

MAY 2005

ARIZONA MOUNTAINEER



Richard Horst does Hueco Tanks. He is on a V6 (5.12.t) called Short Order Cook, in the Kitchen area, naturally. This is a fabulous Texas bouldering venue — hence no ropes and a judiciously-placed crash pad just out of this photo - which was taken by Mark Christiani over Easter weekend this spring.

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.

The May 2005 AMC Meeting Location is the Washington Adult Center, 2240 W. Citrus Way, between Bethany Home and Glendale off 23rd Ave.

Board Meetings: Board meetings are open to all members and are held two Mondays prior to the Club meeting at Jutta's home..

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 \$13 or \$15. 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.

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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

NOT STUFF!!

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**THE TIME IS RIGHT TO;
Become a Climbing Leader
Defend Oak Flat/Queen Cr.**

**Climb Cracks at Indian
Creek**

**Enjoy Watson Lake Granite
and a glorious May!**

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, 615 I N. 8th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85013 or through email to azmountaineer@azmountaineeringclub.org. Prints are preferred over slides. Digital photos should preferably be in JPG format and at least 300 dpi. Articles can be in any standard word processing format. For more info call the editor at (602) 246-9341.

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.

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. (Note — Library is kaput during Los Olivos expansion.)

JUNE NL Deadline: 13 MAY

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Ernie Babich 1, Susan Hatfield 1, James Iverson 2, Deborah Fuentes 3, David Duminis 4, Justin York 4, Thomas Tusia 5, Theresa Keeley 6, Rebecca Ruckman 8, George Bain 9, Steve Sharp 9, Richard Theobald 11, Kim Huenecke 12, Fruzi Horvath 13, Dylan Downhill 15, Seth Hennessee 15, Shelli Valles 15, Chuck Flint 16, Katerina Danek 17, Penny Medlock 20, Randy Ryan 22, Jutta Ulrich 22, Jacob Thorp 23, Brenda Insley 25, Dave Eddy 26, Gary Rector 26, Tammy Richards 26, Simon Norman 28, Kevin Abney 29, Suzy Allegra 29, Patti Waldrup 31.

Minutes of the AMC Board Meeting April 11th, 2005

Board members present: John Keedy, Wayne Schroeter, Bruce McHenry, Robert England, Jeff Nagel, Bill Fallon

Committee members present: Vegors, Filsinger,
Call to order – 7:05 PM

Reviewed **minutes** from last meeting – discussion regarding clear annotation of motions and seconds; clarification regarding outing leader incentives is meant to attract more outing leaders; continued discussion regarding communications from groups outside the AMC to AMC members.
Motion to approve minutes from last month's meeting – Bruce; Second – Wayne; In favor – all

Reviewed the **treasurers report**

Motion to approve – Wayne; Second – Bruce;
In favor – all

Updates:

First aid/CPR training – Jeff will contact outing leaders and outing leader candidates to attend in early May. Motion to approve expenditure that covers course tuition for outing leaders and candidates – Robert; Second – Bill; In favor – all

April and May meeting place update – Bruce will notify the board by Wednesday April 13 with final details

Committee reports:

Wilderness First Aid – The AMC will recruit 'Bugeye' to deliver training in September

Outing leader logo contest – 1 submission to date, need a newsletter article to solicit more entries

Manuals – are now on the website under a members only link that is separate from the public 'members' link

Discussion held regarding proposed bylaw changes concerning standing rules

Motion to present the proposed changes to the AMC members – Wayne; Second – Jeff; In favor – all

Discussion held to revise the yahoo group disclaimer statement

Motion made to allow membership and liability forms to be available on line – Bruce; Second – Bill; In favor – all

Newsletter. Wally expressed interest in becoming

the news person on the scene for AMC outings and training to gather more stories and pictures for the newsletter.

Classification:

Motion to approve Robert England as a multi-pitch outing leader – Bruce; Second – Jeff; In favor – all.

Land Advocacy:

Queen Creek – the forest service has closed Oak Flat campground

White Tanks – closed to climbing – signs are posted and there is no off-trail access

Adopt a crag – need an organizer to work with REI on a joint adopt a crag or organize an AMC specific adopt a crag

Erik offered general assistance in working with access and state land managers

Outing Leader Chairperson

Motion to approve Jeff Nagel as outing leader chairperson – Wayne; Second – Bruce; In favor – all

Backcountry outing approval form

Discussion and motion to approve revision to the note at the bottom of the form – Wayne; Second – Bruce; In favor – all

Outing to Mt Hayden Discussion – Wayne

Motion to approve Mike Knarzer's outing to Mt Hayden for July – Bruce; Second – Bill; In favor – all

Continuing education for outing leaders

Discussion – Wayne, et al Wayne will extract minutes from prior meetings to draft policy and procedures to fund continuing education for outing leaders

General discussion:

Present award plaques to outgoing board members

Send flowers to Jutta ico death in the family

The board should respond to committee chairperson communications

Make OL recruitment the discussion priority for the next board meeting

Committee chairs are actively invited to attend the board meetings

Motion to adjourn – 9:12 – Bruce; Second – Jeff; In favor – all

Discount Directory

The following merchants currently offer a discount to AMC members:

Arizona Hiking Shack—11645 N. Cave Creek Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85020, (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.

