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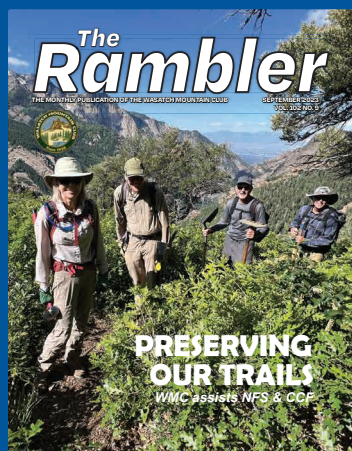


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Boating Co-director's Message

Gosh I write to you after our Split Mountain Daily weekend trip. I had so many last minute requests and such a fun permit. We had at least 5 on the waiting list. It was with regret that I had to turn people away. There were some logistics to work out with campsites, shuttle transports, and boat assignments. We had a good mix of newcomers and many years of skill and experience. It made for a fun club trip where we were able to share the joy and beauty through new eyes.

For those who were wait listed. May I suggest that you keep an eye on the calendar well in advance of the trip date. There is usually an organizational meeting two weeks in advance and that is when boat assignments and shuttle arrangements are made.

There are many river trips that do not require permits and the WMC boating website has an extensive resource list for getting a trip organized. If you can't get on an existing river trip, propose an idea and we will help you post. There is a depth of talent in this club to help you.

Thank you for your interest and suggestions!

Best, Kay and Luke (boating Co-Directors)



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outdoor activity for the WMC!**

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Trail Planning News

by Will McCarvill

Tired of repeating the same old trails and needing some new venues? Over the next months an incredible menu of non-motorized trails will be covered as trails spread far from the central Wasatch.

Starting close to home, the Snyderville Basin Special Recreation District (basinrecreation.org) near Summit park and Kimbal Junction at the north end of the Wasatch Range manages 2,300 acres of open space and maintains 170 miles of non-motorized trails. This also includes many other recreation options such as bike parks, dog parks, groomed cross country trails and much more. It was established in 1986. The website Trails and Open Space link will take you to interactive trail maps.

Just to the south the Mountain Trails Foundation (mountaintrails.org), established in 1992 is dedicated to building, maintaining and protecting trails for non-motorized recreation in the Park City area. Over 400 miles of trail are now available. Interactive trail maps can be found on the website as well as more helpful information. You can also join the foundation and donate.

Rounding out Summit County is the South Summit Trails Foundation (southsummittrails.org) is another non-profit dedication to non-motorized trails. It advocates for non-motorized recreation land use. It plans and builds sustainable trails for runners, hikers, bikers, horses, skiers, and more. Many trails maps of areas in eastern and southern Summit County are found on its website. You can also join the foundation and donate.

So spread your wings and enjoy the wide world of trails.

Hey WMC Members!

If you see something on the trail that you need to report - we have an email address for that!

The WMC has a very successful partnership with the Forest Service and they appreciate our feedback with what is happening on the trails. As you continue to get outside, please email **[trailreport@](mailto:trailreport@wasatchmountainclub.org)**

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with the following items you may notice along your travels in the Wasatch.

- Down trees or debris obstructing the trail
- Water pooling and spots on trails that do not disappear over time
- Awful slumping where the side hill is falling
- Overgrown and brushy trails
- Illegal homes or structures being built (do not approach people living in them)
- Excessive trash or personal items
- Graffiti
- Excessive social trails being created
- Illegal campfires (camps and campfire rings are supposed to be 1/2 mile from a road, 200 feet from a trail, and 200 feet from water)

Simply send us an email at

trailreport@wasatchmountainclub.org

and include the trail, an approximation of the location along the trail, the issue you encountered, and pictures if possible. We compile these reports and relay this information to our direct contact at the Forest Service.

Thank you for all the things you do to keep the Wasatch beautiful!

-Daisy DeMarco



Hiking Etiquette



Hiking is one of the best ways to spend time in the great outdoors. With more than 400 national parks across the country, the opportunities to get out and take a hike are nearly endless. Whether you're hiking alone or in a group, be sure to follow the written and unwritten rules of the trail. Proper hiking etiquette helps instill respect for other trail users, and it promotes stewardship of the land.

The best thing you can do when hiking is to remember the "golden rule": treat others the way you would want to be treated.

Here are some main points of hiking etiquette:

- Know your right of way. Check signage for the trail you are hiking, and follow the correct right of way yields. Signs may vary from park to park, but these are the general guidelines of yielding on the trail
- Hikers coming uphill have the right of way. If you're descending the trail, step aside and give space to the people climbing up.
- Bicyclists yield to hikers and horses or other pack stock. Come to a full stop and step to the side to give the right of way. Be mindful of the plants or animals that are near the trail if you must step off the trail. Bicyclists should always ride within their abilities. Before your visit, check individual park regulations to see if biking is allowed.
- Hikers yield to horses and other pack stock. Slowly and calmly step off to the downhill side of a trail. If you approach from behind, calmly announce your presence and intentions. Horses and other pack stock can frighten easily, so avoid sudden movements or loud noises.
- Make yourself known. When you encounter other hikers and trail users, offer a friendly "hello" or a simple head nod. This helps create a friendly atmosphere on the trail. If you approach another trail user from behind, announce yourself in a friendly, calm tone and let him/her know you want to pass.
- Stay on the trail. Don't step off trail unless you absolutely must when yielding. Going off trail can damage or kill certain plant or animal species, and can hurt the ecosystems that surround the trail. Always practice Leave No Trace principles: Leave rocks, vegetation, and artifacts where you find them for others to enjoy.
- Do not disturb wildlife. They need their space, and you need yours, too. Keep your distance from the wildlife you encounter. Some parks require you to stay a certain distance from wildlife, so check park regulations before your visit. Never leave the trail to try and get a closer look at an animal because it can hurt the habitat and the animal and put you in danger. For more information about safely viewing wildlife, check out our 7 ways to safely watch wildlife.
- Be mindful of trail conditions. If a trail is too wet and muddy, turn back and save the hike for another day. Using a muddy trail can be dangerous, damage the trail's condition, and damage the ecosystems that surround the trail.
- Take time to listen. When hiking in the great outdoors, let nature do all the talking. Be respectful of both nature and the other users, and keep the noise from electronic devices at bay. Not only will other visitors appreciate the peace and quiet, but so will the wildlife. Many wildlife species rely on natural sounds for communication purposes, and disrupting those sounds can hurt their chances of survival.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Always be aware of your surroundings when hiking in our national parks. It will help keep you and any members of your group safe, and it will help keep wildlife and their habitats safe and healthy. Know the rules for hiking in bear country, and know what to do if you encounter a bear on the trail.



These are some hiking etiquette guidelines that will help you have a safe, fun, and relaxing trip next time you go hiking in a national park. When in doubt about something just remember the "golden rule" — treat other trail users how you want to be treated, and respect the wildlife and lands of our great national parks.

Editor's note: article reprinted from NPS website - <https://www.nps.gov/articles/hikingetiquette.htm>





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.
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Trip Reports

Flat Water - Learn To Play Aqua Cross On A Standup Paddle Board Or Kayak - July 19th



Group photo - Let the game begin!

Organized, report, and photos by Deanna Dibella

The game of Aqua Cross was created by a group of friends one day during COVID while floating on stand up paddle boards (SUPS) in a nearby reservoir. SUPS or kayaks can be used for this game. Each player has a lacrosse type attachment which they insert into the end of their paddle or just hold. There is a soft ball and floating goal. We divide into 2 teams and compete to get the ball into the goal. Competing to grab the floating ball with one's net is like playing Hungry Hungry Hippo in real life. Tossing and catching the ball are exercises in humor and balance.

10 of us joined up this July to play at East Canyon in the late afternoon. After goofing around playing aquacross, we paddled up East Canyon creek from the reservoir until we came to current. We could go unusually far as this was a record breaking snow year. We then retired to one of the pavillions and shared picnic food and drinks for a pleasant dinner outside.



The thrill of victory!



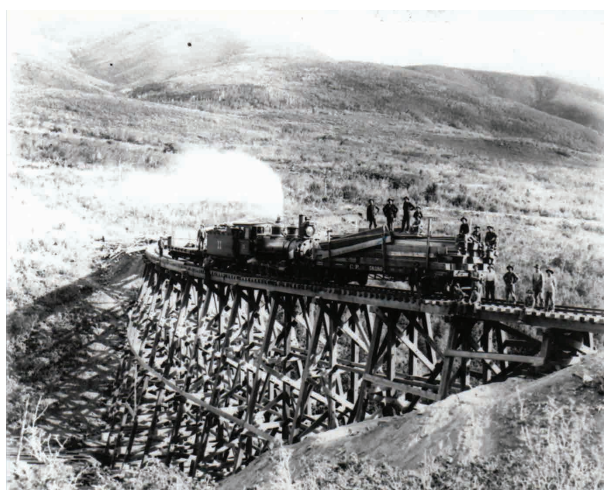
Faint Trail Revisted Hike, June 25th

Organized, report, and photos by Knick Knickerbocker

Today - after a long time not doing any - I organized my one-way hike for the Wasatch Mountain Club - Faint Trail from Parley's Rail Trail to East Canyon. Starting On Parley's canyon side a group of 8 of us took this historical hike that my friend Charles Keller researched years ago and lead for the club. Some photos here are of one of the old trestle that he used in his historic stories of this rail trail. The trestles along this route are now all covered up with dirt. The trains ran from late 1889 to about 1943 before being abandoned and rail pulled up. I stopped along the way to provide some of the history of the rail trail then along the "old" Sheep Trail. Mark Jones also helped provide some details along the way. Club members along today were Mark Jones, Leslie Woods, Gretchen Siegler, Steve Duncan, Cindy Wolfe, Frank Bouchard, Lisa Lewis, and me.

