

The Arizona MOUNTAINEER

December 2006



MT LEMMON PRISON CAMP PAROLEES

Left to right, Steve Wolpert, Kathy Reichert, Catherine Conner, Monica Miller, Kelly Brentas, Savoenn, Joe Garcia, Marcy Makarewicz and Stormy Rose

The Arizona Mountaineering Club

Meetings: The **December** member meeting location is: Phoenix Country Day School
3901 E. Stanford Drive
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253. , AZ 85004 at 7:00 p.m. See calendar for day/date.

Board Meetings: Board meetings are open to all members and are held two Mondays prior to the Club meeting.

Dues: Dues cover January through December. A single membership is \$30.00 per year: \$35.00 for a family. Those joining after June 30 pay \$15 or \$18. 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

Schools: The AMC conducts several rock climbing, mountaineering and other outdoor skills schools each year. Browse the AMC website for information on schedules and classes.

For More Information:

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president@amcaz.org
board@amcaz.org

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www.amcaz.org

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The AMC Land Advocacy 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 Land Advocacy representative Erik Filsinger, 480-314-1089.

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 \$35 or more to: The Access Fund, P.O. Box 17010, Boulder, CO 80308, or calling 888-8MEMBER or giving it to the AMC Club Treasurer to be sent to The Access Fund in your name. A donation of \$35 or more is needed to receive *Vertical Times*, The Access Fund newsletter. One can also join electronically at:

https://www.accessfund.org/secure/joinnow/join_indiv.php or at <https://accessfund.org/join/indiv.php>.

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Newsletter

The *Arizona Mountaineer* is published monthly by the AMC. Members are encouraged to submit articles and photos about their climbing- or mountaineering-related activities. Submit items for publication (subject to approval) to AMC Editor, 2267 W Periwinkle Way, Chandler, AZ 85248 or through email to azmountaineer@amcaz.org. Prints are preferred over slides. Digital photos should preferably be in JPG format and 300 dpi. Articles can be in any standard word processing format. For more info call or write the editor at (480)-688-5412, robert_england2@yahoo.com.

Advertising in the *Arizona Mountaineer* is accepted, subject to approval, at the following rates. Personal ads are free to members. Business ads are \$5.00 for a business card, \$10.00 for half page, \$20.00 for full page, and \$25.00 for inserts.

HOT STUFF !!!

Holiday Party

MONDAY Member Meeting!

Library

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

The circulation period is one 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.

January Newsletter Deadline Wednesday - December 13

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sally Larimer 1, Kathleen Granger 2, Steve Zaporowski 2, Dale Tittensor 4, Shannon Flowers 7, John Hamilton 7, Brian McHenry 8, Robert England 9, Jon Fallon 9, Alex Biegel 13, Keith Jendricks 13, Steve McClure 13, James Kehoe 14, Sherrie Holbrook 16, Mare Czinar 18, Lyle Duncan 18, Al Potter 18, Justin Iske 20, John Keedy 20, Philip Goebel 21, Kathy Balland 22, Jason Weaver 24, Wallace Vegors 25, Mara Linder 26, David Kolstad 29, Clare Mix 29, Mark Hubble 30, Robin O'Neal 31

Board Meeting Minutes: October 30 & November 6, 2006

Special Board Meeting Minutes: October 30, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John Keedy at Clay Vollmer's house.

Board members present: John Keedy, Jutta Ulrich, Erik Filsinger, Bill Fallon, and Clay Vollmer

The single topic for the evening was a discussion of recent events on State Trust Land. Background and possible actions were presented. It was decided that John Keedy and Bill Fallon would meet with the current permit holder that had reported a problem.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes: November 6, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by John Keedy at Clay Vollmer's house.

Board members present: John Keedy, Jutta Ulrich, Erik Filsinger, Bill Fallon, Justin Iske, Dave McClintic, Dave van Hook, and Clay Vollmer

Minutes of the October 9, 2006 meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted.

Committee Reports:

Elections: Dave Van Hook outlined his plans for the upcoming annual election.

