

**MAY 2003**

# ARIZONA MOUNTAINEER



*There's plenty of room on top of Baboquivari — AMC'ers did not really have to form such a dogpile after reaching the summit of this gorgeous southern Arizona landmark. Maybe it was to help Peter Niemczyk get everyone in the photo. Shown are Seth Hennessee, John Granger, Rogil Schroeter, David Hansen, Robert England, Richard Theobald, Joe Manceau, Dave Tanton and leader Paul Norberg.*

# THE ARIZONA MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

**MEETINGS:** The AMC normally meets the 4th Mon. each month (Nov. & Dec. meetings are usually the 3rd Mon.) at 7:00 pm at:

Los Olivos Senior Center  
2802 E. Devonshire Ave.  
Phoenix, Az.  
(28th St. just north of Indian School Rd.)

**BOARD MEETINGS:** Board meetings are open to all members and are held two Mondays prior to the Club meeting at Los Olivos Center.

**DUES:** Dues cover January through December. A single membership is \$25.00 per year; \$30.00 for a family. Those joining after June 30 pay 50% of the yearly rates. Members joining after October 31 who pay for a full year will have dues credited through the end of the following year. Dues must be sent to:

AMC Membership Committee  
6519 W. Aire Libre Ave.  
Glendale, Az. 85306

**OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:**

Arizona Mountaineering Club  
4340 E. Indian School Rd.  
Ste 21-164  
Phoenix, Az. 85018

**SCHOOLS:** The AMC conducts several rock climbing, mountaineering and other outdoor skills schools each year. Contact the Training & Safety Committee for schedules and costs.

**NEWSLETTER**

Send stories and photos to Wally Vegors, 6151 N. 8th Ave., Phoenix, Az 85013 or e-mail <vegors@worldnet.att.net> Electronic photos should be 300 dpi in JPG. If possible.

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**THE AMC ACCESS COMMITTEE:** The Committee works by itself and with the national Access Fund to maintain public access to climbing areas. If you know of areas that are threatened with closures or climbing restrictions, please notify the Access Committee Chair, Jen Davies, 480-473-7342.

**THE ACCESS FUND:** This is a national, non-profit, climber's organization that works to maintain access to climbing areas nationwide. Climbers can join The Access Fund by mailing an annual, tax-deductible donation of \$20 or more to: The Access Fund, P.O. Box 17010, Boulder, CO 80308, or giving it to the AMC Club Treasurer to be sent to The Access Fund in your name. A donation of \$20 or more is needed to receive Vertical Times, The Access Fund newsletter. One can also join electronically — <<http://www.accessfund.org/Join.html>>

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### **AMC NEWSLETTER**

The *Arizona Mountaineer* is published monthly by the AMC. Items for publication, subject to approval, should be sent to the editor at 6151 N. 8th Ave., Phoenix, 85013. Photos and other mountaineering photos are welcome (please submit prints). Climb write-ups ARE welcome. For info call the editor at 602-246-9341. Address e-mail to vegors@worldnet.att.net. Advertising in the *Arizona Mountaineer* is accepted, subject to approval, at the following rates:  
Personal ads: free to members.  
Business ads: \$5.00 for business card;  
\$10.00 for half page; \$20.00 for full page \$25.00 for inserts/mo

**MAY Deadline: 10May, 2003**

## **HOT STUFF!!!**

**'TIS THE MERRY MERRY MONTH  
OF MAY!!**

**GATHER YE ROSEBUDS — OR**

**MARK YOUR CLIMBS-TO-DO LIST.**

**THE WEATHER IS GREAT**

**AND THE ROCK AWAITS.**

**GO!**

### **AMC LIBRARY**

You must be an AMC member; i. e., your name must be on the most current membership list.

The circulation period is 1 month. Materials are due at the next general club meeting. The overdue fine is \$2 per title per month. Please contact the librarian if unable to return your books and tapes.

The circulation limit is three titles per person. One of these may be a videotape, for which a \$50 deposit is required. Each guidebook requires a \$25 deposit.

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### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Ernie Babich 1, Susan Hatfield 1, David Dumins 4, Carly Antus 6, Rebecca Ruckman 8, George Bain 9, Steve Sharp 9, Richard Theobald 11, Karen Berrigan 12, Kim Huenecke 12, Seth Hennessee 15, Tom Dukerich 17, Julie Sagasta 19, Trent Baudais 21, Tom Matthews 21, Beatriz Schnee 21, Nancy Paonessa 22, David Ponce 22, Randy Ryan 22, Jutta Ulrich 22, Dave Eddy 26, Mike Koehlmoos 27, Feliciano Vera 28, Kevin Abney 29, Michael Boylan 29, Irasema Materassi 30, David Smith 30

## **MINUTES OF THE AMC BOARD MEETING: April 14, 2003**

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Board Members Present – Filsinger, Granger, Hoffman, Keedy, Kocher, Larimer, McHenry, Ulrich, Ward

Committee Members Present – Vegors

I. A quorum being present meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

II. Minutes of March Board Meeting were approved as published.

III. Treasurer's report was approved as published.

IV. President's updates

A. Discussion was conducted about better advertising the AMC. Suggestions for consideration are;

1. Public Relations Position
2. Producing a flier about the AMC
3. Making and distributing fliers about upcoming speakers.
4. Possibly pursue ads in the newspapers.

V. Old Business

A. Insurance – Pells can no longer write insurance in Arizona - WOGA has been contacted and we are awaiting reply from the underwriters.

B. Recognition of Board Members – Plaques are ready and will be presented at the next Membership Meeting.

C. Phoenix Zoo request - W. Schroeter investigated. Zoo site is not suitable for club use, will pass over to Paul D at PRG.

D. Kicking Access – request was made to reconsider their request for \$150.00. Motion made seconded and carried not to reconsider that request. We do support the Access Fund from our budget annually.

E. PBC Request to borrow carabiners – request was made to reconsider that request. Motion made, seconded and carried not to reconsider that request. The Board believes that there is too much liability due to loss of control of the gear. We do support the PBC financially and through member participation to a very large degree.

F. Newsletter – Wally will press the printer to insure timely delivery.

VI. New Business

A. Access – After much discussion concerning the importance of AMC being a key player in land management and access issues both locally and at large, a motion was made, seconded and carried to form a Land Advocacy Committee. Filsinger was appointed initial committee chair and will return to the Board with recommendations concerning structure, mission and goals of that committee. This committee may

combine or include the present Access, Conservation and Trails Committees.