ABOVE: The original trestle built 1889 (yes, 1889) - provided by Charles Keller. It is now covered in "a lot of dirt"

BELOW: Our route today followed the blue line, but we went from "E" to "A"



Left to right Gretchen, Cindy, Mark, Lisa, Leslie Woods, Frank & Steve Duncan - all WMC members



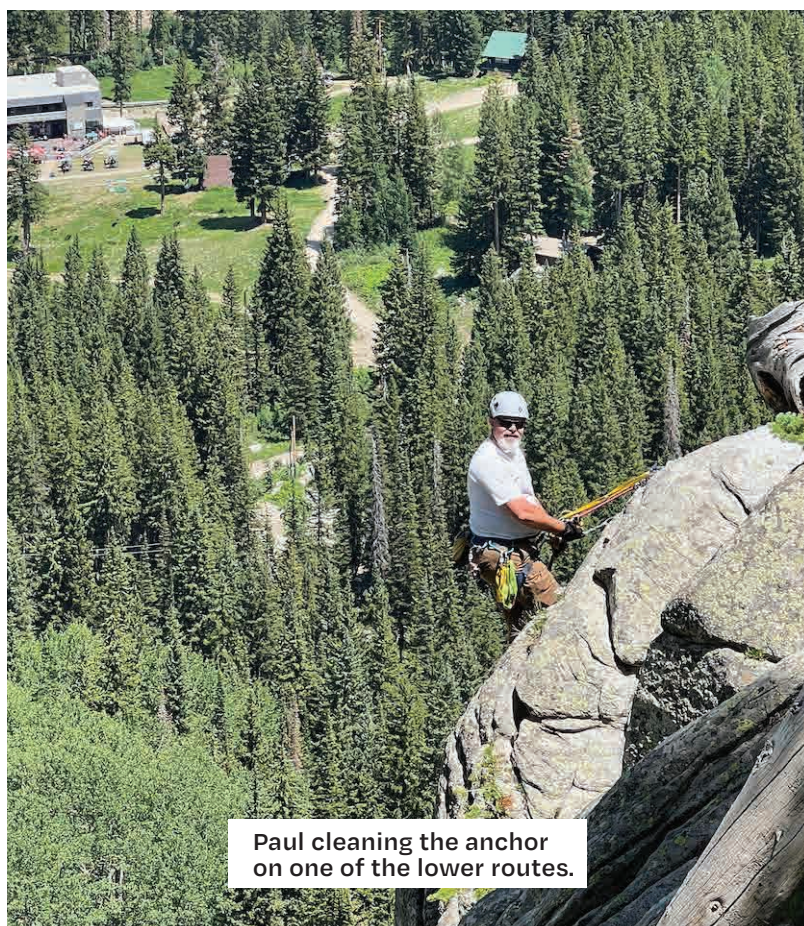
Brighton Frighton Rock Climb, July 29th

Organized, report, and photos by Mark Maier

Brighton Frighton is a small cliff tucked into the Brighton ski resort area. It faces north, and with the high altitude it is a shady, cool climbing refuge on a hot day. July 29 seemed like a perfect day to try it. It was perfect for others, there was a huge trail race at Brighton that day as well. We did manage to find parking and headed up. Getting to the Frighton is a little involved. It isn't too far, but the direct route goes straight through the girl's camp in between the main and Milly areas of Brighton. We thought it would be more polite to avoid that, but that involved an hour of off-trailing, talus hopping, and a bit of swamp wading to get there. Once there, we found nice shade and breezes.

All the climbs are short, mostly trad. Mark, Bryan, and Wendell put ropes up on Fin of Fear (5.7), Fret Arete (5.10a), and Worrywart (5.9). We also worked in Scream Seam (5.10a), and Frank and Bryan went higher on the formation to put up Rusty Blade (5.8+). We all swapped around top roping, some people leading, and playing around with variations you can do from the anchors or gear of the main routes.

After Bryan and Frank went down the way we came up, the rest of us decided to top out via Lake Mary to see if that was a better alternative than the talus path. Mark and Laura topped out via Fear Less (5.7, and quite a grunt with packs on). Paul, June, Christine, and Wendell found some ramps varying degrees of easiness or sketchiness. We found an excellent set of rappel anchors above the Fear Less/Rusty Blade belay anchors, and this looks like a good way in and out. The Lake Mary trail easier, if longer, than the direct path, and if you can find the rappel anchors or one of the ramps you can drop to the cliff base easily.



Paul cleaning the anchor on one of the lower routes.



Mark enjoying the climb



Butler Fork Clean-Up Hike, June 28th

Organized by Andy Payne / Report & photos by Andy Payne

Fun and productive hike today up Butler Fork and along the Desolation Trail. Jim Kucera, Shawn Bagci, and I carried our hand saws and cleared trail as we went! The damage caused by the heavy snowpack and avalanches was pretty epic this year! I'm sure most of you are aware and have experienced the trail blockages for yourselves. It will likely take years for the USFS to clear the backlog of fallen trees that are currently blocking many of our beloved trails. In the meantime, I would like to encourage any Club members, who are willing, to carry hand saws with you on your hikes. Every little bit helps and it will expedite the Forest Service's recovery efforts if all they need do is take their chainsaws to the large logs that are beyond the capacity of our hand saws! Removing tree branches and sharp nubs from the larger logs makes it easier and safer for hikers to pass and prevents people from broadening the trail by going around the blockage! Thank You to members who are already doing this, as I know we are not the only ones!

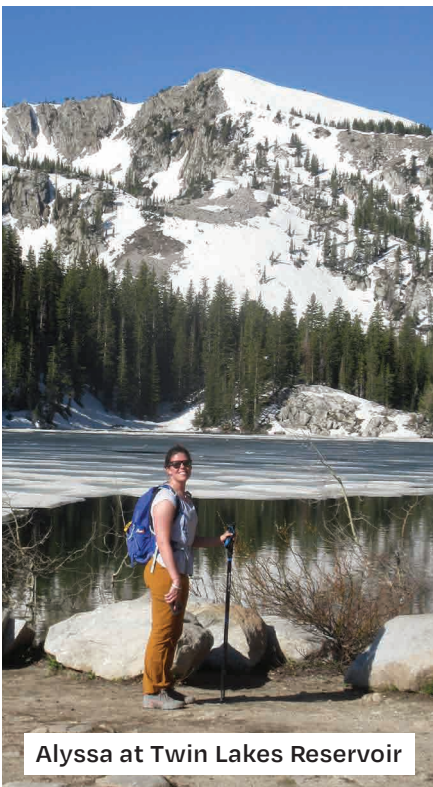


Brighton Hike, June 25th

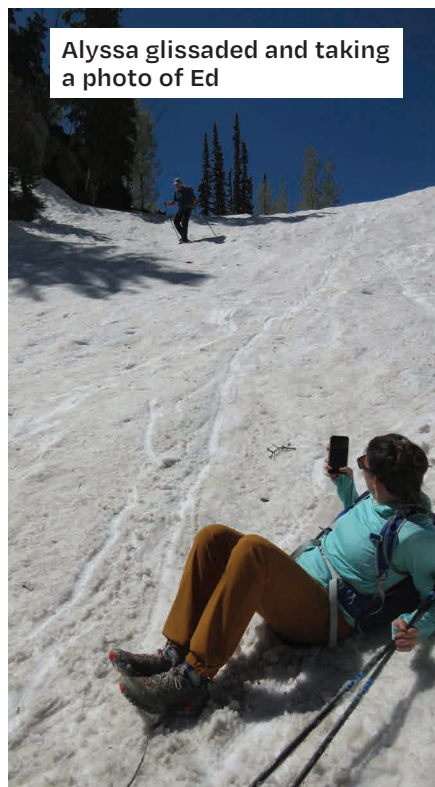
Group photo. From left – Akiko, Alyssa, Ed, Brad & Carol

Organized, report, and photos by Akiko Kamimura

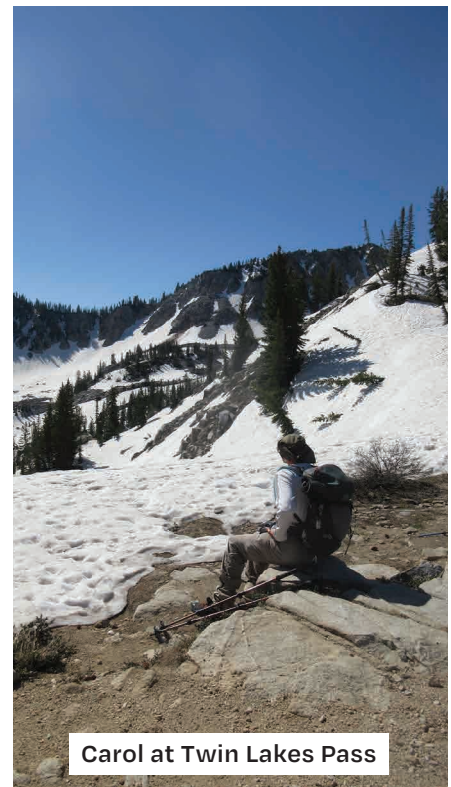
On the first summer weekend, there was still lots of snow at Brighton. We started from the bottom of the Milly Express chairlift without a specific destination and walked on the road to Twin Lakes Reservoir. Brad went up to the north ridge of Mt Millicent. The rest of the group enjoyed the view of Twin Lakes Reservoir and discussed where to go. We decided to go to Twin Lakes Pass but it was difficult to follow the trail at the beginning. The trail became clearer to follow but was covered with snow at places. We could cross the snow-covered part or went around the snow part. We finally got to Twin Lakes Pass and had lunch. Since we did not carry any gear to continue on the snow-covered terrain to Patsy Marley, we went back to the TH via the same route. Brad, who made several peaks, was back to the TH at the same time.



