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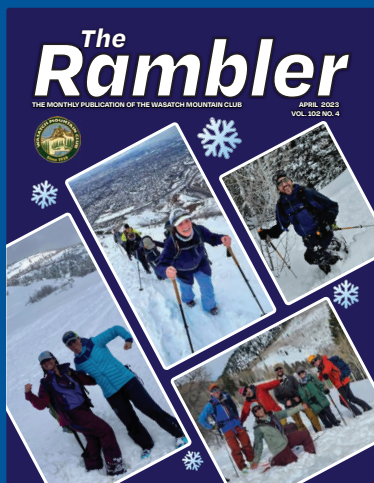
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Greg descending during Ouray Ice Climb (see trip report on page 20)

ON OUR COVER:

So many happy WMCers enjoying this amazing winter!! Thanks to all the activity organizers for making this happen!



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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Brett Burdick & Lauren Ambuhl**

Winter Sports Avalanche Safety Training

by Steve Duncan, Winter Sports Director

There are many ways to get training for winter travel in the backcountry. On a basic level, the Utah Avalanche Center (UAC) offers free Know Before You Go (KBYG) courses at various locations throughout the winter season. In addition to their daily avalanche forecasts, the UAC website has links to lots more free educational material and there are many informative videos on their YouTube channel.

Keep up your rescue skills! The Wasatch Mountain Club (WMC) offers beacon practices and there are local beacon practice parks located at Snowbird, Solitude, Canyons / Park City, Powder Mountain, and Snow Basin.

And increase your knowledge. The WMC is now offering backcountry activity organizers a new perk of up to \$100 tuition reimbursement for backcountry safety courses. The program will be effective immediately and run through the end of the 2024 ski and snowshoe season. Here's how it works:

- Complete one of the approved avalanche safety courses listed below.
- After completion of the course, organize up to four backcountry ski or snowshoe activities.
- The WMC will reimburse \$25 per winter backcountry activity organized after course completion up to \$100.
- To receive reimbursement, organizers must submit (1) A completed Reimbursement Request Form, (2) Course Completion Certificate, and (3) a list of backcountry activities organized.
- Reimbursement is limited to one avalanche safety course per member and may not be applied retroactively or to any courses not previously approved by the Winter Sports Director.

Current approved courses are:

Level 1 - from various providers ([Other classes - Utah Avalanche Center](#))

Backcountry 101 – from the UAC ([Classes & Education – utahavalanchecenter](#))

Backcountry 201 – from the UAC ([Classes & Education – utahavalanchecenter](#))

Online Course - [Mountain Sense Comprehensive Guide To Avalanche Safety](#)

Other courses pre-approved by the Winter Sports Director



Boating Co-Directors' Message

SCREENING TRIP PARTICIPANTS

You won a river permit for a multi-day wild-and-scenic rafting trip. Congratulations! Now what? One of the early decisions is whom to take with you. Are you going alone? With a small group? With a large group? With friends? Or will you include new boating mates?

Allow me to encourage the latter. Taking along boaters whom you've never met shares the love, and provides opportunity for more people to get out on the river and into the wilderness. It expands your circle of boating acquaintances, and thereby the sphere of expertise to which you have access. It benefits WMC Boating by increasing everyone's level of experience.

There are concerns involved in taking along an unknown boater. You don't want an individual who will raise the risk level of the adventure. You don't want an individual who is unpleasant company, or who shirks team effort. There are ways to mitigate such choices, primarily through screening. But first, I'd like to discuss categories of "unknown" boaters, and the roles inherent in a river trip.

BOATERS

Broadly, there are three types of individuals to invite: novice, experienced, and highly skilled. Ideally, a boating group might have some of each.

A novice is someone who rarely, if ever, gets to go white water rafting. This person will be a passenger, and will hopefully give rowing or paddling a try on calmer water. The reward of inviting this person is joy and wonder and gratitude they feel for the opportunity, and they remind us to feel the same.

The experienced person will chip in with all the work necessary for a successful trip. They know their limitations on the water, and seek to increase their capability, particularly by learning from others. Their river abilities grow with every trip they make.

The highly skilled boater has a sharp eye for reading the river and can lead a flotilla through a difficult situation, be it gnarly rapids or maybe even a rescue operation. They kindly and willingly share their knowledge to help others up their own oars(wo)manship.

ROLES

There are multiple roles to consider on a multi-day river trip. If it is a solo trip, obviously all these roles will all overlap within one individual. The larger the party grows, the more widely these roles will be distributed among trip members. For some experienced boaters, knowledge of these roles is innate and is informally handled. However, being aware of the roles can help in choosing trip members, as each person's skill set and potential contribution is considered.

Permit holder – This person is god. Without them and their permit, nobody goes. The permit holder gets final say on everything, including the style and size of the trip, and who gets to go. However, the permit holder may be a novice, and will want trusted and experienced boating friends to help make key decisions and lead the trip.

Pre-trip organizer – Makes sure all the pre-launch work gets done. This includes a myriad of tasks (see excellent & detailed WMC guides), one of which could be screening interested boaters, and deciding the final trip roster.

River guide – The primary decision maker for each day's boating experience. Knows the river and the rapids and is confident leading the flotilla through. Considers input from others in making decisions, and ensures that everyone is informed of the day's risks and the day's plan before launch.

Land manager – Keeps an eye out that things are running smoothly on land. Helps out as necessary, setting up the kitchen, finding tent spots, ensuring conversation and inclusion, dissipating stress levels or disputes. This can be a nebulous role, which may be shared instinctively among many. It



basically entails helping keep everyone team-oriented, communicating well, and of good attitude. Also, delegates communal tasks such as kitchen and groover set-up.

Meal and Kitchen Manager – With input from trip members, decides the trip menu. Organizes the pre-trip shopping and packing of food, and organizes daily cooking and cleanup en route. Delegates kitchen and cooking tasks.

SCREENING TRIP MEMBERS

Having considered the types of trip participants and the roles they might play, it is important to consider the style of the trip. Large or small? Fast or slow? Mix of rafts and IKs? Party-hardy or calm? Locally sourced gourmet or can opener and cold beans? All of this information helps you think about who you are looking for and what questions to ask when screening unknown trip applicants.

Once the trip is listed in the Rambler and advertised on the WMC boating e-mail list, inquiries will come in. Gather information: What is their boating and wilderness camping experience? Any special training, such as swift-water rescue or wilderness medicine? Any special skills, such as organizing or cooking? Can they provide group equipment or take a passenger? What can they contribute to the trip? What expectations do they have? The more you can suss out, the better you can consider how this person might fit into your river team.

Answer any questions about the trip and its style and expectations. Let everyone know that you'll get back to them as you put your team together. As stated above, the trip style and participant list is ultimately decided by the permit holder, without obligation to anyone. Their job is to put together a river trip that is as safe, is as cooperative, and is as fun for everyone as possible. Hopefully, while simultaneously including new group members

- Kate Little

White Water Beginner Trip - May 19, 2023

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, cook your meals) 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-Gray Canyon. That's the stretch of the Green River that's just North of the town of Green River. It's the last part of a Desolation river trip. We will be camping in Green River at the State park at a group site. **For information, contact Luke Johnson: huckleberry78360@gmail.com or Kay Tran: ktranvt@comcast.net.**

Level:	Class III
Miles:	8.0
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Email:	huckleberry78360@gmail.com
Date:	Fri May 19 2023 — Sun May 21 2023
Meeting Place:	Registration required



Good Hiking Practices

by Dave Andrenyak

The 2022-2023 winter has been very snowy. That is great for our drinking water supply. Hopefully, the lakes, reservoirs, and creeks will have more water compared to the many recent drier, warmer winter seasons. As I write this during early March 2023 most hiking trails are snow covered. As always, the weather will warm up, much of the snow will melt and it will be time to get into summer hiking mode. At the start of the hiking season, it is good to review guidelines for safe and responsible travel in our natural spaces. It is fundamental and necessary to be prepared for hiking and other outdoor recreation. Preparation includes having the proper clothing and equipment; being knowledgeable about the terrain, trail conditions, weather conditions, and regulations; and being physically fit. Do not leave trash along the trails or natural areas. That includes plant based items such as apple cores, banana peels, stone fruit pits, citrus peels. Yes, those items will eventually break down and get composted, but they are unsightly and often not natural in the places where we hike. Do not shortcut trail switchbacks. Going off trail to go around muddy areas can cause erosion and trail damage. This year (2023), "mud season" will be extensive and prolonged because of the very snowy winter. Be aware of and follow forest, Wilderness, culinary watershed regulations. In culinary watershed areas such as Big Cottonwood Canyon (BCC), Little Cottonwood Canyon (LCC), swimming/wading is prohibited and domesticated animals such as dogs are not



allowed. Campsites need to be a least 200 feet from lakes, streams and trails. Campfires are prohibited at Lake Blanche (BCC), Red Pine Lake (LCC) and Maybird Lakes (LCC). In the Salt Lake Ranger District Wilderness areas, the group limit is 10 people.

Good hiking practices includes the principles of leave no trace. That applies to pooping responsibly. If the need to poop on a hike occurs, make and use a hole 6-8 inches and at least 200 feet away from water sources and trails. Toilet paper should be packed out. A better practice is to use a WAG bag and pack it all out. Use of WAG bags is especially encouraged when in culinary watershed areas such as BCC and LCC.



