

The Arizona MOUNTAINEER

February 2009



Ron Auerbach belays a climber on
The Gully, Camelback Mountain
Photo by John Kedy

The Arizona Mountaineering Club

Meetings: The member meeting location is:
Phoenix Country Day School, 3901 E. Stanford Drive,
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253 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.

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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 !!!

Lead School

Julie Dehlin

*Queen Creek
Update*

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.

March Newsletter Deadline: Wednesday - 18 Feb

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Carrie Howell 1, Tina Price 1, Scott Frankel 5, Sharon Gordon 6, Julie Dehlin 7, Kurt Gusinde 9, David Cameron 12, Daniel Gonzales 12, Linda Kriegel 12, Erin Livingston 12, Connie Vekre 13, Sue Finn-Bodner 14, Kristis Makris 14, Steven Wolpert 14, Alex Richards 15, Clare Norman 19, John Gray 20, Robert Valenzuela 21, Vernon Stevens 23, Robert Lea 25, Hope Borselli 26

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 10% discount.
- **AZ on the Rocks Gym** - 16447 N. 91st St., Scottsdale, AZ 85260. 480-502-9777. 10% off membership.
- **Phoenix Rock Gym** - 1353 E. University, Tempe, AZ 85281. 480-921-8322. 10% off membership.
- **AZ Cliffhanger** - at the Phoenix Rock Gym. 480-642-9507. 10% off merchandise.
- **Solid Rock Indoor Climbing Gym - 2 Locations**
 - * 23620 N. 20th Dr, Phoenix, AZ 85027 (623) 587-7625 10% off membership.
 - * 407 S. 107th Ave, Suite A6, Tolleson, AZ 85353, (623) 643-9399 10% off membership.
- **Climbmax Gym** - 1330 W Auto Dr, Suite 112, Tempe, AZ 85284 - 480-626-7755. 10% off membership, Grand Opening 15% off through 4/30.
- **APE Index Rock Climbing Gym** - 9700 N. 91st Ave Suite 118 Peoria 85345 Phone 623-242-9164 10% discount for Day Pass and Membership. Show AMC Membership card.

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

Equipment Rental Policy:

- All equipment rentals only to current AMC members.
- AMC members renting equipment arrange pick-up and drop-off with Rental Committee Chair .
- 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.
- Call Bruce McHenry (602) 952-1379.

Treasurer's Report

Arizona Mountaineering Club Income Statement Period Ended October 31, 2008

INCOME

Advertising.....	80.00
Dues 2008 & 2009	8788.00
Interest	470.78
Rental Equipment	196.00
T-Shirts (AMC).....	9.00
T-Shirts (Grand Canyon)	397.00
Mountaineering Schools	175.00
AARS Spring	1575.00
AARS Fall.....	1350.00
Basic Spring.....	4130.00
Basic Fall	5280.00
Lead Spring.....	1050.00
Lead Fall	975.00
TOTAL INCOME.....	24,475.78

EXPENSES

Admin	1,437.86
Bank Charges	-4.00
Depreciation.....	4,940.91
Insurance.....	1,591.51
Land Advocacy	1073.11
Library	32.38
Mountaineering.....	600.76
Newsletter	3484.00
Outings.....	607.40
Promotional Activities	853.87
Programs Monthly Meeting.....	5307.90
Rental Gear Maintenance.....	15.00
Training.....	1990.06
TOTAL EXPENSES.....	21,930.76

OVERALL TOTAL..... 2,545.02

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Checking (on 10/31/2008)	9,747.09
CD Account (matures 8/16/09).....	15,000.00
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	24,747.49

AMC Outing Gear	3,467.43
OVERALL TOTAL	28,214.92

Lead School Instructor Meeting

The Lead School Instructor meeting will be held Monday, February 16th at 7:00pm at Mama Java's on 36th St & Indian School. The address is 3619 East Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ 85018

AMC Board Meeting Minutes - December 1, 2009

Board Members Present: Clay Vollmer, Jodie Bostrom, Robert England, Erik Filsinger, Danny Gonzales, Dan Beatty, Bill Fallon, John Keedy

Meeting was Called to Order at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes of the December 1, 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report was approved as amended by Clay Vollmer.

Committee Reports:

Membership. Currently stands at 376. Need to remind folks to renew.

Elections. Slate of Officer and Board position candidates was approved and will be voted on in the January 2009 Member meeting.

Programs. With sincere appreciate of Sheri Kenly's efforts, a concerted effort will be made to find a replacement. Board members will speak with targeted individuals as well as advertise the opening.