OvertheCrux —2655 W. Guadalupe, #4, Mesa, Az 85202. 480-890-0997. 15% off 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

EQUIPMENT.....	Qty	\$Dep	1-3day	4-7day
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 Guideline: 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 Erik Filsinger at 480-314-1089.

Roommate Wanted

to share 2000 Sq Ft 4 bedroom house
in Chandler
\$400 per month plus 1/3 utilities
if interested, please contact
Nancy at 480-821-1932

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Operations

31 Jan 05

Category Description	Amount
INCOME	
Admin income.....	00
Advertising.....	00
Decals.....	00
Dues 2005.....	2,670.00
Friends of Queen Creek	00
Interest.....	4.40
Merchandise (Tee Shirts & Etc).....	00
Mountaineering Schools	00
Program Income.....	00
Rental Income (incl shoes).....	00
T&S School Rental Income	00
Training Income	1,650.00
Other.....	346.00
TOTAL INCOME	4,670.40

EXPENSES

Administration.....	302.40
Capital Exp	302.60
Classification.....	00
Equipment Maint.....	00
Friends of Queen Creek	320.00
Insurance.....	00
Land Advocacy Committee.....	00
Library	13.00
Merchandise Exp.....	(24.00)
Mountaineering	00
Newsletter	940.512
Outings	48.12
Programs & Monthly Meeting Exp	2,595.00
Service/Bank Charge	73.00
Training	4,857.63
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,428.26

OVERALL FOR YEAR TO DATE(4,757.86)

ACCOUNT BALANCES

CD Account 1/31/05	10,004.12
Checking12/31/05	7,087.26
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	17,091.38
Other Assets (gear).....	2,048.00

OVERALL TOTAL 19,139.63

Note —April 1 deposits of \$7,395 not included above.

“WHOO-EEEE-OOOO!”



Yep, that means Dief is somewhere within yodeling distance. AMC's long-time President (12 years) will give (or be) the program for the May meeting of AMC to be held at the Washington Adult Center, 2240 W. Citrus Way, May 23rd.

Title: Thirty Years of 5.Fun

After stepping down as AMC Prexy, he began a successful enterprise known as the Phoenix Rock Gym, at 1353 East University in Tempe. He served as area representative of Access for several years and was a key figure in preserving Pinnacle Peak.

Plus he has climbed a *whole lot!*

Come at 7:00 p.m. prepared for a fun evening!

President's Corner — by Jutta

A few years ago I traveled to Ecuador to climb mountains. With a guide and another climber, I reached the top of Illiniza Sur * not a long climb but challenging and fun * and of Cotopaxi, a long hike. Two days later we attempted Chimborazo, also a technically simple but long route and at about 20,000 feet I decided to turn around * less than 1.5 hours from the top. I no longer agonize about this decision, but for about a year I kept asking myself if it was the right decision, esp. after all the time and money invested.

Some time later I attended a Chicks-with-Picks ice climbing seminar, and on one of the ice climbs I had a light bulb go off in my head. I was tired at the end of the day and just wanted to get off the ice when I realized that once again I was quitting just before reaching the top. I finished the climb and started to examine myself a little more and realized that I

had this tendency to quit (climbing and other things) at times when I thought I had made a good enough effort, or I was tired or just did not feel like it anymore.

Sometimes you have to turn around, esp. in the mountains when weather or other conditions dictate a withdrawal. That is not quitting, that is good sense and when you turn around on a mountain, you're not done. Getting down is as big a challenge as getting up. But the next time you're on a top rope and seemingly can't get up or just don't feel like finishing, give it one more good push. Finishing a task that is hard but within your reach is a good mindset to have. Use your climbing to build that attitude, try as hard as you can and finish the climb if at all possible. Then carry that attitude over into other parts of your life.

—Jutta

Queen Creek climbing area access issue Climb it? Or mine it?



Recreational access to the Queen Creek climbing area is being threatened by a copper mine that has been proposed by the Resolution Copper Company.