Traveling off trail to get around a muddy spot causes erosion.

The number of visitors to our public lands continue to grow. Trails and especially trailheads are often crowded. Please park respectfully and follow parking regulations. Do not block other vehicles, access to roads, or neighborhood driveways. When out on the public lands, be respectful of other trail users.

The WMC has participated in trail maintenance activities that are coordinated by land management agencies such as the United States Forest Service (USFS), Save Our Canyons (SOC), Cottonwood Canyons Foundation (CCF), and the Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee (BSTC). This season, we hope to continue our collaborative effort with these agencies. These activities are excellent opportunities to learn more about the Wasatch area and trails in general. Please check the Rambler and the WMC activity calendar for information about these events.

The WMC continues our agreement with the Salt Lake County Parks and Recreation Department to maintain the recently rebuilt Mount Olympus trailhead. Our work there involves cleaning up trash, disposal of the trash bag near the start of the trail, and graffiti mitigation. It is heartwarming to see our efforts appreciated by many Mount Olympus trail users. If you would like to help with this important service work, please contact Ronna Cohen (ronna@ronnacohen.com).

Following good hiking guidelines will help to maintain our trails and public lands. Responsible hiking and recreating fulfills one of the essential mission of the Wasatch Mountain Club. Thank you for your attention to this information.





GOES



GOES is a recently released smartphone app supporting wilderness first aid with guidance and access to tele-medicine services. We saw the app at the Outdoor Retailer show where it won an award for new products. WMC has a 10% discount on premium services, with the code on the member discount page.

Available at www.goes.health, the GOES app:

- Provides health advice tailored to climate, altitude and activity.
- Off-line medical resources to help you self- treat an illness or injury. This is cued to the materials in Wilderness First Aid courses.
- Available access 24/7 to wilderness medicine doctors through cell phone or satellite message services.

This is a new product and is continually evolving. You may want to compare it to other wilderness first aid resources and rescue services and insurance.



Brad Yates

Maybe this is the year to make that change!

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If you have a social media outlet and want to help us promote the club or have the club's support for one of your events, JOIN US: You can add the club's Hashtags (see below) to your post (on the caption) mainly to promote the club:

#WMC #WasatchMountainClub

And these other ones related to the activity:

#wasatch
#wasatchmountains
#lifeelevated
#beutahful

#trailfriends
#sundayfunday
#utahpeakbaggers
#littlemountaingoat
#alifeoutdoors

#outthereeveryday
#isalifewelllived
#happyplace
#ihikeutah
#happytrails

#mountaintime
#peace
#love
#mountains

Do you have some hashtags you want to share with us? Please submit them in an email and we will share them with all the team members in the next edition of The Rambler.

Thanks, *Dea Nelson, WMC Social Media Coordinator*





WMC Scholarship Celebrate the Legacy by Giving



The WMC SCHOLARSHIP supports undergraduate students in the University of Utah's Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism who have an interest in community-based, muscle-powered outdoor recreation studies. Scholarship recipients are eligible for a one-year complimentary membership to the Wasatch Mountain Club, which includes a subscription to the Rambler, the monthly WMC publication.

How to support the Scholarship Fund:

- **Donate to the Scholarship / Education Endowment Fund:**
Create a lasting legacy at the University of Utah. There are limited quantities of Centennial Thank-You gifts still available if you want to contribute to the Education Endowment. Use this form to receive Thank-You gifts, or donate on-line. Those who want to make a donation to the endowment generating the scholarship should click on the "Education Endowment" link on the WMC website.
- **Advertise in the Rambler:** If you or someone you know would like to reach our 1,000+ members plus hundreds of readers, email: rambler@wasatchmountainclub.org

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Great News!

89 Jackets Available



Jacket recipients to-date are:

Sue Baker	Julie Kilgore	Paula McFarland
Steve Duncan	Jim Kucera	Christine Pilgram
Akiko Kamimura	Bret Mathews	Irene Yuen
Mac Brubaker	Tonya Karren	

Great news, there are still 89 jackets available! 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!



Trip Reports

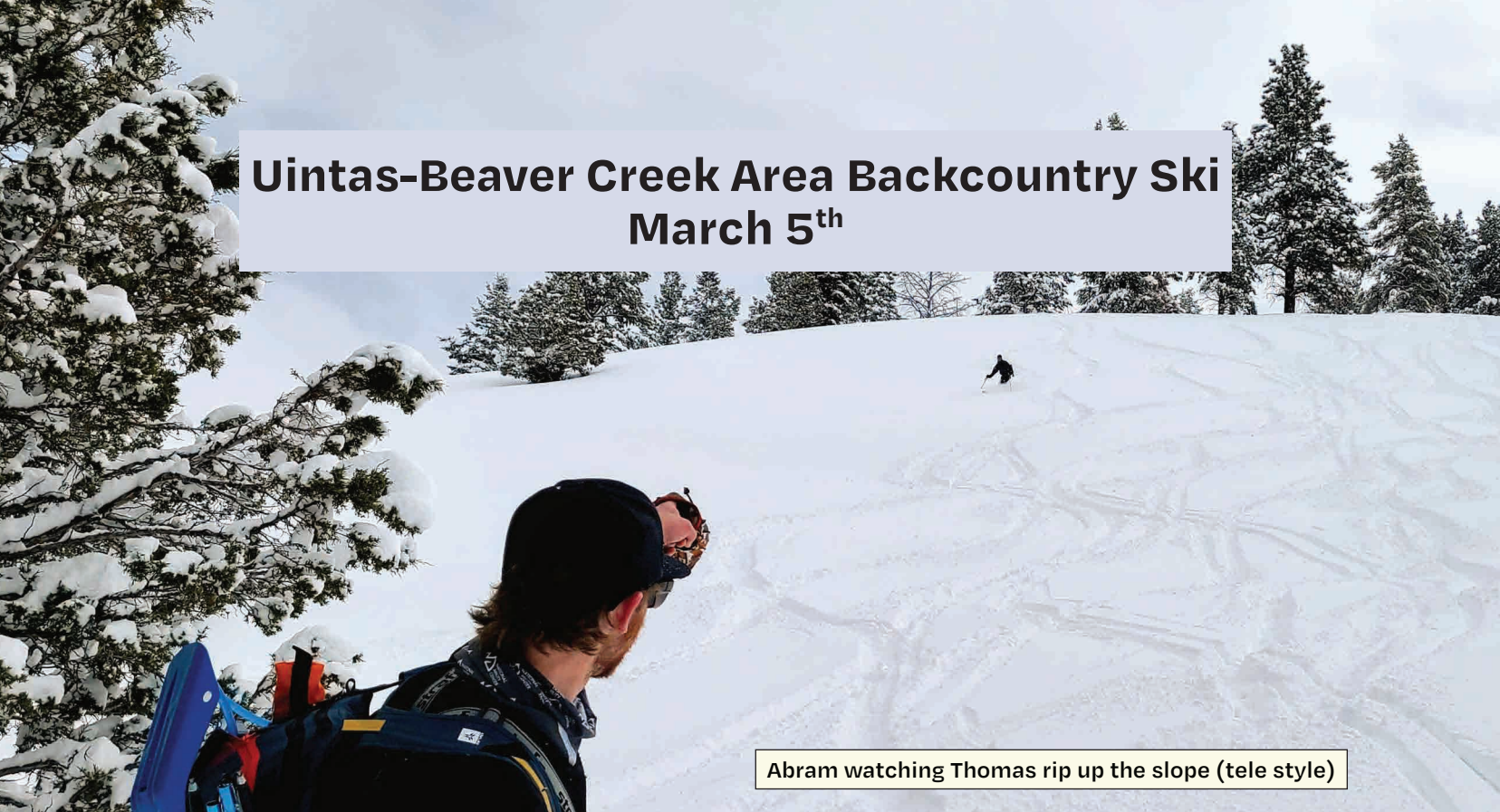
Morning Hike Elephant Rock Mueller Park, February 17th

Organized, report, and photos by Frank Bouchard

A group of seven hikers met at Mueller Park trailhead to take advantage of the well-packed snowy trail leading all the way to Elephant Rock. It's 7 miles round trip. The trail has a little bit of elevation gain in the first mile, but then flattens out with good views of the mostly-dry Great Salt Lake.



Uintas-Beaver Creek Area Backcountry Ski March 5th



Abram watching Thomas rip up the slope (tele style)

Organized, report, and photos by Kathleen Waller

Couple of laps off the Cedar Hollow knoll in light deep pow. Super yummy food and drinks at the Notch Pub. Participants were Abram, Anna, Rob, Lisa, Thomas, and Eileen. Four legged friends were Cora and Cheezit.



Rob loving the soft and deep



Abram splashing in the pow!



Fremont Island Mountain Bike, March 3rd



Organized, report, and photos by Frank Bouchard

Having been thwarted by sloppy conditions twice this year, I once again posted a 'bike to Fremont Island' trip, insisting that this was going to be the day. Kurt excitedly signed up. We met up early morning and made the drive to the Antelope Island causeway where you can usually find a land bridge crossing the lake to our goal, only to find that it was completely submerged under water. Apparently Fremont wasn't in the cards this year. But I have a feeling there will be much drier years ahead.

