

Memorandum

Humboldt Snow Caves

1931-32

A. J. Storer

Diary by
A. J. Shaver
in establishing snow
courses in the
Humboldt Basin

October 1931 (?)
and Feb. - Mar., 1932.

Chesterfields -
Deck Cards -
Mystic's mat -
Lucky Strikes -

Get hay measuring formula
& send to Hansen -

Dorsey - 7900
Hubbard - 6350

1932

Sat. Oct. 8.

Lv. Reno - 8²⁵ AM.

Arr. Wulock - 10⁴⁵

" Winnemucca - 12⁴⁵

Leave " - 1²⁰

Arr. Paradise Val. - 2⁴⁵

\$ gas @ 60420

Lv. Paradise @ 3⁴⁵, arrive

Martin Creek - 5⁴⁵

To bed 9²⁰

Sunday Oct. 9

Up at 4³⁰. Out after
deer. Saw does & fawns

No bucks. Back to

cabin 11³⁰. Leaving

for Buckskin at 1³⁰

Return 6⁴⁵. Cold.

To bed 9³⁰

Monday Oct. 10.
Up at 5³⁰. Starting
to Granite Peak at 7³⁰.
Finish G.P. courses at 10⁵⁰.
Came back down Lye Cr.
Arr. R.S. 12³⁰. Finish R.S.
Courses at 3³⁰. Leave for
paradise at 4 p.m. Arr. 5³⁰
stay at Pasquale's. To bed
at 8³⁰.

Tues. Oct. 11 - Up at 6 A.M.
Some breakfast. Start for
Lamance courses at 7.
Finish 9³⁰. Lu. Paradise
at 10³⁰. Lu. Winn. at 12²⁰.
Arr. Eiko 3⁴⁵.
At stans - Duck dinner
To bed 11³⁰.

Wed. Oct. 12th - Up at
7 A.M. Meet Rohwer,
leave Elko at 10 A.M.

Lv. Tremewans at 12⁴⁵.
Via Taylor Canyon Summit
to Jack's Creek.

Summit Taylor Cany - 6500.
Jack's Cr. R.S. 6800. Arr.

3²⁰ P.M. Lv. Course - 4⁰⁰.
Elev. J.C. Summit 7900.

" N.F. Course - 7400
Lv. N.F. Course - 5⁴⁰
Arr. Gold Cr. R.S. - 7¹⁰
Good dinner tonight -
To bed 10 p.m.

Thurs. Oct. 13 -

Up at 7⁰⁰. Marking
Big Bend & G.C. R.S.
Courses. Lunch.

Leaving for Jarbidge
at 2⁰⁰. Arrive 5¹⁵

Quite a trip. Supper,
chat, radio - to bed

9³⁰. G.C. to Mahoney 42 mi.

Friday, Oct. 14 - Up at
6²⁰. Marked Fox Cr. &
Bear Cr. Courses this A.M.

Up Jack Creek this
P.M. 10 miles. Some

road. Back at 5 P.M.

To bed 10 P.M.

Sat. Oct. 15,
Up at 6¹⁵. Breakfast.
Off to Jarbidge at 7⁵⁰
Lv. Jarbidge 8⁰⁰. 17M.
Elko 12³⁰ Noon.
Down River with Stan
after ducks. To bed 10⁰⁰

Sunday, Oct. 16.

Duck Shooting at
Franklin Lake.
Doc Gallagher, Harry
Elliott, Stan & I.

58 ducks only & teal
in the bunch. All good
ducks. Beautiful
shoot.

Monday, Oct. 17.

Up at 7⁰⁰ AM. Leave
Eiko 8³⁰, Arr. Lamoille
9³⁰. Mark courses at
Dorsey Basin, Dry
Creek & Ryan's Ranch.
Back to Lamoille 5 p.m.
Hotel Lamoille. To
bed 8³⁰.

Tues. Oct. 18

lv. Lamoille 8³⁰. Arr.
Toyn Rch. 11³⁰.
Dinner - Venison.
Lv. Toyn Rch. 1⁴⁵ p.m.
Arr. Ranch above here
at 3⁰⁰ p.m. Arr. Eiko
4²⁵.
To bed 10⁴⁵

Wed. Oct. 19th

Lv. Elho 9¹⁰ AM.

