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Hundred Peaks Section Celebrates Spring Fling May 17th and 18th

The time is almost upon us. The Annual Spring Fling is scheduled for the weekend of May 17th and 18th. Numerous hikes have been scheduled for that weekend. The center of the activities will be the Keller Peak Ski Hut located at an elevation of 6800' in the San Bernardino Mountains. The hut will be available both Friday and Saturday nights. Friday night the Management Committee will be holding a meeting at the hut beginning at 6:30. All are welcome to attend. Saturday night will be the potluck. The hut consists of 2 rustic living/dining rooms, 2 dormitory lofts with sleeping pads. There is a fully equipped kitchen with cookware, dishes, and utensils. Furnish your own food, sleeping bag, flashlight and personal necessities. Driving directions are take Hwy 18 between Running Springs and Big Bear, across from the Snow Valley Ski Area. The driveway is located at mile marker 37.24. Go up the driveway and take the second left to the hut. There is no cost to stay at hut, but reservations are necessary. Space is limited, so reserve soon. Send an email to Dave Comerzan at Comerzan@verizon.net or via mail to 695 Aurora Dr., Claremont, CA 91711. Indicated how many nights, how many in your party and if you will be attending the potluck.

Spring Fling Saturday Hikes

I: Hawes Peak (6751'), Little Shay Mountain (6635'), Ingham Peak (6355'), Shay Mountain (6714'): Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

I: Sugarloaf Mountain (9952'): Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, MARLEN MERTZ, PATRICK VAUGHN

I: Little Bear Peak (7621'), Delamar Mtn (8398'), Arctic Point (8336'), Bertha Peak (8201'): Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

I: The Pinnacles (5737'), Leaders: MARK ALLEN, WINNETTE BUTLER, CHERYL GILL, WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

I: Granite Peaks (7527'), Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT & BILL SIMPSON

Spring Fling Sunday Hikes

I: Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'), Luna Mountain (5967') & Round Mountain (5272'): Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT & BILL SIMPSON

I: Gold Mtn (8235'), Silver Peak (6756'): Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA



I: Deer Mountain (5536'): Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, TOM HILL, MARLEN MERTZ

O: Mill Peak (6670'), Keller Peak (LO) (7882'), Slide Peak (7841'): Leaders: MARK ALLEN, WINNETTE BUTLER, CHERYL GILL, WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

See the Advance Schedule beginning on page 10 for more details about these hikes.

Important Dates:

May 4 (Sunday) Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet. Brookside Country Club, Pasadena

May 16 (Friday) Management Committee Meeting at Spring Fling

July 8 (Tuesday) Management Committee Meeting, Newcomb's Ranch, Angeles Crest Highway

July 26 (Saturday) Waterman Mtn Rendezvous

September 9 (Tuesday) Annual HPS Business Meeting. Newcomb's Ranch, Angeles Crest Highway

Sep 22 - 23 HPS Fall Festival

Jan 24, 2009 HPS Annual Awards Banquet to be held at the Golden Dragon Restaurant in Chinatown



Read more conversation about the HPS and the Environment beginning on page 7

Read about two day hikes of Rabbit and Villager! See pages 22 - 23

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT – MARCH 2008

By Greg DeHoogh

ACHIEVEMENTS:

List Finish #2

#50 – Ignacia Doggett – 1/12/08 – San Sevaine (LO)

100 Pathfinders

#46 – William Simpson – 1/21/08 – Strawberry Peak

25 Snowshoes

#15 – Bobcat Thompson – 1/9/08 – San Gabriel Peak



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Ed Corser - \$50
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Leo Rosario - \$15
Ray Reese - \$33
Mark Allen - \$25

MEMBERSHIP COUNTS:

325 Members (279 primary + 46 household)
55 Subscribers
380 Total

The Hundred Peaks Section Website

The HPS Website is maintained by Karen Isaacson Leverich and Wolf Leverich. It's really cool and chock full of information:

- The HPS List
- Peak Guides
- Peak Maps
- Past Trip Reports
- The Schedule of HPS Activities
- Member Awards
- Member Achievements
- Links to other Sierra Club entities
- Much, much more

<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/>



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From the Chair

By Karen Isaacson Leverick

Good news, bad news, new news, what's on my note pad here?