B. Outing Leader Policy – Discussion was held concerning “AMC Policy on Selection of Outing Leaders – June 2001” and the disparity between it and the specifics in the Newsletter. Motion made, seconded and carried to add a third sentence to the first paragraph of the policy, which states “The prospective outing leader must have been an AMC member for the past 12 months from the date of the application.”

C. Door Greeter at next Membership Meeting – David Larimer

VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

**NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!**

**Because Veterans' Memorial Day falls on what would be AMC's normal meeting night, the board meeting will be held on May 5th and the membership meeting will also be a week early – on May 19th.**

### **New Members**

Kathy AuCoin  
Jennifer Carpenter  
Melissa Griffin  
Jill Iverson  
David Ponce

## DISCOUNT DIRECTORY

The following merchants currently offer a discount to AMC members.

Arizona Hiking Shack - 11645 N. Cave Creek Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85020, 944-7723

Show your AMC membership card and get a 15% discount.

### AMC RENTAL EQUIPMENT:

EQUIPMENT	Lb-Oz	Qty	Cost/Wk
Tents:			
4-season 2-3 man 7-6 .....	1	1	10.00
4-season 2 man ....	6-0	1	6.00
3-season 2 man ....	5-0	3	5.00
4-season 1 man bivy.....	1-15	1	7.00
Sherpa Snowshoes .....	8		5.00
MSR Alpine snowshoes ....			15.00
Ski poles (var. sizes).....	4		0.50
Ice Crampons.....			15.00
Snow Crampons (sizes 6-14).....	10		2.00
In-step crampons. ....	1		2.00
Gaitors (Goretex) .....	2 pr		2.00
Ice axes (70-90 cm) .....	12		2.00
Snow shovel.....	1-10	2	5.00
Snow pickets;flukes .....	10 @		5.00
MSR Multifuel Stove.....	1		3.00
Yates Big Dudes .#6, #7 ....			5.00
Haul bag .....	1		10.00
PortaLedge.....	1		50.00
Jumars .....	3		5.00
Climbing shoes.....	Various sizes	...	Call

EQUIPMENT RENTAL GUIDELINES: Your name must be on the most current membership list. Deposit required; varies by item; generally \$20-\$50. The two-personal-checks system works best. Advance reservation suggested. If not using the reserved equipment, please call and cancel. Call Linda Locke at 602-997-4235 for shoes. For everything else, call Tom Burmer 480-354-1392.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Statement of Operations

01/01/03 Thru 04/17/03

Category Description	Amount
<b>INCOME</b>	
Advertising.....	320.00
Equipment Rental (incl shoes).....	107.00
Interest.....	9.63
Membership Dues.....	4,630.00
Mountaineering Schools.....	125.00
Program Income .....	.00
Tee Shirts & Etc.....	239.00
Training .....	5,570.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>11,000.63</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Access Committee .....	.00
Access ,other .....	137.41
Administration .....	653.70
Bouldering Contest.....	300.00
Capital Exp.....	59.30
Classification .....	576.50
Equipment Maint .....	125.00
Insurance.....	956.01
Library .....	41.90
Merchandise Exp .....	644.40
Mountaineering.....	229.70
Newsletter .....	1,334.50
Outings .....	80.78
Programs .....	1,092.00
Service/Bank Charge .....	14.82
Training .....	6,530.97
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> .....	<b>9,558.18</b>

OVERALL FOR YEAR TO DATE.....1,442.45

### ACCOUNT BALANCES (04/17/03)

CD Account.....	5,210.59
Savings .....	1,530.32
Checking .....	12,187.02

TOTAL CASH ASSETS.....\$18,480.33

OTHER ASSETS (CLUB GEAR) .....7,779.00

OVERALL TOTAL.....26,706.93

# **Selected European Climbs**

**A presentation by Tom Conner**

**In the late summer of 2002, Tom spent 4 weeks traveling and climbing in Europe. Climbs in the early part of the trip were in the Alps of Switzerland and France and encompass a variety of climbing styles from rock to mountaineering to mixed.**

**Climbs in the later part of the trip took place in the Dolomite mountains of northern Italy on via ferrata routes. Via ferratas, common in parts of Europe but virtually unheard of in the U.S., have wire cables and other pieces of fixed, permanent protection. Climbers essentially solo and self-belay.**

**At the AMC Membership Meeting  
Monday, May 19  
7:00 P.M.**

Los Olivos Senior Center, 2801 E. Devonshire  
(28<sup>th</sup> Street just north of Indian School Road in Phoenix)

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER — May 2003 — Be an ADVOCATE — Bruce McHenry

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The AMC has a strong tradition of involvement in land management, climbing and trail access, and conservation issues. While these issues have always been around, lately it seems there are many more of them and each is more complicated. Most land resource issues now have government involvement and regulation. The stakes are higher, with decisions made that permanently affect climbing access, trails, and outdoor recreation. More groups and associations are becoming involved on all sides of each issue. These groups have become more sophisticated and bring more resources to influence the outcomes.

AMC has approached these issues with guidance from the board, committees to handle specific functions or activities, and support and involvement from members. Our Access, Conservation, Public Relations, and Trails committees have successfully represented the club on many issues. The present and past chairs of these committees have worked hard and deserve your recognition and thanks!

While effective, these committees have been typically 1-person groups. There is a limit to the ability of a single person committee to cover the many issues. And as the issues get larger and complicated, the amount of committee work also increases. Your board has reviewed ways to meet the challenge of more and increasingly complex issues. We had three goals in mind for this review. First - continue our tradition of active participation. Second - have more resources available to share the workload and increase our involvement. Third - find ways for more members to be involved.

To meet this challenge, I'm pleased to announce the board has created a new committee - Land Advocacy. The Land Advocacy committee will have a broad scope for the many land management, conservation, government relations, and other issues. So, you may ask, how does this new committee help? A fair question! The model used by the board was the Training & Schools committee. T&S has several members, each with specific distinct functions and responsibilities. By dividing the workload and getting many involved, the whole is greater than sum of the parts. Using the same model, Advocacy will split up functions so that more members can be involved, bring in more resources to support on various issues, and continue the club's effective participation in land management issues.