Mountaineering: Erik Filsinger stated that he is forwarding the announcement for the Beginning Ice Climbing class for electronic distribution to ensure it gets to folks in a timely manner.

Land Advocacy: Erik Filsinger gave an update on conversations with representatives of the City of Scottsdale regarding State Trust Land. The annual Adopt-A-Crag event went very well.

Newsletter: Robert England gave an update.

Public Relations: Justin Iske agreed to take on a more general Promotions effort that will include helping with T-shirt sales. Justin will also contact REI concerning a recent request for AMC participation in one of their events.

T&S: Bill Fallon presented a calendar of events for the year and requested input from the Board.

Telephone. It was decided to cancel the existing telephone service and number.

Old Business:

Annual Budget: Clay Vollmer presented a draft budget for 2007. Discussion followed and an agreed upon Budget will be forwarded to the Newsletter editor for publishing prior to the Member vote at the December Member meeting.

Thanksgiving at Joshua Tree: Clay Vollmer gave the group an update.

The Annual AMC Christmas Party will be held at Jutta Ulrich's house on Friday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Having conducted another rounds of comments among Board members, Clay Vollmer presented another outline for an Advanced Climbing Seminar series (ACS). The idea is to offer additional educational and training opportunities to club members in a way that they can continue to refine and expand their climbing skills beyond the 3 introductory rock schools offered annually. The proposal was accepted as a reasonable basis for Clay to move forward and line up some advanced learning classes.

New Business:

Website. It was requested that individual Outing Leaders and other should remember to copy the website administrator when disseminating information about upcoming club activities.

Robert England will make an announcement in the Newsletter concerning a variety of open positions in the club.

Erik Filsinger presented a proposal for later action concerning possible changes to the Member's Conduct Policy.

Sheri Kenly discussed challenges related to holding meetings that could attract larger numbers of members due to uncertainty about the meeting location. John and Sheri will investigate further. Dave McClintic will investigate the possibility of holding meetings at the Phoenix Country Day School.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Discount Directory

The following merchants currently offer a discount to AMC members:

Arizona Hiking Shack: 11645 N. Cave Creek Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85202, (602) 944-7723. Show your AMC membership card and get a 15% discount.

AZ on the Rocks Gym: 16447 N. 91st St., Scottsdale, AZ 85260. 480-502-9777. Gym membership 10% off for AMC members.

Phoenix Rock Gym: 1353 E. University, Tempe, AZ 85281. 480-921-8322. 10% off membership to AMC members.

Solid Rock Gym: 23620 N. 20th Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85027 (623) 587-7625 Gym membership 10% off for AMC members.

Rental Equipment

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>\$Dep</u>	<u>1-3day</u>	<u>4-7day</u>
MSR Alpine snowshoes	5	\$32	10	16
Ice Crampons	5	\$26	8	13
Ice axes (70 cm)	6	\$16	5	8
Ice axes (90 cm)	5	\$14	5	7
Snow shovel	1	\$8	3	4
PortaLedge	1	\$100	30	50
Climbing shoes			Various sizes	Call

Equipment Rental Policy:

-All equipment rentals shall be only to current AMC members.

-AMC members renting equipment shall contact the Rental Committee Chair and arrange a time for pick-up and drop-off of rentals.

-Rental rates shall be as published in the AMC Newsletter.

-Two checks shall be collected from the renter.

-The first being for the rental amount. It will be placed into AMC accounts.

-The second check shall be a deposit held against the return of the item. It will be held and given back to the renter upon return of the equipment.

-If the return is not timely, is damaged, or is lost, the second check shall be held against the late amounts due or against any replacement or repair required.

-The AMC Member renting the equipment shall be expected to replace any lost or damaged equipment.

-An AMC rental form (found under the Forms section of the website) will be used and will identify the name and contact information of the renter, the items rented, the rent due, as well as the replacement cost, along with statements indicating the renter's responsibilities for returning or replacing the items.