We were eager to hop on our bikes and explore something. So we drove down to the Garr Ranch parking lot and biked the South Island trail. This is essentially a dirt road that follows the east coast down to the southern tip of the island. It was a cold morning. The road was very bumpy with small sections of mud. In total we covered 12.5 miles. It was a decent alternative and we had a good time.



Slate Creek Ski Tour, February 11th

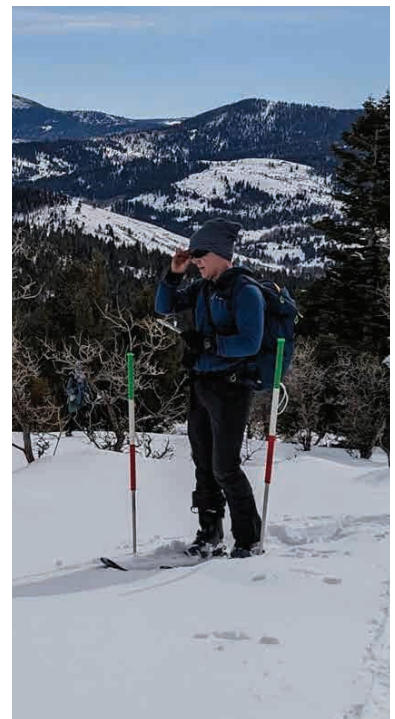


Organized & report by Kathleen Waller
Photos by Kathleen Waller & Brad Yates

WMC skied the Slate Creek area in the low/west Uintas. Participants were Lisa, Neil, Brad, Gilbert, Beth, Mark, and dog Cora. Avi conditions green on the entire route. Food and drink enjoyed at the Notch.



Group photo (LtoR) Lisa, Neil, Brad, Gilbert, Beth, Mark, and dog Cora.





San Ignacio Lagoon Camp And Whale Trip, February 14-21st

Organized, report, and photos by Julie Kilgore

WMC 2023 Trip to San Ignacio Lagoon, a very remote protected Biosphere for the California Grey whale. Truly a remarkable place. Here's just a small sample of the hundreds of photos from the trip.

We're excited that our camp host will be coming through Salt Lake City and presenting to the Wasatch Mountain Club on May 1st! We're working on another great itinerary for 2024 😊





Ouray Ice Climb, February 18-19th

Organized by Parker Winkel & Akiko Kamimura

Report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

Ouray Ice Park in Colorado is a world class ice climbing park and offers a wide variety of ice climbing and mixed ice routes with human-made ice. We enjoyed ice climbing at the park.

Feb 18 Sat: Ice climbing

We walked to Ouray Ice Park from the vacation rental where we stayed and got to the park around 8 am. There were already lots of climbers. We finally found two available routes and set up anchors for top roping in South Park. We talked with other climbers. They were from all over. We shared routes with some other groups. We mostly did WI3 – WI4 routes. The weather was very nice. When it was close to 3 pm, one climber near the top said “Water is running in the canyon!” All climbers in the canyon quickly evacuated. At the park entrance, we realized two of our ropes were missing. Parker and Jonathan went back to South Park to pick them up.

Feb 19 Sun: Ice climbing

As the water was still running in the canyon, we were unable to walk down to the canyon on the trail. We mostly did top belaying or rappelling and top rope climbing WI4 routes in New Funtier. We had snow showers briefly. But, we had good weather most of the time. Heidi went back to the downtown of Ouray early to enjoy walking in the small town.



Parker Climbing



ABOVE LEFT: Parker belaying. Heidi, David, Greg and Tom watching



ABOVE RIGHT: David rappelling



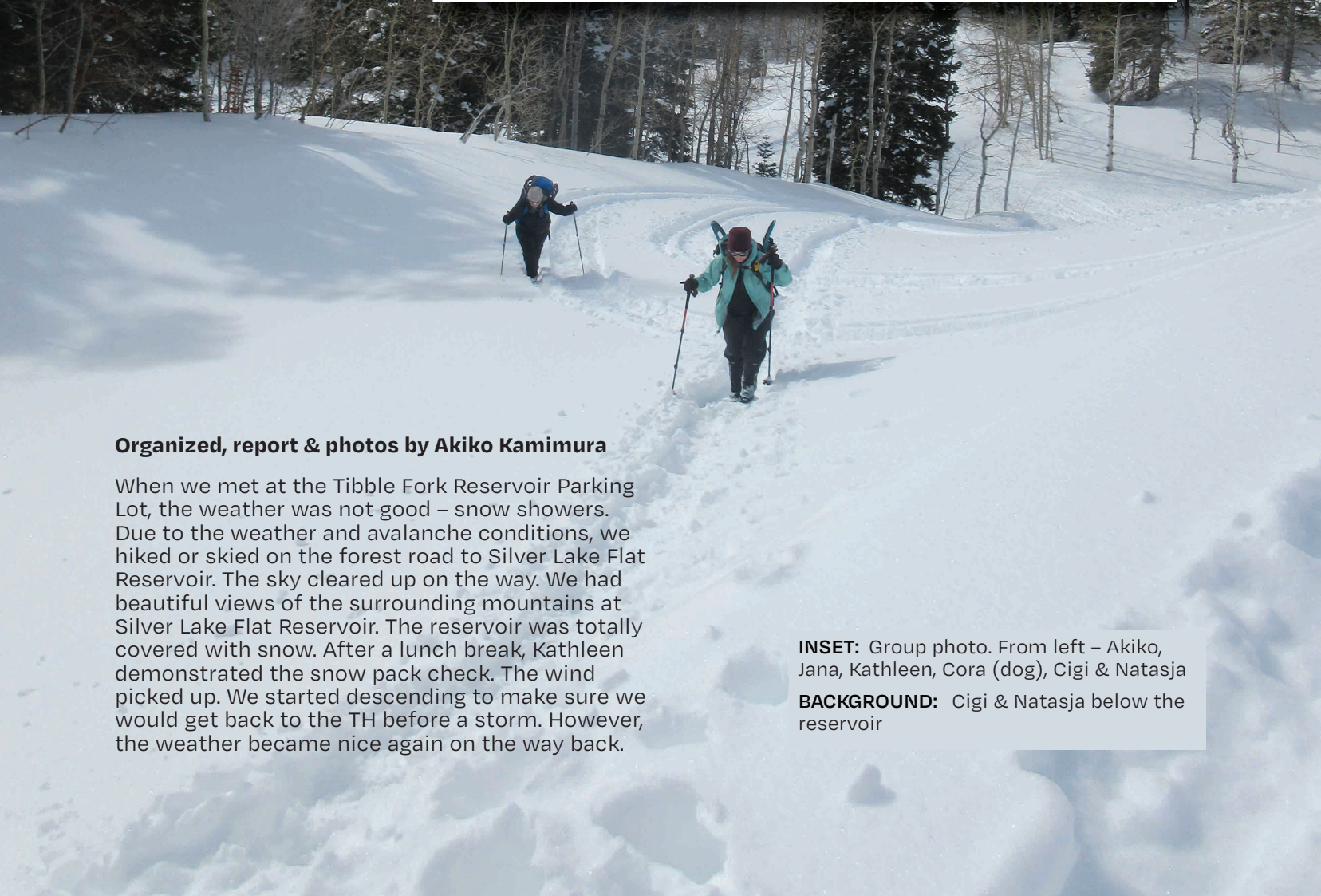
BELOW LEFT: Ty and Jonathan setting up the top belaying system



BELOW RIGHT: Heidi climbing

Silver Lake Flat Reservoir Snowshoe

February 26th



Organized, report & photos by Akiko Kamimura

When we met at the Tibble Fork Reservoir Parking Lot, the weather was not good – snow showers. Due to the weather and avalanche conditions, we hiked or skied on the forest road to Silver Lake Flat Reservoir. The sky cleared up on the way. We had beautiful views of the surrounding mountains at Silver Lake Flat Reservoir. The reservoir was totally covered with snow. After a lunch break, Kathleen demonstrated the snow pack check. The wind picked up. We started descending to make sure we would get back to the TH before a storm. However, the weather became nice again on the way back.

INSET: Group photo. From left – Akiko, Jana, Kathleen, Cora (dog), Cigi & Natasja

BACKGROUND: Cigi & Natasja below the reservoir

Steed Creek - Farmington Cliff Snowshoe, February 5th



Akiko, Andy & Matt climbing the steep slope

Organized & report by Akiko Kamimura / Photos by Kurt Hiland & Akiko Kamimura

We started from a no name trailhead in Farmington and took the Steed Creek Trail. For the first one mile on the trail, there was a nice sign at every junction and the trail had boot tracks. But, after that, we had to look for markers and break the trail. Several days after the historic huge snow storm, breaking the trail took much time. We decided that the bottom of the Farmington Cliff would be our destination. The cliff is massive and has interesting arches. We snowshoed only 4.1 miles RT (with 2948 ft elevation gain). But it took 6 hours in total including breaks. Nevertheless, it was a nice day with wonderful snow and beautiful views.



Group photo. Back from left – Andy, Ed, Matt & Kurt. Front – Akiko.