What does the Land Advocacy committee need? YOU! Become an Advocate!! Is there a specific trail, climbing area, or conservation issue you are passionate about? Would you participate in a task force or meeting to bring back information for the club? Then help the club take the lead and be an advocate! Erik Filsinger will initially chair the committee. Erik's first tasks will

be determining the mission, scope, and functions of the committee. Your participation is welcome. Get in on the ground floor. SEE ERIK-SIGN UP-GET INVOLVED!!

Bruce McHenry  
president@azmountaineeringclub.org

### Memorial Week-End Options in Colorado For AMC'ers:

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**Molas Pass, CO area** (South of Silverton, CO Hwy 550)

May 23 to May 26. Alpine Outing to climb north face routes on Twilight Peak near Molas Pass in Colorado. Five-mile backpack and then low 5th class alpine ascent. Required: alpine rock seminar or permission of OL. High level of physical fitness. Size limited. For details contact Erik Filsinger at [smorefil@aol.com](mailto:smorefil@aol.com)

**Eleven Mile Canyon, CO** (Pikes Peak National Forrest Hwy 24 West of Woodland Park, CO) May 24 to May 26. "Elevenmile Canyon is a narrow steep-walled gorge on the southern edge of the Puma Hills. Numerous granite crags raging from 50 to 500 feet high line the 9-mile canyon, their bold outcrops etched against the sky. More than 250 routes thread the canyon's cliffs, ascending thin cracks, bald slabs, detached flakes, meandering dikes, in-cut holds, and sharp crystals. The canyon's sweeping, lighthearted slabs offer some of Colorado's best beginner and moderate routes, while it's steep walls yield some hard crack and face climbs." (Rock Climbing Colorado, by Stewart M. Green, p.251).

We will be camping on the 24th and 25th in the Elevenmile Canyon or at Elevenmile Reservoir area, final location to be determined. No AMC gear will be provided, as this is an out of state climb being offered by an out of state leader. Bring your racks and ropes! You can contact me at (719) 494-1171 or email me at [tim.medlock@kla-tencor.com](mailto:tim.medlock@kla-tencor.com)

## MEMBERS' PAGE

### Little Known Facts about AMC?

Many of you are familiar with CAMRA - Central Arizona Mountain Rescue Association. The roots of CAMRA go back to both AMC and the Kachina's. The Kachina's was a local Boy Scout troop that did rock climbing and rescue work in the 1940s-1960s. Early in the history of AMC, there was a Rescue Team.

AMC Rescue Team members had pagers for alerts and volunteered to help with Search & Rescue (SAR), technical rescues and other fun stuff. About the same time, the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office set up a volunteer Search & Rescue Posse. The SAR Posse became CAMRA. The activities of the AMC Rescue Team, and others, eventually consolidated into CAMRA.

### Get Involved with AMC

More ways to get involved with AMC  
Join the Land Advocacy Committee  
Distribute newsletters around town - Every

month helpers are needed to get newsletters to REI, Hiking Shack, ClimbMax and Phoenix Rock Gym  
Recruit a New Member into the Club

### HELP!

Help is needed, *Your Help!* Volunteers are always needed, wanted, and welcomed for contributing to the many tasks of running our club. Current needs include a Chairperson for Newsletter Distribution, assistance with club equipment, Membership. More Outing Leaders are always appreciated, as are assistants with the schools. Or contribute your special talent with a class or newsletter article.

### Calling Club Gear

Please check your stuff bags, packs, and racks for any club gear. Club biners are marked with orange paint, and slings/webbing will have "AMC" written on them. If you find any, turn in to a board member, or Sally and Dave Larimer. Thanks!!

— Bruce McH



*Jeff Hewitt and Carly Antus pause to enjoy the classic aesthetic delights of symmetry during a practice climb at Granite Dells during Lead School. Monica Miller Photo.*

## BABOQUIVARI OUTING – 3-29-03

As usual Babo was dramatic, gorgeous and a little bit scary. Ten AMCers met in camp on the East side on Friday night. Although I had called or emailed everyone, many I'd never met. So it was nice to hang around the campfire at night and get acquainted.

An early start had us hiking out the main gate around 6:30. The chilly morning air made for ideal conditions. It was cold enough to want to keep moving just to stay warm, too chilly to linger in one spot for very long. Even loaded with ropes and extra water the steep ascent up to the saddle went very well. It is easy to overheat and dehydrate on this section, but we made good steady progress all the way.

From the saddle we pushed on through thick-forested slopes and out onto steep rock scree leading to the Northeast notch. Freezing winds were getting funneled up at the top, making it really hard to set up a rope. Once threaded through the rap rings, I watched in dismay as fifty feet of it just clothes lined in the wind, fluttering in the air rising over my head. Luckily we found relative calm continuing the traverse west and then up the two slab pitches the lead up to the final ladder pitch on the North-west corner.

Here, where the East approach meets with the West approach, it can be a wall of ice, but for us it was dry, and soon we had a rope in place. The final hike to the summit was a breeze. We had loads of time to enjoy the view, snack, and observe Itoi's current pile of gift offerings. David Hansen grinned and shook my hand. He was last up here 29 years ago. Rogil Schroeter returned after maybe a dozen years. Plenty of first timers too. Of course we signed the book and did the photo thing before heading back down.

With four rappels in place, I got volunteers to pull and carry at each station. Seth Hennessee agreed to act as sweeper and keep those in the rear of our troop from going too far astray. Back at the cars, Seth popped open his cooler and offered cold brews, eagerly accepted and relished while all ten of us assembled for the short ride back.

I noticed a few cuts and scrapes on various hands and arms by the time we got back to the camp, but we all had a great adventure and returned safely to camp. Even an

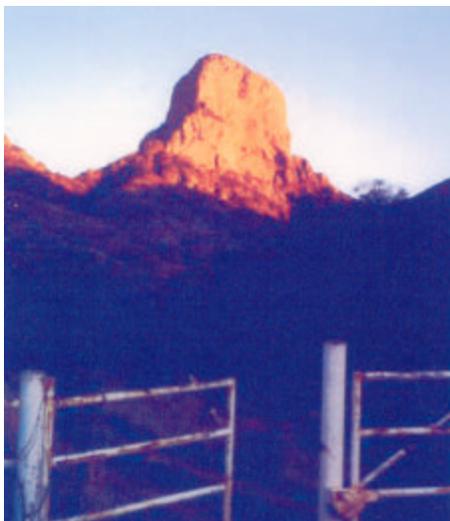
easy route like this has plenty of risk involved. In fact, approaching the final rappel, I stumbled and almost fell 30 feet. I was just WALKING, not even carrying a heavy load. It could happen to anyone. All it took was one moment of distraction. Enough said.