Alyssa at Twin Lakes Reservoir



Alyssa glissaded and taking a photo of Ed



Carol at Twin Lakes Pass



Memorial Hike for Paul, July 15th

Organized, photos & report by Akiko Kamimura

We held a memorial hike for Paul Kikuchi, who passed away on March 31, 2023, due to cancer. We did one of his favorite hikes. Paul's daughter and son in-law joined us.

We started from Alta and hiked to Flagstaff Mine. At the mine, we took a group photo and shared memories with Paul. There is not enough space to put all the shared memories here. But here is a message from Dave Andrenyak (he was unable to come but sent me his message before this hike):

I am thankful for Paul's excellent character, kindness and helpfulness. He was a strong hiker. I value the many Wasatch Mountain Club hikes I completed with Paul over the years. To Paul's family and friends, I wish strength, comfort, and Peace. May Paul's memory continue to inspire us to be good people and achieve our goals.

We continued to Flagstaff Mt, took a summit photo, and took a break. Then, we hiked on Emma Ridge. Wild flowers were blooming. It was nice to have some breeze. We took a lunch break before going down toward Michigan Utah Mine.

We had a great time together to share memories with Paul. We were very glad we had Paul's daughter and son in-law in this hike.



We got to the ridge

Group photo (LtoR): Stanley, Irene, Trey, Danielle, Deb, Deirdre, Mohamed, Bob, Ed, Dave, Akiko & Brad.



Rock Climb – City of Rocks, June 16th

Organized and report by Frank Bouchard
Photos by Bryan Mason & Frank Bouchard

On the southern edge of the state of Idaho lies an unusual city. Rather than skyscrapers of steel, this city boasts towers of granite. Instead of a metro or freeway, you'll find a rope and harness the most efficient way of reaching points of interest. It's a city that's always welcoming to visitors, so in mid-June a group of sixteen club members decided to spend an extended weekend at the serene and majestic City of Rocks.

We arrived on Friday night and camped at City of Rocks Camp and Climb. This new campground just outside of Almo is pretty bare bones, but it's cheap and the staff is friendly. Despite having accidentally set up in the wrong spot and having way more tents and vehicles than we had paid for, the owner let it all slide and said to enjoy our stay. It even included a free early morning wake up call in the sounds of either whooping cranes or cows mooing to ensure that nobody sleeps in and misses out on valuable climbing time.

On Saturday morning we began our vertical adventures at Geowatt and Lion's Head crags. After a 1.5 mile hike to the crags, the entire group spent most of the day on a range of sport routes rated from 5.7 to 5.10a. By late afternoon we were done and congregated back at camp for a fire and dinner party.

Sunday the group split into smaller teams. One went climbing at Elephant Rock. A second hiked the 6-mile City of Rocks loop trail. And a third took a side trip into the Raft River Mountains for a long run. It was cloudy and cold with powerful gusts of wind all morning, making our activities a challenge. But by afternoon it cleared out and was pleasant again. We once again congregated around a fire for dinner and revelry.

Monday morning we packed up camp and headed to Tracy's General store, the longest continually operating store in Idaho, for an ice cream breakfast. Then we went back into City of Rocks for one last climb at Bath Wall. We also provided aid to a hiker who had scrambled up a treacherous rock slope and were too nervous to get down on their own. From there we headed home.

City of Rocks has an overwhelming number of routes and could easily occupy any climber for weeks. The scenery is spectacular, even if you don't climb and the crowds are surprisingly sparse.



Group photo (LtoR): Frank, Bryan, Kaitlyn, Claudia, Areli, Sri, Wendy, June, Elliot, Ross, Sri, Hailey, David, Isaac, Kerry





Kaitlyn smashing a route in City of Rocks



Geowatt crag



David climbing



Sri, Frank, Kerry, and Bryan



Brighton Wildflower Hike

**Organized by Robert Turner
Report & Photos by Jennifer Chan**

Picture perfect day in Brighton with comfortable temperatures in the mid-70s! Robert Turner's knowledge of fauna and flora tying into the ecological landscape is mind-boggling. Robert's dissemination :) of information being both instructive and entertaining gives one a deeper appreciation and love of "our" backyard mountains. Jennifer Chan, Greg Lott, Jennifer Heineman, Kurt Hiland, Yi Qu enjoyed 3.5 hours of engaging conversation and communing with nature while exploring the boardwalk adjacent to the Silver Lake Visitor Center and the initial mile heading up to Mary Lake.



LEFT: Our group on the boardwalk at Silver Lake. Front to back: Jennifer Heinemann, Greg Lott, Kurt Highland, Robert Turner, Yi Qu

TOP: Buttercup flower, genus *Ranunculus*

ABOVE MIDDLE: Bluebells

ABOVE BOTTOM: Sticky cinquefoil (*Drymocallis glandulosa*; *Potentilla glandulosa*)



Split Mountain Daily Boating, Aug 28-30th

**Organized and Report by
Kay Tran**

**Photos by Christine Pilgram
and Greg Clark**

14 adventurers traveled to Dinosaur National Monument and the Split Mountain Daily section of the Green River. Chris Rowins, Eileen Gidley, Paul Clauser, Tyler Hurst, Rob Burr, Christine Pilgram, Baron Fidler, Aubrey Isaacs, Denali Isaacs, Greg Clark, Arnie and Kay Tran, Martin Boemer, and Quentin Reynolds

2.7 – 3.2 gage height, feet. 3 rafts and 3 kayaks.

We obtained this permit from Amy Brunvand who kindly contacted WMC when she had a scheduling conflict with the permit dates. Thank you Amy. We were at campsite C with plenty of space and some shade. The cold water faucet kept us cool while in camp. We used River Runners Transport for our shuttle. Terrific operation and shop.

We had 4 new members. Greg Clark loaned his kayak to Denali and Aubrey for their debut river float.

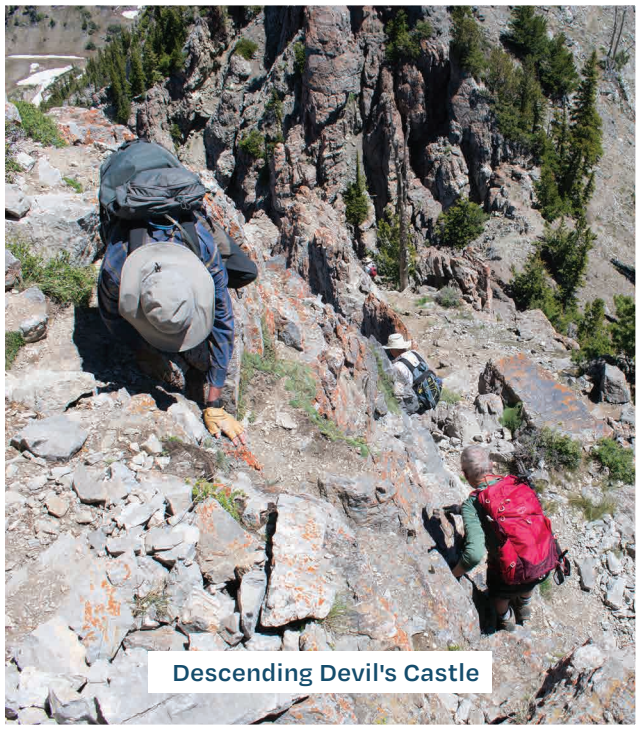
Martin Boemer was our lead boat although Quentin was the skipper on his grandfather's oar raft. Rob Burr was our sweep boat with swift water rescue and emergency medical training. We actually had so much talent on this trip with swift water rescue and fortunately they did not get to practice their skills.

The exhibit gallery was fantastic while others stayed on the river for more fun on Sunday.





Devil's Castle via Sugarloaf



Descending Devil's Castle



On Devil's Castle

Organized and report by Jim Kucera
Photos by Shawn Bacgi

We started from Alta base and did a loop hike, going to the top of the Sugarloaf, and proceeding east over the highest points of Devils Castle. (The normal summer route up from Cecret Lake was snowed over, so we avoided it.) We descended into Albion basin on an extensive snow field (firm to walk on safely). Weather was perfect. Participants were Mark, Andy, Shawn, Stephen and Sage.