Death Valley Escape, February 4-11th

Organized by Cheryl Soshnik

Day 1 Death Valley Winter Escape 2023 begins!

Predicted good weather all week, first hike down, first happy hour under our belts, first stove crisis fixed!

Day 2 Death Valley.

The brave bikers took off towards Badwater with the wind...but they had to come back onto a fierce headwind. Better to hike today. Up Willow to the waterfall, scramble up and over into Sidewinder, then connect the dots back to the cars. Back home just in time for happy hour.

Days 3 & 4...rinse and repeat.

Hike, soak up the sun, with great friends from the Wasatch Mtn Club and the Minnesota Rovers Outing Club, pool time, group meals and campfires, Temps perfect for both hiking and sleeping...couldn't be better. Hiked the Golden-Gauer loop and Desolation Canyons the last 2 days. Tomorrow will be our last day here in paradise before heading our separate ways again...the time is flying by way too fast

Day 5 It's a wrap...all that's left to do this AM in Death Valley is the final breakfast, pack, say our final goodbyes, and then start North. Maybe check out the ever-lovely Valley of Fire?

Yesterday's hike was not long, as only one brave scrambler in our group tackled the 20 foot obstacle above Natural Bridge. But the hike to that point was fun and Scenic.

On our way back to camp, we stopped at a couple of the scenic attractions: the Devil's Golf Course and Artist's Palette. Then of course, once more back to the thermal spring fed pool to exercise my sore shoulder and catch the warm rays of the sun.

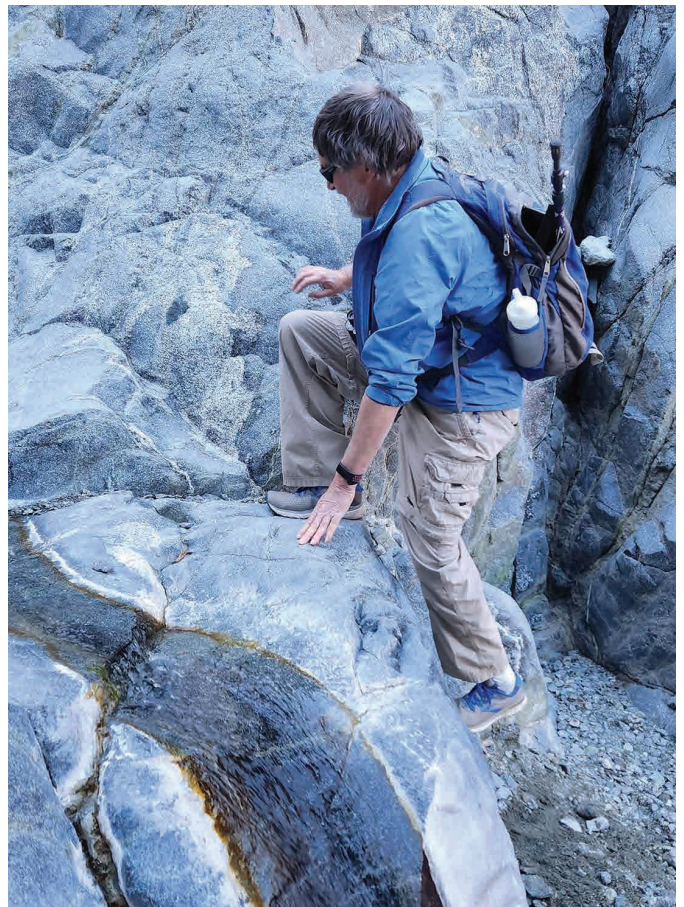
Until next year, Furnace Creek!













West Grandeur Snowshoe Hike, February 26th



Organized and report by Julie Kilgore

Why so early for the WMC Sunday Morning West Grandeur hike? My daughter was skeptical that I would be on time for the mother-of-the-bride dress fitting. Made it to the top with 10 minutes to spare! Down was even faster 😊. We had so much fun, Bob did it twice.



Thank You!

February 2023 Activity Organizers

We appreciate you for your leadership, energy, and time for organizing amazing activities for our members

Akiko Kamimura
Andrea Thatcher
Tony Hellman
Cheryl Krusko
Cheryl Soshnik
Craig Williams
Dave Andrenyak
Deanna Dibella
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Jim McClave
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Kathleen Waller
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Mac Brubaker
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Vince DeSimone
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Activity Calendar

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.

50th Annual Kings Peak Ski Tour

The 50th Annual Kings Peak Ski Tour is set for April 8, 2023. Go big, or ski awhile & then go home. Snowshoer's welcome! Check the WMC calendar for more details / registration information.



Apr 1 Sat	<p>Snowshoe/hike - Fool Creek Peak On April Fool - mod+ - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>WMC tradition to make Fool Creek Peak on April Fool! We plan to hike to Fool Creek Peak (9,712 ft), weather, conditions and situation permitting. Fool Creek Peak is located in the Fishlake National Forest and is one of the Utah prominence peaks. It's a long drive - approximately 2 hours/ one way. There is a trail all the way. But some of the parts of the trail may not be clear. The total distance is 6.7-8.7 miles RT depending on how far we can drive on the dirt road. Elevation gain - 2,900 ft. Please bring 10 Es and micro-spikes. We will need to use snowshoes, most likely. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, March 31, 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.</p>
Apr 1 Sat	<p>Hike/microspike/snowshoe Lake Blanche - mod - Out & Back - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Butler Elementary (7080 S 2700 E, Cottonwood Heights, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Flexibility in a variety of gear will be needed to check out the conditions to Lake Blanche, and maybe explore a little bit around the area. The group will meet at butler elementary, to avoid the crowds in the park n rides.</p>
Apr 2 Sun	<p>Snowshoe/ski (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. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Depending on a location, we can have skiers too. Skiers must carry avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, March 31, 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.</p>
Apr 2 Sun	<p>Relaxed Paced Hike To The Bell Canyon Waterfall - ntd+ - Slow pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Bell Canyon Preservation Trailhead (3400 Little Cottonwood Rd, Sandy, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Paige Williams 801-244-3323 paigehw3@gmail.com</p> <p>The last section of this hike gets steep, but we will take our time so everyone can get there. It's very likely that there will still be packed snow and ice, so bring microspikes! The group will start from the upper level of the new parking lot that is accessed from Wasatch Boulevard. Take your time on the way up. Go around the lower reservoir on the way back.</p>



Apr 3 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 5 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, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Carpool:</i> 5:45 pm at Pre meeting appetizers at Fiddler's Elbow (1059 E 2100 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <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.</p>
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Apr 6 Thu	<p>Evening Hike - Dragon's Tail – mod- – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Grandeur Peak (Face) Trailhead (2900 S Wasatch Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com Conditions will dictate the route and the distance, but we will be no more than 2-1/2 hours for this short but very steep hike. Dogs OK.</p>
Apr 7 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 8 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 7 Fri – Apr 8 Sat	<p>Nordic Ski Tour: Kings Peak – msd – 32.0 mi Out & Back – 4,500' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Michael Berry 801-750-1915 mcber.ut@gmail.com The 50th annual Kings Peak ski tour will be organized this year by Mike Berry and Steve Swanson. The outing will convene on Friday night (April 7th) 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. Information will be available later on the type of radios and the channel to use. An excellent gear list for this type of adventure can be found at: thegrandtraverse.org/ski/. 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 or Steve Swanson, srs swanson_581@hotmail.com (801) 272-5750. *SNOWSHOERS WELCOME*</p>
Apr 8 Sat	<p>Snowshoe (or Hike) - Peak 8366 In Farmington – mod+ – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe to Peak 8366 in Farmington via Steed Creek Trail or another route, weather, conditions and situation permitting. The route is on the ridgeline, except the first 0.2 miles. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 7, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
Apr 9 Sun	<p>Snowshoe/ski (or Hike) - Peak 9851, American Fork – msd- – 10.0 mi – 4,000' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to snowshoe to Peak 9851 or somewhere in American Fork, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. If there is sufficient snow, we can have skiers too. Skiers must carry avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 7, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>