Some had to return home on Saturday night, some stayed with me and cooked out. I heard it said a few times, "Now I know why he keeps coming back." There are so many reasons, and I cannot find words for many of them. One small reason is to give something back to the AMC.

Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.

This glade, where we all camped, has been scoured for trash and assorted garbage; several bags full. Everyone is gone. I'll be leaving soon. Gazing west at Babo, shining in the sun. I'll be back.

Participants:  
Seth Hennessee  
Peter Niemczyk  
John Granger  
Rogil Schroeter  
David Hansen  
Robert England  
Richard Theobald  
Joe Manceau  
Dave Tanton



—Paul Norberg

*Baboquivari glows in golden morning light, rearing imposingly high and dauntingly erect above the old ranch corrals on the southeast Riggs canyon approach.*

*In AMC's early days - before we learned to limit party size - nearly the entire club membership (23 of us) climbed the southeast ridge one day, everyone topping out, tho we spent what was left of the night on the ridge just below the rock face (after five romantic moonlight rappels). We bivouaced rather than wade downhill through shin daggers in the dark. Babo is a great place for both aesthetics and adventure. —Ed.*

## Spring Basic School Report – Rope, Harness and – Galoshes??

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Mother Nature threw us a curve in this spring's Basic Climbing School. Heavy rain forced us to cancel the Sunday field day before it started, but not until after we had gotten out of bed. It would have been a great day to sleep in! Dedicated instructors and students showed up at the designated meeting place to find out what the plan was. We decided to hold the regular Sunday session on Saturday instead of grad climbs, and reschedule the grad climbs. As usual, we had a fun time socializing before we dispersed. Talk of the morning was the "full moon" seen on Pima Road on the way to the class. Apparently, it was quite spectacular!

The first Tuesday and Thursday night, students learned about climbing equipment, climbing calls, ethics, belaying, rappelling, rope coiling, and knot tying. There is a lot of material to cover! Saturday was the first field day, at the Opium Den in north Scottsdale. Students practiced on real rock, what they had learned in the park the previous week. The second week of class, Tuesday and Thursday night sessions were held at the Phoenix Rock Gym, giving everyone a chance to learn and practice self-rescue techniques.

Finally, we had the regular Sunday session on Saturday, March 22. It was odd, after helping with Basic School for so many years, to leave that afternoon thinking "grad party" instead of "it's Sunday and I have to go to work tomorrow." Grad party was at our house, and the students did a great job of stocking our party fridge! It's always fun to talk about climbing with fellow lovers of the sport, and there were many stories flying around.

Now that the party is over, it's time for the actual grad climbs! Scheduling students and instructors for various weekends proved to be a challenge, but with cooperation from everyone, we got it done. Jef Sloat led a group of students up the Monk and Jeff Nagel led a group up Jacuzzi Spire on 3/23. The following Sunday, Jeff Nagel took another group of students up Jacuzzi Spire. Jeff Hatfield took yet another group up Jacuzzi Spire on 4/5 and Rick Taylor led a group up the Hart Route that same day. The Queen Creek Cleanup served as a grad climb for a couple of students, and the final group will be seen on the Hand with David and I on 4/19.

Thanks to all the instructors for making the class possible. I really have a lot of fun as the lead instructor, but couldn't do it without all the dedicated instructors that help out. Thanks to ALL of you - you are an awesome group of friends!

— Sally Larimer

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### Students

Paige Birdwell  
Alex Bonham  
Dwight Bozarth  
Kirsten Brock  
Paul Buckley  
Faye Cole  
Mary Linda Cragar  
Krista Dearing  
Dana Dumins  
David Dumins  
Frank Fischer  
Dirk Gesink  
Graham Ginn  
Melissa Griffin  
Stacy LaFrance  
Scott Long  
Robert Lowe  
Michael Millsap  
Abe Mirich  
Anita Pietrofitta  
David Ponce  
Abhijit Rane  
John Sagasta  
Julie Sagasta  
Frederick Simpson  
Tim Steele  
Anne Stringfellow  
Jay Stutzman  
Feliciano Vera  
Ram Voorakaranam  
Charlene Weaver  
George Wenzlick  
Scott Winkler

### Instructors

Ken Akerman  
Carly Antus  
Bill Berkley  
Nancy Birdwell  
Michael Boylan  
Debby Brown  
Thomas Burmer  
Catherine Conner  
Tom Conner  
Steve Dilley  
Elizabeth Dunlop  
Kris Edinger

Bill Fallon  
Philip Goebel  
Daniel Gonzales  
Kathleen Granger  
Karol Harvey  
Jeff Hatfield  
Susan Hatfield  
Eve Hoffman  
Nick Hoffman  
Scott Hoffman  
David Johnson  
John Keedy  
Chris Kline  
Jim Kline  
Mike Knarzer  
Rich Kocher  
Vicki Kooney  
Bill Kurek  
Tim Lange  
David Larimer  
Sally Larimer  
Mara Linder  
Linda Locke  
Grant Loper  
Markita Martinez  
Bruce McHenry  
Maryann McKessy  
Monica Miller  
Jeffrey Nagel  
Terry Nelson  
Sonia Overholser  
Scott Parsons  
Bruce Robbins  
Lance Roth  
Heather Ryan  
Rogil Schroeter  
Wayne Schroeter  
Elizabeth Serraglio  
Jef Sloat  
David Smith  
Karen Stafford  
Dave Tanton  
Rick Taylor  
Charlene Todd  
Jutta Ulrich  
Tim Ward  
Kristin Weissenback  
Justin Wolf

— Rogil S

## Self-rescue class—May 4

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This is probably the final run-through of the self-rescue class before we start to offer it as a normal part of the AMC series of classes. We have yet to set a class fee for future classes, but this class will be no charge.