Resolution Copper is trying to take over Oak Flat campground via a congressionally legislated land swap, which in turn would threaten access to all these areas: Queen Creek Canyon, Apache Leap, Devils Canyon, Hackberry Canyon, etc.

We need your help to keep this world-class climbing area (and home of the Phoenix BoulderBlast) from disappearing forever into a big hole in the ground. Join the Friends of Queen Creek!

We are not opposed to mining. But we are FOR ACCESS! We need to make Resolution Copper develop their mine in such a way as to preserve recreational access to these public lands.

Be a Friend of Queen Creek. Act now to help preserve access to your public lands by subscribing to the Friends of Queen Creek FREE e-mail action list at info@friendsofqueencreek.com

www.friendsofqueencreek.com

The AMC is represented on the Steering Committee of Friends of Queen Creek.

Joshua Tree in the Spring

This past weekend Mike Knarzer and I took a 3-day trip to Joshua Tree for some spring climbing and to make the scene at the Rock Climbing.com gathering, which was held at Black Rock Canyon campground located in the northwest portion of the park border close to Yucca Valley. Other noted Arizona climbers at the scene included Kirra, Curt Shannon and Jon April.

We began our Friday on Intersection Rock with the famous Overhang Bypass as our warm up. The crux move at the second pitch involves traversing moves under the roof hanging by your arms as you shuffle your feet wide and stem out for a key foothold. You then pop around the corner where you will find a welcomed bolt for protection on the slab that you move up on to the top. Great moves at the crux but very intimidating when you first look at the section. Mike protected the section well and smoked the crux with great style as he likes to climb with his upper body! We then hit the Flake a 5.8**, Loose Lady 10.a *** and Hobbit Roof a 10.d not bad for day of climbing.

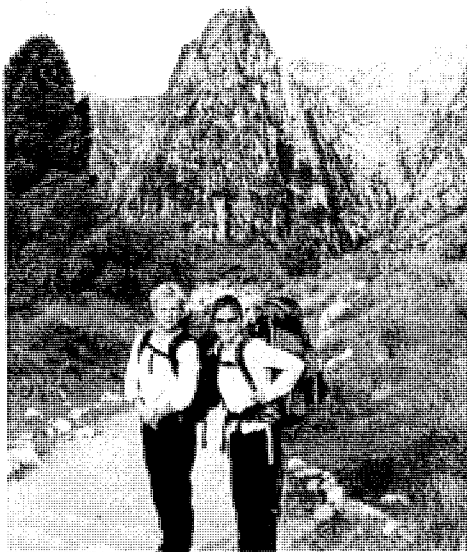
Saturday morning started with a stop into Nomad Ventures to check out the climbing shoe demonstration. We opted to try out the new Evolve "Bandit" a multi purpose shoe that allows you to excel at micro edges, smearing and maneuver thin cracks. The full length lacing design provides for a precision fit. The shoes performed well for us as we broke them in on Lost Horse Wall's Bird on a Wire 10.a *** two pitch route. Much to our surprise we shared the entire wall with one other climbing team. After this venture we opted to seek a shaded climbing area, as it was getting hot.

Thin wall, located in Real Hidden valley was our shade area selection; here we got in line to climb several wonderful routes with any array of climbers. The cool routes we nailed included, No Calculators Allowed 10.a **, Butter Fingers make me Horny .8 and Count on your finger a 5.9. Then off to the Saturday evening bash at Black Rock with several new friends we made during the day.

