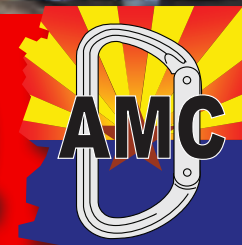


# The Arizona Mountaineer

November 2013



Thank you John Gray for organizing another successful clean-up. Approximately 120 volunteers attended the annual "Over the Rim" Grand Canyon Clean-up this year. Writeup : John Gray, page 16 Photo: Scott Kuchman





# The Arizona Mountaineering Club

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**Meetings:** The member meeting location is:

Granite Reef Senior Center: 1700 North Granite Reef Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85257

The meeting time is 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Check Calendar for 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 can be paid using PayPal on the AMC website or mailed to AMC Membership, PO Box 30163, Mesa, AZ 85275-0163. (Checks only).

## The Arizona Mountaineering Club

**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:

Website: [www.arizonamountaineeringclub.org](http://www.arizonamountaineeringclub.org)

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

**AMC Land Advocacy Committee:** The Committee works 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 at [smorefil@aol.com](mailto:smorefil@aol.com).

**Newsletter:** The Arizona Mountaineer is published monthly by the AMC. The newsletter depends on contributions from its members so PLEASE send us your articles, gear reviews and/or photos. Submit to: [amcaznewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:amcaznewsletter@gmail.com) by the 1st of the month prior to the month to be published.

Digital photos should preferably be in JPG format and 300 dpi. Articles can be in any standard word processing format.

**Advertising in the newsletter** 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. Contact Dave McClintic at 602-885-5194 about billing. All ads are to be submitted to: [amcaznewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:amcaznewsletter@gmail.com) by the 1st of the month prior to the month to be published.

## SUBMISSIONS DUE ON NOVEMBER 1ST FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER SEND TO: [AMCAZNEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AMCAZNEWSLETTER@GMAIL.COM)

## 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 Lust at (602) 770-8326.

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## Treasurer's Report

### Arizona Mountaineering Club Income Statement Period Ended September 2013

#### INCOME

Advertising	0.00
Dues	4,647.00
Grants Received	0.00
Interest	22.45
Mountaineering Schools	1,190.00
Rental Equipment	233.00
AARS Fall	190.00
AARS Spring	2,090.00
Basic Fall	4,290.00
Basic Spring	5,380.00
Lead Fall	1,140.00
Lead Spring	760.00
Training Other	5.00
Merchandise & Other	2,132.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>22,079.45</b>

#### EXPENSES

Admin	2,030.58
Promotional	2,159.34
Bank chgs	565.94
Capital Expenditures	0.00
Equipment Maintenance	27.61
Grants Expended	0.00
Insurance	0.00
Land Advocacy Committee	75.70
Library	0.00
Newsletter	929.26
Outings	73.59
Outing Leaders	250.00
Programs Monthly Meeting	2,014.94
Training	6,310.49
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,437.45</b>

**OVERALL TOTAL 7,642.00**

#### ACCOUNT BALANCES

Checking & PayPal	23,002.82
Accounts Receivable	0.00
CD Account	15,000.00
<b>TOTAL CASH ASSETS</b>	<b>38,002.82</b>
AMC Outing Gear	0.00
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>38,002.82</b>

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## Discount Directory

These merchants offer a discount to AMC members:

- **Arizona Hiking Shack** - 3244 E. Thomas Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85018, (602) 944-7723 [www.hikingshack.com](http://www.hikingshack.com). 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. 10% off membership.
- **Climbmax Gym** - 1330 W Auto Dr, Suite 112, Tempe, AZ 85284 - 480-626-7755. 10% off membership.
- **Phoenix Rock Gym** - 1353 E. University, Tempe, AZ 85281. 480-921-8322. 10% off membership.

## AMC Board Minutes - October 14, 2013

Call to order: Bill Fallon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Cheryl Beaver, Bill Fallon, Douglas Matson, David Sampson, Erik Filsinger, Gavin Storey, John Gray, Mike Lust, and Thad Colgrove

Committee Chairs present: Matt Kalina

Minutes: The Minutes of the September 9 Board meeting were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report for September 2013 was approved.