-**For Shoes** - Call Linda Locke (602) 997-4235.

-**For everything else**, call Erik Filsinger (480) 314-1089.

Treasurer's Report

Arizona Mountaineering Club
Income Statement
Month Ended October 30, 2006

INCOME

Dues 2006	5,675.00
Interest	377.39
T-Shirts (AMC)	60.00
T-Shirts (Grand Canyon)	120.00
Mountaineering Schools	850.00
Rental Equipment	140.00
T&S Schools Rental Income	150.00
AARS Spring	900.00
AARS Fall	75.00
Basic Spring	5145.00
Basic Fall	3200.00
Lead Spring	975.00
Lead Fall	900.00
TOTAL INCOME	18,492.39

EXPENSES

Admin	1133.17
T-Shirts (Grand Canyon)	319.50
Bank Charges	10.00
Insurance	4335.60
Land Advocacy Committee	450.00
Mountaineering	313.78
Newsletter	2,657.67
Outings	260.00
Outing Leaders	457.83
Programs Monthly Meeting	2104.97
Training	5,652.68
TOTAL EXPENSES	17,695.13

OVERALL TOTAL 797.19

ACCOUNT BALANCES

CD Account (matures 3-17-07)	10,499.12
Checking (as of 7-31-06)	12,396.07
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	22,868.19

Other Assets (gear) 2,251.71
OVERALL TOTAL 25,119.90

NEW MEMBERS

Climbers - Please Welcome:

Eric Alan Evans
Michael Henley
Michelle Lindsey
Pat Piercy
Gina Prospero

Tyler Raspiller
Allison Smith
Benjamin Smith
Kristen Towse
Linda White

Elections

It is election time again and the election committee is looking for people willing to run for election to all board positions. Names of willing candidates have to be in to the election committee prior to the December 06 board meeting. Please watch the club email for updates. If you have any questions or are interested in running or nominating someone else (who is willing to run). Please contact me at davevanhook@yahoo.com or 602-790-6283

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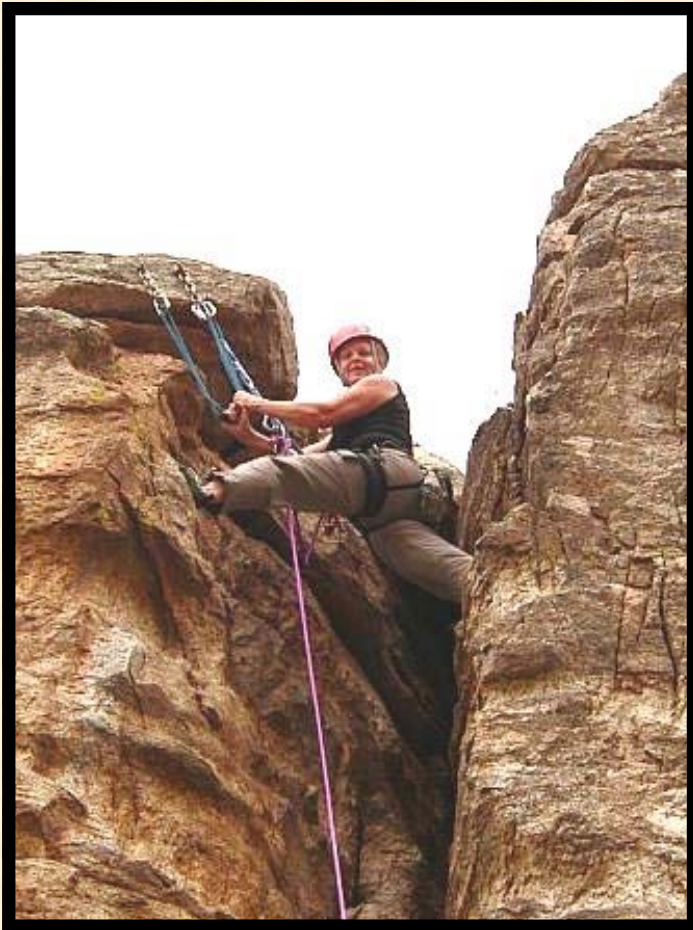
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the Arizona Mountaineering Club discount.*



Prison Camp Outing - Doing Hard Time!