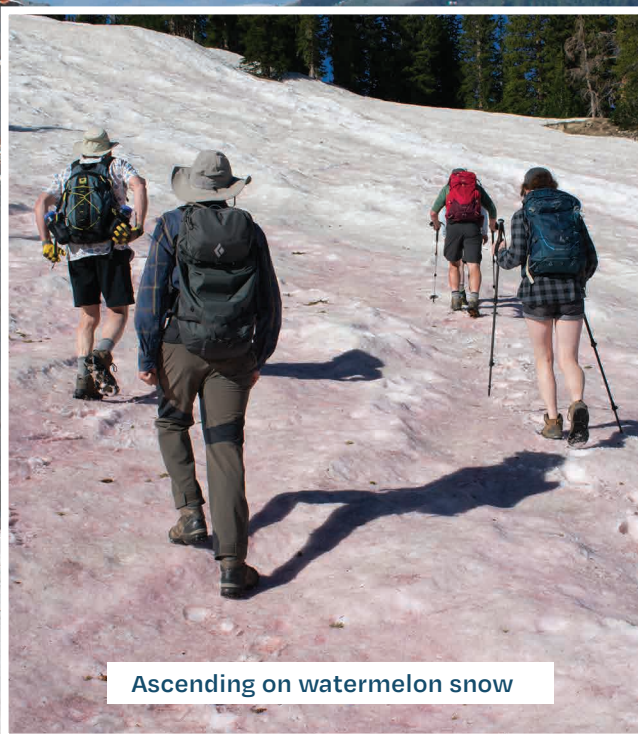
Roaf Hike, July 9th



Overlooking Secret Lake



Devil's Castle



Ascending on watermelon snow

Gobbler Knob Hike

July 4th - Independence Day



At the trailhead before we split into two groups and started hiking. L to R: Scott Griffin, Alyssa Key, Amy Haas, Dave Andrenyak, Yi Qu, Kate Little, Greg Lott, Sue Baker, Jeff Jenkins, Bret Mathews, Holly Pearson (front), Irene Yuen, Deanna DiBella (back), Connie Modrow, and Lisa Lewis.

Organized and report by Dave Andrenyak
Photos by Bruce Jensen & Dave Andrenyak

One important legacy of the United States is the preservation of nature. Many natural areas in mountains, forests, grasslands, seashores are managed by agencies of the United States government for the protection of their natural character and for the enjoyment of visitors. It was fitting that we celebrated this legacy by hiking in the heart of the Wasatch National Forest (Big Cottonwood Canyon) on Independence Day. Our hike involved traveling on the Butler Fork West Branch and Desolation trails to Baker Pass. We continued the hike on the established path to the Gobblers Knob summit. Because most of the hike was within the Mount Olympus Wilderness and there were 16 hike participants, we split into two separate groups of eight people. This was to comply with the Wilderness regulation that group size be 10 people or less. For most of the hike the weather was good with comfortable temperatures and a mix of sun and clouds. However, as we were getting close to the summit, a brief thunderstorm developed close to us. We retreated to a safer spot off of the main ridge and waited several minutes. The thunderstorm passed away from the Gobblers Knob area and we then proceeded to the summit. Throughout the hike, there were beautiful views of the Central Wasatch range. The mountaintops and upper slopes on the south side of Big Cottonwood Canyon still had snow cover. Kessler Peak also still had areas of snow. There were great displays of wildflowers. Most impressive were the King Desert Parsley and Wavy-leaf Paintbrush that were in bloom on the open slopes that were between Baker Pass and the Gobbler Knob summit. We also saw places that had great blooms of Bluebells, Sticky Purple Wild Geranium, Larkspur, Baneberry, Penstemon, Wallflowers. We noted the diversity of the trees along the hike. We also saw many large aspen trees in the Mill A area that were broken off from snow avalanches during the previous very snowy winter. The hike participants were Alyssa Aye, Sue Baker, Bruce Jensen, Deanna DiBella, Scott Griffin, Amy Haas, Jeff Jenkins, Lisa Lewis, Kate Little, Greg Lott, Bret Mathews, Irene Yuen, Connie Modrow, Yi Qu, Holly Pearson, and Dave Andrenyak (organizer). Thank you participants for your excellent cooperation and for making the experience wonderful.

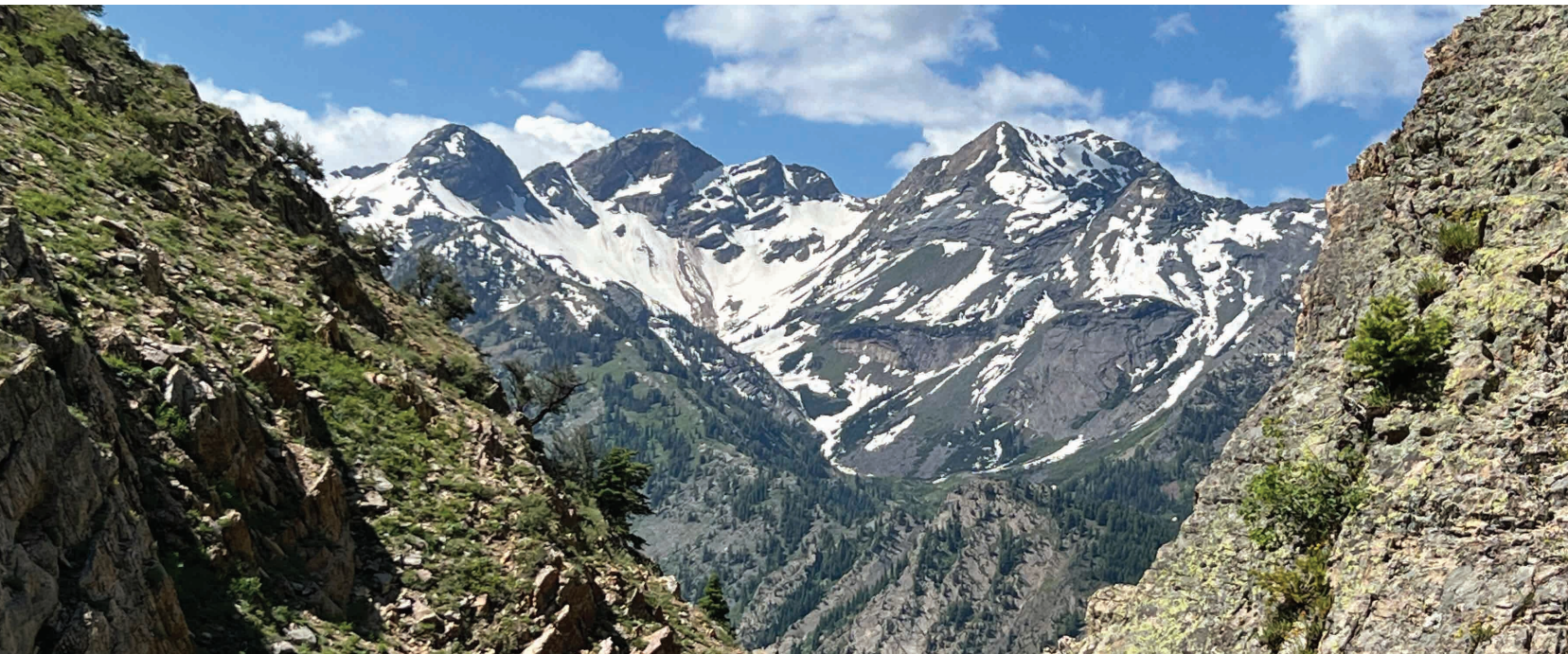


Hiking Trail Maintenance - Tool Carry to Mill B North with the Forest Service, June 30th



Organized by Daisy DeMarco
Report & Photos by Paula McFarland

Our intrepid group of WMC trail volunteers met Daisy DeMarco, our trip organizer and WMC Trail Maintenance Coordinator, at the BCC Park and Ride at 8:30 a.m. and carpooled up to the Mill B North trailhead. The Mill B parking lot was already full when we arrived, even on a weekday. Our group met up with volunteers from the Cottonwood Canyons Foundation and the Forest Service trail maintenance crew. We were each given a large tool to carry and we headed up the trail to our destination about 2.5 miles up where the trail had been badly eroded by spring runoff. It was a perfect day for a hike and the Mill B North trail offered us beautiful views, some early wildflowers, and pockets of shade as made our way up to the work site. Once we arrived at our destination, we hung out and chatted with the CCF and FS trail crew. We ate snacks and took pictures before heading back down the trail. Matt Hales from FS Trail Crew expressed his sincere thanks to the WMC volunteers. We all left with a great feeling of providing service to our beautiful Wasatch trails, as well as enjoying a good workout, a beautiful day, spectacular views, and great company!



Mountaineering Trip – Mt Hood & South Sister in Oregon

May 29 – June 4th

Organized & Report by Akiko Kamimura / Photos by John Jones & Akiko Kamimura

We climbed Mt Hood, the highest peak in Oregon, and South Sister, the third highest peak in Oregon.

May 30 Preparation for Mt Hood

We went to the trailhead to check the conditions and route and did gear check. We debated a climb day between May 31 and June 1 and decided to climb on May 31. Due to the heat wave a couple of weeks ago, the recommended safer route was Old Chute.