Committee Reports:

Membership – The current number of dues paid members stands at 291.

Programs – Kim McClintic submitted a written report concerning upcoming member meeting programs.

Outings – Recent Past -- Lead School – Sept.10,11,12,14,15 – Mike Knarzer; GC Cleanup – Sept. 28, 29 – John Gray; Alpine Seminar Series – Oct. 2 – Erik/Jeff Crosby; Oct. 12 – Schmotem Pole – David Sampson and Douglas Matson; Reel Rock Tour AMC Table – Gavin Storey, Douglas Matson, Erin Matson and David Sampson

Upcoming -- Basic School – Oct. 15,17,19,20,22,24,26 – Bill; QC Cleanup – Nov. 2 – Tiina Perlman, Dave McClintic; Advanced Self Rescue Seminar – Nov. 9, repeat Nov. 10 – Erik, Cheryl

Erik also gave a recap of the AMC OL Activity Report to date.

Land Advocacy – Erik discussed the Brown's Ranch Trail Head Opening on Saturday October 19 and the activity regarding AMC participation in McDowell Sonoran Preserve Climber Access Route maintenance.

Mountaineering – Erik reviewed activities that will be offered by the Mountaineering Committee. These include an Alpine Seminar Series to be held monthly and led by Jeff Crosby. Other activities include monthly offerings of Alpine Rock, Winter Camping, Ice Climbing, Glacier Travel and Snow Skills, and mountain climbs beginning in December.

Canyoneering – Matt Kalina presented an overview of the formation of an AMC Canyoneering Committee. Initial committee members include himself as Chair with Bill Fallon, Thad Colgrove, and Ryan Barnett as members. Initial action items include development of club policy documentation and potential activities.

T & S – Bill reviewed the Fall rock climbing schools.

Newsletter Committee – Cheryl gave a brief report on this newsletter for this month.

## AMC Board Minutes - October 14, 2013 (continued)

Technology Team – No report. Old web site will be shifted over with the shutdown of the old website.

### New Business

2014 Elections Planning – Bill lead a Board discussion and will contact John Keedy to identify open seats and positions on the Board for next year.

2014 Budget Planning – Bill stated that the Board needs to vote and approve an annual budget for 2014 that it will recommend to the members at the November member meeting and which will be voted on by the members at the December meeting. He handed out a budget worksheet for Board members and committee chairs to send him suggested items for 2014 budgeting.

Proposed Policy & Procedures changes – The Board voted to approve an amended AMC Policy on Maintaining AMC Documents and an amended AMC Procedure on Policy Administration. Those two items become effective at the October member meeting and are published elsewhere in this newsletter.

Bill also led a discussion of the Proposed AMC Document Archive implementation. It will be finalized shortly.

The Board voted to approve a Policy on Funding of Non-AMC Activities, which appears elsewhere in this newsletter and is effective at the October member meeting.

Advanced Climbing Seminars planning – David Sampson gave the Board an update on the A.C.S. activities.

Rogil Schroeter will take over the administration of the AMC email distribution. Thanks Jeff Crosby for the past service.

### Old Business

AMC 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party - Erik will include an item in the 2014 budget for some activities to make it special.

OL apprentice process – Recommendations will be discussed at a future Board meeting.

### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Erik Filsinger, AMC Secretary

## AMC Policy and Procedure changes

At the October 14, 2013 Board meeting the following Policy and Procedure changes were approved by the AMC Board of Directors. The policies and procedure become effective at the October 28, 2013 Member Meeting.