On Saturday October 14th a great group of AMC'rs headed out to experience Prison Camp, located on Mt Lemmon in the lower highway section. We experienced a wonderful short hike into the area along the stream bed. In the 2 years that that I have been climbing at this location the stream and small waterfall have always been dry, however this trip the waterfall and stream treated us too the sounds of their pleasant trickling melodies.

The Jailhouse Rock offered us the classic "Petty Theft" trad route to stem, chimney and mantle press up a smooth 40 ft wall. Here we also did 40 to Life with Mr. Meanor and got our Mug Shot. We were then off to Alcatraz wall to hang with Birdman, Scarface and Machine Gunn, George Kelly these guys offer some great mixed moves on protected bolts and gear. And the end of the day we were all shot up, with delight as we climbed some classics learned a cool area and made new friends on beautiful fall day in October.



Rock On!
Monica D. Miller

Time Zone Wall, Watson Lake, Prescott

Saturday 4 November 2006

Led by Bruce McHenry, a group composed of Brian Crawford, Michele Bobik, Kristen Towse, Michael Palagonia, ace photographer Bo Micek, and Steve Zaporowski spent a sunny afternoon climbing short face and crack routes rated 5.6 to 5.9.

The recent grad students got more exposure to some interesting cracks and faces, as well as learning to “trust their feet” more – the results were expressions of amazement. At the same time, the older hands got more experience setting up anchors after a short easy scramble to the top of the 40’ wall. Six different routes were set-up in all, and everyone was able to climb as much as they wanted (or for as long as their arms and fingers held out!) – definitely a case of “climb till ya can’t climbs no more”.

All in all, everyone learned some new tricks in a forgiving and beautiful environment (we’ll be back for the kayaking!), building the foundations for more difficult challenges down the climbing path.

Afterwards, the group replenished their energy over beer, pizza, wings, hoagies, and beer. Na Zdrowie!

Steve Zaporowski



Bruce McHenry, Steve Zaporowski, Kristen Towse, Michele Bobik, Michael Palagonia, Brian Crawford

AMC 2007 Proposed Budget

INCOME

Advertising	320.00
Dues 2006	6,000.00
Interest	240.00
T-Shirts (AMC)	500.00
T-Shirts Grand Canyon.....	400.00
<u>TOTAL Merchandise.....</u>	<u>900.00</u>
Mountaineering Schools	1,200.00
Other fundraising	100.00
Rental Equipment	150.00
T&S Schools Rental Income....	250.00
<u>TOTAL Rental Income.....</u>	<u>400.00</u>
Spring.....	1,500.00
Fall	1,500.00
<u>TOTAL AARS.....</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
Spring.....	6,080.00
Fall	6,080.00
<u>TOTAL Basic School</u>	<u>12,160.00</u>
Spring.....	1,200.00
Fall	1,200.00
<u>TOTAL Lead School</u>	<u>2,400.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Training Income....</u>	<u>17,560.00</u>
FROM Checking.....	4,700.00
TOTAL INCOME.....	31,420.00

EXPENSES

Other	400.00
Donation	0.00
Postage.....	100.00
Printing	100.00
Supplies.....	100.00
Telephone	475.00
Website	250.00
<u>TOTAL Admin</u>	<u>1,425.00</u>
Bank Charges/NSF	40.00
Mountaineering.....	600.00
<u>Rental Equipment</u>	<u>100.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Capital Expenditures..</u>	<u>700.00</u>
Insurance.....	5,000.00

