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The Dixie Arizona Interpretive Association (DASIA) held a field trip to Mount Dellenbaugh on May 24, 2018. This small volcano atop the Shivwits Plateau offers a great panorama of the Arizona Strip. You can see other mountain ranges in Arizona, Nevada, and Utah as well. Frederick Dellenbaugh served as artist and assistant topographer on Major John Wesley Powell's second river expedition through the Grand Canyon in 1871-72. The Dunn inscription is located on Mt. Dellenbaugh. Oramel and Seneca Howland with Bill Dunn were the three who left the Powell party in August of 1869. They were killed before reaching the Mormon settlements.

This trip lasted from 8:30 am to 6:15 pm. The basic route was down BLM Road 1069 and then southwest of Mohave County Road 103 all the way to its end. The trip out and back was about 200 miles.

After gathering everyone at River Road and the Arizona state line, we headed down BLM Road 1069 to our first stop at Wolf Hole. There we got out and Milt told us a little about the history of the place.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03735.php> The Wolf Hole sign with a water tank in the background

As we left Wolf Hole Valley and entered Mainstreet Valley, BLM Road 1069 became Mohave County Road 5. We stopped to check a National Park Service vehicle with a flat tire, but the two young people there had everything under control.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03736.php> A National Park Service vehicle with a flat tire on Mohave County Road 5

We stopped again at the junction where we turned right onto Mojave Road 103. From there, we headed southwest past Poverty Knoll. At a fork in the road, we continued on Road 103 to the left with the right fork (BLM Road 1003) going to Hidden Canyon (where the original road ran). We waited just past there for all our cars to catch up. A sign said it was 63 miles back to St. George. Then continued on.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03737.php> The junction of Mohave County Roads 5 and 103
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03738.php> Flowering Mountain Mohagany along the side of Mohave County Road 103
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03739.php> Mohave Road 103 near the junction of BLM Road 1003
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03740.php> An old road with a relatively new corral and cattle loading ramp
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03741.php> A sign on Mohave County Road 103 indicating St. George is 63 miles to the northeast

We stopped at the Poverty BLM Admin Site for about 10-15 minutes. The gate was locked, but most of us climbed over it to check out the exterior of the buildings and especially the big old anchor chain used for "chaining" brush and small trees from areas to be cleared.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03742.php> A sign at the entrance to the BLM Poverty Admin Site on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03743.php> The entrance and gate at the BLM Poverty Admin Site on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03744.php> The parking and front areas at the BLM Poverty Admin Site on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03745.php> An old chain lining the parking area at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03746.php> People inspecting an old chain lining the parking area at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03747.php> A segment of chain lining the parking area at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03748.php> A segment of chain lining the parking area at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03749.php> A firepit and makeshift chairs at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03750.php> A firepit and makeshift chairs at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03751.php> The front of the main building at the BLM Poverty Admin Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03752.php> The back of the main building at the BLM Poverty Admin Site

Continuing on Mojave County Road 103:

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03753.php> Mohave Road 103 just approaching the turnoff (BLM Road 1002) to the Grand Gulch Mine
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03754.php> A signpost on Mohave County Road 103 at intersection with BLM Road 1002
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03755.php> The Wildcat Ranch headquarters on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03756.php> Mohave County Road 103 at the junction of BLM Road 1019
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03757.php> The sign at the junction of Mohave County Road 103 and BLM Road 101

We made a stop at a kiosk with information about the Mathis Ranch.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03758.php> Mojave County Road 103 heading toward the Mathis "VT" Ranch kiosk
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03759.php> People gathered in front of the Mathis "VT" Ranch kiosk on Mohave County Road 103

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03760.php> The Mathis "VT" Ranch Photo Window Mohave County Road 103
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03761.php> The plaque at the Mathis "VT" Ranch kiosk on Mohave County Road 103