Mountaineering. A written report was made indicated purchases and activities.

Land Advocacy. Two important meetings of the climbing community are coming up in January. On Sunday January 18 there will be a meeting of the Queen Creek Coalition with rock climbers at PRG. During the Monday, January 26th AMC member meeting a presentation will be made by the City of Scottsdale on plans for the North Access Area of the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

T&S. Chair Bill Fallon reviewed the logistics of the Spring classes. Erik will contact the City of Scottsdale for permission to hold a day session in the McDowells.

Outings. The list of Outing Leaders who had met the requirement for dues waiver was discussed. Outing Leaders who did not take any AMC Outings in 2008 will be placed on the inactive list and removed from the newsletter listing (Their status can be made Active again simply taking an outing.)

Newsletter. Robert England reported on his efforts to place back issues of the newsletter on the website.

45th Anniversary Celebration. Robert England reported on tentative planning efforts to include ascents and summit photos of AMC'rs on Tom's Thumb and Pinnacle Peak. Erik Filsinger will seek approval from Scottsdale officials.

Old Business.

Task of verifying and updating club docs on the website remains.

New Business.

The topic of Canyoneering as an AMC activity was tabled pending reporting back on how it would be treated under club liability insurance.

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Member Ad - Gear For Sale

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|---|-------|--|-----------|
| * Backpack -ARC'TERYX Borea – Men's Lg | \$175 | * Approach Shoes La Sportiva – men's 10 (new \$120) | \$40 |
| * ESPRIT Dry Ropes -Two Half Ropes 8.5 – 60meter (used once – new \$320) | \$150 | * "Stabilicers" – | \$15 pair |
| * EDELRID Climbing Helmet – Green | \$35 | Ice soles made to strap over boots | |
| * Ladders for Aid Climbing –Like new (new \$75 pr.) | \$40 | 2 pair – Men's small & Women's medium | |
| * Titanium Backpack Cookware – set of 2 (new \$60) | \$30 | All gear has been stored inside and well cared for. | |
| * Espresso Maker /Backpacker w/2 cups (new \$30) | \$15 | Call Sherrie @ 520-240-6997 | |
| * Climbing Shoes – | | | |
| La Sportiva Hitops – men's 10 | \$15 | | |
| La Sportiva Slippers – men's 10 | \$15 | | |

On Monday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. AMC Programs welcomes our own adventurer:

Julie Dehlin **30 Years of Living and Adventuring in Ecuador**

Join Julie Dehlin, AMC member since 1996, as she recounts 30 years of hiking, biking, climbing, and miscellaneous adventures in Ecuador since her first year there as a foreign exchange student in 1978. Notable achievements include summiting Cotopaxi, training hikes on Chimborazo and backpacks to Los Altos.

Here is your opportunity to learn how to fish for or swim with piranhas or live vicariously through Julie's experiences so you don't have to eat cow brains, guinea pigs, ants or turtle eggs. (That is unless you so choose.)



See you at the Monday, February 23rd 7:00 p.m. meeting! 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 turn left on 40th St. followed by a left on Stanford. The auditorium entrance faces the parking lot.



The Arizona Mountaineering Club - www.amcaz.org

Queen Creek Land Exchange Update

"The AMC President and Land Advocacy Chair have been participating with other... in discussions with Resolution Copper company about the Land Exchange and possible continued climbing at Queen Creek. The QCC was formed, met a number of times... It presented a Wish List and through a couple of rounds of offers and counter offers Resolution Copper returned with a set of responses. We wanted to update you on them. Part of the list are items that will occur whatever the QCC does, but another part of the list was stated as contingent upon the climbing community supporting Resolution's offer. To date, the QCC has not taken a stance on the Resolution Response. For further information, go to www.queenecreekcoalition.com.