Apr 9 Sun	<p>Bear Canyon Suspension Bridge Relaxed Pace Family/newcomer Hike – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Bear Canyon Suspension Bridge Trailhead (12625 Highland Dr, Draper, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Paige Williams 801-244-3323 Paigehw3@gmail.com</p> <p>Dust off those hiking boots from last year, or pick up a new pair! This hike is a fun way to spend a relaxing Sunday Morning, learn a new trail, or try out the WMC. Lots of geologic, history, and urban planning stories to tell on a loop hike to and around the suspension bridge.</p>
Apr 10 Mon	<p>Alpine Ski Resort - Solitude – mod+ – Out & Back – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at 6200 South Park & Ride (6520 Wasatch Boulevard, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Cheryl Krusko 801-554-7833 ckrusko@gmail.com</p> <p>Spring Fling!!! Meet at Solitude mountain resort for those that have an IKON pass. Plan is to take the early bus to meet at Solitude for a day of skiing and boarding! Intermediate to advanced skiers. No registration required just let me know if you are planning to ski.</p>
Apr 10 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 11 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 April book is Wild New World: The Epic Story of Animals and People in America. by Dan Flores. The meeting will be on April 11 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>
Apr 11 Tue	<p>Davis County Parrish Creek Evening Hike – ntd+ – Out & Back <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Parrish Canyon Trailhead. Take Centerville's 400 North as far east as you can go. <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Let's go north tonight. Depending on conditions, we go to the waterfall, maybe the rock art, or maybe up the switchbacks. There has been some Bonneville shoreline trail construction in this area, so some of this may be exploratory.</p>
Apr 12 Wed	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 14 Fri	<p>Hike- Mount Olympus Trail To Tolcats Stream Crossing – ntd+ – Out & Back <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Mount Olympus Trailhead (5425 Wasatch Blvd, Holladay, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com</p> <p>There is some outstanding scenery along the lower section of the Mount Olympus trail. A good way to partake in this experience is to plan to hike only the lower section. In that way, we are not oblivious to the beauty of the area during travel through the lower section in a quest to complete a hike to the Mount O saddle or summit. For our hike, there will be views steep cliffs, rock formations and an interesting waterfall. Perhaps there will also be some early flowers in bloom. As part of the Wasatch Mountain Club's commitment to the Adopt a Trail program, we will collect trash along the trail and haul it out. The listed distance of 3.4 miles is for round trip. The hike has some steep sections. The NTD+ rating is relative to other longer hikes and may seem harder for some hikers. If you are planning to attend, please send an email so I will look out for you.</p>
Apr 14 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 8 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 15 Sat	<p>Snowshoe Or Hike - Lone Pine Ridge In Springville – mod+ – 10.0 mi – 4,103' 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 no enough snow) to Lone Pine Ridge (8198 ft) in Springville, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring 10 Es, microspikes, and snowshoes. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 14, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
Apr 15 Sat	<p>Foothills Loop Hike – mod+ – Loop – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 8:30 am at Arcadia Heights Trailhead (where is that, you ask?), 2077 Lakeline Drive <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>The Parleys Pointe section if the BST provides nice access to several ridges Hike above Foothill Drive. We'll pick one ridge up and loop back down another.</p>



Apr 15 Sat	<p>Boat Shed Opening Work Party <i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W (4340 Commerce Dr, Murray, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Bret Mathews and Donnie Benson 801-831-5940, 801-809-1854 bretmaverick999@yahoo.com, dmbenson13@gmail.com Come help us get the boating gear ready for a new season. It's the usual stuff - get the rafts out / inflate them / look them over / roll them up; a little cleaning; and check over the rest of the gear.</p>
Apr 16 Sun	<p>Snowshoe/ski (or Hike) - Location Tba - mod+ - 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) 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. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Depending on a location, we can have skiers too. Skiers must carry avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 14, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
Apr 16 Sun	<p>North Cedars Loop Day Hike - mod+ - 6.0 mi Loop - 1,800' ascent - Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> 8:00 am at Utah Travel Council Lot (150 E 300 N, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com An off-trail hike in the north end of the Cedar Mountains, 70 miles west of SLC on the south side of the I-80. There is lots of unexpected topography and fun scrambling, and there's a great view over the lake. You can expect some steep, potentially muddy slopes plus a bit of bushwhacking in places.</p>
Apr 17 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek - ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 17 Mon	<p>Wmc Blood Drive, Red Cross 1:30 - 7:30 April 17, 2023 <i>Meet:</i> 1:30 pm at American Red Cross, Cottonwood Room (6616 S 900 E, Murray, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Anthony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com The WMC Centennial BloodDrive efforts continue the tradition of the WMC core values of contributing to the community by "Giving the gift of Life". We are at 509 pints and hope with community awareness of the need to reach 1000 pints by end of 2023.</p>
Apr 19 Wed	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek - ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 21 Fri - Apr 24 Mon	<p>Escalante State Park Car Camp - ntd+ <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Martha Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com This developed campground is an excellent base for a weekend of hiking, biking, or birdwatching in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument area. Save the date. Details to follow, but expect similar to the past two year's successful events. \$25 per person deposit to register.</p>
Apr 21 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek - ntd <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 22 Sat	<p>Snowshoe/ski (or Hike) - Location Tba - mod+ - 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) 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. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Depending on a location, we can have skiers too. Skiers must carry avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 21, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>

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



Apr 22 Sat - Apr 23 Sun	<p>Northeast San Rafael Reef Car Camp – mod+ – 7.0 mi Loop – 1550' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Donn Seeley 801-706-0815 donn@xmission.com</p> <p>We'll do a couple of hikes out of the Tidwell Draw area: the Sheep Cave / Archtower loop and the Grotto loop. These hikes run through gorgeous slickrock country, and the first hike takes us to a fantastic viewpoint over the San Rafael River gorge at Mexican Mountain. These hikes are off-trail and require class 3 scrambling, with possible wading through puddles.</p>
Apr 23 Sun	<p>Mountaineering Workshop – mod+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>This workshop will provide some very focused skill development for Mt Rainier or other mountains in the North Cascades, or other big mountains (e.g. Denali), depending on participants' interests. We will have an instructor from the U's Department of Recreation and Tourism. Approximately 8:30am-2pm. Location TBA. The list of required and preferred gear will be posted later. Participants must have basic knowledge and skills of mountaineering (e.g. how to use crampons and ice axe). Instruction donation - \$20/person. Limit 15 participants. Registration is required. Priority will be given to WMC members. Max 15. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Note (11/1/2022): The date may change depending on conditions.</p>
Apr 24 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 26 Wed	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 7:30 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 26 Wed	<p>Yellowstone Wolf And Winter Wildlife Slideshow And Social</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 pm at 7 to 9 pm. Keller Williams office (KW on top of bldg) 1265 S Fort Union Blvd - suite 300 Cottonwood Heights Ut 84047</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Tony Hellman 801-809-6133 utahhomes4us@gmail.com</p> <p>Inspired by the WMC Annapurna Circuit adventure slideshow in February, let's kick off of some more WMC adventure slideshows and socials! For this month, the WMC adventure group will share photos, stories, and stats from the Yellowstone Wolf and Winter Wildlife. Optional BYOBeverage and a snack to share. There will also be some club merch on hand for donations to the endowed scholarship.</p>
Apr 27 Thu	<p>Evening Work Out Hike - Cherry Canyon To One-hour-rock – ntd+ – 2.0 mi Out & Back – 1,300' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Bear Canyon Suspension Bridge TH (12625 Highland Dr, Draper, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 Jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>It's the perfect time of year for this short STEEP hike up the approach to Cherry Canyon, a route that is no fun in the evening once the weather starts heating up! There are different "One-Hour" rocks to choose from, depending on pace. Prompt 6 pm departure.</p>
Apr 28 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>I will be at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek approximately from 6 am to 8 am. You are welcome to join me. There aren't many people there early morning. So it should be easy to find me.</p>
Apr 29 Sat	<p>Snowshoe/ski (or Hike) - Location Tba – mod+ – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><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. Avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel) is recommended but not required. I have an extra set of avalanche safety gear - if you want to use it, please let me know. Depending on a location, we can have skiers too. Skiers must carry avalanche safety gear. If there is not enough snow, we will hike. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, April 28, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
Apr 29 Sat - Apr 30 Sun	<p>Canyoneering Training</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Dana Fisher 801-232-5851 danafr16@gmail.com</p> <p>https://www.meetup.com/wasatch-mountain-club/events/292009782/?isFirstPublish=true</p>