A few months ago (it still feels like yesterday), we had our annual awards banquet at Taix. It's where we held the first ever HPS awards banquet, back in the 1960s. As usual, lots of fun and friends. But next year, just to try something different, we'll be heading to Chinatown: the banquet will be January 24th at the Golden Dragon. Mark that on your calendar and come check it out. (If we don't like it, who knows?, we may be back at Taix in 2011.) Joe Young discovered and suggested this restaurant, after attending a function there. There's tons of free (non-valet) parking, it's near the Metro Gold line station, etc. Several of us visited the restaurant a few weeks ago, checked out the facilities, enjoyed a Chinese meal, and decided this would be the location for the next banquet. Let us know what you think after the 2009 banquet. Suggestions for future banquets are always welcome, but because of the huge planning lead times, don't be disappointed if it takes awhile to try out a new location.

Jim Adler has tracked the status of our peak registers since, I dunno, forever. (He received a special award in 1996 from HPS...) You've seen his column in each Lookout that you've received. Jim, THANK YOU for all those years of service! And Mark Allen, thank YOU for assuming this responsibility. If you want to report that a register is missing, or that you replaced a missing register, drop Mark a note: Mark S. Allen, 11381 Foster Rd., Los Alamitos, CA 90720. (562) 598-0329 or e-mail: markallen4341@socal.rr.com.

OK, HPS and global warming. I understand from Joe that the lively conversation continues in this issue of *The Lookout*. If you have a perspective on the situation that you'd like to share, contact Joe. There's always the next Lookout.

But all talk and no action, what does that accomplish? Where to from here? Will HPS do nothing? Will it do everything that's been suggested? Er, it's up to you. Really! In particular, no peaks will be added or delisted, and no emblems will be created or discontinued, without a vote of the membership. If you want the status quo to change, the next step (after optionally joining the conversation in *The Lookout*) is to circulate a petition in favor of the specific change. Collect the signatures of at least 20 active members, and then get the petition to the Chair (that would be me, this year) "at least two weeks before the annual business meeting." This year's business meeting will be on September 9th, at Newcomb's Ranch. (Ah ha, another date to mark on your calendar.)

Already, the fire closures from last year's horrific fires are beginning to lift. At the March MComm meeting, the suspension of Santiago was lifted. (As of this writing, Modjeska is still in a closed area.) At noon today (April

4th, just over two hours from now), the Zaca Fire Closure will be over. So at the May MComm meeting, look for the Big Three, Big Four, Lizard Head, Fox, Cuyama and Hildreth to be unsuspending. "Currently, the Harris, Poomacha and Witch Fire areas on the Palomar and Descanso Ranger Districts are open for public use." That would include Eagle Crag. And I believe Palomar Mountain State Park has also reopened, which will return Boucher Hill to the fold. After which, the only remaining suspensions may be Pilot Knob, Modjeska, and Chaparrosa, and several peaks near Big Bear. We're starting to get out list back!

As long as you have that calendar out (you still do, right?) think about joining Jim Fleming and Winnette Butler (and hopefully me) on May 3rd to pick up trash along the HPS section of Highway 2. They're meeting at 8AM in La Canada, with an optional easy hike to Markham and Lowe afterwards. Or over in Ventura County, there's an outing to Alamo and some other peaks. Shane Smith's "third generation HPS List finish" will be on Alamo. And if that's not a busy enough May 3rd for you, take a peek at the schedule in this Lookout: there are even more possibilities!

(Lots of fun stuff on lots of other days, too.)

Especially: Spring Fling! We're going to Big Bear this year. Even if those closed peaks stay closed, there are plenty of other peaks we can visit. Or just relax and visit with friends at Keller Peak Ski Hut. May 17th and 18th near Big Bear should be wonderful. Contact Dave Comerzan (I think there may be a flyer in the middle of this Lookout, but if not, drop a line to comerzan@verizon.net) for details. Lots and lots of outings, some easy (and slow: look for my name as one of the leaders), some more challenging. Hope to see you there!