Arr. Winn 12²⁰ Noon

Lv. Winn - 12⁵⁰

Arr. Lubock - 2²⁵

Lv. Lubock - 2⁴⁰

Arr home - 5¹⁰

Jack Mink
Rowland
600

Jim Tucker -
Charleston
Meals -

Willard Morgan
Charleston
Horses -

G.C. R.S. -	6600 -	30.98 -	7.62
Tremwans -	5600 -	22.4 -	5.94
Big Bend -	6800 -	37.65 -	10.45
	7 -	33.80 -	19.65
Fox Creek -		35.46 -	10.73
Bear Creek Meadows -		54.73 -	15.22

Jar bidge Line -

Tucker-Miller Creek	:	- - - -
Kearns	:	- - - - -
Marcelino Placio	:	-
Culvers	:	- - - - -
Gold Creek R.S.	:	- - - - -
Jar bidge	:	- - -

Rowland Line -

Elevations:-

Elko	-	5050
Dinnerhouse	-	5900
Tremewans	-	5600
8 mile summit	-	6800
North Fork	-	6200
G. Co. Res.	-	6550
Big Bend Course	-	6800
Martin Canyon Summit	-	7600
Placio's (Marseline)	-	5400
Tuckers	-	5325
Upper Corral on Coon Cr	-	6200
Coon Creek Summit	-	8000
Mahoney R.S.	-	6200
(My H.H. shows	6100	5925
Fox Creek	-	6900
Bear Creek Mead	-	8100
Three Creeks	-	5400
Rogerson	-	4398 ✓
Twin Falls	-	3746 ✓

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Mon. Feby. 29 - Up at 5 A.M.
Brrrr!! We board the sleigh
at 6³⁰. The iron shod boat towed
by "Peanuts" and "Duke". Change
at Onile house. Dead cows -
some on sides - on backs - some
asleep. Crows & magpies have desert.
Loads of oil cake & hay. To dinner
ranch at 12³⁰. Welcomed by old
dog tray & flock of geese. "Basco"
dinner. Call in the outdoor phone
booth. The old man chasing
wild horses - Basco teamsters -
2 mining men to Tuscarora - the
man who "wet his pants"
I buy the cigars in solo.
"Buckaroo Pete" - "Swede" -
Only 16 wayfarers here
tonight.
Peter China -

Tuesday, March 1 - Up at 5³⁰ or
six. Left dinner ranch at 7¹⁰
for North Fork, lunch at
Tremewan's. Laid out snow
course there. Left at 2¹⁵ -
Arrive N.F. 6 p.m.

"Blackie" had been eating beans
& drinking beer. One
Coyote today. Change at
Tremewan's - Some feed
at North Fork tonight. We
meet Margaret Sullivan.
We note a school house - looks
like a service station
Big wind coming up tonight.
To bed - 10 p.m.

Wednesday, March 21 -

Up at out at 7¹⁵.

We ride in a "sedan" this trip.

High wind - blizzardy.

Were going to Jack's station
& on up to Rutherford's Rch.

Too much storm - came on to
Gold Creek. Supper at Kearns.
Snowshoed on up to R.S. after
dark. Quite comfortable.

Horses down a couple times
coming up. O Boy.

Thursday, March 31-

Up at 7³⁰. Breakfast.
Work on the wood pile &
flunky around. No work
on snow courses today.

Went hunting - got 1 porkey.
Saw 1 snowshoe rabbit, 1
coyote track, 1 weasel
track.

To bed at 10 p.m.
Thermometer reads 5° at
bed time.

Friday, March 4th. - Up at
7³⁰ A.M. Pretty cold last
night.

Clear & cold this A.M.

Took snow course at Big Bend
this A.M. laid out new
course in R.S. meadow.

Snowed intermittently this
afternoon.

Wrote letters, etc. this
evening.

Thermometer coming up.
Looks like storm.

To bed at 11 P.M.

Saturday, March 5th -

Up at 6³⁰. After mail to
Kearns. Left G.C.R.S. at
9 A.M. For Tuckers. Blowing
good on Martin Canyon Summit.
Elev. 7600. Arr. Placid's 2³⁰;
Arrive Tucker's - 3⁰⁰ P.M.

Windy. Unsettled.

Jim Tucker - the grand old
man of 70.

Earl Prunty - The boy with
the side-burns.

Bob Johns, the cook of
"brides biscuits".

Willard Morgan, the chief cook.

We play a game of solo.

To bed at 8⁴⁵.

Sunday, March 6th - Up at
6 A.M. - or earlier. I slept
with "side burn" Earl.

Blustery this morning.