May 31 Mt Hood Climb Day

Seven climbers started at 12:30 am. For all of us, it was the first time to climb Mt Hood. One climber turned around one hour later because he had cold toes. While the route looked straight forward in daylight, it was somewhat difficult to figure out the direction without being able to see any land marks. When we were approaching Hogsbag, we were able to see Crater Rock. We took a break at Hot Rock where we smelled fumaroles. Then, we got to the bottom of Old Chute via low traverse. Old Chute is short but steep 45-50 degrees depending on which slope to take. From the top of Old Chute to the summit, there is a narrow section called “cat walk.” Finally, six climbers made the summit at 6:30 am. We enjoyed beautiful views at the summit but did not stay there for long due to wind. Down climbing on Old Chute was challenging. We were very careful going down by using two ice axes. After we were done with the steep section, it was a relaxing hike to go back to the TH. We had lunch at Timberline Lodge afterwards.

June 1 Individual activity day

Each climber enjoyed their own activity – skiing, working, reading, resting, hiking, shopping, etc. Some of us hiked to Multnomah Mt (4,656 ft) and enjoyed the view of Mt Hood.

June 2 Next adventure for South Sister

Four of us continued the adventure to South Sister. We originally reserved a campground near the TH. But due to too much snow, the campground was not open yet. We had to stay at North Twin Lake Campground which is 45-minutes away from the TH. John decided to stay at a hotel in Bend.

June 3 South Sister Climb Day

The TH parking was not open yet due to too much snow. We parked at the side of the road accordingly. When we got to the TH at 5 am, there were already lots of cars there. Due to snow from the beginning, it was somewhat difficult to follow the trail. But it really did not matter as far as we climbed toward north. Once we were above the tree line, the route became very obvious. Since we did not start super early, the snow was already softened – we did not need to use crampons. The views from the summit were amazing. Probably one of the most beautiful summit views which we had experienced. As it was on Saturday, there were lots of other people around. The majority of the people in the mountain were skiers. It was a great climb to conclude this remarkable Oregon trip.





LEFT: John taking a picture of the shadow of Mt Hood



CENTER: Alessandro taking a break after we were done the challenging part in descending.



RIGHT: Michael, Alessandro & Akiko going up on Old Chute.

BELOW: Old Chute

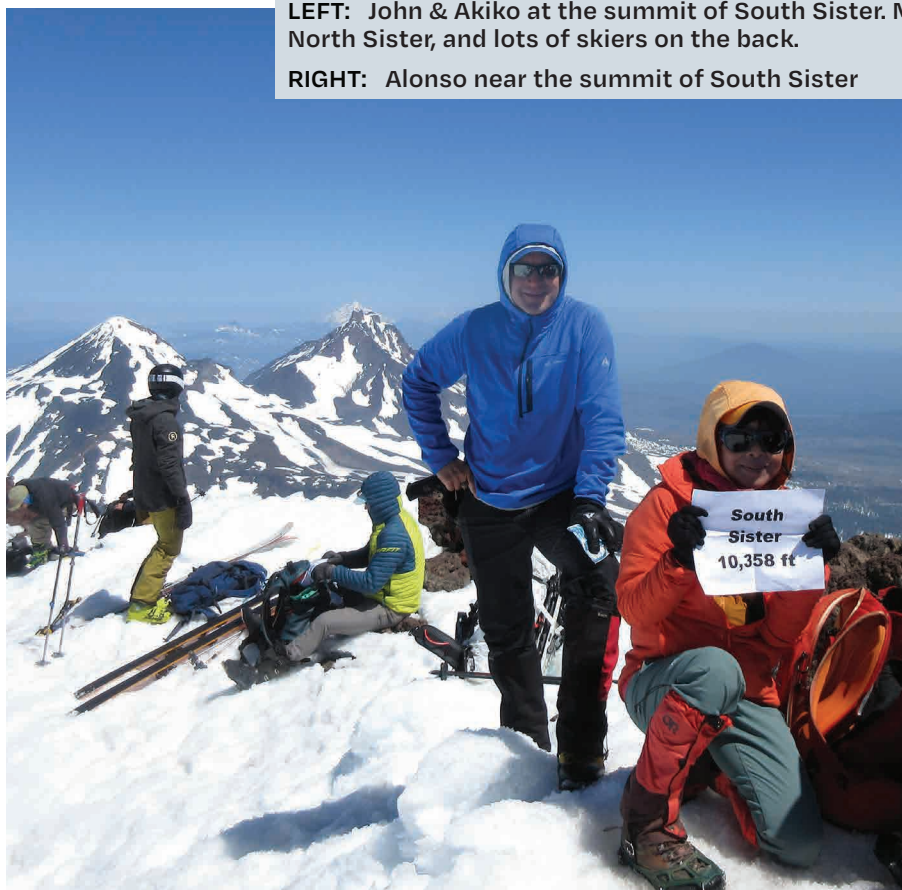




ABOVE: The view of South Sister when were above the tree line

LEFT: John & Akiko at the summit of South Sister. Middle Sister, North Sister, and lots of skiers on the back.

RIGHT: Alonso near the summit of South Sister



Thank You!

July 2023 Activity Organizers

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

Akiko Kamimura

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Bob Cady

Brad Yates

Brandon Derfler

Cheryl Krusko

Craig Williams

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Frank Bouchard

Isaac Munger

Jim Kucera

Jodene Arakelian

Joel Winter

Julie Kilgore

Kay and Arnie Tran

Keith Markley

Kerry Regan

Kevin Earl

Mac Brubaker

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Paul Gettings

Robert Turner

Ryan Smith

Stanley Chiang

Stephanie Anderson

Steven Duncan

Sue Baker

Yanli Jiang

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**.



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.

Sep 1 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
Sep 1 Fri – Sep 4 Mon	<p>Boulder Open House Car Camp – mod- Meet: Registration required Organizer: John & Martha Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com John and Martha are inviting WMC members to car camp at their place in Boulder and do bird watching, day hikes, or canyoneering in the local area over Labor Day weekend. Soft limit of 12.</p>
Sep 2 Sat	<p>Hike - Lamotte Peak, High Uintas (& Optional Car Camp) – msd- – 12.3 mi – 4,259' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to LaMotte Peak (12,720 ft) in the High Uintas, weather, conditions and situation permitting. We will take the most popular route with some very steep sections. Class 2 scrambles. Please bring 10 essentials. Exploratory. Some participants may camp out near the TH because it's a long drive, approximately 2 hours one way from SLC. I reserved a nearby campsite for Friday night and Saturday night (Sunday night will be FF based). Those who will camp will share the cost for the campsite. If there are eight people who want to camp, \$3.25 per person/ night plus \$5 per car per night. The individual share will be different if there are fewer than eight people who want to camp. Please email before Thursday, 6 pm, August 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>
Sep 2 Sat	<p>Day Hike - Hike With A Ranger – 4.0 mi Meet: Registration required Organizer: Paula McFarland 801-657-2818 pmcfarland82@msn.com Matt Hales from the U.S. Forest Service will lead our hike today. As we hike along, Matt will educate us with general history, plant names, and wildlife information. This promises to be a memorable interpretive hike for those interested in learning more about our Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest. Mileage and vertical gain are estimates. Details will be provided to registered members closer to the day of the hike.</p>
Sep 2 Sat – Sep 8 Fri	<p>Main Salmon (Idaho) White Water Rafting – class IV- – 94.0 mi Meet: Registration required Organizer: Kate Little 801-596-0352 katefiddle@hotmail.com The Main Salmon River is a renowned whitewater and wilderness float trip, known for its history, scenic beauty, big water, and sandy beaches. The Salmon provides an amazing mix of adventure and tranquility. We just got a permit off of someone else's cancellation and are looking to put together a trip of 5 - 12 individuals of varied experience.</p>
Sep 3 Sun	<p>Hike - In-Bounds Peak And/Or Deadman Mt, High Uintas (& Optional Car Camp) – mod+ – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to In-Bounds Peak (10,959 ft) and/or Deadman Mt (10,747 ft) in the High Uintas, weather, conditions and situation permitting. If we do both peaks, the distance will be 14.8 miles RT with 1,639 ft gain. Class 2 scrambles. Please bring 10 essentials. Exploratory. Some participants may camp out near the TH because it's a long drive, approximately 2 hours one way from SLC. I reserved a nearby campsite for Friday night and Saturday night (Sunday night will be FF based). Those who will camp will share the cost for the campsite. If there are eight people who want to camp, \$3.25 per person/ night plus \$5 per car per night. The individual share will be different if there are fewer than eight people who want to camp. Please email before Thursday, 6 pm, August 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>
Sep 4 Mon	<p>Day Hike- Deseret Peak – mod+ – 9.5 mi Out & Back – 3,600' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: 8:30 am at Utah Travel Council Lot (150 E 300 N, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: Chris* Venizelos 801-554-3697 cvenize@xmission.com This is an incredible hike to an 11,031 ft peak in the Stansbury Mountains. Limit 9. Registration required. Dogs are welcome. Plan on being back in Salt Lake about 6:00pm.</p>