Here is an outline of what the climbers asked for and what Resolution is prepared to offer, or in some cases, not offer:

QCC asked for in letter of Understanding

1. Maintain surface integrity (no subsidence)
2. Comply with Environmental regulations
3. Respect Multicultural traditions
4. Green Belt
5. Fee simple transfer of Pond
6. Fee simple transfer of Atlantis
7. Fee simple transfer of other privately held lands:
 - Apache Leap South End
 - Dripping Springs (near Tamo)
8. Fully fund Tamo as State Park
9. Roads and infrastructure for Land of the Lost,
to
10. Campgrounds, Access and Infrastructure for
Inconceivables, Pond, Upper Pond and Chill Hill
11. Relocate boulders and vegetation
12. Coexistence Agreement

RCM Response

- No
- Presumably
- RCM working w/Tribes
- RCM to facilitate efforts.
- Yes
- No – license ‘til 2060 +
- Yes
- Yes
- Governor said no but RCM offer
\$1M for future development
After mine approval, RCM will assist
Steamboat Mt., The Drip & Homestead efforts
develop these areas.
- Yes RCM giving \$1.25M
- RCM & QCC will discuss
- Yes

Additional items not in original QCC Letter of Understanding

- a. RCM will work w/ F.S. and climbers to “turnkey” and pay for access and facilities to the Pond and Upper Pond prior to land exchange. Not part of \$1.25M
- b. License Central Oak Flat, Eurodog Valley, Mine Area and areas of Apache Leap owned by RCM until 2019 with renewal option.
- c. RCM will grant permanent easement to Apache Leap through Cross Creek
- d. RCM will grant permanent easement to Devils Canyon along Power Line road.
- e. RCM will license Magma Mine and Drill roads to Lower Devil Canyon until F.S. road available.
- f. RCM will donate \$1M after land exchange for Tamo.
- g. RCM will pay \$50K into hardware fund to maintain and develop climbing routes.
- h. RCM will pay for or self insure liability insurance for licensed areas.

President's Corner

This will be my last communication to you as President of the AMC and I leave the position with mixed emotions.

Over the past two years we have faced some challenges but have continued to move in a positive direction. Our Mountaineer newsletter is better than ever, our Mountaineering Committee have and continue to offer challenging and fun activities and outings, and we continue to hold great rock climbing outings with our new Outing Leaders as well as with the more experienced Leaders. Our schools are doing well and we have continue teaching rock climbing since the mid 60's when the AMC was formed.

There are just so many people that keep this club running and I thank them all. There are two people I want to express special appreciation to, Tina and John Pearlman who have for several years hosted the twice yearly Queen Creek Cleanup. It is held the weekend after Outdoor Rock Climbing (formerly Basic) class. They are so faithful in arranging this activity.

In closing, I just want to say that I have enjoyed being president of the AMC but I am not going anywhere. I'll still be around leading and participation in outings and AMC activities. Be safe and keep climbing 'til you're very old.

John Keedy
President

Queen Creek Cleanup & Climb / ACCESS FUND Outing Report

If you like sunny weather, great company and some of the best climbing in the State, get in on the next AMC Cleanup & climb!

The AMC joined with the Access Fund on November 8th to bring about another Queen Creek Cleanup & Climb. The club maintains an Adopt-a-Highway sign at the Oak Flats turnoff which symbolizes the club's presence at one of Arizona's finest climbing areas. Jodie Bostrom graciously served as our outing leader and a group of sixteen set about picking up roadside trash while the leader and crew set up the climbs. We made short work of the cleanup nabbing 23 bags of trash and hightailed it to the climbing just down the road.

For a change of pace, Jodie set up routes at the Pond area, which is excellent South facing cragging just above the highway 60. Perfect for a warm and sunny day! The variety of climbs included some rather long, aesthetic pitches as well as a few brief but pumppy top ropes. There were three of the longer routes, each adjacent to the other, and toward the end of the day, a few diehards raced to bag one last line. Spirits were high and the diversity of the climbing kept everyone well occupied, satisfied and challenged.

Speaking of challenges, while we may have a new president, the old problem involving the congressional land swap and the proposed trade-away of the Queen Creek/Oak Flats climbing areas is still an issue to keep in mind. Like Obama says, "We have a voice", but only if we use it. Take a moment to visit www.accessfund.org and www.friendsofqueencreek.com to learn more and to be able to take an educated position on the land swap proposal. And if you are so inclined, join the Access Fund!

Special thanks to Jodie Bostrom for leading the outing and to everyone else who helped porter the gear and set up the routes! Participants include Patti & Keith Waldrup, Monica Miller, John Hathaway, Rachel Mace, Nael Dagstani, Julie Dehlin, Kevin Anda, Haiwen Meng, Marty Oelrich, Terri, Daniel & Stephen Van Herpen, Debra Standahl, John Kynnyck, Steven Crane, and Tiina & John Perlman.

If we got your name wrong, so sorry! If we didn't see you there, see you next time!