New Route to Black #3

February 13, 2008

By Tom Hill and Dave Comerzan

It was a warm winter day in February when six of us decided to try a new route (at least to us) to an old favorite – Black #3. Tom and most leaders have a concern about about the current standard route which as us parking in a subdivision, crossing under or over a fence and possibly ending up in someone's back yard asking for directions to our car. Tom had a north to south ridge that he wanted to try. Co-leaders were Dave Comerzan and John Radalj. Joining us were Bill Ossa, John Southworth and Larry Hoak.

Driving instructions are somewhat similar to the standard route. Take SR 58 out of Mojave. Exit SR 202 (Exit #148) in Tehachapi. Go south on SR 202 to Red Apple Ave. (signal). Turn right. Go 0.8 miles on Red Apple to Westwood Blvd. Turn right. Go 1.3 miles on Westwood to Woodford-Tehachapi Road. Turn right. Go 3.7 miles to mile marker 6.31. There is a pull-out on the right with parking for about 5 cars.

This route puts us in an area far from homes and backyards. Although you still have to cross a fence, this

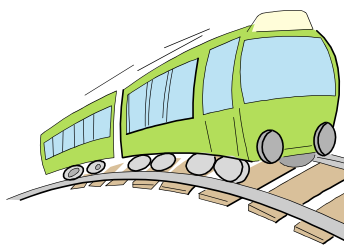
is merely a drift fence to prevent animals from wandering in the road. There are no private property signs. Cross the road at mile marker 6.31 to a gully. Cross the drift fence at this gully. The fence is down. Watch for loose barb wire. Walk about 100 feet up the gully then south to a short ridge that runs east to west to the main ridge. The main ridge runs north to south to Black #3. Stay just below the top of the north ridge to avoid some bush. Aim for a large finger-like boulder. This boulder is just below the top of bump 5264. Go over 5264 to the saddle with bump 5605. Traverse bump 5605 on the east side, staying at the 5200' contour line. Aim for a tall pine tree. There are numerous cattle trails. Follow the ones that keep you at 5200'. Continue to the saddle between 5605 and Black #3. From the saddle, head to the top, following the ridge line, near or on the boulders to avoid bush.

On the way up we were looking at a parallel ridge to the east of us. We had initially thought we would go up this ridge. After looking at it, it was probably best we didn't go up this ridge. It looked very bushy with lots of boulders. At this low level, we weren't really expecting snow. Surprise! From the last saddle to the top, we were punching through about 1-2 foot of snow. The stats for this trip were 4 miles round trip, 2200'. It took us about 5 hours to do this hike. The downside to doing Black #3 this way is that you probably cannot do both Tehachapi and Black #3 in the same day (unless you're a real tiger). The upside is different views, no cow pods to step over, and after the hike is over, about two miles up the road from the parking spot is the famous Tehachapi Railroad Loop. If you're lucky, you might get to see a train cross over itself. This route has been submitted to Mountain Records Chair as Route #3.

Outings Fundraising Trips Conducted by Roxana Lewis

Train to Calif Strawberry Festival

MAY 17, 2008 Sat



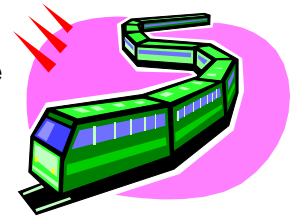
Leave L.A. Union Station at 7am for Oxnard. The 25th annual Strawberry Festival is a celebration of the fruit that made Calif. famous. Enjoy strawberry pizza, shakes, chocolate dipped, parfaited. The

day includes optional 4mi. walk thru Oxnard to work off the pies/cakes. Return to L.A. by 5:00pm. Includes rail fare, festival admission, donation. Send \$64 (\$84 non-mem) with SASE/SC#/H & W phones/email to Leader: Roxana Lewis/, Co-leader Dotty Sandford. Registration after April 13th add \$25.