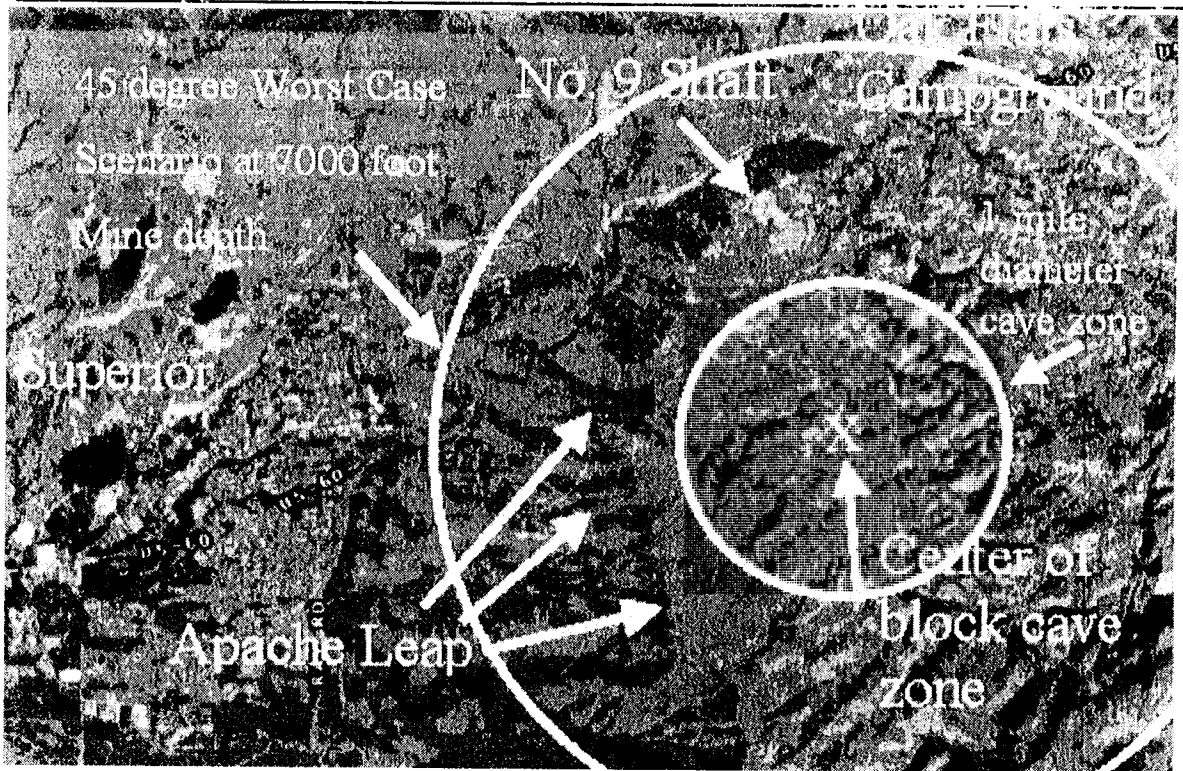
Sunday was spent in a more relaxed fashion as we opted to climb some old favorites located on Hidden Tower, Sail Away 8-*** and Wild Wind 9*, it just doesn't get much better than this...!

It has been my great fortune to experience this area's climbing treasures over the past six months. And in that time I have seen the snow and rivers run in November to seeing the beautiful wild flowers that surrounded us this spring.

-Monica D. Miller



How's this for a hole in your heart??



It is late, but not too late to object to the powers that be about the almost certain loss of the Queen Creek/Oak Flat climbing area to rock climbers and everyone else who is not a miner..

A recent Arizona Republic article failed to point out that the PTB (powers that be) intend to replace this loss of climbing with other climbing areas — failing to mention that they would be giving us access to Federal or State land to which we already have access. It is pure loss to the climbing community.

Following the classic divide and conquer technique, Resolution Copper has tried to peel away the Nature Conservancy and others by guaranteeing the survival of the Pedro River Mesquite Bosque and other areas well deserving protection.

It is too bad that the process of creating a park is such a ponderous, slow moving affair. A state or county park could provide recreation, and local income, indefinitely — long after the mine has

extracted everything of value after 30 years and abandoned a chasm in the ground surrounded by piles of tailings...

If nothing else, a shift from block caving the ore, which will almost certainly leave an unstable and unusable surface, is unnecessary. With the huge increase in demand for copper by China and others, the price should be high enough to use a conventional mining method that does not create a mile-wide pit.

Check out this site for the straight scoop and who to protest to: (And this is no time to worry about grammar.)

Www.azmountaineeringclub.org/QueenCreek/UrgentFOQC_climbing.html

— Editor

Basic School Gestates 34 New Rock Rats

Despite the usual (in recent years) problems with inclement, if not downright pluvially obnoxious weather, 34 Basic School students were graduated this spring after attending six evening sessions plus three days out on the rocks. They were assisted, coached, egged-on, shown how, harried, and otherwise encouraged by a total of 55 AMC regulars who acted as volunteer aids and instructors — and welcomed the newbies into our climbing community..