Lead Climbing School

Arizona Mountaineering Club - Spring 2009

This is an advanced climbing class. Even if you don't plan on leading, you will learn much about the dynamics of climbing, and it will make you a safer climber. Protecting a climb is a different skill from climbing itself. We will talk about the dynamics of lead falls, how to prepare for a climb, the differences between single-pitch and multi-pitch, and the differences between clipping bolts and placing natural pro. There will be no "true" lead climbs during the class, but we will provide simulated leading exercises.

Class curriculum:

Tue	Lecture, slide show: introduction, the lead fall, equipment
Wed	Lecture, slide show: equipment (continued); the process and techniques of leading
Thu	Lecture, slide show: multi-pitch techniques, the descent, leader rescue, aid climbing
Sat	Hands-on practice: natural pro placement (Prescott)
Sun	Hands-on practice: leading on bolts (Prescott or Scottsdale)

Class schedule:

Feb 17	Tuesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	*North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Feb 18	Wednesday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Feb 19	Thursday	6:30 pm–9:30 pm	North Mountain Park, Yavapai Ramada
Feb 21	Saturday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Prescott (directions will be in syllabus)
Feb 22	Sunday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Prescott or Scottsdale (directions will be in syllabus)

*North Mountain Park is located at Peoria and 7th St, 5 miles north of Camelback on 7th St. Turn west into the park. Ramada location to be announced.

Experience required: Preferably, AMC Basic School and AMC Anchors School or equivalent experience. This includes knowing how to tie a variety of knots, belay, rappel, prusik and set anchors.

Cost: \$75 plus membership if not already a member (\$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family). Membership is good through Dec., 2008. Register by sending a check payable to AMC Lead School to Nancy Birdwell 1654 W. Boston St, Chandler, AZ, 85224. No credit cards accepted. (Please note: the registration fee is fully refundable if you cancel.) Call Nancy Birdwell at 480-821-1932 or email info@amcaz.org for more information. The number of students will be limited to 30.

Equipment required for the class:

The following will not be needed the first night. You may want to listen to the gear lectures before making purchases.

All climbing gear (harness, prusiks, biners, etc.)

Helmet—mandatory for all on-rock sessions

Specifically needed:

2 20' slings (untied length), preferably different colors

2 10' slings (untied length), preferably different colors

Nut pick

Quickdraws with biners—at least 5 per person

All pro that you own, which may include cams, hexes, wired nuts, Tri-cams, etc.

Consider combining with another person to have enough gear

Hiking boots or shoes with stiff soles for Saturday, climbing shoes for Sunday

Optional: kneepads for Saturday (\$3–6 at Home Depot, \$5 volleyball pads at sporting goods stores)

For more information: Visit the Arizona Mountaineering Club website at www.AzMountaineeringClub.org.

OUTDOOR ROCK CLIMBING

FOR THE BEGINNING OUTDOOR CLIMBER

Arizona Mountaineering Club - Spring 2009

The Arizona Mountaineering Club (AMC) has been teaching basic rock climbing for over 35 years. We place maximum emphasis on safety and self-rescue. This is a beginning climbing class. We will teach you equipment care and usage, rope handling, climbing knots, belaying, rappelling, climbing techniques, and self-rescue. Enrollment fills up quickly, so don't delay; make a reservation to join us soon!

Class schedule (this is 2-week class):

Mar 10	Tuesday	5:30 pm–10:00 pm	* North Mountain Park, Ramada tbd
Mar 12	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	North Mountain Park, Ramada tbd
Mar 14	Saturday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	tbd
Mar 15	Sunday	8:00 am–5:00 pm	tbd
Mar 17	Tuesday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	Phoenix, Solid Rock Gym
Mar 19	Thursday	6:00 pm–10:00 pm	Phoenix, Solid Rock Gym
Mar 21	Saturday	all day	Various times, various places

*North Mountain Park is located at Peoria and 7th St, 5 miles north of Camelback on 7th St. Turn west into the park. The Havasupai Ramada is the first Ramada as you come in the park.

Experience required: None. Even if you have never climbed a tree before, this class is for you.

What is provided by the AMC:

Technical climbing gear that will be used for the school (**and is yours to keep**): 1 belay/rappel device, 2 non-locking carabiners, 3 locking carabiners, 4 prusiks, one 5' sling (subject to change)

Harness and helmet provided free by the AMC for the duration of the class if needed

Basic climbing textbook

Instruction through all phases of the class

Discounts from local retailers on climbing gear

Equipment recommended for the class: You will wear a climbing harness at every class, so dress casually. Most sessions will be held outside, so watch the weather. Climbing shoes are recommended for the weekend sessions only. The AMC rents climbing shoes on a first-come, first-serve basis on the **second** night of class for \$10 for the class. We will discuss what to look for in a shoe on the first night of class.