Apr 29 Sat	<p>Hike - Pine Hollow Peak – mod – 9.0 mi Out & Back – 1,800' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: 8:30 am at Pine Hollow TH parking lot Carpool: 8:00 am at TRAX Historic Sandy Station, south end of lot Organizer: Kurt Hiland 503-679-5053 kurthikes@msn.com From the winter gate on the Alpine Loop Road we'll take the Pine Hollow Trail up to an overlook at 8400'. If the sun's out, Mount Timpanogos will be in our lap. Partially exploratory.</p>
Apr 29 Sat – Apr 30 Sun	<p>Protect Wilderness Areas In The San Rafael Swell Meet: Registration required Organizer: Will* McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com Two years ago we crushed the various wilderness areas around Goblin Valley. This area is heavily used and I am curious how much of what we did is still in place. April 29-30 is planned as a resurvey trip to revisit the problem sites and see what they look like. We will also look for new problems. This will help guide future efforts to protect the wilderness lands in the Swell. I am looking forwards to working with you again, Will</p>
Apr 30 Sun	<p>Alpine Climbing For Mountaineering Training – msd Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We will do alpine climbing and learn, for example but not limited to, the use of ice axe and crampons, self-belay, climbing on steep snow, self-arrest with ice axe, rock/snow protection and anchors. The training location will be selected when it gets closer. But it will be somewhere in the Wasatch, most likely BCC or LCC. Bring a helmet, ice axe, crampons, belay device, locking and unlocking carabiners, and mountaineering boots that are compatible with your crampons. In addition, bring the following gear if you have: slings, cordalette, pickets, prussiks, micro/nano traxion, and tibloc. We may need additional gear (e.g. snowshoes/skis, avy gear). Participants must have basic knowledge and skills of mountaineering (e.g. how to use crampons and ice axe). Registration is required. We will have an instructor from School for International Expedition Training (nonprofit organization). \$133.33 per person. No tax. WMC members only. Limit 6. Registrants will receive more detailed info.</p>
Apr 30 Sun	<p>Mark Your Calendar For Tomorrow's Laguna San Ignacio Hike Meet: 6:00 pm at See May 1st Posting for Location Details Organizer: Sue Baker 801-201-2658 laughinglarkspur@gmail.com This is a reminder for tomorrow's event on the Laguna San Ignacio travel opportunity with Pure Baja Travels. Pure Baja Travels LLC is a family-owned business who lead whale watching trips with an emphasis on gray whales. The Baja California Peninsula is an amazing place but, San Ignacio Lagoon will conquer your heart. The Land, the people, the wildlife... but especially the friendly gray whales. Come meet them, we're waiting for you!</p>
Apr 30 Sun	<p>Hike- Draper Trails – mod- Meet: 8:30 am at Coyote Hollow Trailhead (14185 Coyote Hollow Ct, Draper, UT) Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com I am thinking to organize a loop hike that involves the Lupine trail. The final choice of trails will be determined by the conditions. Hopefully, the trails will be getting dry by the end of April. I estimate that the hike distance will be 4-6 miles. If planning to attend, please send me an email. so that I will look out for you.</p>
May 1 Mon	<p>Winter With Whales In Baja Slideshow And Social Meet: 6:00 pm at Millcreek Library meeting room (2266 E Evergreen Ave, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 Jk@wasatch-environmental.com The WMC has had some great Winter Wildlife adventures. We'll share photos and details from the February whale trip to San Ignacio Lagoon, half way down the Baja peninsula. Special guest Jose Sanchez, San Ignacio Lagoon naturalist since 1996 and our Pure Bajas camp host, will be in town and will share history, habitat, photos, and possible 2024 trip ideas! We'll have snacks, beverages, and endowment merchandise on hand. Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.</p>
May 3 Wed	<p>Wmc Board Meeting Meet: 7:00 pm at See agenda for Zoom meeting info, or WMC Office (1390 S 1100 E, Salt Lake City, UT) Carpool: 5:45 pm at Pre meeting appetizers at Fiddler's Elbow (1059 E 2100 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 president@wasatchmountainclub.org Monthly Board Meeting. Members are welcome to attend. Members wishing to bring topics to the Board's attention should email the President 7 days prior to the meeting.</p>
May 6 Sat	<p>Rock Climb Before Newcomer's Social – ntd Meet: Registration required Organizer: Mark Maier 703-408-6912 maiermw@gmail.com Meet in the morning for an easy rock climbing session before the Newcomer's social. Location and time will be compatible with attending Newcomers Social. Newcomers welcome, but you will need your own personal climbing gear (helmet, harness, shoes, belay device). WMC will have ropes and anchors. Registration required so we know how many are coming and at what experience levels. When registering please briefly describe your level of experience (are you an experienced belayer?).</p>
May 6 Sat	<p>New Member Spring Social And Multi-sport Event Meet: 10:00 am at Hidden Valley Park (11700 South Wasatch Blvd, Sandy, UT) Organizer: Debbie Olson or Nina Shah 678-458-5467 socialdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org Are you new, newish, or renewed to the WMC and want more information about how to engage? Join some current and former WMC board members, coordinators, and activity organizers to sample a WMC activity, followed by a picnic at Noon, sharing of club information and resources, and answer questions. Bring a dish to share. We'll have small bites and finger food on hand. PLEASE RSVP SO WE CAN PLAN FOOD ACCORDINGLY</p>



May 6 Sat	<p>Mountaineering - Cold Fusion Couloir (north Timp) – ext – 12.0 mi – 4,883' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to do a day climb to North Timpanogos (11,441 ft) via Cold Fusion Couloir. Expect an early start and a long day (10-12 hours). 12 miles RT with 4,883 ft gain. The slope has a steep part (40 degrees). I have done this route before. Participants must have excellent stamina and skills to travel on the steep slope with crampons, and know how to self-arrest using an ice axe and to use avalanche safety gear. Participants must bring a climbing helmet, crampons, mountaineering boots compatible with your crampons, ice axe, snowshoes, poles with a snow basket, and avalanche safety gear (beacon, probe & shovel). There may be additional required gear depending on conditions. This activity is a conjunction with the Michael and Lana's activity separately posted. My group will focus on training for upcoming mountaineering trips (e.g. Hood, Baker). If the conditions are not favorable for Cold Fusion Couloir, we will go to a nearby peak/bump such as Mahogany Mt (9,001 ft). For more details, please contact the organizer). Limit 6. WMC members only.</p>
May 9 Tue	<p>Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue, Pt 1 – ntd- <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Ledgemere Picnic Area in BCC. Park across the road to avoid paying for the parking. <i>Organizer:</i> Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com</p> <p>Part 1 of 4. A multi-part workshop on self-rescue for teams on steep to vertical terrain. Useful for rock climbing, mountaineering, ice climbing, canyoneering, etc. Helmets required. Bring any rescue gear you usually carry. Suggested \$15 donation per part to the WMC Mountaineering Rope Fund. Rock shoes not required. Part one will cover escaping the belay, after a short overview of an overall rescue plan. Most of the time will be spent practicing skills in small groups.</p>
May 12 Fri – May 15 Mon	<p>Escalante Canyons Backpack – mod+ – Loop – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> John* Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com</p> <p>Moderate paced backpack in a less visited part of the canyons - tentatively Choprock and Silver Falls canyon loop. This is the hiking fork of Choprock, not the canyoneering section. Alternatives as to exact dates or route will be considered based on signups and expressions of interest. Limit of 4 to minimize impact.</p>
May 13 Sat	<p>Multi-pitch Climbing Training For Mountaineering – mod+ <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We will have training for multi-pitch climbing, particularly for alpine climbing. The skills that we will learn are useful if you want to do alpine multi-pitch climbing on snow and/rock in the future (e.g. Mt Baker North Ridge). The training location will be selected when it gets closer. But it will be somewhere in the Wasatch, most likely BCC or LCC. Bring a helmet, harness, belay device, locking and unlocking carabiners, chalk, tether, double sling, and rock climbing/ap-proach shoes. Participants must have some experience in rock or ice climbing or mountaineering. Lots of skills will be covered - for example (but not limited to) multi-directional anchors, station management/efficient transitions, traverses, rescuing a leader, advanced rappel techniques. Registration is required. We will have an instructor from School for International Expedition Training (nonprofit organization). \$133.33 per person. No tax. WMC members only. Limit 6. Registrants will receive more detailed info.</p>
May 13 Sat – May 14 Sun	<p>Protect Wilderness Areas In The San Rafael Swell <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Will* McCarvill 801-694-6958 will@commercialchemistries.com</p> <p>Where has the winter gone? I guess it is not gone yet as I am enjoying the snow. My contact at the Price field office Jaydon Mead and I have been discussing what to do this spring. Looks like we will try again for the Lower Last Chance Wilderness May 13-14. This is the one we got washed out of last fall. We'll work the boundary Saturday and play Sunday. This is the most remote corner of the San Rafael Swell not that far from the northern part of Capitol Reef NP. /2 I am looking forwards to working with you again, Will</p>
May 16 Tue	<p>Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue, Pt 2 – ntd- <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Dogwood Picnic Area in BCC. Park outside the picnic area to avoid paying for parking. <i>Organizer:</i> Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com</p> <p>Part 2 of 4. A multi-part workshop on self-rescue for teams on steep to vertical terrain. Useful for rock climbing, mountaineering, ice climbing, canyoneering, etc. Helmets required. Bring any rescue gear you usually carry. Suggested \$15 donation per part to the WMC Mountaineering Rope Fund. Rock shoes not required. Part two will cover ascending a fixed line, after a short overview of an overall rescue plan. Most of the time will be spent practicing skills in small groups.</p>