Self-rescue has been offered as a one-day seminar several times over the past few years, and I thank those who have come out and taken it. The class has been drastically modified based on actual results and the comments of participants. While earlier classes tended to concentrate on haul systems, the current class covers a whole spectrum of techniques. If you took it before, even the last time in February of this year, I would suggest coming back and running through it again.

The class consists of two sessions: the first a Wednesday evening (6:00–9:30) at a local park, similar to the way we start our other classes at city parks; and the second an all-day Sunday session at Queen Creek. (In the future, the weekend session will probably be on Saturday.) When you register, I will send you the info on the meeting places.

During the evening session, we will review the friction knots used for self-rescue (autoblock, Klemheist and prusik), including variations from our normal 6mm cord. We will re-visit the mule, muenter mule and mariner

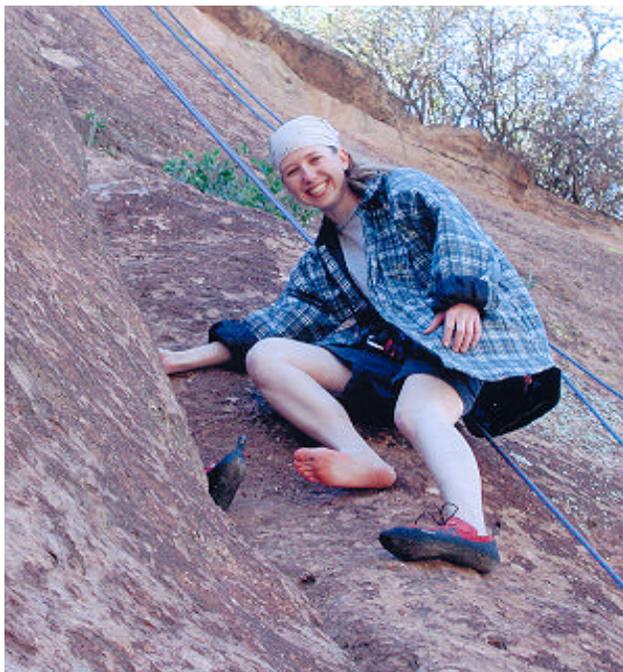
knots (introduced for the first time in Anchors Class this spring); we will use them in several different scenarios. We will practice specialized rappel rescue techniques (counter-weight and assisted) in a horizontal environment preparatory to using them at Queen Creek for real. Lastly, we will set up a haul system to get used to how it works with minimal weight.

On Sunday, after anchors are set, we will go right into problematic lowering scenarios (how to solve problems when lowering a climber/victim). Next, we will practice the specialized rappel techniques. Lastly, we will set up a haul system.

Helmets will be required for Sunday's session, and everyone will need to sign our standard "Activity Release Form."

I am limiting this class to 12 people; we may in the future offer classes of up to 16 people. To participate, you should have taken our Anchors School and have good experience setting anchors. It is an advanced class. To register, please email Wayne at [wshroeter@cox.net](mailto:wshroeter@cox.net) or call me at 602-402-1631.

—Wayne Schroeter



*Hey Crackerjack-  
Crack — Gimmie my  
shoe back!  
A basic school grad  
finds a new kind of  
trouble not covered in  
the course syllabus on  
her Queen Creek Grad  
Climb.  
Photo by Scott Frankel*

## Lessons - April 12&13, 03

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My partner & I got up just after 4 AM on Saturday, got to the exit of RR park at 4:50 and hiked overland to the base of Crimson Chrysalis (5.8, 9 pitches) at the mouth of Juniper Canyon in the Red Rocks outside of Las Vegas. We started quickly, swinging leads on twin 9's. We climbed pretty quickly, without incident, as I got to lead the even numbered pitches.

We watched 4 other pairs of climbers line up below us. When we got to the top of 7, I prepared to lead the last 2 short pitches together. As I approached the anchor chains at the top of 8, I went to the left on some very shiny, smooth featureless desert varnish, with a useless vertical crack just to my right. I was tired and my poor judgment caused me to try a poor right-leaning traverse move to get back over to the crack, only 10 feet below the rappel chains. Either my hands or feet slipped first, (who knows!) and I took a 30' leader fall on a #6 BD wirenut I'd slotted earlier in the vertical crack. Fortunately I was wearing a helmet, but took some impact blows to various parts of my body, in the near-vertical fall. I took off about 3 square inches of skin below my left knee cap (xrays neg.), cracked my left elbow pretty good (maybe chipped), whacked my nose (no blood), took a shot to the sternum which felt like a mild heart attack and some shot to my stomach that showed up first as a puncture but then a deep bruise arose, swelling the tissue until it vaguely resembled a third breast. A cute little one too, but it did hurt.

I hung for a second or two, got back on the wall, inventoried injuries and assessed things. And thought about it for while. And I thought some more. Because I was tired and trembling, I didn't relish a second big fall. I decided to bail. I was lowered on the wirenut and the attached spectra sling, removing all gear except a backup quickdraw below the wirenut placement. We rappelled 7 pitches to get to the ground, hiked overland to the Juniper Canyon parking area and the road to the exit.

We ended up in a Baja Fresh (on Sahara?) after not finding the way to Frank & Fina's (on Charleston, right?). On Sunday, we started a little later, and climbed Tunnel Vision (5.7, 6 pitches), deservedly a classic. I again led the even pitches, after I backed off the unprotected and runout start of the first pitch. A little gun-shy, I guess.

I went back and forth on whether or not I should write this. On one side, I was admitting my climbing shortcomings to a pretty good group of climbers, but on the other side was an opportunity to share what I learned. The perhaps stupid and obvious lessons I got

are:

- \* Slot wirenuts and other pieces when possible. \* 30 foot leader falls are no picnic. Try to avoid them in the future.
- \* Well placed pro, even if small, will be happy to save your life.
- \* Every piece placed on lead, can be fallen on. Place pro accordingly
- \* When you are tired and you go for a magic move, be prepared to fall.
- \* Wear your helmet on lead, period.
- \* My hands got tired and cramped at the end of the day and I backed up my last 5 rappels with a prussik.
- \* As at least 500' of hot rope went through that prussik, the prussik was happily retired, due to wear.

I'm sure that there are some more. I can't forget being grateful for the very few injuries that I received. And I am just grateful that I lived long enough to go climbing again. At some time in the future, after a bivvy at the base, my partner wants to do Epinephrine (5.9, 18 pitches in Swain).  
Mon Dieu! Quel grande adventurousnos !!! Oh ... and I will go back to Crimson ... definitely !!