### Board policy

(amended)

#### **XI. Maintaining AMC Documents (eff. 10-28-2013)**

- A. AMC official documents include the current Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, AMC Policies, AMC Procedures, newsletters, insurance policies, minutes of the Board meetings, copies of the monthly treasurer's reports, and other Club legal documents, as well as amendments to same.
- B. The President and the Secretary of the Club will maintain electronic copies of all AMC official documents in accordance with Archive Committee procedures.
- C. All current Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and AMC policies will be posted on the AMC website.
- D. Changes to AMC policies will normally be published in the AMC newsletter following the Board's action and become effective on the day of the next AMC member meeting, but the Board may set a different effective date when appropriate.
- E. Changes to the AMC policies will be placed among the Members Documents on the AMC website as soon as practical.
- F. All AMC policy changes will be emailed to the Board, Committee Chairs and Outing Leaders when posted to the AMC website.

(New)

#### **Funding of Non-AMC Activities (eff. 10-28-2013)**

The Board of the AMC, or its designee, or the committee assigned to address and consider public relations and marketing proposals for the AMC, may from time to time consider proposals from outside individuals and entities for funding on non-AMC climbing-related activities or events. The Board shall consider the following questions when evaluating such proposals, and provide funding on a case by case basis if monies are available within the annual budget allocated for these purposes. If possible, potential funding opportunities should be identified and included in the preparation of the annual budget. Last minute proposals, while worthy, may be rejected by the Board outright if they are considered outside the AMC's normal funding cycle.

- Is the proposal consistent with the Mission of the AMC?
- Does the proposal benefit the AMC's standing in the larger climbing, mountaineering and canyoneering communities?
- Are there any negative repercussions to the AMC if the proposal is funded?
- Has the Board investigated and know the uses of the proposed funding by the applicant? What are those uses?
- Is the proposal more or less worthy of funding than other potential proposals? If the proposal merits funding, and there are alternative considerations for the available monies, then a hierarchy in merit worthiness must be considered.

If the Board has monies available with the annual budget and the proposal has been evaluated to further the goals and standing of the AMC compared to other potential proposals it may authorize such expenditures.

## AMC Policy and Procedure changes (continued)

### Board Procedures

(amended)

#### **Policy administration (eff. 10-28-2013)**

- 1 We shall discontinue using Standing Rules, and implement only “Policies” for our rules of operation.
- 2 There should be a single policy for each Committee and one for the Board. This will:
  - (a) Make it easier to ensure that we don’t conflict with previous policy
  - (b) Make it easier to find any given policy
  - (c) Make it easier to give orientation to any new volunteers that take over a Committee
  - (d) Make it easy for the webmaster to post any new policy by just replacing the existing document in total instead of having to make new links for new policies.
- 3 Policies should be posted on the website in .doc format (MS Word), so we can download them for revisions, and in .pdf format so that any AMC member can read the files.
- 4 When a policy is to be changed, download the full policy and make the changes, then upload a complete replacement version of the policy.
- 5 The effective date for any revised policy shall be updated in the body of the policy in the title section of where the change is made (see format below).
- 6 Maintain an electronic record of Policy and Procedure revisions by archiving prior (obsolete) versions of the Policy and Procedures documents.
- 7 When writing any new policies, use the format below.
- 8 Blend in AMC guidelines with either policies or procedures.
- 9 Handle AMC procedures in the same manner. Collect all current procedures into a Committee procedure, except the Board and multi-Committee procedures, which go into the Board procedures.
- 10 Handle AMC forms differently. On the “Documents” page on the website, the link to forms should take the user to an index of forms instead of a single “Committee form,” for obvious reasons.
- 11 Format for AMC policies:
  - (a) All policies should be printed in Times New Roman font, size 10, with no underlining, no “all caps” and almost no bold.



# AMC Member Program

Monday, November 18th at 7pm

## Geir Hundal and Cochise Stronghold

Geir Hundal is an American Mountain Guides Association Certified Rock Instructor and a Professional Climbing Guides Institute Certified Multipitch Guide. He has been climbing about 130 days a year for the past 16 years throughout West Virginia, North Carolina, California, Nevada, Utah, and Arizona. For the past 10 years his efforts have become increasingly focused on his favorite place to climb, Cochise Stronghold.

Geir's presentation will center on a selection of stunning Cochise Stronghold traditional lines from 5.6 to 5.12, some of which are little-known and have seen only a handful of ascents. Geir will also touch on strategies for tackling routes near your limit and ongoing efforts to carefully replace the 30+ year-old bolts on Stronghold classics.