Organizational Contributions ...	900.00
<u>Operations</u>	<u>200.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Land Advocacy</u>	<u>1,100.00</u>
Committee.....	150.00
Library	150.00
Promotion	500.00
T-Shirts AMC.....	400.00
<u>T-Shirts Grand Canyon</u>	<u>275.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Promotion Activities ..</u>	<u>675.00</u>
Mountaineering	150.00
Labels	60.00
Other.....	200.00
Postage	1,300.00
<u>Printing.....</u>	<u>2,300.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Newsletter</u>	<u>3,860.00</u>
Certifications	1,250.00
First Aid Renewal.....	250.00
<u>OL Incentives</u>	<u>400.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Outing Leaders</u>	<u>1,900.00</u>
Camping Fees.....	800.00
Entry Fees.....	150.00
Food.....	120.00
<u>Other.....</u>	<u>50.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Outings</u>	<u>1,120.00</u>

Rental Gear Equipment Maintenance 50.00

Facility Rental	1,600.00
Monthly Meeting.....	4,000.00
<u>Food.....</u>	<u>600.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Programs</u>	<u>6,200.00</u>
Equipment	6,000.00
Facilities	1,200.00
Food.....	500.00
Navigation Class	150.00
Printing.....	700.00
<u>T-Shirts & Incentives</u>	<u>500.00</u>
<u>TOTAL Training.....</u>	<u>9,050.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES31,420.00

OVERALL TOTAL0.00

AMC Holiday Party

AMC'S ANNUAL ROCKING HOLIDAY FESTIVAL!

Friday December 8, at 7 PM. Bring the whole family.

Party food, in classic AMC tradition, is potluck, so bring a dish to share as well as your preferred beverage.

The AMC will provide a ham (and we don't mean the goofball climber you saw at the gym) and soft drinks. We will also supply the paper plates, cups, forks, etc.

The gift exchange is always a howling good time!
To participate, bring a wrapped gift (about \$10 or less).

Location:

Home of Jutta Ulrich and Ben Norris
1234 E. Luke Ave
Phoenix AZ 85014.
Tel. 602-234-3579.

Directions: Luke Ave is south of Bethany Home Road and north of Missouri, just west of SR51. Come to 12th Street and go east on Luke, we are on the north side of the street; there is a brown wooden fence. Park on the street.

P.S. I may want some help decorating the house, perhaps Tuesday or Wednesday evening of that week (Dec. 5/6). If you can help, give me a call. 602-234-3579.

December Member Meeting

MONDAY Membership Meeting

(Did I just read Monday? Yes, you just read Monday!)
Due to lots of complaining and pitiful whining,
the meetings are back on Mondays! Hoorah! Hoorah!

Come and finish off 2006 by attending the last AMC meeting of the year on December 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Participate by:

Eating munchies: Bring anything sweet and tantalizing to share or come and eat what others brought to share or just watch others eat snacks.

Judge photos: Bring your photos, (contest described below), for the photo contest and/or vote for your favorites in each category.

Watch adventures: Bring your CD's or slides of recent climbing adventures that will take 10 minutes or less. Contact Sheri Kenly (under Programs in the front section) with any questions or to say that you'll share your adventures.

Vote on the budget for 2007. Yes, it really is almost another year.

See you at the Monday, December 18th meeting! Remember it is at Phoenix Country Day School 3901 E. Stanford Drive P.V. 85253 It is between Lincoln and Camelback. From Lincoln use 36 St. and go South to Stanford and then head East. From Camelback use 40th St. and turn West on Stanford. Follow signs to the auditorium.



AMC'S SOMETIMES ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST IS BACK!!!

1. Members will vote for favorite photos in each category.
2. Categories are:
 - a. Climbing
 - b. Mountaineering
 - c. Landscape
 - d. Humor
 - e. Other travels or adventures
3. Put post-it notes on the back of the photo (We will have these at the meeting if you forget). Write your name, where, when and what re. the photo)
4. **Prizes** will be awarded for each category. First place: \$50 certificate. Second place: \$25 certificate.
5. Any size photo accepted. Don't have any photos? Get out to the Joshua Tree Thanksgiving outing and take some!