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



May 19 Fri – May 21 Sun	<p>White Water Beginner Trip – class III – 8.0 mi <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Luke Johnson 801-755-7575 huckleberry78360@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, cook your meals) 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-Gray Canyon. That's the stretch of the Green River that's just North of the town of Green River. It's the last part of a Desolation river trip. We will be camping in Green River at the State park at a group site. For information, contact Luke Johnson: huckleberry78360@gmail.com or Kay Tran: ktranvt@comcast.net.</p>
May 21 Sun	<p>Hike - Thorpe Hills Hp & 3 Bumps (& Maybe More) Near Eagle Mt – mod+ – 8.0 mi – 2,800' ascent – Moderate pace <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to hike to Thorpe Hills HP (6190 ft) and 3 bumps - Peaks 6160, 6033 & 5813 - and maybe more near Eagle Mountain, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Please bring 10 Es. The route involves off-trail and some steep sections. Exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, May 19, for the meeting place and time. Registration is required. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
May 23 Tue	<p>Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue, Pt 3 <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Ledgemere Picnic Area in BCC. Park across from the picnic area, and we will be practicing at Beach Ball Wall, up canyon from the picnic area. <i>Organizer:</i> Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com</p> <p>Part 3 of 4. A multi-part workshop on self-rescue for teams on steep to vertical terrain. Useful for rock climbing, mountaineering, ice climbing, canyoneering, etc. Helmets required. Bring any rescue gear you usually carry. Suggested \$15 donation per part to the WMC Mountaineering Rope Fund. Rock shoes not required. Part three will cover anchors and raising systems (mechanical advantage), after a short overview of an overall rescue plan. Most of the time will be spent practicing skills in small groups.</p>
May 27 Sat – Jun 1 Thu	<p>White Water Rafting, Gates Of Lodore – class IV <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> David Rabiger 801-971-5836 derabiger@gmail.com</p> <p>White water raft trip on Green River through Gates of Lodore, Dinosaur NM, Launch Date Sunday 5-28-23, Take out Thursday 6-1-23. Plan to organize a small group trip. Contact Neal Olsen at nrolsen@comcast.net or trip organizer Dave Rabiger</p>
May 29 Mon – Jun 2 Fri	<p>Mountaineering - Mt Hood (& Optional South Sister/adams) – ext <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to make Mt Hood (11,239 ft), the highest mountain in Oregon. Additionally, some of the participants plan to bag South Sister (10,358 ft) or Mt Adams (12, 276 ft). Schedule - May 29 M (Memorial Day): Road trip; May 30 Tue: Hood Back-up #2; May 31 W: Hood Climb Day; June 1 Thu: Hood Back-up #1; June 2 F: Road trip to home/South Sister/Adams; June 3 Sat: Climb Day for South Sister/Adams; June 4 Sun: Road trip for home. Participants must: 1) have stamina to hike/climb long hours a day; 2) have previous snow mountaineering experience and necessary skills (e.g. proper use of crampons and ice axe, self-arrest, belaying, moving as a rope team); 3) be willing to buy/rent required individual gear if necessary. For more details, please contact the organizer (please include your current fitness level and mountaineering experience). Limit 8. WMC members only.</p>
May 30 Tue	<p>Rock Climb - High-angle Self Rescue, Pt 4 – ntd- <i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Dogwood Picnic Area in BCC. Park outside the picnic area. <i>Organizer:</i> Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com</p> <p>Part 4 of 4. A multi-part workshop on self-rescue for teams on steep to vertical terrain. Useful for rock climbing, mountaineering, ice climbing, canyoneering, etc. Helmets required. Bring any rescue gear you usually carry. Suggested \$15 donation per part to the WMC Mountaineering Rope Fund. Rock shoes not required. Part four will cover tandem rappels - how to rappel with an injured climber, after a short overview of an overall rescue plan. Most of the time will be spent practicing skills in small groups.</p>
Jun 2 Fri – Jun 4 Sun	<p>Mountaineering & Car Camp- South Sister, Or – msd – 12.4 mi – 5,000' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to do a day climb to South Sister (10,358 ft), the third tallest mountain in Oregon. Trip schedule: fly out/road trip on June 2 Friday, climb on June 3 Saturday, fly back/road trip on June 4 Sunday. This is non-technical mountaineering. But participants must: 1) have excellent stamina for 12.4 miles RT with 5,000 ft gain on snow in one day; 2) be willing to buy/rent/lend required individual gear if necessary; and 3) have at least basic mountaineering skills (e.g. how to use crampons, ice axe etc). Some participants will come from the Mt Hood climb. But there are slots available for those who want to do South Sister only. I reserved a campsite - \$48 for two nights for the group. The cost for each participant will depend on the number of participants. For more details, please contact the organizer (please include your current fitness level and mountaineering experience). Limit 6. WMC members only.</p>



Jun 24 Sat - Jun 25 Sun	<p>Wilderness First Aid (wfa) Training – ntd <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Mark Maier 703-408-6912 maiermw@gmail.com</p> <p>WMC and Wilderness Medicine of Utah (WMUtah) are again partnering to offer WMUtah's Wilderness First Aid (WFA) course to WMC members. The course is designed to meet the needs of groups of people traveling in wilderness areas where professional emergency medical services (EMS) are available but may be delayed by hours. The WFA course is well matched to the needs of hiking, climbing, snow sport, and other trips in the Wasatch mountains and surrounding area. After taking this course you will be familiar with some of the most common backcountry problems. You will have practiced patient evaluation skills, common treatment methods, and run through scenarios as an individual and as part of a team. The course will be two full days (a Saturday and Sunday). The cost of the course is \$225 with two levels of subsidy available. If you are a WMC member you will receive \$35 back after completing the course. If you have led 5 or more one-day WMC trip or 2 or more multi-day trips you will receive \$115 back after successful completion. Contact the organizer for registration, payment, and subsidy details. Location is planned to be the WMC lodge in Brighton.</p>
Jul 4 Tue - Jul 8 Sat	<p>Mountaineering - Mt Baker, Wa – ext <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We will attempt Mt Baker (10,781 ft) in Washington State. Due to the washout on the road to the TH, we will do a 3-day climb. The schedule (July 4-8) includes a road trip and a 3-day climb. Add one extra day before and after the schedule if you do a two-day drive. The group will divide into teams to ascend Mt Baker by the Coleman-Deming route (grade II), or North Ridge (grade III), depending on group capabilities and interests. Only those who are capable of ascending the Coleman-Deming route as part of an independent rope team can attend (ice axe and crampon use, roped travel on a glacier mandatory). A professional instructor(s), who already has a permit for Mt Baker and is not affiliated with the club, will be there for the North Ridge climb. But this entire trip is operated as a group of club members (friends) who want to enjoy together. All members should have gear suitable for a multi-day glacier climb (own or rent) and plan to bring their own food (or work out sharing arrangements with other members). If interested, please contact the organizer with a description of your fitness level and your climbing resume and to receive more detailed information. WMC members only.</p>
Jul 6 Thu - Jul 10 Mon	<p>Flat Water-browns Park – flat water – 32.0 mi – 60' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com</p> <p>I am planning to do the Green River through Browns Park from Indian Crossing camp to Lodore camp. We will be staying at car camps along the river, so there will be outhouses at each camp. There will be three days on the river, plus one day at each end for travel. If there is any interest, we may put in at Little Hole farther upstream, in which case we will have to run Red Creek rapid (II), and the trip will be one day longer.</p>
Jul 25 Tue - Jul 28 Fri	<p>Hike - Co 14ers & Car Camp In The Sawatch Range – msd <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <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 25 Tue Road Trip. July 26 W Shavano (14,230 ft) & Tabeguache (14,158 ft) (11 miles 5600 ft gain, class 2). July 27 Thu La Plata (14,344 ft, 9.25 miles, 4500 ft, class 2). July 28 F Road trip. We may hike to different peaks depending on weather and conditions. Due to a high possibility of afternoon thunderstorms in CO, we will start a hike very early. The hikes will be exploratory. We will stay at a developed campsite. Approximately \$38/person for three nights. If we have more than 2 vehicles, there will be an additional parking fee - \$5/vehicle per day. Limit 8. WMC members only. For more details, please contact the organizer.</p>
Jul 28 Fri - Jul 30 Sun	<p>Hike - Mt Of The Holy Cross (14,007 Ft) & Car Camp In Co – msd – 12.0 mi – 5,600' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to summit Mt of the Holy Cross (14,007 ft) in Colorado (class 2). The planned schedule is: July 28 F Road trip; July 29 Sat hike; and July 30 Sun Road trip. Due to a high possibility of afternoon thunderstorms in CO, we will start a hike very early. The plan may change depending on weather and conditions. This hike will be exploratory. We will stay at a developed campground. If there are 8 participants, the cost of camping is approximately \$10/person for two nights, depending on the total number of participants. Limit 10. WMC members only. For more details, please contact the organizer.</p>
Aug 12 Sat - Aug 13 Sun	<p>Mountaineering: Teewinot - Grand Teton National Park – 6.0 mi – 6,000' ascent <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>PENDING Reservations at Climbers Ranch: Plan is to stay one or two nights at the climbers ranch. Plan is to ascend and descent Teewinot in one day. Participants will bring alpine ax and crampons which may or may not be necessary. Participants will wear a helmet to protect from risks including rock fall. Participants will bring a harness in case of difficult terrain or need for quick descent. Organizer will bring rope and small trad rack. Please RSVP via email if you are interested. If I have not climbed with you, please tell me about your alpine climbing experience. More details will be added to this post after ranch reservations open.</p>