The traditional classics of Cochise have a reputation for being scary, exposed, runout, and stiffly graded. While there is certainly some truth behind this reputation, Geir's take home message will be that many routes that seem out of reach are possible with good beta, modern gear, up-to-date skills, and perseverance.

Geir's mission is to empower southern AZ climbers by producing and distributing great beta, providing solid, credentialed, and affordable guiding and instruction, replacing unsafe hardware on classic climbs, and role-modeling a ground-up traditional ethic. He also enjoys putting common climbing myths to the test in real-world scenarios.

Geir and his wife Marcy live in Tucson. For further information, visit his website at [www.geir.com](http://www.geir.com)



Guests are welcome. Please join us  
at Granite Reef Senior Center  
1700 N. Granite Reef Rd., Scottsdale

*If you have questions, contact Kim McClintic at (480) 213-2629 or  
email [canyonkim@gmail.com](mailto:canyonkim@gmail.com). RSVP on meetup  
<http://www.meetup.com/Arizona-Mountaineering-Club/>*

## AMC Climbing Anchors School - Fall 2013

The AMC Climbing Anchors School teaches participants how to set climbing anchors for top-roping. This course is the logical next step for AMC Basic Climbing School graduates.

### Class curriculum:

- Tuesday: Learn anchor components, anchor types, knots and hitches.  
Thursday: Learn anchor system characteristics and construction.  
Saturday: Gain experience setting anchors by practicing “hands-on” scenarios under instructor supervision.  
Sunday: Apply newly learned skills setting real anchors on an optional climbing day. This session is a climbing outing where students set the anchors under instructor supervision and then spend the day climbing.

### Class schedule:

Nov. 12	Tuesday	6:00 pm–9:30 pm	* Scottsdale Cactus Park
Nov. 14	Thursday	6:00 pm–9:30 pm	Scottsdale Cactus Park
Nov. 16	Saturday	7:00 am–4:00 pm	Sullivan’s Canyon, Chino Valley
Nov. 17	Sunday	9:00 am–5:00 pm	Promised Land, Chino Valley (Weather permitting)

**\* Cactus Park is located on the northeast corner of Cactus Rd. and Scottsdale Rd in Scottsdale.**

**Experience required:** AMC Basic School graduate or equivalent, which must include knowledge of how to belay, rappel, prusik, tie a figure-8-on-a-bight and figure-8-on-a-follow-through, and make a girth hitch.

**Cost: \$95** plus membership if not already a member (\$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family). Full Membership is good through the end of next year - 2014. Register by the Paypal link on the website (<http://www.amcaz.org/anchorsRegistration.asp>) or if you need to send a check you can contact Nancy Lust [amcanchorsschool@gmail.com](mailto:amcanchorsschool@gmail.com) for the address. No credit cards accepted. The registration fee is fully refundable if you cancel. Contact Nancy Lust by email: [amcanchorsschool@gmail.com](mailto:amcanchorsschool@gmail.com) for more info. The number of students will be limited to 36.

### Equipment required for the class:

- 2 non-locking “D” or oval carabiners (at least 2, bring more if you have them)
  - 3 locking carabiners (at least 3, one of which should be a parabiner)
  - 1 rappel/belay device (Trango Jaws, Black Diamond ATC, Trango Pyramid, Figure-8, etc.)
  - 1 climbing harness
  - 1 ea 4’, 6’, 10’ 6mm prusiks (untied length)
  - 2 ea 5’, 10’, 20’ slings (1” tubular webbing, untied length, AKA runners)
  - 1 or 2 personal anchor slings (commercial daisy chains or 4’ sewn Spectra runners or equivalent)
  - 1 helmet—**required for Saturday and Sunday sessions**, helmets are available if you do not have one.
- (The slings and harness are the only additional equipment needed over the Basic School requirements)

This class is designed to teach you how to set top-rope anchors. In order to become independent and set your own anchors, you should start acquiring anchor gear. These purchases will be limited by how much money you want/have to spend and how much interest you have in climbing independently. The following gear is not required for Anchors School, but if you have some, you will be able to practice setting it in class. All of the gear recommended below can be used for Lead School, and none of it will be wasted if you intend to set your own anchors. All gear should be marked prior to bringing it to class to prevent confusion between it and other people’s gear. If you don’t know how to mark gear, check with an instructor before doing so to avoid weakening equipment due to improper marking.