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Wanted - Climbing Partner

I am looking for a climbing partner for the week after Christmas: Dec 26-Jan 6th; I would like to Ice climb in Ouray Co, or do a big wall in Zion. No experience necessary for the Wall climb, but must have some Aid equipment (aiders and asenders). For ice - must have some experience and your own boots. I have a spare set of tools.

Please contact Richard Horst at 623-434-4769 or email at horstrichard@aol.com

2007 Dues

It is time to renew your membership for 2007. The membership year runs from January to December; \$30 for single or \$35 for family membership. Please make your check payable to AMC and bring to the next meeting or send to:

AMC Membership
6519 W. Aire Libre
Glendale, AZ 85306

If your name, address, phone or email have changed, please enclose corrections with your check. If you would like your cell phone listed on the monthly phone list instead of your home phone, please let me know. Call 623-512-8465 if you have questions.



Courthouse Rock - AMC'rs tell their story in the next issue

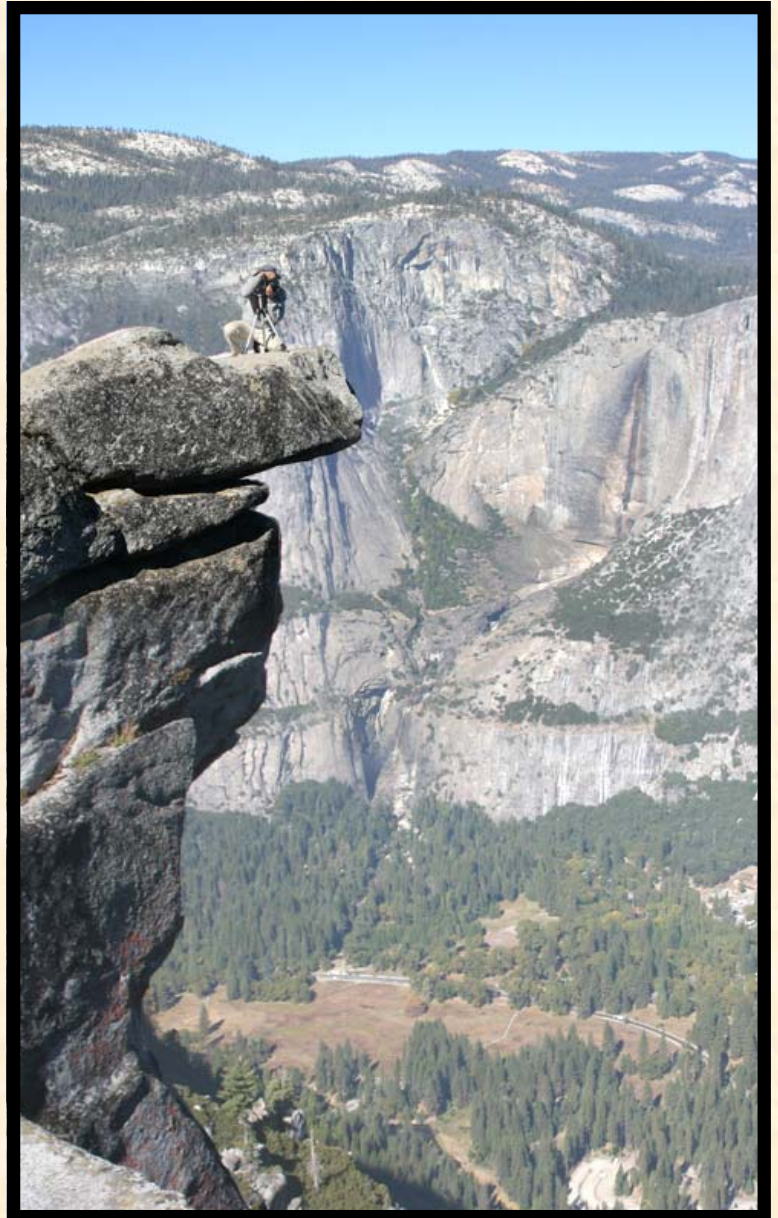
Bonus Photos!