-- p.clay vollmer

## Cochise Stronghold Outing

March 8th, David and I organized an outing to Trad Rock, in Cochise Stronghold. We had a beautiful day of climbing on the sunny granite wall. It's worth the drive, even if you can only make it for one day. Although Dave and I couldn't stay to climb on Sunday, many of the climbers did. They camped out and climbed various areas of the Stronghold – I know Moby Dick was the objective of a couple of teams.

It was a no limit outing, with a variety of participants, ranging from students from the prior Basic School to some real old timers. (Right Debi?) There were a couple dozen of us in all.

Routes ranged from 5.6 to 5.10 – so there was something for everyone. The rock is so sticky, once you trust your feet, you find you can stand on practically nothing. Thanks to Frank Vers, Scottman Hoffman, Sean Colonello, Mark Gordon, Carl Minnesota (Dawson?), and David Larimer for leading the climbs so the rest of us can have a blast, with the security of a top rope!

– Sally Larimer

## **t was a dark and stormy night... no really!**

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I The lead school class in February will probably be remembered more for the weather than anything else. The rain was pouring down the first night of class, so the location was quickly moved to Wim's house in Ah-watukee. The tag team instructors, Wayne Schroeter and Jeff Hatfield, did an admirable job modifying the class at the last minute to accommodate an indoor location. The rock face was modeled by a pair of two by fours, bolts included, tied securely to a pair of filing cabinets. It was here that we eagerly received our first instructions on the new world of lead climbing.

Up to this point, all of us had climbed while being securely protected by a top rope. Most of us had also been through the anchors class and were adept at setting up these top rope climbs. Now we felt we were ready for the next big step, being the first climber up the route to set the anchor for everyone else... otherwise known as lead climbing.

The first night we covered the difference between leading and top roping, as well as the skills required to belay a leader. We then moved to the dynamics of lead falls, including getting a feel for the forces involved in a lead fall, as well as the art of falling. The sobering description of Jeff's lead fall of 15 feet, which sprained his ankle, followed us all home that evening.

The rain did not let up, so the next class was also indoors. This lecture included an in depth description of protecting yourself during a lead climb. We were introduced to quick draws and runners. We also reviewed the different types of protection available. By the end of the evening, Jeff and Wayne were illustrating the best way to rack protection, as well as the mundane, but important, skill of cleaning protection.

The final lecture was greeted with great enthusiasm, as Wayne and Jeff demonstrated the skills we would be needing for the weekend practice. Demonstrations of rope management and setting up belay stations were watched with intensity. Later discussions of sport leading, back clipping, and z-clipping were equally serious. We were drawing close to the time where we would apply what we had learned and we all understood the importance of doing it right.

The weather once again destroyed the best laid plans, so the final outdoor classes were postponed for one week. Finally, the weather cooperated, as we had clear blue skies for two wonderful days in Prescott. We spent Saturday at Upper Sullivan Canyon. First we set up the top rope anchors for the exercise of the day. After the anchors were set up, each person took turns setting protection in their crack on the wall. After each protection set, the student would put their entire weight on the piece to build confidence in their technique. Some of us experienced the heart stopping thrill of having a piece blow. One of the pieces I placed actually managed to break off a foot long piece of rock when I weighted it. In

my mind, this clearly illustrated the need for more practice.

That evening, we shared our experiences over dinner at Gurley Street Grill. The good food and cold beer to made us all anxious for the next day... When we would apply everything we had learned on simulated lead climbs.

The clear blue skies welcomed us the next morning. The climbing area on Watson lake has wonderful views. The lake was pretty full due to the recent rains and was surrounded by monolithic rock begging to be climbed. The instructors set up top rope anchors for safety as we serenaded Wayne on his 50th birthday.

Each of us were in teams of three. One person was lead climbing, one person was lead belaying, and the third person was providing top rope protection as an additional safety measure. We practiced climbing by protecting our climbs with both natural protection and bolts. Some of the more adventurous students asked the top rope belayer to keep the rope a little more loose, to more accurately simulate the conditions of a lead climb. Who knew learning can be this much fun? Now, after a thoroughly enjoyable day of simulated lead climbing, we are all looking forward to our first lead climb.

Ready to climb.... climb on!

—*Scott Frankel*

The list of instructors for  
Feb 2003 Lead school:

Lenny Dick  
Bill Fallon  
Karol Harvey  
Jeff Hatfield  
Monica Miller  
Jeff Nagel  
Rogil Schroeter  
Wayne Schroeter  
Dave Tanton

With special thanks to our  
fearless leader, Mick Strole

Lead school students  
for 3/2003:

Carly Antus  
Nancy Birdwell  
Steve Dilley  
Elizabeth Dunlop  
Scott Frankel  
Jeff Hewitt  
Eve Hoffman  
Mike Knarz  
Grant Loper  
Anthony Mavis  
Peter Niemczyk  
Lynn Readicker  
Larry Reinmuther  
Karen Stafford  
Shawn Swenson

## April 5th Outing - Scorpion Ridge with Jeff Nagel

On Saturday, April 5th, Outing Leader Jeff Nagel led a group of 5 others to climb some 2-pitch quartzite on a classic igneous dyke that appears west of Arizona highway 87 about one half mile south of the Roosevelt Dam turnoff, a few miles north of Sunflower. We met in the parking lot of Fry's Grocery east of Shea Blvd. and highway 101 to arrange carpool with Mike Knarzer, Dave Tanton, Monica Miller, Scott Parsons, myself and Jeff. Jeff had spoken with each of us before, on the phone, to ascertain our multi-pitch and lead experience. We signed waivers and provided contact information, in case of emergency.

The approach was less than 1 mile but involved a vertical gain of approximately 800 vertical feet that we negotiated by hiking through clearings in the brush and short trees in about 45 minutes. We initially set up at the base of a large fan of positively sloping rock about 180 feet high, in the middle of an area known to Jeff. Due to the possibility of rock fall, we located our packs in more protected areas. Jeff formed us into 3 two-person teams and described known routes and offered beta on those routes as there is no guidebook or topo for the area yet.