Other gear you may want to bring:

- Any pro you may have (hexes, nuts, camming devices, Tri-cams, etc.)
- Extra biners (regular D’s, ovals, and lockers—stay away from specialty biners at this time)
- Extra slings (perhaps four 5’, two 15’ slings, untied lengths)

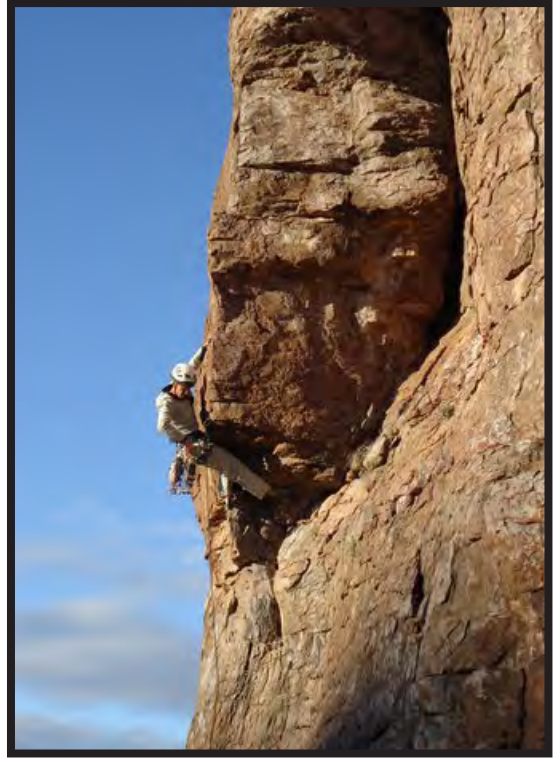
**For more information:** Visit the Arizona Mountaineering Club website at [www.arizonamountaineeringclub.org](http://www.arizonamountaineeringclub.org).

# Advanced Rock Climbing Seminars

On behalf of the AMC—and the AMC Board, in particular—I am excited to announce the initiation of an advanced rock climbing series seminar program. As chair of this program I would like to invite all AMC members to provide suggestions for seminars that you, personally, would like to see implemented. This could include crack climbing techniques, multi-pitch tips, sport climbing skills, to name a few. Please email suggestions to [dasampson@gmail.com](mailto:dasampson@gmail.com). I will also provide an opportunity for you to express your interests for a seminar at our monthly meetings.

Our first scheduled seminar will be two one-day seminars on Self Rescue. This class will offered by Erik Filsinger with the help of Cheryl Beaver and will be held on 9 November and again on 10 November, 2013. Please contact Erik at [smorefil@aol.com](mailto:smorefil@aol.com) for more information.

Submitted by: David Arthur Sampson



## Congratulations AMC Lead School Graduates!

### Lead Students:

Drew Calaci, Christopher Canevit, Dorothea Jackson, Justin Jones, Heather Canevit, Scott Kuchman, Jeremiah (JT) Moree, Adam Sprenger, Corrina Sprenger, Angela Storey, Murthy Tata

### Lead Instructors:

Mike Knarzer, Anthony Cadorin, David Cameron, Thad Colgrove, Marilyn Geninatti, Paul Laughlin, Mike Lust, Nancy Lust, Douglas Matson, Chara Price, David Sampson, Rogil Schroeter, Gavin Storey



# AMC'S BI-ANNUAL QUEEN CREEK CLEAN-UP & CLIMB

**Please Join Us  
In Some Good  
Clean Fun!**

**Saturday  
November 2nd**

For many years, AMC has maintained a small section of Route 60 near the Oak Flats campground and the amazing Queen Creek climbing area. Tiina and John Perlman will be heading up the clean-up activity. Stick around for some great climbing afterward. David McClintic is the climbing outing leader.