Coastal Train Hike Goleta to Santa Barbara

JUNE 14 Sat

Meet L.A. Union Station at 700am, take train to Goleta and then commence a lovely coastal hike south to Santa Barbara. For those past participants who have done the section from Carpinteria, this is new coast. Ability to hike 12 miles at moderate 20min per mile pace. We will end our hiking adventure in Colonial Santa Barbara with a glass of fine vintage Central Valley vino before boarding our return train to L.A. Arrive Union Station at 9pm. Includes rail fare, refreshment. Send \$68 (\$88 non-mem) with SASE/SC#/H & W phones/email to Leader: Roxana Lewis Co-leader Dotty Sandford. Registration after May 13th add \$25



ZEN ADVENTURE IN JAPAN & Mt .FUJI CLIMB

JULY 14-24, 2008 Mon-Thu

A total Zen immersion spending 7-days in Kyoto, the cultural capitol of Japan. We will visit a sampling of the 1836 temples & gardens succumbing to everything Zen. An added treat is the Gion Festival, considered one of the three best in the country. Day trips via Bullet train & bus to Hiroshima, Nara, Miyajima, Chikubushima, Hikone. We will then proceed to the Mt. Fuji area for a climb to the summit with a final day at Lake Kawaguchi to recover before flying home. Ability to walk approx. 7-12 miles daily. \$2849 (\$2899 non-mem) includes standard western hotel (2share), breakfast, 7day rail pass. Airfare is additional; arranged on request. To reserve send \$700 deposit/2sase/SC#/phones/email/recent hiking experience to Roxana.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Hiking the Italian Riviera. APRIL 14-24, 2009 Tue-Fri

Experience the seaside towns via footpath and day hikes from centralized hotels. Join Italophile, Roxana Lewis who has been tramping Italy's back roads for 23yrs. Visit Portofino, Santa Margherita Ligure, Rapallo and the special area called the Cinque Terre using local bus or train transport to trailheads. This trip is for experienced hikers and is not suitable for those who cannot walk at least 9-14 miles per day. Cost \$2600 (\$2650 non-member) airport transfers, standard hotels (2sharing), breakfast. Group airfare can be arranged for those registered by Oct 1st. To reserve send \$700 deposit, 2 sase, SC#, address, phones, email, recent hiking experience to the Ldr: Roxana Lewis, Co-lidr: Dotty Sandford. Email ROXTLEWIS@aol.com. Registration after November 15th add \$275.

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To all Angeles Chapter Leaders and Outings Chairs

The National Leader Standards Policy (implemented 7/1/04) indicates: *“The leader of any Sierra Club Outing must.....Have First Aid certification equivalent to or higher than American Red Cross Basic.”*

The Policy further states: *“Currency - Every four years from the date a leader first met all requirements to lead an outing, regardless of level, OLT 101 must be refreshed and any lapsed first aid certifications must be renewed. Further, if a leader has not led a trip at a given level in the previous four years, then the leader must repeat the requirement to Provisionally Lead at that level or higher before leading an outing at the given level, or otherwise satisfy the Entity outing chair that the leader continues to possess the requisite skills.”*

After extended discussion over the last several years, the Angeles Chapter Outings Management Committee (OMC) has decided on the following implementation of the above policy requirements in order to comply with the intent of the Policy and in order to be in sync with Club requirements throughout the country. Also considered in OMC discussions was a desire to avoid a repeat of the earlier problem of having all Chapter leaders need first aid re-certification at the same time at some point in the near future.

Effective 7/1/08: To lead an outing for the Angeles Chapter:

1. First Aid Requirement (FAR) - **A leader must have completed a qualifying first aid course** within the four years prior to the outing. CPR does not satisfy the requirement. (A physician, nurse, or other currently practicing medical professional need not take a basic first aid course if he or she has first aid knowledge equivalent to or higher than American Red Cross Basic.)
2. Policy Update Requirement (PUR) - **A leader must update their knowledge of Club and Chapter Policy through completion of OLT 101 (or equivalent) along with an Angeles Chapter Supplement.**
 - a. There are several ways to satisfy this OLT 101 requirement. The materials can be studied individually or as part of a group.
 - i. Reading the OLT 101 text available at <http://clubhouse.sierraclub.org/outings/training/intro/olt101/index.asp> and completing the OLT 101 Self Assessment available at <http://clubhouse.sierraclub.org/outings/training/intro/olt101/SelfAssessment.asp>
 - ii. Completing the OLT 101 Web based training at <http://clubhouse.sierraclub.org/outings/training/intro/olt101/wbt/index.asp>
 - iii. Group study is another mechanism to complete this requirement. Teaching plans, powerpoint charts, and role playing ideas are available at <http://clubhouse.sierraclub.org/outings/Training/intro/olt101/TeachingMaterial/index.asp>
 - iv. Reading the Outing Leader Handbook (OLH) (revised 10/20/07) which is available for download at <http://www.clubhouse.sierraclub.org/outings/common/handbook.asp>.
 - v. Finally, reading the first five chapters of the latest 16th edition of the Leader's Reference Book or attendance at the Angeles Chapter Leadership Training Seminars will satisfy the Policy Update Requirement.
 - b. The Angeles Chapter Supplement will document differences between Angeles Chapter and National requirements and will cover material not in the OLH. It will be available at the LTC web site (www.angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc) by 1/1/08.
3. Leader records update – When a leader completes a first aid course or satisfies the Policy Update Requirement, the leader should notify their Outings Chair when they completed the requirement. Our tracking system requires knowledge of the type of first aid course taken (i.e., whether standard or wilderness first aid) and dates for FAR and PUR completion. Outings Chairs should collect all inputs and send a periodic update of changes to the Chapter database. Also, Outings Chairs should verify that the Chapter Leader List indicates leader compliance with the requirements at the time of any outing.

The Policy requirement about having led during the last four years is still under discussion. Outings Chairs may be asked to report annually (to the OMC) the names of leaders and assistants who have led a Level 1 Outing and who have led a Level 2 Outing during the previous year, using information from the Liability Waiver forms that leaders must submit to the Outings Chairs following each outing.

Kent Schwitkis – Chair Outings Management Committee
Joe Wankum – Chapter Safety Chair
Tina Bowman – Leadership Training Committee Chair

The Hundred Peaks Section and the Environment

Eliminating Peaks: A Natural Science Point of View

By Ginny Heringer

For several months now, the members of the Hundred Peaks Section have been talking about changing our hiking habits to address the problem of global warming. Suggestions have been made to stop recognizing multiple List-finishes and to eliminate peaks that involve long drives or require a gas-guzzling SUV to get to the trail head.

I'd like to add a different perspective on changes to our List, that of a naturalist: I'd like to us to consider the elimination of peaks that get no visitors except us, so that these peaks would remain wilderness areas for the native animals and vegetation that live there. If we didn't create use trails and clip the brush to reach them, these peaks would remain in their natural state

Some peaks such as Samon and Little Cahuilla require extensive clipping in order to maintain a trail through the brush and in some cases to even have a "top" to sign in on. Without our efforts, these areas would be untouched and unvisited, places where animals and plants could live without human interference.

Just a few years of being on the list can make significant changes to the environment of a peak. An example is Goodykoontz Peak, added only a few years ago: already, there are conspicuous use trails from at least two directions to reach this peak. Before this peak was added to the list, there may have been a few visitors each year, but not enough to leave a noticeable trail, nothing like the numbers of visitors the peak gets now.

Our impact on the environment of our peaks is caused in part by the popularity of finishing the list, multiple times and from multiple directions. In the 1950's, only five people completed the list, and in the 1960's only twelve. Now that number of people finish the List in any year, and the Pathfinder and Explorer emblems and the recognition of multiple list finishes encourage us to go more and more often.

Why are our use trails a problem in these mountain areas? For one thing, the trails we make are not made to forestry standards and lead to the erosion of precious soils that take years to build up in our dry climate. Also, when we walk over the ground, we compact it and make it hard for native plants to get established, and at the same time, easier for opportunistic nonnative plants to grow there (a well-known example is the Spanish broom, which has invaded the disturbed soil along mountain roads and is now making

significant inroads at the trail heads).

Some hikers will argue that our List encourages us to go places that others haven't been and that we wouldn't ordinarily go to ourselves. Maybe we don't need to go there, and most of us wouldn't go except for the List. If some of us do want to, we can go on our own, without the encouragement of the List.