I began with Monica as a partner and drew an easier route to the left of center. I reviewed the sequence of actions that I expected to take, as leader, because the "top-of-one" belay point was out of sight from the bottom and, with a wind gusting at times to 40 mph, there was reasonable likelihood that verbal communication might not work. For instance, after I completed the first pitch, I set a personal belay anchor and when I was ready to belay, I would pull rope. Monica could expect that, 30 seconds after I stopped pulling rope I would be into my belay device and when she felt 2 gentle tugs, that I was "on-belay." I repeated those two tugs at least every 30 seconds. When I pulled up slack rope, I knew she was climbing. Development of agreed upon non-verbal communications between climber and belayer is important for situations where verbal communications are not possible. My estimate of the route difficulty was 5.6.

I chose a good belay spot for two to stand comfortably, somewhat sheltered from the wind and where anchors could also be shared. Because I was also leading the second pitch, this enabled gear transfer and rope flipping. We both climbed the second pitch, to the top of Scorpion Ridge, and waited, on anchors, until the other party, with the rappel rope arrived. We used a 200' club rope to rappel from two brand new half-inch expansion bolts, hangers and rap rings recently installed by Forest Brown, while Jeff scoured the routes for potential loose rock. I tied a double bowline with a triple fisherman backup through both rap rings and rappelled the single line

to the bottom. I attached the ropebag to my harness to prevent loose rope getting caught by features on the face. I backed up Monica's rappel as she was the next person rappelling down.

Our other 4 climbers quickly followed and we reformed teams to tackle other routes. My second climb was a more vertical route, to the right of center, which featured a standing or leaning belay that I set up with a cam, a hex and a wire nut tied together with a cordalette. It was independently backed up with my harness daisy chain to the cam, the most solid of my individual anchors. It was a tight stance but I left room for my second, Mike Knarzer, to climb through, as he did without any gear transfer and few words. He climbed quickly, set a personal belay anchor on top and belayed me up without incident. I did notice that the second pitch was fairly runout but much easier. His third piece, a wire nut was backed up about 2 feet higher by a more solidly placed cam.

I climbed a third route, just to the right of Jeff's new route "Bombs Over Baghdad", with Scott Parsons, up the middle, close to the rappel line. Scott is a new leader, and led the first pitch slowly. The pitch went about 5.5+, but on lead everything is scary. As Scott was about 40 feet up, Jeff rappelled down (with an autoblock backup) and stuck a small cam in a crack with a 4' runner and clipped it to Scott's lead rope. Scott thanked Jeff and went over the top to an obvious belay station. Scott built a solid belay anchor and I led through on the second pitch that I protected well, until I went to the right and got about 35 feet runout. Although more vertical, it was not difficult climbing, but I became concerned and went farther right to place a piece. The resulting placements, despite long runners, badly "z'ed" my rope causing substantial rope drag on "my" lead rope. It was my worst rope drag problem in about two years.

Scott seconded without incident, we rappelled down, swapped gear and descended to the cars, arriving back at Fry's about 6:15. No injuries were reported and all thanked Jeff for a wonderful, if windy, outing. Advice to those heading to Scorpion Ridge: The ridge is substantially elevated above rolling hills, and the view is fantastic but it catches a steady wind. Take a windbreaker and long pants to cover yourself ;>)

— *p.clay vollmer*



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## Feeling Full of Beans? Help AMC'er Michael Baker rebuild Salome Canyon Trail

After some lobbying by Volunteers for Outdoor Arizona (VOAz), our organization was asked by Tonto National Forest to do something about the environmental havoc being wreaked in the area where canyon users leave the slot canyon below The Jug on Salome Creek. This has happened because there has been no "official" trail, and because canyon users seem more interested in getting out of there than in carefully making their way back up to the jeep trail that provides access to the area from the trailhead. Climbing out of the canyon when it is over 100 degrees, understandably, motivates people to look for the quickest way out. (I refer to "canyon users" because true canyoneers would never behave in this way.)

I first visited Salome Canyon ten years ago. I have contributed to the trashing of the steep decomposing granite hillsides. I have observed the situation go from a few, often faintly defined tracks, to a period when the tracks were many, with some seeming picked because they afforded the steepest possible ascent. I recall how oblivious I was to what I and the increasing numbers of visitors were doing to the land. All I focused on was that "b...h" of climb out. Then one path seemed to evolve as a primary route. While this was a positive development, this alignment is eroding and beginning to braid and widen. As with all trails of excessive grade, it gathers water and at opportune moments dumps it off the trail. This is causing serious erosion that few people probably even notice as they hump up to the road.

I think I have become a bit more sensitive to the environmental impacts of outdoor recreation. Call it atonement if you wish, but when I started VOAz one of my first goals was to try to do something about the situation at Salome Canyon. It took a while to convince the local ranger district, but this is now a priority trail project for the district.

Last May a small group of volunteers went there with Kathy and Rogil to go through the canyon and then begin the trail work by barricading most of the exit routes and making it easy for everyone to find the current primary route. In February, a group of VOAz crew leaders went back to begin the work on the hill-climb section. There is now **one** well defined path up the hill that is a little easier but not much longer than before. We need to get the word out the canyon users: **please, please stay on this route**. Anyone who doesn't deserves to have her/his knees broken.

On the weekend of **May 10 & 11**, VOAz will hold a work event to continue the work, and play in the water. We will complete some short reroutes we opened in February and work on hardening parts of the existing path. This trail violates the usual standards for hiking trails. But, it is only for impatient, strong canyoneers. We have to recognize this reality in trying to find a solution. Do we have a solution? It is hard to be certain about that with such an unconventional situation. I believe we can provide responsible canyon users with a reasonable, safe trail and slow down the rate of erosion in many locations.

I anticipate an event each of the next two years to finish the basic plan and monitor work already done and annual maintenance trips every three years after that.

If you would like to help with this work, please read more about the event and register through our web site (<http://www.dgcenter.org/voa/>) or call me (480.966.2689).

— *Michael Baker*

### Jacuzzi Spire Grad Climb #3

The third grad climb of the Spring season to Jacuzzi Spire took place on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Other than the hurricane-force winds that tried to pluck us from the summit, it was a perfect weather day. Bruce took the first two pitches, which I'd led on a previous trip, and I took the third.