Paperwork: You will be required to read, fill out and sign an AMC release of liability on the first night of class. Students under 18 must have the release signed by their parent or guardian (no students under 14 please; students 14-15 years of age must be accompanied by an older adult).

Class fee: \$175 plus membership if not already a member (\$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family). Membership is good through December, 2009.

Registration: The class is limited to 40 students. To reserve a spot, send a check for \$175, \$205 or \$210 (see Class Fee above) made out to AMC Basic School. Include your clearly printed name, address and current phone number (s). Mail to: **AMC Basic School, 15508 W Bell Road #101-150, Surprise, AZ 85374**. No credit cards accepted.

Questions??? Contact **Eric Evans** by email at AMCBasicSchool@gmail.com. (Please note: \$75 is a non-refundable deposit; the rest will be returned if you cancel. If someone else can be found to take your place, the entire \$175 will be refunded.)

For more information: Visit the Arizona Mountaineering Club website at www.amcaz.org.

Outing Leaders

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 (602) 770-8326.

Outing Leader

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Your Name Here!

Calendar of Events

AMC Outings and Events

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.

Feb 7 Hart Route. a 3-pitch Phoenix classic on Camelback. Contact John Keedy. Limit 6.

Jan 31-Feb 1 Winter Camping. Come play in the snow (IF we have any?). Contact Bruce McHenry bamchenry@att.net

Mar13-16 Ice Climbing, Ouray Ice Park - Top Rope Ice Climbing. Ouray, CO Fun Ice. Climbing in the School Room! Great place for beginning Ice Climbers. Specific requirements for participants. Contact Bruce McHenry bamchenry@att.net. Limit 6

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.

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

Feb 7 Strenuous 11+ mile hike along the Superstition ridgeline. Fit, experienced hikers only please. Contact Rogil 623-512-8465 or Rogil@cox.net for more info. RSVP by Jan 31.

Commercial Event

Feb 14-16 AMC Intro to Ice Climbing – by Southwest Adventures Guides. Learn ice climbing and avalanche awareness in Durango, CO. \$295. Contact Southwest Adventure Guides 800-642-5389 or info@swaguidesguides or www.swaguides.com

2009 Dues Are Due

It is time to renew your membership for 2009. 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 or email rogil@cox.net if you have questions.

NEW MEMBERS: Climbers - Please Welcome

Don Arrigo
Kathryn Cook

Jon Parker
Robert Valenzuela

February 2009

AMC Outing Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 1st Qtr	3	4 Sunrise 7:22 Sunset 6:03 M-set 02:49 A	5	6	7 Hart Route
<p>NOTE: Celestial events occur about 10 minutes earlier on Arizona's eastern border; 10 later on its western edge.</p>						
8	9 Full Moon Board Meeting	10	11 Sunrise 7:16 Sunset 6:10 M-rise 8:50 P	12	13	14 Valentines Day
15	16 Last Qtr	17 Lead	18 Lead Sunrise 7:09 Sunset 6:16 M-rise 2:53 A	19 Lead	20	21 Lead
22 Lead	23 Member Meeting	24	25 New Moon Sunrise 7:01 Sunset 6:22 M-set 7:18 P	26	27	28

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Class Size is Limited to 40 - Reserve your spot now!

Mail a \$75.00 check, payable to the "AMC," to:

AMC Basic School

15508 W Bell Rd, #101-150

Surprise, AZ 85374

Applicants should provide, name, address, phone, e-mail address, waiver and membership form from the webpage.

For additional information, contact Eric Evans

AMCBasicSchool@gmail.com),

or visit our website at www.amcaz.org

Spring 2009 - Class Schedule

- Mar 10 - Tue - 5:30 - 10:00 PM
- Mar 12 - Thu - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Mar 14 - Sat - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Mar 15 - Sun - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Mar 17 - Tue - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Mar 19 - Thu - 6:00 - 10:00 PM
- Mar 21 - Sat - All Day - Grad Climb

AMC Members Enjoy

- Basic to advanced rock climbing training
- Monthly meetings, outings
- Special Annual Events:
 - Grand Canyon Cleanup
 - Thanksgiving at Joshua Tree NP
- Camaraderie with other climbers
- The Arizona Mountaineer newsletter