**You  
never  
know  
what  
you'll  
find.**

**Cool Clean-Up  
T-shirts Available  
for \$10.00!**

For more details and to RSVP to this event go to AMC's Meetup group at:

***<http://www.meetup.com/Arizona-Mountaineering-Club/>***

For more information contact:

Tiina Perlman at ***[finkati@yahoo.com](mailto:finkati@yahoo.com)*** or Dave McClintic at ***[david.mcclintic@cox.net](mailto:david.mcclintic@cox.net)***





**SAVE THE DATE**

# **AMC Thanksgiving at Joshua Tree**

**Nov 26th - Dec 1st, 2013**

**Climb and Dine Joshua Tree Style**

**Bring a dish to share.**

**Group campsite reserved at Indian Cove**

**Get all the details and  
Sign-up on meetup**

***[http://www.meetup.com/  
Arizona-Mountaineering-Club](http://www.meetup.com/Arizona-Mountaineering-Club)***

***For additional information contact the event  
host Tiina Perlman at [finkati@yahoo.com](mailto:finkati@yahoo.com) or  
the outing leader Dave McClintic at [david.  
mcclintic@cox.net](mailto:david.mcclintic@cox.net)***

# AMC Mountaineering

## Committee Activities

2013-2014

**The Mountaineering Committee is planning some exciting activities this coming year. Check them out and sign up through the AMC Meet-Up site.**



**Alpine Seminar Series** - The first Wednesday of each month. We kicked off the Alpine Seminar Series in September with a large group of AMC alpinists. Jeff Crosby will lead this informative series of talks based on chapters from *Mountaineering: Freedom of the Hills*. Jeff is soliciting speakers to cover each evening's topics.

**Alpine Rock Class** - Saturday, December 7. Given that most mountain climbs have elements of rock climbing in the ascent, Erik Filsinger will share the keys to moving efficiently in the alpine environment over rock sections. It will be held in the Phoenix area.

**Winter Camping Class** - Saturday, January 11 to Sunday, January 12, 2014. Erik Filsinger will lead a trip to Mt. Humphreys that will focus on skills related to camping in the snow. It is hoped that sufficient snow will exist to practice alternative snow shelters and snow caves.

**Beginning Ice Climbing** - Saturday, February 15 to Monday, February 17 – Bruce McHenry will take AMC'ers to Ouray Ice Park to learn ice climbing.







photo: C. Beaver

**Glacier Travel Class** - Saturday, April 19 to Sunday, April 20 – Erik Filsinger will hold a snow skills, glacier travel, and crevasse rescue class on Mt. Humphreys.

**Top Rope Ice Climbing Outing** - Saturday, March 7 to Monday, March 10 – Bruce McHenry will lead an ice climbing outing to Ouray.



**Colorado Mountain Climb** - Saturday, May 24 to Monday, May 26 (Memorial Day Weekend)– Erik Filsinger will take an outing to Southwest Colorado to climb a mountain in practice for AMC alpinists pursuing other mountain climbs in 2014.