Sep 5 Tue	<p>Mountain Bike Park City – mod – 15.0 mi Loop – 1,500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:45 pm at Park City Mountain Resort parking lot</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Craig Williams 801-598-9291 123golobos@gmail.com</p> <p>The weekly Tuesday night Mountain Bike ride will meet at varying trailheads, riding trails per the organizers' discretion. We offer rides for all skill levels so come on out and ride with us. An email with the specific meeting time, location and ride description will be sent to the wmc-bike list on Monday the day before the ride. To get on the wmc-bike list you must be a WMC member, then: Go to 'Member Menu', click on 'email list subscribe', then click on 'bike'. See you Tuesday !! Let's Roll !!</p>
Sep 6 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>
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 8 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 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>
Sep 10 Sun	<p>Newcomer/Oldtimer Party, Presentations, And Membership Meeting</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 3:00 pm at Wasatch Mountain Lodge (8465 S Mary Lake Lane, Brighton, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> WMC Board-and-Coordination Info@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>Enjoy a morning activity in the Brighton area, then join fellow club members at the lodge for our annual Older timer/newcomer party and fall membership meeting. Brats and burgers on us. Bring your own meal or a dish to share if you would like. We'll cover basic club business, the 100-year photo panels and other special club materials will be on display, and we will have club merch on hand for donations to the WMC scholarship endowment. Submit your documentation of 100 calendared WMC activities within the eligibility time frame to info@wasatchmountainclub.org, and more WMC Activity Jackets will be handed out!</p>
Sep 10 Sun	<p>Day Hike Brighton Ridge Run – msd – 10.0 mi Loop – 4,000' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 9:00 am at Alpine Rose Lodge Patio at Brighton</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Brad* Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net</p> <p>Clayton to Millicent, Prior to the Old timers New comers and Membership Meeting we will do this club classic. This is about 50-50 trail and trail less with minor scrambling and boulder hopping, pace will be Mod +. The plan is to finish just before the party, otherwise we will have to help set up! If you plan on sticking around for the other activities it is a pot luck.</p>
Sep 11 Mon – Sep 19 Tue	<p>White Water Rafting The Main Salmon, ID – class IV- – 90.0 mi</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 7:00 am at Boat Shed - 4340 S 300 W (4340 Commerce Dr, Murray, UT)</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Lynn McAdams 801-232-8060 lynnmcadams@me.com</p> <p>This will be an 8 day trip with some big rapids. I have floated this trip 10+ times and know the river well. The river is beautiful and challenging. We will put in at Corn Creek or Cashe Bar and takeout at Spring Bar. We will need to stay in a motel on the way home as it is a longer distance than going there.</p>
Sep 11 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>
Sep 12 Tue	<p>Mountain Bike Park City – mod – 15.0 mi Loop – 1,500' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p><i>Meet:</i> 5:30 pm at Park City Mountain Resort parking lot</p> <p><i>Organizer:</i> Craig Williams 801-598-9291 123golobos@gmail.com</p> <p>The weekly Tuesday night Mountain Bike ride will meet at varying trailheads, riding trails per the organizers' discretion. We offer rides for all skill levels so come on out and ride with us. An email with the specific meeting time, location and ride description will be sent to the wmc-bike list on Monday the day before the ride. To get on the wmc-bike list you must be a WMC member, then: Go to 'Member Menu', click on 'email list subscribe', then click on 'bike'. See you Tuesday !! Let's Roll !!</p>



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Sep 14 Thu – Sep 19 Tue	<p>Yellowstone Backpack – mod – 41.0 mi Shuttle – 2,900' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Michael* Budig 801-403-7677 mlbudig@gmail.com This will be a moderate 5-day backpack, starting in Lamar Valley and following the Lamar River for about 17 miles before turning off for Frost Lake. We will then head up to the pass near the lake and then follow the drainage south along the North Fork of the Shoshone River to the exit trailhead at Pahaska Tepee. We will have to shuttle vehicles. So we will leave for Yellowstone in the morning of September 14 and camp that night at Canyon Village allowing an early morning start to our hike on September 15. We will finish the 41 mile backpack on September 19 and get home either on September 19 or on September 20.</p>
Sep 15 Fri – Sep 17 Sun	<p>Sphinx Mountain, Montana, Car Camp And Hike – msd – 13.0 mi Out & Back – 4,500' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Dennis Goreham 801-550-5169 dgoreham@gmail.com Let's go do the Sphinx (10,876 feet) and probably add in the Helmet. These peaks are near Ennis, Montana, about 360 miles from SLC. The Sphinx is about 12 miles round trip and about 4000 feet elevation gain. To add on the Helmet only adds about another mile and 500 more feet of gain. This is a very steep hike with a bunch of scrambling. This is also Grizzly bear country so be prepared. Plan to drive up on Friday, hike on Saturday, head home on Sunday. We'll meet at the undeveloped Bear Creek campground (outhouse only). Must register with me at my email - no texts please. More details will be distributed later to registrants. Limit of 8. Contact Dennis if you have any questions.</p>
Sep 15 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
Sep 16 Sat	<p>Hike - Cascade Mt. (& Maybe More) In Provo – msd – 13.0 mi – 5,398' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Cascade Mountain (10,908 ft) in Provo. We hope to bag North Cascade (10,874 ft) and maybe some other bumps. Anticipate scrambling, exposure, and a moderate pace. Please bring 10 essentials. Expect an early morning start. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, September 15, 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>
Sep 17 Sun	<p>Hike - Thorpe Hills HP & 3 Bumps (& Maybe More) Near Eagle Mt – mod+ – 8.0 mi – 2,800' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Thorpe Hills HP (6,190 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, September 15, 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>
Sep 18 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
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Sep 23 Sat	<p>Hike - Lightning Peak & Peak 10019, Provo – msd- – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Lightning Peak (10,058 ft) and Peak 10019, weather, conditions and situation permitting. Lightning Peak is one of the Wasatch 10k peaks which I have hiked to. I haven't hiked to Peak 10019. There is a trail all the way to Lightning Peak. 12.4 miles RT with 5,474 ft gain for Lightning Peak. Add 0.7 mile RT for Peak 9474. Please bring 10 essentials. If there is still snow, please bring micro-spikes too. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, September 22, 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>
Sep 24 Sun – Oct 3 Tue	<p>Flat Water-Green River Thru Uinta Basin – flat water – 103.0 mi – 165' ascent Meet: Registration required Organizer: Bob Cady 801-274-0250 rcady@xmission.com 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>
Sep 24 Sun	<p>Hike - Peaks Via Mineral Fork, BCC – mod+ – 11.0 mi – 3,600' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu We plan to hike to Regulator Johnson Horn (10,825 ft) and Mineral-Cardiff Peak (10,628 ft) via Mineral Fork, BCC, weather, conditions and situation permitting. This hike will be exploratory. Expect some scrambles. Please bring 10 essentials. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, September 22, 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>
Sep 25 Mon	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
Sep 25 Mon	<p>Hike- Mill Creek Canyon Murdock Peak – mod – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 2,000' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: 8:15 am at Olympus Cove Park & Ride (3880 Wasatch Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: David Andrenyak 801-907-1325 andrenyakda@aim.com Hike will start at Little Water trailhead. The plan is travel on Little Water, Old Red Pine Road, Great Western trails and unmaintained path to the top of Murdock peak. The hike offers great views of the Millcreek Canyon area at a time when the deciduous tree leaves are changing to autumn colors. Trip distance is for round trip. I listed moderate pace, but I will be slow hiking down. If planning to attend, please send me an email so I will look out for you at the meeting place.</p>
Sep 26 Tue	<p>Mountain Bike Park City – mod – 15.0 mi Loop – 1,500' ascent – Moderate pace Meet: 5:15 pm at Park City Mountain Resort parking lot Organizer: Craig Williams 801-598-9291 123golobos@gmail.com The weekly Tuesday night Mountain Bike ride will meet at varying trailheads, riding trails per the organizers' discretion. We offer rides for all skill levels so come on out and ride with us. An email with the specific meeting time, location and ride description will be sent to the wmc-bike list on Monday the day before the ride. To get on the wmc-bike list you must be a WMC member, then: Go to 'Member Menu', click on 'email list subscribe', then click on 'bike'. See you Tuesday !! Let's Roll !!</p>
Sep 26 Tue	<p>Leisurely Hike Up Deaf Smith Canyon. – ntd+ – 3.0 mi Out & Back – Slow pace Meet: Registration required Organizer: Bruce Christenson 801-824-0131 b.c.com@hotmail.com Deaf Smith is a seldom hiked trail that starts at the valley floor and rises to the heights of Twin Peaks. It boasts a year around stream and is very pristine. This will not be a long hike as we will only go partway up the canyon. Email the organizer for more information..</p>
Sep 27 Wed	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
Sep 29 Fri	<p>Early Morning Rock Climb: Momentum Millcreek – ntd Meet: 6:00 am at Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek (3173 E 3300 S, Salt Lake City, UT) Organizer: 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>
Sep 30 Sat – Oct 4 Wed	<p>Canyonlands Maze District Car Camp – mod+ Meet: Registration required Organizer: John* Veranth 801-278-5826 veranth@xmission.com My spring Maze trip was canceled due to impassable roads so I will try again. We have vehicle site reservations at The Neck, Maze Overlook, and Golden Stairs. Plenty of hiking opportunities. Number of participants depends on the number of 4WD vehicles. Contact Organizer for detailed trip logistics. Deposit required for registration.</p>