After passing Oak Grove and the Mathis Ranch, we arrived at the Oak Grove Administrative Site around 12:30 pm (St. George time; it was 11:30 Arizona time. We had our lunch and spent about an hour and a half at that nice admin site. Greg Woodall, the archaeologist for the Grand Canyon Parashant National Monument, joined us there and told us a little about the area.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03762.php> The water tower and storage sheds at the NPS Oak Grove Administrative Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03763.php> One of the main buildings at the NPS Oak Grove Administrative Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03764.php> One of the main buildings at the NPS Oak Grove Administrative Site
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<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03766.php> One of the main buildings at the NPS Oak Grove Administrative Site
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03767.php> The two main buildings at the NPS Oak Grove Administrative Site

After lunch and some discussions, we broke into three groups. Greg led one small group on a hike up to Mount Dellenbaugh.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03768.php> Mt. Dellenbaugh on the Arizona Strip

Another group took NPS Road 1019 out to the Twin Point Overlook at the Grand Canyon.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03769.php> Twin Point Road (NPS Road 1019) between BLM Road 103 and the Twin Point Overlook
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03770.php> Twin Point Overlook on the north side of the Grand Canyon
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03771.php> Twin Point Overlook on the north side of the Grand Canyon
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03772.php> Twin Point Overlook on the north side of the Grand Canyon

The third group, led by Milt, drove to several of the local cabins. We saw a flock of wild turkeys and a large jackrabbit. We stopped at the old Waring Cabin and then the Pine Cabin.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03773.php> The Jonathan Deyo & Mary V. Waring cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03774.php> The Jonathan Deyo & Mary V. Waring cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03775.php> The Jonathan Deyo & Mary V. Waring cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03776.php> The Jonathan Deyo & Mary V. Waring cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03777.php> The stable and corrals at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03778.php> The graves of Jonathan Deyo & Mary V. Waring at the Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03779.php> The gravestone of Jonathan Deyo Waring at the Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03780.php> The gravestone of Mary V. Waring at the Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03781.php> The stable at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03782.php> The stable at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03783.php> The propped up end of the stable at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03784.php> The corrals at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03785.php> The corrals at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03786.php> The corrals at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03787.php> The pond at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03788.php> The pond at the Jonathan & Mary Waring cabin

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03789.php> The access road leaving Mohave County Road 103 toward the Pine Cabin
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03790.php> The right side of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03791.php> The front of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03792.php> The left side of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03793.php> The left and back sides of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03794.php> Inside doors and a closet in the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03795.php> An inside room of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03796.php> The corner of a room in the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03797.php> A face carved into a can on a shelf at the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03798.php> A dugout behind the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03799.php> A dugout behind the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03800.php> A windmill at the Pine Cabin with Mt. Dellenbaugh in the background
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03801.php> A windmill at the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03802.php> A windmill in front of the Pine Cabin on the Arizona Strip

As Milt's group headed out from the Pine Cabin, we were joined by the Twin Point group. We stopped at Oak Grove to see the Gamble Oaks and the remains of an old ranch there. Then we all headed back at our own speed by the same route we came in.

<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03803.php> Ruins of the old building at Oak Grove on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03804.php> Ruins of the old building at Oak Grove on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03805.php> Remains of the old building at Oak Grove on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03806.php> An old tank at Oak Grove on the Arizona Strip
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03807.php> Diamond Butte on the Arizona Strip with fences in the foreground
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03808.php> The intersection of Mohave County Roads 103 and 5 ???

We are continuing to solicit additional information about the subjects of these field trips. Please contact me if you can add anything to the photo or subject webpages. DASIA Executive Director, Ken Sizemore, and trip leader, Milt Hokanson, have agreed to offer a free field trip lunch for the best photo submitted from each trip. This month's winner is Sandra Sandberg for her photo:
<http://wchsutah.org/photos3/wchs-03788.php>

This and previous trip reports can be found as links in the Calendar History or Flyers webpages on the WCHS website:
<http://wchsutah.org/calendar-history-2017.php>
<http://wchsutah.org/calendar-history-2018.php>

The next DASIA field trip is on 6/28/2018 to Kanab Point on the Arizona Strip. This will be an extra long trip, leaving at 8:30 am and not returning until around 5:00 pm. A great expanse of canyon falls away below your feet from this perch overlooking the confluence of the Kanab and Grand Canyons. Few people know about this lonely spot, yet it's one of the best Grand Canyon viewpoints. Future trips are listed on the WCHS online calendar, <http://wchsutah.org/calendar.php>