Submitted by Erik Filsinger  
AMC Mountaineering Committee Chair



## The Grand Canyon Clean-up

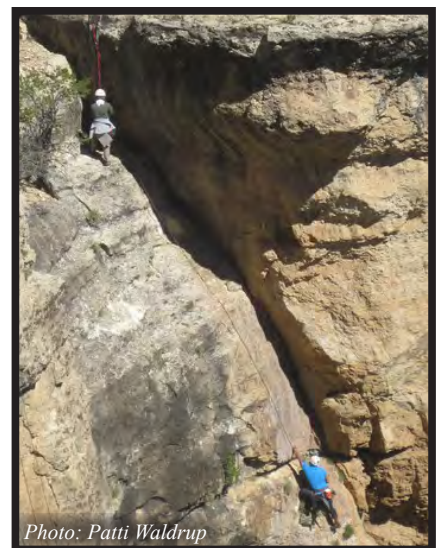
On the weekend of September 28-29th, we had approximately 120 volunteers attend the annual “Over the Rim” Grand Canyon Clean-up. This year was once again an outstanding experience! We had a lot of fun while getting our hands dirty rappelling over the edge and picking up trash in the difficult to reach, but easily seen places. This annual event is a tremendous way to help beautify an already spectacular venue located in our back yard. After all of our hard work on Saturday, we were able to relax and enjoy ourselves and each other’s company back at camp. We were also rewarded with a delicious buffet of homemade food at the annual chili cook-off. On Sunday, the volunteers took the time to rock climb, clean other areas, hike or enjoy other individual activities. Without the assistance and professionalism of our friends Brandon Torres, Emily Pearce, Dorothy Utech, and Hannah Heinrich at Grand Canyon National Park, this weekend would not have been possible.

The following individuals must also be recognized for all their time and energy given in leadership roles as I leaned on them heavily during trainings and at the Clean-Up: Bill Fallon, Rogil Schroeter, Dave Cameron, Curtis Stone, Steven Crane, John Keedy, Dan Gonzales, Tim Lange, Malia Euler and David McClintic. A very special thanks again to Mike & Nancy Lust for a fantastic job with the chili cook-off and to Cheryl Beaver for the awesome new t-shirt design this year, Paul Laughlin for his help with IT support and Scott Kuchman for his photography! Thank you to Tim Medlock (CAMRA), and Robert Cooper (Superstition SAR) for their great and on-going partnership and willingness to get their hands dirty with us. Thank you Mary Ellen Valenzuela from Valmarq Technologies for your support and doing a wonderful job with the T-shirts! Please take the time to thank all of these wonderful folks next time you see or talk them. See you next year!!!

~John Gray









# AMC 2013 Calendar

## NOVEMBER

2	Queen Creek Cleanup and Climb
4	AMC Board Meeting
6	Anchors School Instructor Meeting
9	Rescue Seminar
10	Rescue Seminar
11	Veterans Day (Monday)
12	Anchors School - Nov 12, 14, 16, 17
18	AMC Member Meeting –Activities Expo
28	Thanksgiving at Joshua Tree

## DECEMBER

2	AMC Board Meeting
7	Alpine Rock Seminar
13	Holiday Party

## 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.*

Tuesdays	<b>North Mountain hikes after work.</b> Rogil Schroeter (623) 512-8465
Wednesdays	<b>Ape Index Gym Climbing</b> - Rogil Schroeter (623) 512-8465
Thursdays	<b>Phoenix Rock Gym Climbing</b> - AMC Members \$10 admission with ID card. Curtis Stone - Kim McClintic

**Go to the AMC meetup for a complete list of outings and activities.**

**Up to date information and registration will be available.**

**<http://www.meetup.com/Arizona-Mountaineering-Club/>**

## November Birthdays

Ana Betancur 4, Chris Taylor 7, David Tai 9, Vicki Engbrecht 13,  
Sarah Grant 13, Daniel Johnson 13, Susan Morris 13, Cynthia Lim 15,  
Casey Harrison 16, Ted Zarbock 18, Will Golz 19, Diane Faraone 21,  
Stephen VanHerpen 24, Jeremiah (JT) Moree 27, Kate Fallon 30, Alex Taylor 30

## Welcome New Members!

Chris Opitz, Cynthia Lim, Tim Mayner, Ana Betancur, Zachary Smith,  
Elizabeth Pederson, John Ligas, Casey Harriosn, Jamie Shirleson,  
Michael Nicholas, Rebecca Lewis, Stephanie Johnson, Daniel Johnson,  
Zachary Schwager, Tom Seeley, Lauren Bowers, Donald Robinson, Marcia Banks,  
Miranda Beck, Ryan Barnett, Sarah Grant, Jeff Grenevitch, Siddharth Tiwari,  
Pawel Zureck, Bill Golz, Will Golz, Annette Golz



**We've got room!**



**We can even put our tents on the floor now!**