Sep 30 Sat	<p>Hike - Little Baldy & Temple Baldy, Logan – mod+ – 6.0 mi – 3,600' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p>Meet: Registration required</p> <p>Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to hike to Temple Baldy (8,122 ft) and Little Baldy (8,760 ft) in Logan. This hike is on the maintained trail. Exploratory. Please bring 10 essentials. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, Sep 29, 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>
Oct 1 Sun	<p>Hike - Peaks Near Goshen Canyon, Santaquin – mod+ – 7.0 mi – 2,600' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p>Meet: Registration required</p> <p>Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to hike to Slate Jack Peak (6,380 ft), Trotter Peak (6,535 ft), and maybe some more bumps near Goshen Canyon, west of Santaquin, weather, conditions and situation permitting. I have hiked in the area but not to those peaks. This is a beautiful area where not many people hike. Please bring 10 Es. The route involves some off-trail. The distance and elevation gain will depend on how many peaks we will make. Exploratory. Please email before Friday, 6 pm, Sep 29, 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>
Oct 1 Sun	<p>Wild Kitten Day Hike – msd- – 12.0 mi Shuttle – 5,000' ascent – Fast pace</p> <p>Meet: Registration required</p> <p>Organizer: Brad* Yates 801-592-5814 bnyslc@earthlink.net</p> <p>A bit milder than the cat, The hike starts at the Alexander Basin trailhead, goes up Gobblers Knob and then runs the ridge over Raymond and peaks 9661 and 9776, descending out Neffs Canyon. One of the best fall color hike in the area.</p>
Oct 6 Fri – Oct 8 Sun	<p>Hike & Car Camp – Mt. Elliot & More – mod+ – Moderate pace</p> <p>Meet: Registration required</p> <p>Organizer: Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to summit Mt Elliot (7,142 ft), the high point of the Book Cliffs region, near Price and Green River as well as some other peaks in the area. A Mt Elliot hike will be 16 miles RT with 2,842 ft gain with an SUV/ car. With Kathleen's UTV and maybe high clearance trucks, it can be shorter. We will explore some other peaks in the area. We will camp at the end of the road (no fee, no reservation required). The planned schedule is: Oct 6 Fri Road trip; Oct 7 Sat Mt Elliot (& more peaks such as Elliot Mesa if we have time); and Oct 8 Sun Short hike & Road trip. The plan may change depending on weather and conditions. This hike will be exploratory. Registration required. Partial participation is fine. WMC members only.</p>
Oct 6 Fri – Oct 8 Sun	<p>Antelope Island Multi-Activity Event</p> <p>Meet: 5:00 pm at See calendar for the various activities. If camping, arrive at the island any time.</p> <p>Organizer: Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>Join us for the day, or reserve a campsite and stay a night or two. Come hike, paddle (??), or peddle on Antelope Island. See the WMC calendar for the variety of activities to choose from. After a great day of WMC activities, gather at and around Campsite BB10 and BB11 at Bridger Bay Campground for some Saturday afternoon socializing. THERE IS A \$10 ENTRANCE FEE TO THE PARK. EACH PARTICIPANT/CAR IS INDEPENDENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTRANCE FEE.</p>
Oct 6 Fri	<p>Relaxed Pace Antelope Island Evening Hike – ntd – 4.8 mi Loop – 300' ascent – Slow pace</p> <p>Meet: 6:00 pm at Meet at Bridger Bay Campsites BB10 and BB11.</p> <p>Organizer: Paige Williams 760-981-5454 paigew3@gmail.com</p> <p>Join our relaxed pace hike on the Lakeside trail at Antelope Island. It's a great view of the lake. Bugs should be mild this time of year, but with the crazy weather this year, better to be prepared.</p>
Oct 7 Sat	<p>Antelope Island Multi-Activity Social</p> <p>Meet: 3:00 pm at Bridger Bay campground, Antelope Island State Park; Campsite BB10</p> <p>Organizer: Debbie Olsen, Nina Shah socialdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>Join us for the day, or reserve a campsite and stay a night or two. Come hike, paddle (??), or peddle on Antelope Island. After a great day of WMC activities, gather at and around Campsite BB10 at Bridger Bay Campground for some socializing. We'll have hot dogs on the grill. Bring your favorite picnic goodies to share. THERE IS A \$10 ENTRANCE FEE TO THE PARK. EACH PARTICIPANT/CAR IS INDEPENDENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTRANCE FEE.</p>
Oct 7 Sat	<p>Antelope Island – Saturday Morning Frary Peak Hike – mod – 7.0 mi Out & Back – 2,050' ascent – Moderate pace</p> <p>Meet: 8:30 am at Frary Peak Trailhead, East side of Antelope Island</p> <p>Organizer: TBD info@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>We'll take the regular route to Frary Peak, then have the option for a little ridge line scramble on the way back down. Spend some time at the visitors center, join an afternoon bike ride, and/or bring a cooler and join club members at the Bridger Bay Campground for an afternoon. Participants can camp on the island or coordinate with friends and drive out Saturday morning.</p>
Oct 13 Fri – Oct 15 Sun	<p>Car Camp, Hike, And Ring Of Fire Eclipse</p> <p>Meet: Registration required</p> <p>Organizer: Julie Kilgore (hiking), Paige Williams (rock hounding) 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>We'll set up camp in the House Range area Friday night, hang around camp for the Saturday morning for the Ring of Fire eclipse (https://www.space.com/annular-solar-eclipse-2023-guide-ring-of-fire), then set off for some peak bagging or rock hounding.</p>



Oct 14 Sat - Oct 15 Sun	<p>Rock Climb - High-Angle Self Rescue Weekend <i>Meet:</i> 9:30 am at Big Cottonwood Canyon P&R (3865 Big Cottonwood Cyn Rd, Cottonwood Heights, UT) <i>Organizer:</i> Paul Gettings 801-599-7311 p.gettings@gmail.com</p> <p>A 2-day workshop for high-angle self rescue. There will be 4 sessions, 2 each day (morning & afternoon). Each session will take place in slightly different parts of Big Cottonwood Canyon, but all down low in the canyon. Helmets required. A \$15/person donation per session is suggested, making the total suggested donation \$60/person for all 4 sessions. Session 1 will cover escaping the belay to allow effecting a rescue, session 2 will be ascending a fixed (loaded) rope, session 3 is on anchors and raising systems (Z-pulleys), and session 4 is on tandem rappels with an injured climber. Bring all your rescue gear, but rock shoes are not suggested. Closed-toe footwear recommended, and preferably approach shoes or boots. All sessions will begin with a discussion of the topic, and a demonstration of the skills, and then the group will break up into small teams to practice the skills. Please let the organizer know if you will attend, to ensure adequate loaner gear and ropes are available. Meet at the P&R lot in BCC each morning at 0930, and we will then go to the location for the first session. The second session will take place after a lunch break, and will be in a different location than the morning session.</p>
Oct 14 Sat	<p>Hike: Wheeler Peak, NV To Watch Solar Eclipse <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Kathleen Waller 801-859-6689 kathwaller79@gmail.com</p> <p>I plan to be at the top of Wheeler Park in Great Basin National Park to observe the 2023 solar Eclipse. The eclipse begins at 8:07 am, peaks at 9:26 am, and ends at 10:53 am on Saturday, October 14th. The hike up and down Wheeler Peak is almost 8 and half miles round trip with almost 3000 feet elevation gain. I plan to start very early to be at the peak before 8 am. Please EMAIL me if you are also very interested in being at the same location and same time on October 14th. More information will be posted when campground reservations are open.</p>
Oct 15 Sun	<p>Multi-Pitch Climbing Training For Mountaineering (Part 2) <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. 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/approach shoes. Participants must have some experience in rock or ice climbing or mountaineering. There will be 2-3 groups - participants will be divided into groups based on rock climbing training records/experience. Lots of skills will be covered - for example (but not limited to) traverses - protecting the follower, advanced tips and tricks, rescuing the follower, rescuing a leader, advanced rappel techniques. Other topics will be added depending on participants' experiences and interest. Prerequisite - 5/13/2023 Multi-pitch climbing training or equivalent training/experience. Registration is required. If you did not attend the 5/13/2023 training, please indicate your rock climbing training/experience including types of climbing and route ratings. We will have instructors from School for International Expedition Training (nonprofit organization). The instructors are IFMGA-certified. \$133.33 per person. No tax. WMC members only. Limit 6/ instructor. Registrants will receive more detailed info.</p>
Oct 19 Thu - Oct 22 Sun	<p>Canyoneering Rendezvous-Capitol Reef <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Shane Wallace 801-400-6372 shaneswallace@gmail.com https://www.meetup.com/wasatch-mountain-club/events/295247628/?isFirstPublish=true</p>
Nov 4 Sat	<p>Trip Organizer And Volunteer Appreciation Dinner <i>Meet:</i> 6:00 pm at Location will be on your invitation <i>Organizer:</i> Nina Shah, Debbie Olsen socialdirector@wasatchmountainclub.org</p> <p>Annual Trip Organizers and Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and Raffle. This invitation-only event is our way of saying thank you to all those who organized 2 activities or 1 multi-day activity, or volunteered in another capacity within the last 12 months. Most of the invitations will be going out via email in October, so if you think you qualify and you don't see that invite, check your spam, then follow up with your respective activity director. Social hour 6:00, dinner/awards at 7:00 pm. Raffle prizes for all in attendance. You don't want to miss this event.</p>
Dec 27 Wed - Jan 4 Thu	<p>Mountaineering - Pico de Orizaba & Iztaccihuatl, Mexico - ext <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <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 \$1,550 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>