Students practicing Anchors skills at
Teddy Bear Wall

AMC member Kurt Korpong
overlooks Half Dome.

See more of Kurt's Yosemite photos at
<http://www.korpongstudio.com/Yosemite/index.htm>





Become an AMC Outing Leader

General requirements for becoming an AMC outing leader:

- Be a member for at least one year
- Take the Basic, Anchors and Lead classes (or equivalents)
- Complete a basic first aid and CPR class (8 hours or more)
- Submit an application to the Classification Chairperson
- Apprentice on at least three outings with approved outing leaders
- Get recommendation from at least five current outing leaders (including those from apprentice outings)
- Be approved by the Board of Directors.

For more information, contact the Classification Chairperson, Nancy Birdwell at (480) 821-1932.



**Current AMC
Outing Leaders**



Robert England..... 480-688-5412	Mike Knarzer 602-751-1701	Chris Query602-323-5927
Bill Fallon..... 602-996-9790	Tim Lange..... 480-598-9124	Rogil Schroeter623-512-8465
Erik Filsinger 602-906-1186	David Larimer..... 480-425-9689	Jef Sloat.....602-316-1899
Jason Garvin 480-734-6801	Sally Borg Larimer 480-425-9689	Paul Valenzuela.....602-705-3106
Scott Hoffman 623-580-8909	Bruce McHenry..... 602-952-1379	Frank Vers.....480-947-9435
Richard Horst..... 623-434-4769	Tim Medlock..... 480-963-3496	Justin York480-229-8660
David Johnson 623-486-7387	Monica Miller 623-362-0456	<i>Your Name Here!</i>
John Keedy 623-412-1452	Matt Percy 480-326-3462	

Calendar of Events

AMC Outings

Please note: It is suggested that Outing participants donate gas money to the Outing Leader, and that carpoolers share the cost of gas for the driver. See footnotes below for other info about outings.

Footnotes: Car-pooling is optional on all outings and is not part of the outing. The outing begins at the trailhead designated by the Outing Leader and ends at the same place. Each participant should bring a First Aid kit. If you leave the outing, with or without the leader's permission, you are considered to be on your own until you rejoin the group. Each participant will be required to sign an AMC Activity Release Form at the beginning of the outing. 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.

- Dec 9. Mt Lemmon, The Ruins - For a wonderful vertical winter climbing adventure come and try to pull over the "Duh Bulge" or float up "Black Feather" climbs range from 5.9 - 5.11. Hosted by Mike Knarzer and Monica Miller. Limit 12 contact Monica at monkmiller510@yahoo.com
- Dec 9 Moby Dick - Cochise Stronghold. 5 pitch, 5.8, very fun crack and face climbing for hundreds of feet in a remote location! Top it off with a long free-hanging rappel! Limit 3. Contact Justin York for details: Justin.j.york@asu.edu
- Dec 16 Camelback Mt. - Hart Route . Great introduction to multi-pitch in the middle of the city. Note: this route can have bees on it. Contact Bruce McHenry at bamchenry@att.net. Limit 4.
- Dec 16 Mt Lemmon, The Ruins. - Fun sport climbing on a great sunny wall, ratings 5.8-5.11. limit 8. Contact Frank Vers for details 480-947-9435
- Dec 23 The Monk - A Phoenix Classic. Limit 4. Contact Robert England for details 480-688-5412

Group outings are intended to be social climbing experiences with no supervision. They may or may not be organized by an AMC Outing Leader. If they are organized by an AMC Outing Leader, the Leader will only be responsible for organizing the time, date, meeting places, and any necessary camping. The AMC Outing Leader may also set anchors, but will not be responsible for supervising any climbing activity or for monitoring the anchors they set. Participants are responsible for their own climbing activities, their own climbing partners, and for monitoring anchors, whether set by an AMC Outing Leader or not. Participants are also responsible for their own conduct and safety at the campsite and during any approaches to and from the climbing areas. If any AMC equipment is used for the outing, the participants using that equipment are responsible for checking the equipment before use and for using the equipment properly and in the safest manner possible. The campsite, where possible, may be reserved and paid for by the AMC. Parking may be first-come, first-served.