Aug 18 Fri – Aug 28 Mon	<p>Yellowstone Car Camp – ntd+</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Michael* Budig 801-403-7677 mlbudig@gmail.com</p> <p>There has been a change in the reservation system for car camping in Yellowstone. Reservations previously were all made through Reserve America. Recently this was changed for Yellowstone's larger campgrounds (Grant Village, Madison, Norris, Bridge Bay and Canyon). Now reservations for these campgrounds must be made through Xanterra. The good news is that reservations can now be made for more than one year in advance (and hardly anyone is aware of this yet, so you can pretty much reserve what you want for next summer now). Reservations require a deposit of something like 25%, but this is refundable, as I understand it, if the reservation is canceled prior to something like a month before the date of the scheduled camp. So, for 2023, I went ahead and reserved campsites at Grant Village for August 18-21, Canyon Village for Aug 21- 25 and Madison for Aug 25-28. I had to put down about 25%, I think, but it is refundable if canceled up till July or so of next year. So, I reserved a site for myself and encourage anyone interested in joining us to reserve their own site through the Xanterra website. We will meet sometime in July to discuss different hike options. Let me know if you are interested in joining- but you will need to reserve your own campsite. When I made my reservations, my campsite numbers were not revealed. If you have questions, please email or text me.</p>
Sep 8 Fri – Sep 10 Sun	<p>Hike & Car Camp - Borah Peak, Id – ext – 7.0 mi – 5,200' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to hike to Borah Peak (12,662 ft), which is the highest mountain in Idaho, weather, conditions and situation permitting. We will take the most popular route, the Chicken-Out Ridge route. All participants must have experience in class 3 scrambling (e.g. Sundial, Devil's Castle). Participants must be able to do class 3 scrambling without significant assistance from other hikers at moderate pace (not slow pace). Depending on pace and conditions, the hike may take 8-12 hours. That said, participants must have excellent stamina. Please bring 10 Es. Helmets required. Without snow, the route does not require climbing gear. Exploratory. 4.5 hour drive from SLC to the TH. We plan to camp out Friday and Saturday nights. But some participants may want to camp one of the nights, or do a day trip. Registration is required. Participants not known to the organizer will need to provide evidence of having relevant experience. Please email before Thursday, 6 pm, September 7, for the meeting place and time. Registration priority will be given to WMC members. Registrants will receive more detailed info. Limit 8.</p>
Sep 26 Tue – Oct 5 Thu	<p>Flat Water-green River Thru Uinta Basin – flat water – 103.0 mi – 165' ascent</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com</p> <p>I did the GRUB a few years ago, and decided to do it again. Eight days on the river (plus one day on each end for travel); camping on sand bars, watching migratory birds fly overhead, occasional elk herds crossing the river, and cottonwoods changing color. The river goes through open country until the last two days when it enters Desolation Canyon.</p>
Dec 27 Wed – Jan 4 Thu	<p>Mountaineering - Pico De Orizaba & Iztaccihuatl, Mexico – ext</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> Registration required</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>Pico De Orizaba, Mexico (18,491 ft) is the third highest peak in North America. We will also climb Iztaccihuatl (17,159 ft), the third highest peak in Mexico. Due to the complexity of the trip logistics, we will have a local company that will help us the trip logistics and route finding. Participants must 1) have excellent physical condition with previous mountaineering experience (rope travel, glacier travel, the use of crampons, and ice axe arrest); 2) have no history of altitude sickness at 14k peaks (We will do a short acclimatization hike before Orizaba); and 3) be willing to buy/rent required individual gear if necessary. The estimated cost for the local company is \$1,300 that includes meals, lodging, local transportation, and guide services (does not include tax, tips, some fees). The additional cost will be for international flights, travel insurance, hotel in Mexico City (one night), etc. If interested, please contact the organizer with a description of your fitness level and your climbing resume and to receive more detailed information. WMC members only.</p>

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



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Activity **'How to'** Guide

How to Sign-up for an Activity

Step 1

Visit our Website

wasatchmountainclub.org
Click on 'Calendar' Button
to view all the activities

Step 2

Select an Activity

Click on the activity you
want to do and review
description and registration
requirements

Step 3

Register for the Activity

If registration is required,
email the organizer. Show
up and have a great time!

Note: Non-members are welcome to sign-up for activity to experience the WMC

How to Sign-up for Email Activity Alerts

Step 1

Visit our Website / Log-on

wasatchmountainclub.org
Log on to the website and
click on the 'Members'
button

Step 2

Select Email List

Click on 'Email List
Subscribe / Unsubscribe
Button

Step 3

Select your Activities

Check / select the
activities you wish to
receive email alerts of
new activities. Click on
'Update Subscriptions'
button to record your email
preferences

How to Organize an Activity

Step 1

Visit our Website
wasatchmountainclub.org

Log on to the website
and click on the
'Members' button

Step 2

Complete the Activity

Description
Click on the
'Volunteer to Organize
an Activity' button
and fill-out the
activity description
/ details. Submit for
approval

Step 3

Activity Approval

After you submit the
activity, it can take
2-3 days for approval
and addition to the
calendar. You will
receive an email
confirming activity is
approved. You are
ready to go!

Step 4

Sign-up Sheet

Download the sign-
up sheet from the
website. Have all
participants sign
in. After the activity,
upload the activity
to the website (3
easy steps via
cellphone)





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Adventure

- 700+ Activities per year
- Activities include: hiking, backpacking, skiing, snowshoeing, canyoneering, biking, boating, mountaineering, etc...
- Easy to Advanced levels / Local to International activities



Conservation

- Trail Maintenance (USFS, San Rafael Swell, etc)
- Financial support for many community conservation projects
- Mt. Olympus trail adoption



Education

- Subsidized Activity Organizer training
- Free member training classes offered throughout the year (i.e. Intro to Backpacking, Canyoneering, etc..)



WMC Lodge

- Helping to protect the Lodge which is on the National Register of Historical places.
- Financial support
- Recognized for continued support (Preservation Utah Award)

Try Us Out / Become a Member

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

- THE RAMBLER, WMC's monthly publication has articles and scheduled activities.
- NOTIFICATIONS: Opt-in to receive email alerts.
- EXCLUSIVE EVENTS, TRIPS, and DISCOUNTS on rentals, retail offerings, and trainings.

- HISTORIC LODGE EVENTS at the Wasatch Mountain Club Lodge in Brighton. 5% of dues supports the WMC Lodge.
- 10% of MEMBER DUES support local conservation and trail maintenance.

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Email: Info@WasatchMountainClub.org



Volunteer Raffle (2022-23)

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 organizer at least two activities or one multi-day activity.

This year, the banquet will include a raffle. Everyone who qualifies for an invitation to the Banquet will get a raffle ticket. Throughout the year, we'll collect a variety of fun and interesting prizes.

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



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WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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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

Name: Applicant 1: _____ Birthdate*: _____

Name: Applicant 2: _____ Birthdate*: _____

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Applicant 1: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

Applicant 2: Main phone: _____ Email address: _____

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

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

Membership dues:

- \$40.00 for single membership (Annual dues \$35.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
 - \$55.00 for couple membership (Annual dues \$50.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
 - \$25.00 for student membership (Annual dues \$20.00 plus \$5.00 paper application fee)
- Student members must be full-time student.

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

How did you learn about the Wasatch Mountain Club: _____

* Your birth date is only used to verify you are at least 18 years old and membership age statistics.



WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC)

Applicant Agreement, Acknowledgement of Risk and Release from Liability

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature 1 _____ Date: _____

Signature 2 _____ Date: _____

Mail completed application to:

Membership Director
Wasatch Mountain Club
1390 South 1100 East #103
Salt Lake City, UT 84105-2462

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50 Years Ago in The Rambler

Transcribed by Donn Seeley

club activities for april 1973 [...]

April 15 **GOURMET TOUR - Beginner.** The last outing of the touring season will be the annual
Sunday gourmet tour. It is a leisurely outing to be enjoyed by lovers of sun and good food. Bring
along lots of your favorite epicurean delight to share with the group. The tour will be on
easy terrain (Catherine Pass or White Pine). Departure is planned for 10 a.m. from the
mouth of Little Cottonwood. Leader: of course it's Gale and Ann Dick [...]

April 21 **TANNER'S GULCH SNOW CLIMB -** Tanner's Gulch is a notorious avalanche zone,
Saturday so if conditions are not just right, it will be canceled and done later in the year. You must
register with Paul Horton [...] by Friday April 20th. Descent will be via Broad's Fork. The
usual skills and equipment are required (see article). Time: 5:30 a.m. Place: the mouth of
Little Cottonwood Canyon.

1973 river running by Bob Everson, Boating Director

[...] The rafts used by the WMC are 14 foot neoprene inflatable crafts designed after the World War II 10-man Marauder landing crafts. The WMC rafts are manned-womaned usually by 5 people - one captain and four crew. Power is provided by paddles for each crew, and the captain steers the raft by means of the paddle used as a rudder. This arrangement may not be as sophisticated and purist as a frame-oarlock arrangement, but it allows each member to be a functional part of the river run, rather than an onlooker, and to gain experience in reading the river and maneuvering the raft.

From a very small nucleus of kayakers a few years ago the numbers have grown considerably. This interest may be attributed to a search for greater independence and the development of skills associated with that sport. Because of their narrow, more streamlined construction, the kayak and canoe offer more maneuverability at the expense of less stability. The smaller structure and lower profile also emphasize the intricacies of the complex river movements, but these also become amplified in big water. The method of control of the kayak is essentially the paddle, however in this case it is a double paddle connected by a single shaft. This along with proper body movement account for balance, stability and direction.

A distinction should be made between the kayak and the closed canoe (and woe be unto he who calls a canoer's canoe a kayak). The canoe is generally broader and flatter than the kayak. The canoer's paddle has only a single blade with a grip perpendicular to the shaft on the other end. Whereas the kayaker sits flat with outstretched legs, the canoer kneels - supported by a short seat and foot and knee braces - thereby causing him to sit higher above the deck.

In days of old - like two years ago - one could simply pick a river and set forth upon the water. However, those days may be gone forever. Due to the tremendous growth of interest in river running a permit is required for a good portion of the rivers listed above. In most cases this consists of a designated campsite permit. Under the existing conditions of overpopulation on the rivers this plan is possibly the best that can be done to regulate overcrowding and still protect the wilderness that gives river running much of its appeal. [...]



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