Feb 4 Sun – Feb 10 Sat	<p>Death Valley Winter Escape Car Camp - Bike - Hike <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Cheryl* Soshnik 435-649-9008 csoshnik@yahoo.com</p> <p>Mark your calendars, and grab your tent/RV site/cabin early, as things fill up fast at Furnace Creek. Our annual week of camping, hiking and biking, Dutch oven cooking, and hanging out at the pool is once again happening in early February. We have already reserved as many tent-only camp sites in the mesquite trees as we could, and we encourage you to check out recreation.gov right away to reserve your own RV, tent site or motel. Details to follow, just let me know if you have reserved a site on your own and for which days, or to see if there are any available shared tent-only spaces available. We will be doing a couple of group dinners, at least one by Dutch oven, but most meals will be on your own or go over to the restaurant when the dinner bell tolls. Everyone is invited to the afternoon happy hour around the campfire, where plans are made for the next day's activities -- usually road biking and hiking. There will be a nominal per-person fee to be involved in any of our group activities, more on that to come. Contact me if you have any questions</p>
Mar 2 Sat – Mar 5 Tue	<p>Mountaineering - Mt. St Helens, WA – msd <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>We plan to do a day climb to Mt Saint Helens (8,333 ft), one of the Washington's volcanoes. We will have a snowshoe group and a ski group, though a snowshoe group may not need to use snowshoes. Trip schedule: fly out/road trip on Saturday March 3, climb on Sunday March 4 or Monday March 5, fly back/road trip on Tuesday March 6. This is non-technical mountaineering. But participants must: 1) have excellent stamina (especially if you are in a snowshoe group) for 12 miles RT with 5500 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). For more details, please contact the organizer (please include your current fitness level and snowshoe/ski/mountaineering experience). Limit 10. WMC members only. Note (3/8/23): The dates are tentative. But it will be approximately at that time.</p>
Mar 5 Tue – Mar 11 Mon	<p>San Ignacio Lagoon Camp And Whale Trip <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Julie Kilgore 801-244-3323 jk@wasatch-environmental.com</p> <p>I'm putting together another group to join me for one of my favorite adventures. I've done this trip several times with family, friends, and fellow WMC members. We just have to get to the Hacienda Hotel in old town San Diego. The Pure Baja Travels team takes full care of us from there. The San Ignacio World Heritage Biosphere Reserve is Latin America's largest wildlife sanctuary, and is located about half way down the Pacific side of the Baja Peninsula. San Ignacio Lagoon is one of only two undeveloped nursery and breeding grounds of the Pacific gray whale worldwide. I choose this particular time of year because the lagoon has 200 or so mama, baby, and juvenile whales that very interested in and interactive with we humans :-). This is NOT whale "watching", this is a whale experience! This is a very remote and rugged area. There are only about a half a dozen outfitter/camps at the edges of this lagoon, some more glampy than others. I always go to the same place with the same naturalist, Jose Sanchez. The Pure Baja Travels cost is about \$3,500/person and is all inclusive from the time we are picked up in San Diego until we are returned to San Diego. Let me know if you were interested and I will put you in direct contact with the owner to secure your spot. Give me a call or drop me an email if you have questions.</p>
May 25 Sat – Jun 9 Sun	<p>Mountaineering - Illimani & Huayna Potosi, Bolivia (Tentative Dates) – ext <i>Meet:</i> Registration required <i>Organizer:</i> Akiko Kamimura kamimura@umich.edu</p> <p>Illimani (21,122 ft) is the second highest peak in Bolivia. We will also plan to climb Huayna Potosi (19,974 ft) and Pequeno Alpamayo (17,643 ft). Participants must 1) have excellent physical condition with previous mountaineering experience (rope travel, glacier travel, the use of crampons, and ice axe arrest) and have skills in crevasse rescue; 2) have no history of altitude sickness at 14k peaks; and 3) be willing to buy/rent required individual gear if necessary. Mountaineering training sessions will be offered in winter-spring to prepare for this high altitude expedition, in collaboration with the School for International Expedition Training (nonprofit organization) and the U of U's Department of Park, Recreation and Tourism. Due to the complexity of the trip logistics and demanding alpine climbing, we will use a local company's package that has a fixed fee. The estimated cost for the local company is approximately \$2,650 including ground local transportation, meals in the mountains, certified guides (1:2 ratio), hut/camps in the mountains, camping gear, full base camp infrastructure and services, donkeys/porters, first aid kit, and 24 hour assistance from La Paz. The additional cost will be for international flights, compulsory travel insurance, personal expenses, personal equipment, and gratitude. Hotels in La Paz can be included in the package if an individual wants with additional cost. Each participant will pay directly to the company. 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. Co-organized by David Baumann.</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.



WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB (WMC) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Do not use for renewals.)

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 birthdate 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.

PHOTOS: I understand that photos taken during a WMC activity may be used on WMC social media sites and in The Rambler.

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



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



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



- Helping to protect the Lodge which is on the National Register of Historical places.
- Financial support
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50 Years Ago in The Rambler

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Club activities for SEPTEMBER 1973 [...]

SEPTEMBER 12-17 CATARACT CANYON (Advanced) We are adding an extra day to the trip this Wed. night to Mon. night year to enable us to hike up Dark Canyon (Primitive Area and hopefully also hike up the sheep trail from Spanish Bottom to the Doll House). Another possible "added attraction" (??) is sleeping on the boats in the moonlight the first night while we drift down the flat water to the head of Cataract Canyon. (Be prepared to stand a 2-hour watch during the night!) Trip fees and exact plans not yet determined. However, hardy souls who claim to enjoy this kind of nonsense must also be hardy paddlers with prior experience on intermediate or advanced trips. Reservation applications of \$5.00, along with address, phone number and prior river experience should be submitted to the trip leader, June Viavant [...] by September 5th.

Westwater by June Viavant

[...] When we actually reached the river it was down to 9,000 cfm, and the hole behind Skull Rock was still twice as big as most people's living rooms. But wait till you hear more... [...]

Well... we arrived at Skull Rapid to scout it, and it was BIG. Just as the Snyder and Ogden boats were about to leave for the first pass through, that grand old World War II veteran boat, "Skull", perceiving the appropriate place to end its magnificent career, blew its bladder and entered its death throes. Investigation revealed a foot-long hole in the pontoon casing right at the point where the pontoon joins the floor, and a hole in the bladder somewhere more than three feet forward of the split in the casing. (I.E., it was impossible to patch the bladder.) So we planned to patch the casing and hope that the patch would hold at least through the rapids.

Meanwhile, it was decided to send the Everson and the Anderson boats through for the trial run, since the Snyder boat was in drydock. I didn't actually see it, but I hear tell the Everson boat swept into the horrendous hole and flipped as it rode up the wave at the bottom. Bodies spun out all over and floated around the corner. Johnny Walker evidently stayed under the boat the longest, where eventually saw Bonnie Scotland, his father and mother... Bob Everson got caught in the hydraulics against the cliff wall and couldn't decide whether he was going to die from strangling on the chin strap of his helmet or from lack of air because he was being recycled along the edge of the cliff... Bob also saw his mother... but finally washed out in time to catch up to his boat and go in under to pull Johnny out.

The Anderson boat went across and out of the hole in great style, but horror of horrors, washed right up against the cliff at the bottom and flipped magnificently, also in great style, with bodies in life jackets disappearing around the corner. At this point, technically perfect (but also lucky) Mike Omana's boat got dispatched to pick up all the flotsam and jetsam. They swept into the hole and quivered there for a moment while torrents of water poured in over them seemingly from all sides, then staggered groggily out of the hole and thank Odin, made it past the cliff wall and on to their appointed task. [...]

Meanwhile, June Viavant was sewing up the rip on Skull and Stew Ogden applied the patch. The the raft was reinflated and guess what? It popped a couple of new splits in the casing and started giving off bubbles at a monstrous rate. So nearly all the gear was put on the Ogden boat to lighten the load on Skull. Roger Turnes took his canoe through (magnificently, as did Vane Jones) and walked back up to give extra power on Skull. Marlene Austin was delegated to man the pump all the way through the doggone rapid (except for the few worst moments) and off they set. They DID IT!! Yay!! Very surprising, considering that the soft boat buckled after



the first wave which put the front paddlers flat in the middle of the boat. Then the overloaded Ogden boat took off, swept across the hole, rode up the crest on the far side, hung there a moment, trembled, and rolled back over on itself.

George and I came up under the boat, and when my first two attempts to push myself out from under didn't work, I decided to investigate sources of air under the boat. By tipping my head way back so that my nose was uppermost, I found that I could gulp in the stuff; and if I swallowed fast enough and sorted the water gulps from the air gulps fast enough, I could really do okay. Finally a wave slopped just right so that a shaft of light penetrated to give me my bearings, and I could locate a D-ring to hold onto and pull myself out. All of us in our boat were able to get to the upturned raft and hold on. After going over a small rapid, we cupped our hands against a leg to make a pocket to step into, and Stew got up onto the raft, where he proceeded to haul people onto the upturned raft from above while I boosted from below. [...]

It was a real relief to catch up with the waiting boaters and learn that everyone was together again, and that our only problems were a missing boat, a dislocated shoulder for Larry Long (which popped back in fairly easily) and a dislocated knee (from being hit by the pump in the line of duty) for Terry Turnes. This did not pop back in, and caused considerable pain, but fortunately we had a doctor along in the person of Isabel Evenchick, and she did all for Terry that could be done. Terry made a remarkable recovery within a few days and paddled her own kayak through Lodore two weeks later. [...]

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