Basic school students for 3/2005:

Travis Bloedel
Jodie Bostrom
Trevor Brown
Christiana Bruchok
Steve Burkhart
Janice Burns
Darcy Fleming
Jason Garvan
Marybeth Goodman
John Hartman
Fruzsi Horvath
Justin Kacer
Grayson Kidd
Michael Kniskern
Caitlin Kovacs
Munish Lal
Kelly LaRosa
Brian Mix
Tim Montgomery
Paul Pacheco
Dallas Pardo
Matt Pearcey
Krya Perry
Hope Phillips
Tammy Richards
Cindy Ruiz
Kimberly Spencer
Lucas Tieme
Kelly Trainor
Shelli Valles
Keith Waldrup
Patti Waldrup
Natalie Wesner
Justin Yor

Basic school instructors for 3/2005:

Ron Auerbach
Nancy Birdwell
Paige Birdwell
Debby Brown
Mark Christiani
Slawa Ciula
Scott Davis
Mark Driskell
Stacy Driskell
Rich Ellis
Peter Emerson
Robert England
Bill Fallon
Shannon Flowers
Deb Fuentes
Phillip Goebel
Charity Gonzales
Danny Gonzales
Randy Gooddale
Mark Henning
Scott Hoffman
Gabriel Howe
Bryan Howell
Carrie Howell
Justin Iske
John Keedy
Jim Kistler
Mike Knarzer
Tim Kovacs
Bill Kurek
Tim Lange
David Larimer
Sally Larimer
Dave Johnson

Dave Lemons
Paul Mandel
Bruce McHenry
Tim Medlock
Jeff Nagel
Peter Neubauer
Melissa Neubauer
Bruce Robbins
Rogil Schroeter
Wayne Schroeter

Kathy Sharp
Jef Sloat
Charlene Todd
Mike Turvey
Jutta Ulrich
Paul Valenzuela
Dave Van Hook
Jim Watson
Scott Winkler

Free Outing Leader Training

We are looking for more Outing Leaders in the club. If you have taken and helped teach Anchors School, and are interested in becoming an OL, please contact me at wayne@iWayne.com for more info. The training we are conducting will prepare you to take other people out. We ask only that you commit to becoming an OL and to taking three outings a year for three years. We are hoping that you will help pass on these skills to future Outing Leaders as well. After that, use these techniques to take your friends and family out.

I have scheduled two OL Training sessions, one for April/May and one for June. These sessions will be two weekends in length. The two weekends will be independent, so that you could take Weekend #1 in one session and Weekend #2 in another session. Also, you could start on either session.

The curriculum will include a discussion of OL responsibilities, an expanded self-rescue seminar and advanced anchors work, with practice on both bottom and top belays. These sessions will include multi-pitch skills used by professional guides to help prepare you for your next step.

The first session is scheduled for the weekends of April 30-May 1 and May 14-15. I have not determined the dates yet for the session in June. I already have some people signed up, but can take more.

This training will not qualify you as an Outing Leader. You must still go through our Outing Leader selection process and be peer-reviewed by current Outing Leaders before being approved by the Board.

All current Outing Leaders and Board members are also invited to attend.

-Wayne Schroeter

Red Rocks Rendezvous 2005

Vegas on belay hosted by Mountain Gear and North Face completed its second successful year. Catherine Conner and I attended this event together and had a wonderful trip.

Our adventure began on Friday March 18th as Catherine and I met up with Kevin Dahlstrom of Dallas, TX in pursuit of Y2-K (5.10b) and Dark Shadows (5.8) both multi pitch routes located on the Mescalito, in Pine Creek Canyon. We opted for a spin up Dark Shadows to see how our team was feeling. Catherine Conner jump on the 1st pitch to get things going and had a stellar lead on the 3rd pitch while Kevin took us up the 2nd and nailed the crux 4th pitch move under the black looming roof. The views on top were spectacular as we gazed into the hinterland and noted the line of parties that had gathered below. We set up the rappel and Kevin rappelled first to clear the double rope rappel lines. Catherine and I simul rappelled the first two stations as we are close in weight and size. I clipped a long mammut runner into our belay loops to hold us together as we descended.

On the last rappel down, two handsome men who noted how elegant we looked in our rappel maneuvers greeted us. Yes, that comment set the tone for further conversation. We became friends with these two fellows from Washington State, John a Professor at the University of Washington and Cameron a Masters degree student. After this interlude we were off to locate Y2-K as we still had business to attend. Up the first pitch of Y2-K we went, as Kevin pulled the 10.b roof crux move we heard a loud cry of Texas style excitement, Yahoo...! Catherine and I got more excited as we anticipated what was in store for us. Every move on the 1st pitch was stellar; Catherine smoked the roof with a heel hook, and crimper right hand jam and big smile on her face. Definitely a groovy pitch. We opted to rappel from pitch one as it was getting cold and late in the day with some weather moving in. We all were in concurrence as we had experienced an awesome day to that point.

On Saturday and Sunday we attended climbing clinics held by some of climbing's best athletes. On Saturday we attended Peter Croft's advanced Crack climbing clinic held in the Willow Springs area. Peter demonstrated his proven crack techniques, as I was fortunate enough to belay Peter as he climbed. He then answered questions and gave us a shot at the 10.c crack. I volunteered

Catherine as the first climber as she had her shoes on and was ready. And I knew she could smoke the crowd of contenders. It was a cold and damp climb but she did it and with style.