We had an efficient group of instructors and students, and even with fellow AMCer "Poopsie" (hint: same name and initials as me) and his ultra-slow friend hijacking our route, we still had everyone back on the ground by 3:30. Not bad for a grad climb that somehow has a reputation for seeing people rapping and/or hiking back in the dark.

Congratulations to our students: David Ponce, Ram Voorakaranam, Melissa Griffin and Paige Birdwell. Thanks to a great group of instructors: Bruce McHenry, Susan Hatfield and Nancy Birdwell.

--*Jeff Hatfield*

## **AMC OUTING CALENDAR** *(Continued from page 16)*

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A group outing: Where possible a campsite is reserved by AMC. There is no designated leader although there may be a leader to work with non-leaders (call to find out) Call to find car-poolers. Parking may be limited or only for equipment vehicles.

### **BILLBOARD – Other Scheduled Events**

Outings listed in this section are not AMC sanctioned outings. Any AMC member can list an event he or she is planning and which is open to other AMC members. The member does not have to be an approved AMC Outing Leader. If you wish to participate you should be physically and mentally prepared with the appropriate gear and should contact the member planning the outing. You are responsible for your own safety, not the person leading the outing. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourself accordingly.

Wednesdays     **North Mountain Hikes** after work. Rogil Schroeter 623-878-3914 or  
rogil.schroeter@honeywell.com.

Mondays         **Climbing at Phoenix Rock Gym** Starting about 6:00 p.m. Ca \$10 per nite. Rogil S.

### **Commercially Provided Training and Events**

The events listed below are provided by commercial outfitters for the benefit of AMC members. They are not AMC Outings, nor are they led by AM Outing Leaders, though they may be open only to AMC members. The commercial outfitter is solely responsible for all aspects of the outing, not AMC. While, in most cases, an AMC member may provide a service by AMC collecting the names of prospective participants and handling the logistics of out-of-town events, participants will sign up directly with the commercial outfitter.

May 24 to 28. 5 days. **AMGA Top Rope Site Manager Course** Take this course and receive the certificate from the American Mountain Guides Association showing that you have taken the course and passed a test on skills related to managing a top rope climbing setting. Prerequisites are required. Contact Erik Filsinger at smore-fil@aol.com to learn more. \$550.

#### **ECO-GRUMP OF THE MONTH**

Every other kind of recreationist — whether a dreaded 4-wheeler or biker, cyclist, horseman, hunter, camper, or bird watcher — is a slob.

Sometimes I think thou art one also.

I know I am one sometimes, through thoughtlessness. Let's work on it.

## AMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Participation in AMC outings requires club membership. Outings vary in degree of danger. When you participate in an outing you should be both physically and mentally prepared and equipped with the appropriate gear. You should always be aware of the risks involved in outdoor activities and conduct yourselves accordingly. The outing leader is not responsible for your safety; you are. Please contact the outing leader before going on an outing, discussing your capabilities with the outing leader. You must be over 18 years of age to participate, or must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult, and obtain prior consent from the outing leader. Those accompanying minors are responsible for the minor's safety.

### WHEN & WHERE & WHAT & WHO

- Apr 30 Self Rescue evening class. See below.
- May 4 **Self Rescue Class** Wayne Schroeter at wschroeter@cox.net or 602-402-1631. See page 9.
- May 5 AMC Board Meeting, Los Olivos, 7:00 Y'all are welcome!!
- May 10 **Crown of Thorns** (Crown King, AZ) Back Country Camping and Climbing 5.5 to 5.10 - Limit 12  
Jeff Nagel,t (602) 318-9538 or azfreedheart@aol.com
- May 17 **Promised Land** north of Prescott. Excellent sport bolt routes on banded quartzite granite. Limit 12.  
Frank Vers, 480-947-9435
- May 19 AMC Regular Meeting. Tom Conner Program on his climbs in the Dolomites and alps.
- May 23-26 **Molas Pass** area, Colo. Five mi. backpack to 5th class alpine ascents on north face routes on Twi light Peak. Alpine rock seminar or permission of OL required. High level of physical fitness required. Erik Filsinger at smorefil@aol.com.
- May 24 (Memorial Weekend) **Lady Bug Route**, (4 pitches) Four Peaks, Limit 8, Jeff Nagel (602) 318-9538 or azfreedheart@aol.com
- May 24-26 **Eleven Mile Canyon** climbs, Colo. A wild array of climbing. No AMC gear provided as this is an out of state climb offered by an out of state leader. tim.medlock@kla-tencor.com or 719-494-1171. More details elsewhere this issue.
- Jun 21 **Mount Elden** Climb 5.6-5.10 in cool Flagstaff. Camping Sat. night optional. Meet behind the Denny's at I-17 and Bell at 6:30 a.m. No Limit, no reservations, just show up. Contact: Tom Conner at 480-897-7623 or conner\_tom@hotmail.com
- Jun 22 **Humphrey's Peak** Hike to the top of Arizona's highest peak. Roundtrip 9-miles, 3800 ft. Elevation gain, takes about 6 hours. Meet in the lower parking lot of the Snow Bowl (just NW of Flagstaff off Hwy 180 at 8:30 a.m. to begin the hike. No reservations. Tom Conner at 480-897-7623 or conner\_tom@hotmail.com.

To request outings: call outings chairperson Monica Miller 623-362-0456. To cancel after saying you will participate in a climb, call the outing leader as soon as possible; there may be a waiting list. Also, the leader will know not to wait for you on outing day.

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### AMC OUTING LEADERS

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## AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			30 Self Res- cue Eve	1 No Moon	2	3 First
4 Self Res- cue Class, Q Cr	5 AMC Board	6	7 Sun up 5:35 Down 7:16 Moon down 1:00 am	8	9 1st Qtr Moon	10 Crown of Thorns, Crown King
11	12	13	14 Sun up 5:29 Down 7:21 Moon down 4:30 a	15	16 Full Moon	17 Promised Land, Chino Val- ley
18	19 Regllar AMC Mtg — Tom Conner In Dolo- mites	20	21 Sun up 5:24 Down 7:26 Moon up 12:32 a	22	23 A) Twi- light Peak, Mo- las Pass Colo	23 A) Cont B) Eleven- mile Can- yon Colo.
25 A) Contd B) Contd	26 A) Contd B) Contd.	27	28 Sun up 5:21 Down 7:31 Moon up 3:56 a	29	30 No Moon	31