

## Peak 7375 Hike - December 29<sup>th</sup>

Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

We originally planned to make Peak 7375 via Alexander Creek on Dec 26. But due to a snow storm, it was rescheduled to Dec 29. Right after the snowstorm, we had wonderful fresh snow. We saw a number of animals – 2 moose, about 20 elk, and 3 deer. None of them was very close to us, fortunately. It was not cold but was cloudy, except when we were at the summit – briefly sunny. We enjoyed great views from the summit. We saw two skiers near the TH, but did not see anyone else. This is a nice safe area (no avalanche terrain) where not many people come in winter. This snowshoe took 5 hours and 30 minutes in total including breaks (distance – 7.38 miles, elevation gain – 2,169 ft).





## Peak 7696 via Jeremy Ranch Hike, January 2<sup>nd</sup>



Near the peak (LtoR): Akiko, Craig, Andy, Al, Sandra and Ellen.



Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

We met at the Woods Trailhead and Dog Park in Jeremy Ranch. It was very cold morning – the temperature was only -4 degrees. But fortunately, it was sunny. We became warm 30 minutes after started. When some of us hiked in the same area on Jan 3, 2021, there was no much snow – we did not need to use snowshoes. This time, there was lots of snow – great snowshoe conditions. We took the Moose Hollow/ Switchback Trail to the west and continued to WWN to make the peak on the Great Western Trail. The trail is in a beautiful forest. Once it became open, the views were great. We took a slightly different route to go back to the winter gate and made a loop. Because we had to break deep fresh snow most of the times, it took much time for the relatively short distance (6.58 miles with 1,495 ft gain). This snowshoe took 4 hours and 50 minutes in total.



# WMC Red Cross Blood Donation

by Tony Hellman

January was National Blood Drive Month. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the Red Cross informed us the blood supply was the lowest in over 10 years. The low inventory is a result of the pandemic and lack of blood drives being held by companies in-house.

AB negative is the rarest of the eight main blood types - just 1% of our donors have it. The golden blood type or Rh null blood group contains no Rh antigens (proteins) on the red blood cell (RBC). This is the rarest blood group in the world, with less than 50 individuals having this blood group. It was first seen in Aboriginal Australians.

On December 28, the WMC, at the request of the local Red Cross, the WMC did "an extra" or emergency blood drive and 21 donors gave even though it was a crazy, stormy day. The Red Cross says "Thank you so very much" for your commitment. Earlier in 2021, the Red Cross commended the WMC as an "Outstanding Partner in 2021"

What's your blood type? If you donate, you may win 2 tickets to the Super Bowl.

These are the next blood drives: Jan 31, Feb 7, Mar 28. See calendar for more info.



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Please read carefully and completely fill out both sides of the page. Print legibly, *please*.

I am applying for membership as: \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Couple

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

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# ***Did you*** know...

Jan 1, 1922: Before the Lodge was built, the WMC often celebrated New Years at the Pinecrest Inn in Emigration Canyon.

Built in 1915, the Pinecrest Inn operated as a summer resort where Salt Lakers escaped the heat of the city, enjoying fresh trout dinners amidst cool breezes, followed by dancing to band music. When its facilities were also made available to winter adventurers, the WMC was quick to jump on board. It was quite a deal. For a mere \$50 the Inn could be had in its entirety: spacious dining and living rooms, ballroom, 116x12-foot-long veranda, and 75 guest rooms—25 of them with bathrooms, all for a mere \$50, including a large sled and four horses to pull it, and snowplow trucks to clear the road. The Inn even threw in 25 pounds of candy and a gunny sack full of peanuts.



But a large sled and 4 horses weren't enough to transport 102 club members, and some of the 1922 celebrants had quite a time getting up the canyon. On the afternoon of the 31st, two big trucks became mired in mud and slush just three miles up the canyon, so club members slogged the remaining six miles on foot to the inn, many not arriving until after 10 PM. Luckily for them, the advance team had a hot meal waiting for them, after which they set up card tables for games and began pumping the player piano. Couples danced to "Venetian Moon," "Cherie," and "All By Myself."

A later party of 25 that left Salt Lake City in a truck at 8:30 PM on New Years Eve, had even more difficulty. As the January 15, 1922, Salt Lake Tribune reported, "Hour after hour (their truck) had struggled up the mired road on low gear most of the time. In some stretches, it had stopped every few hundred feet, which was the signal for the men—and sometimes the be-trousered girls, as well—to climb out and push, while the wheels had ground round in the mud vainly to catch hold and everyone advised everyone else as to the best way of getting started again.

"In such a predicament was the party when someone had suddenly announced, 'Golly, it's midnight! New Year's day!' And up had gone a hilarious shout from the throats of muddy, cold passengers—a shout which resounded down the canyon in defiance to discomfort and delay."

Some of the party didn't reach the Inn until 3 AM. But once there, club members had a delightful time. Besides dancing and games, they enjoyed skiing, snowball fights, and toboggan rides. I suspect that the Pinecrest experience was one of the motivating factors in building the lodge.

The transportation difficulties of 1922 were long forgotten by 1923, and the Pinecrest tradition continued the following year and beyond. The Pinecrest Inn burned down in 1951, but by then the club had been celebrating New Years at the lodge for nearly two decades.

*-Deb Frank*

*Photo reference: Pinecrest Inn, Utah 1923-1924. Photo by W. H. Hopkins. WMC Photo Album Book 7 Page 114.*



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