On Sunday we opted for the Multi Pitch Techniques clinics that were being taught by Jarred Ogden and Conrad Anker. Catherine chose wisely and went with Jarred. While I choose to spend the morning with one of the most accomplished Alpinists around. We compared experiences when met up at the tour bus for our ride back to Spring Mountain Ranch where the Red Rocks Rendezvous was held. Tip – *“Conrad what kind of anchor are you going to set when get to the top of the pitch and you are out of slings and no cordellete and have very little rope left”?* Response, *well now I have two long mammut slings girth hitched together, that hold my chalk bag around my waist. Now I have two slings to work with in building that anchor...* I never expected that response to my question. Good stuff.

On Saturday evening we enjoyed the Red Rocks bash activities, which included an all you can eat buffet, music, an action and a slide show presentation from Greg Child and beverages served by New Belgium. Yes, we had our share of fat tire sunshine wheat ale while we basted under the heat lamps in the chill of the evening. The slide shows had some awesome slack line footage, and lead fall shots on Indian Creek routes. Timmy O'Neil also presented Parallelojams.

The AMCer's who attended this great event and gathered at the scene included Kirra, Kathy Reichert, John Kynyk and Twanna Fox. Twanna won the bid for the athlete's signed signature scarf to benefit the Access fund at \$120.00 dollars. It was a great scarf.

There was also an after hours party hosted in room 229 at the “Bonnie Springs Bellagio”...! There were drums playing, showers running, balcony climbing and general fraternizing with new friends from California, Washington, Canada, Minnesota, Montana and Germany. And they say, “What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas”!

Rock On,

- *Monica D. Miller*



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Phoenix, AZ 85020
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www.hikingshack.com

We're located 1/8 mile south of Cactus
on Cave Creek Rd.

Three great reasons to shop at the Arizona Hiking Shack for all your climbing gear

1. The Arizona Hiking Shack has **IN STOCK** the largest selection of climbing gear in the Valley. Petzl, Metolius, Black Diamond, Misty Mountain, Omega, DMM, 5-10, Scarpa, La Sportiva, Yates, PMI, Sterling, 2-Cam, Climb Tech, Kong, Trango, Camp, Mammut, Boreal, Pica Mountaineering, and Trango are just a few of the brands we carry. If we don't have what you need in stock. . . we'll order it for you. . . with **FREE** shipping!

2. The **staff** at the Arizona Hiking Shack **are climbers** too. You get knowledgeable, friendly advice on gear, places to climb, and the absolute best fit on harnesses, shoes and helmets. The Arizona Hiking Shack is locally owned and has been selling gear to valley climbers since 1972. We take pride in helping to select the right hardware for your climbing adventures. (Besides most of us are AMC members also!)

At the Arizona Hiking Shack, **AMC Members get a 15% discount** on everything they buy, everyday of the week, every week of the year. Why? Two Reasons: First, we respect the job the AMC does. The AMC not only teaches people how to climb safely, they also teach an ethic of responsibility to the outdoors that is essential to keeping our climbing areas open. Second, you learn to climb in the valley. . . well, like it or not. . . we consider you one of OUR homeboys or girls and simply said, we want your business! Ultimately, we know you have many choices when it comes to purchasing your equipment and by having a great selection of gear, a knowledgeable staff, and totally killer deals, we hope you'll come shop with us.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

The Board recently decided to revise how it enacts and maintains policy in the AMC. One of the main changes was to eliminate the use of Standing Rules as called for in the Bylaws and to use only policies instead. The purpose is to have a single set of policies that govern the club, which makes it easier to keep track of changes and easier to provide these policies to volunteers in the club that need to follow them. Under the old system, Standing Rules were the same as policies, but a member needed to read through all policies and Standing Rules to understand the governance of the club. This approach requires several Bylaw changes to eliminate the use of Standing Rules.

In addition, this proposal changes the name of the Training Committee to the Training and Schools Committee.

The following changes are being proposed by the Board (changes are indicated by strikethroughs or underlines):

The current Bylaw 3.g.v reads:

“The Board shall formulate and enact the policies and programs of the AMC, correspond with other persons and entities, adopt Standing Rules including rules for its own proceedings and governance consistent with these Bylaws, establish and maintain Committees, appoint and remove Committee members, formulate and present to the Membership in November for voting at the December Membership Meeting an annual Budget, approve the expenditure of funds as provided for in said annual Budget, approve events or activities that are to be sponsored by or otherwise connected with the AMC, approve Members who may organize or lead outings or other activities and, consistent with these Bylaws, perform all such other duties as are properly required of and permitted to a Board.”