Call Rohwer & Hansen, snowing
at both Gold Creek & Jarbidge.

Weather man says unsettled.

Blustery - holed here at
Tucker's -

Doughnuts - Bread - Butter -
Candy. Lazy Day.

I meet McKnight, Thomas,
Larkin.

To bed at 9⁰⁰:

Monday, March 7th -

Up at 5⁴⁵. Clear day
except on hilltops.

Leaving for Sarridge
at 8¹⁵ "

Arrive Upper Corral. 11³⁰;

Arrive Summit 2 p.m. O'Boy
Some climb. Elev 8000.

Arrive Mahoney R.S. about
4³⁰. Tired - you bet.

To bed 9⁴⁵.

Tuesday March 8th -

Up at 6³⁰. Leaving
for Jarbidge River at
8 A.M.

Laid out snow course
at mouth of Fox

Creek - elev. 6900.

Back to Mahoney R.S.
at 3 p.m.

Bridge game tonight.
To bed at 9³⁰

Wed, March 9th -
Up at 6 A.M. starting
for Bear Creek
Meadows at 7³⁰.
Arrive meadows at
11 A.M. layout course.
Elev. ~~6900~~ 8100.
Leaving for Jarbidge
at 1³⁰. Arrive
at 2⁵⁰. 8 miles in
1 hour 20 min. Fast
going for webs.
Snow & rain today.
To bed 9³⁰

Thursday - Mar. 10 -
Up at 6³⁰, Snowing.
Left Jacobidge 12¹⁵
M.T. Arrive Rogerson
9¹⁵ (M.T.). Some
roads. Snowy &
Foggy all day.
To bed - 10¹⁵ p.m.
Tired - O Baby -
And this "hotel" - hotdog.

Friday, March 11th -
Up at 6 A.M. to catch
ride to Twin Falls.
That Damned dog last
night - crash - bang. I
think he dropped the
poker & knocked over
a couple chairs.
Breakfast in Twin
Falls.

Cold & bleak today.
I do some shopping
& post card mailing.
I also visit the
Public library.

Leaving Twin at 2³⁰ -
Arrive Wells on time.
Pretty trip. Dinner in
Wells. On to ELKO on
#19.

Saturday, Mar. 12 -

Chased around Elko
today with Stan & Ethel.
Saw Chris Sheerin,
Ellene Wright -

Leaving for Reno on
#19 tonight.

Sunday, March 13th -

Arrive home
7⁰⁰ AM.

Cryptat Gold Cr -
10/13/32

- 2 Laths. Sampler -
- 1 Spring balance #2
- 1 Cradle -
- 1 pile -
- 1 boogie -
- 1 50' tape -

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Town Creek No. 1,
Elev. 6300.

Beginning at Marked &
blazed aspen ^{10"} in group
of 3 on S. Side Harrison
pass road about 3.7
miles above Town
Ranch.

Course runs SW
First meas. 50' from
tree 8th meas
35' from turning
tree. Course
turns 9 runs
S 72° W - to marked &
blazed aspen.
Meas 9 - 50' from
angle tree. Meas 12
19 feet from Marked
& blazed 10" aspen.

Lamotte No. 4,
Near P. H. Elcu. 6300

Beginning at small marked
& blazed aspen on west
bank of Lamotte Cr.
about 200 yds. below P. H.
60' SW. of bridge.
Course runs N 20° W.
First meas. 35 from tree.
Meas. every 25 feet.
Course runs to small
aspen marked & blazed
across flat.
18th meas. 12 feet
from terminal aspen.
6th meas. is alongside
small aspen.
Tot. meas. 18.

Total meas. 21
First meas. 50' from
starting post.
21st meas. 17' from
terminal tree.
Term. tree is forked
aspens.

Cellar lies north
of course betw.
meas. 19 & 20

26th Meas. is 7' from
terminal aspen,

Ryan Ranch
Elev. 5775

At old Ryan ranch
meadow along
Secret Pass grade
about 3 miles up
Canyon from fork
of Meeth & Secret road.
Beginning at regular
4" snow course post
at NE corner of meadow.
Course runs Southwest
to marked & blazed
aspen across meadow.
Course runs just south
of old cellar.

Dry Creek - Elev. 6500

Near Murphy ranch,
about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from house.
Course lies in canyon
and across open bench.
Course begins at red +
yellow 4" snow course
post on hillside on
east side of canyon,
about 6' from prominent
choke cherry bush.