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.

Mondays Solid Rock Gym at 6pm-8pm. Call Rogil (623)-512-8465 for info.

Wednesdays North Mountain hikes after work. Rogil Schroeter (623) 512-8465

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 AMC 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.

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Calendar of Events (cont.)

Beginning Ice Climbing and Avalanche Awareness:

Learn to ice climb from the pros at Southwest Adventure Guides in Durango, CO. This introductory level course will take place over President's Day weekend, and will be held in Cascade Canyon, home to a wide variety of ice and mixed climbing terrain, and about a 20 minute drive from Durango. The 2 day ice course will cover current ice climbing equipment and its use, belaying and rappelling (as they apply to ice climbing), climbing technique (footwork, body position, tool placement), anchor construction, and a host of other topics related to the sport of ice climbing. It's a jam packed weekend, with less talking and more climbing! The third day of the course will be spent on Coal Bank Pass completing our 1 day Avalanche Awareness Course. This is a great follow up to the previous 2 days of ice climbing, and a prerequisite for those who would like to sign up for our Multi-Pitch Ice Course, either this year or next. The class was full last year with 12 people, so make sure to sign up early!

Dates: February 17 - 19, 2007

Class Size: 12

Course Cost: \$305 per person (includes all climbing equipment--boots, crampons, tools, ropes, etc.)

Prerequisites: Basic Rock Climbing

Multipitch Ice Climbing Class:

Learn the fundamentals of multipitch ice climbing in Silverton and/or Ouray, Colorado. This course is specifically designed for those who have successfully completed our Beginner's Ice Climbing and Avalanche Awareness Course, or for those who have previous ice climbing experience. This course will take place in either Silverton or Ouray, Colorado depending upon current ice and avalanche conditions. In Silverton, we will tackle routes in Eureka Canyon, home to classic routes like Goldrush, Stairway to Heaven, Whorehouse Ice Hose, 2nd Gully, and Road to Nowhere. The course will cover topics such as, proper ice lead climbing gear (ice screws, screamers, ropes, tools, etc.), effective racking techniques to manage gear while on lead, belaying and rappelling strategies, ice climbing technique, time management, rescue considerations, descent options, as well as mental attitude and commitment. Participants will need to be prepared to climb as many as 6 pitches of ice per day. The course will have a 2:1 participant-to-guide ratio, ensuring the highest level of safety and personalized instruction.

Dates: March 3 - 4, 2007

Class Size: 8

Course Cost: \$395 per person

Prerequisites: SWA Beginner's Ice and Avy Awareness or equivalent

If you are interested in getting sign-up materials, contact Erik Filsinger at smorefil@aol.com.

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AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>Sunrise 7:13</i> <i>Sunset 5:20</i> <i>M-set 1:12 A</i>		1	2
3	4 Board Meeting	5 <i>Full Moon</i>	6 <i>Sunrise 7:19</i> <i>Sunset 5:20</i> <i>M-rise 6:56</i>	7	8 Holiday Party	9 The Ruins, Moby Dick
10	11	12 <i>Last Qtr</i>	13 <i>Sunrise 7:24</i> <i>Sunset 5:21</i> <i>M-rise 12:57A</i>	14	15	16 Hart Route, The Ruins
17	18 Member Meeting	19	20 <i>Sunrise 7:28</i> <i>Sunset 5:24</i> <i>M-set 5:26P</i> <i>New Moon</i>	21	22	23 The Monk
24	25	26	27 <i>Sunrise 7:31</i> <i>Sunset 5:28</i> <i>M-set 12:12A</i> <i>First Qtr</i>	28	29	30
31			<i>Sunrise 7:33</i> <i>Sunset 5:33</i> <i>M-rise 5:43P</i>	<div style="background-color: orange; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> NOTE: Celestial events occur about 10 minutes earlier on Arizona's eastern border; 10 later on its western edge. </div>		