The proposed change is:

“The Board shall formulate and enact the policies and programs of the AMC, correspond with other persons and entities, adopt Standing Rules including rules for its own proceedings and governance consistent with these Bylaws, establish and maintain Committees, appoint and remove Committee members, formulate and present to the Membership in November for voting at the December Membership Meeting an annual Budget, approve the expenditure of funds as provided

for in said annual Budget, approve events or activities that are to be sponsored by or otherwise connected with the AMC, approve Members who may organize or lead outings or other activities and, consistent with these Bylaws, perform all such other duties as are properly required of and permitted to a Board.”

The current Bylaw 3.h reads:

“Officers, Directors and Members may be reimbursed by the AMC for expenditures made on behalf of the AMC, with the procedures for such reimbursement to be provided for in the Standing Rules.”

The proposed change is:

“Officers, Directors and Members may be reimbursed by the AMC for expenditures made on behalf of the AMC, with the procedures for such reimbursement to be specified in AMC policies.”

The current Bylaw 4.b reads:

“The regular Membership Meetings shall be held at least once each month at such time and place as the Board shall designate and, consistent with these Bylaws, shall be governed and guided by such Standing Rules as the Board may adopt for such purpose.”

The proposed change is:

“The regular Membership Meetings shall be held at least once each month at such time and place as the Board shall designate and, consistent with these Bylaws, shall be governed and guided by such AMC policies as the Board may adopt for such purpose.”

The current Bylaw 5.a.i reads:

“An Elections Committee to conduct the annual elections. The Elections Committee may propose to the Board rules pertaining to elections, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon board approval, shall become a part of the Standing Rules.”

The proposed change is:

“An Elections Committee to conduct the annual elections. The Elections Committee may propose to the Board rules pertaining to elections, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon board approval, shall become AMC policy.”

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The current Bylaw 5.a.ii reads:

“A Classification Committee to establish and maintain standards for Members who may be approved to lead outings, and to advise the Board of those Members who satisfy such standards. The Classification Committee shall consist of a Classification Chair and such members as the Board shall define by a Standing Rule to help the Classification Chair make his or her recommendations to the Board. The Classification Committee may propose rules pertaining to its charge, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon Board approval, shall become a part of the Standing Rules.”

The proposed change is:

“A Classification Committee to establish and maintain standards for Members who may be approved to lead outings, and to advise the Board of those Members who satisfy such standards. The Classification Committee shall consist of a Classification Chair and such members as the Board shall designate to help the Classification Chair make his or her recommendations to the Board. The Classification Committee may propose rules pertaining to its charge, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon Board approval, shall become AMC policy.”

The current Bylaw 5.a.iii reads:

“A Training Committee to be responsible for and direct all rock climbing schools and training sessions offered by the AMC. The Training Committee may propose and submit the Board rules pertaining to such schools and training sessions, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon approval by the Board, shall become a part of the Standing Rules.”

The proposed change is:

“A Training and Schools Committee to be responsible for and direct all rock climbing schools and training sessions offered by the AMC. The Training and Schools Committee may propose and submit to the Board rules pertaining to such schools and training sessions, consistent with these Bylaws, which, upon approval by the Board, shall become AMC policy.”

The current Bylaw 8 reads:

“8. Standing Rules.

a. The Standing Rules shall be in addition to and in support of the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, and are effective until rescinded or amended.

b. The Standing Rules shall be adopted and

amended or rescinded by the Board and shall be published to the Members. Copies of all current Standing Rules shall be maintained, in suitable format, in the Library.

“The proposed change is:

“8. AMC policies.

a. AMC policies shall be in addition to and in support of the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, and are effective until rescinded or amended.

b. AMC policies shall be adopted and amended or rescinded by the Board and shall be published to the Members. Copies of all current AMC policies shall be maintained, in suitable format, in the Library and on the AMC website.

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This Bylaw change proposal will be presented to the membership at the April member meeting, and will be voted on at the May meeting.

-The Board

‘T would be nice if...

...the beneficiaries of an outing leader’s exertions, at the end of the day, offered to buy him or her lunch or contribute to his/her gas tank or otherwise expressed appreciation for the joy provided them. And don’t forget the assistant OLs who probably did much of the scut-work of handing gear, paperwork, etc. They could undoubtedly have had more fun had they not had to wrangle you and the others. . It’s not required, of course, but it is nice. They have a finite number of days in their lives, too. Take it from one of AMC’s first, if long retired, outing leaders. — Ed.