Course runs S \equiv
toward aspen
blazed + marked with
red + yellow snow
course marker.
First meas. 50' from
beginning post.

2nd meas - 26

2nd meas. 10' N. of fence

Dorsey Basin
Elev. 7900

In basin about 2½
miles up trail above
Murphy ranch.
Course lies in open
flat.

Course begins at
blazed & marked
aspen on south end
of open flat. Course
runs N 50° E.
to blazed & marked
aspen at north
end of flat.

Tot. Mens. 17
every 50', 15th
Mens. 50' from
starting tree. 17th
Mens. 31' from end.

North Fork - 7400

N. 16° E - 264 feet
First meas 50' from
post. 14' from Last
meas. to post.

Jacks Creek -

Elev. 6700. Beginning
at Fence corner above
second haystack on
homestead above R.S.
Corner marked with post
with red & yellow marker.
Course runs S. 55° W.
across meadow to post
near Service barn - post
with marker -
Course 600 feet.

11th meas. 62' from
terminal aspen in thicket
marked with snowboard.

El. 6100

Lamance Cr. No. 1 - Beg.
at marked Aspen in
group of 3 about 150'
west of rock bluff.
Course runs S 45° W to
ward marked aspen
across bench. First
meas. 50' from starting
tree. Tot. meas. - 13
13th meas. 29 feet from
marked terminal tree.

Lamance No. 2 - Beginning
at 8" aspen with snow
marker about 150' north
of SE corner of Lamance
planting site fence. Course
runs S 30° E toward knoll
of rock on E. slope of
distant hill. Course
runs to marked aspen
in thicket. First meas.
50' from starting tree.

Martin Cr. R.S. No. 2

Beq. at Blazed & marked
aspen in creek bottom
about 100 yds. below (N)
end of course no. 1.
Course runs $N45^{\circ}W$,
across meadow to steep
hillside above road.

First meas. 50' from
starting tree and 6' from
small dead aspen, and
10' outside of pasture
fence. Course runs
in line with square
bluff of rock.

Tot. meas. 8.

Meas. 5 - abt. 50 SW of
cattle guard. No. 7 in
west fence line of pasture
meas. 8, 50 feet from term.
post.

Meas. 7 to 8 in aspen
thicket. - #9 just outside
thicket. #10 on edge
of old lake bed 3' from
terminal post with mark.
ep.

Martin Cr. R.S. - Elev. 6650
Course No. 1 - Beginning
at Rock Bluff abt. $\frac{3}{8}$ mile
down creek from M.C.R.S.
on left side of creek just
below "narrows". Course
runs N 25° E. First meas
125' feet from mon. - 15'
N. of 5th post in fence.
Tot. meas - 12, 12th meas.
65' from blaz. & mark. Aspen

Granite Peak.

No. 2 - Elev. 8000

Beginning at 16" aspen
in small clump of aspens
about 300 yards south
west of Game Res.

gate near old lake bed
below G.P., Course runs
N 45° East. First

meas. 50' from starting
tree. Cross Course No. 1
about 15' past meas. No.
3.

No. 1 -

Beq. at 12" aspen about 150'
SE of gate to reserve. First
meas. 50' from starting

tree with marker. Cross
course No. 2 betw. meas 2 & 3.

Course runs S 30° E. 6th
meas. 30 from 12" crooked
aspen - blazed.

7th meas. 19' past 12" c. a.

Lower Buckskin #1

Beg. at marked post -
First meas. 50' from
post - Tot meas 10 -
To post across canyon
in line with scrub
manog. Course runs
South $20 \pm$ W. 6800

#2 - 6600

P-S 70E - $1\frac{1}{2}$ ft from
10" Aspen with weather
about 50' S. of Creek -
Three miles below Buck
skin mine buildings.

Upper Buckskin No. 1 - 7800

Beginning at post - 10'
west of scrub manog -
about 200' westerly from
Lower Buckskin cabin -
First meas. 50' from
post with marker. Tot. 10
Last meas. 3' from marked
post. Course WEST. ^{In line with} galuchim.

U. Bksk. No. 2.

Course Runs North 6° W.
beginning 50 North of
Last measurement on Course
No. 1, Continuing toward
post with marker. Tot.
meas. 10, every 50'. Last
meas. 3' from terminal
post.

Total Rcd		75.00
Bank -	25.00	
Boards -	4.00	29
Gas -	2.60	46
Dinner -	.60	

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