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.

Sep 9-11 **Backcountry Emergency Care.** \$125. A 20 hour class in Wilderness First Aid. Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday. Limit first 20 students to pay. Make check to Rogil Schroeter and send to Rogil Schroeter, 6519 W. Aire Libre, Glendale, Az. 85306 Info at 623-512-8465 or <rogil.s @honeywell.com>

Outing Leader Logo

NEW MEMBERS

James Keeley
Karlyn Keeley
Kyle Keeley
Theresa Keeley
Todd Neville
Paul Valente

Again, graphic designers and artists, put on your thinking caps.

As announced last month, the Board is planning on special shirts for Outing Leaders and would like to have an appropriate logo to use. This logo may also be used for decals and hats. We are open to any design, and the colors used in the design may even help determine the color of Outing Leader shirts.

We have received one submission that looked very nice, but was gender-specific.

Our initial thought is that the logo somehow should include the words "Outing Leader" or the initials "OL." We will look at any alternate suggestions as well. Please email your design to board@AzMountaineeringClub.org.

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The world's first rock climbing chalk that soothes hot and ripped up fingers – as you climb! Also helps heal cuts and scratches. All natural – no chemicals. Available at the Phoenix Rock Gym, Climamax, the Arizona Hiking Shack, and online at:

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Calendar of Events

AMC Outings

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.

- Apr 30-May 1 **Outing Leader Training** Become one. Wayne Schroeter, <wayne@Wayne.com> Info P. 9.
May 7 **CPR/First Aid Class** 9:00 a.m. at the Larimer's. Sign up with Jeff Nagel, arizonafreeheart@aol.com
May 9 **Board Meeting**
May 14-15 **Outing Leader Training**, second session. <wayne@iWayne.com>
May 14 **Watson Lake** Time Zone Wall Easy and moderate short climbs on great granite overlooking beautiful Watson Lake near Prescott. Limit 10. Signup with John Keedy <jwkeedy@cox.ne> Meet at Bell and I-17 at 6:30 a.m.
May 23 **AMC Regular Meeting** at Washington Adult Center, 2240 W. Citrus Way. (This is east of -17. Take 23rd Ave south from Glendale or north from Bethany Home. Program is 5.Fun by Paul Dief of Phoenix Rock Gym.
May 27-30 **Indian Creek**. The place of long cracks and big racks. Come climb on outstanding sandstone. Contact Richard Horst at 602-309-1072 or email at horstrichard@aol.com.

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) 512-8465

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Outing Leaders

Requirements for becoming a leader: take the Basic, Anchors and Lead classes (or equivalents), be a member for at least one year, complete a basic first aid and CPR class (8 hours or more), and be approved for leadership by at least five current leaders through formal application process and by the Board of Directors. Contact Nancy Birdwell at (480) 821-1932.

Tom Conner.....	480-897-7623	Tim Lange.....	480-598-9124	Chris Query.....	602-323-5927
Erik Filsinger.....	602-906-1186	David Larimer.....	480-425-9689	Tim Schneider.....	480-497-8377
Jeff Hatfield.....	480-897-1750	Sally Borg Larimer..	480-425-9689	Rogil Schroeter.....	623-512-8465
Scott Hoffman.....	623-580-8909	Tim Medlock.....	719-494-1171	Wayne Schroeter.....	602-402-1631
Richard Horst.....	623-434-4769	Monica Miller.....	623-362-0456	Jef Sloat.....	602-316-1899
David Johnson.....	623-486-7387	Jeff Nagel.....	602-318-9538	Mick Strole.....	520-856-3335
John Keedy.....	623-412-1452	Paul Norberg.....	602-808-9244	Frank Vers.....	480-947-9435
Mike Knarzer.....	602-751-1701	Paul Paonessa.....	602-493-7356	Tim Ward.....	602-212-1929

May 2005

AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 2nd Day O Leader training	2	3	4 Sunrise 5:37 Sunset 7:14	5	6	7 CPR/1st Aid Class
8 New moon	9 AMC Board	10	11 Sunrise 5:31 Sunset 7:19	12	13	14 Watson Lake. Day3, OL Training
15 Day4, OL Training	16 1st Qtr moon	17	18 Sunrise 5:26 Sunset 7:24	19	20	21
22	23 Full Moon AMC Mtg at Washington Center	24	25 Sunrise 5:22 Sunset 7:29	26	27 Indian Creek	28 Indian Creek
29 Indian Creek	30 Indian Creek	31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>NOTE Celestial events occur about 10 minutes earlier on Arizona's eastern border; 10 later on its western edge.</p> </div>			

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