John Hart, author of the Sierra Club book "Walking Softly in the Wilderness," points out that wilderness areas have purposes beyond our recreation, as wildlife havens, watersheds, and areas for scientific study. He writes about this paradox: as hikers become numerous in a wilderness area, "the experience they seek vanishes before them." When travelling cross-country, he recommends spreading out, rather than walking in a line, in order to minimize impact: "walkers on the trackless ridge or in the empty forest should be free to imagine that no one else has been in that place."

There's little enough wilderness left in our local mountains, and the Angeles Chapter currently has a campaign to designate more areas as wilderness. The local groups and sections of the Sierra Club should be supporting this effort, not creating new trails where none existed before.

Letter to the Editor,

I read with much interest George's article on peaks and global warming in the last issue of the Lookout. Even if one does not believe in the effects of global warming, which I believe are real and can be seen on all of the peaks that are now burnt over, one cannot argue with the increasing costs of driving to do HPS peaks. As gas prices goes up (anybody think they won't), as the cost of vehicles continue their ever increasing costs, as more and more people retire and are forced to live on a fixed income, the game will quickly (if not already) become a rich person's game.

I agree with much George has to say, namely and I quote him:

1. "All of this driving has not gone unnoticed by the upper echelons of the Angeles Chapter". BP comment-the chapter in the past has eliminated sections that they believe have or will cause environmental damage.

2. "But, it is the image that counts. We have an image in the minds of others as driving large vehicles to get as close as possible to HPS summits." BP comment-Isn't this true for the most part.

3. "So how can we change this image and keep our HPS life style. First everyone has a different opinion about which peaks to delist. Second, past ballot results have shown a marked trend to keep all peaks, no matter how ugly and

silly, on the List. This mind set must change if we are to continue as a SC section." BP comment-This is the crux of the problem. That is, the current procedure for peak delisting does not work if we are to change our image. We need a better procedure which will work.

4. "I don't believe that it is necessary to make wholesale cuts in the List. Perhaps sacrifice 1 or 2 dogs on each December's ballot so the Sierra Club understands our intentions are good." BP comment-thus my proposal below.

Removing peaks as George says is what needs to be done. The question is how. I agree with him the current process does not work. We need a process that is fair, but removes peaks. Below is my proposal. There can be many variations to this, any of which would be good if implemented. Lets pick one and get past this problem.

A Proposed Strawman Bylaws addition:

"The HPS Management Committee is to agree yearly on a list of 10 to 15 peaks that are currently on the List they believe would be in the overall best interest of the club to be removed from the list. They are to present this list (aka pdl-proposed delist list) at the annual business meeting. This list (aka pdl) is to be placed on the annual ballot. Members can vote for up to three peaks on the pdl list to be removed. The top three are automatically removed. If there is a tie, then both peaks are removed. Individual members can add to the pdl list by petition with 25 valid membership signatures. The petition must be submitted to the HPS chair prior to the annual business meeting. Peaks removed by this process may be added back to the List of approved peaks following the prescribed manner for adding peaks. This by laws addition sunsets after 15 years from the date it is first enacted unless it is extended by the vote of the membership."

Finally, I respectfully disagree with George on only one point. His suggestion for only listing one list finisher I believe is counterproductive. Here is why. 1) In the scheme of things there are not that many people who finish the list more than once so this accomplishes very little. 2) More importantly, many if not all of the people who finish the list more than once are fundamentally important in assisting others to bag our peaks. In fact, I would hazard a guess that without these people (multiple list finishers) leading private or public hikes, the numbers of people getting to our peaks would be significantly reduced. I personally don't think this is in the best interest of the club.

All of George's other suggestions have merit and should be considered.

Byron Pruzmetal

Amazingly enough, I actually agree with BP on this. Maybe the details need adjusting, maybe not. But this seems like something that can force The List to lose its Cleghorns and can be implemented without a bylaws change, so the process could start immediately.

Perhaps this will be a great discussion topic at the next HPS MCOM meeting? If you'd like my input (which I sorta doubt) I would attend. As far as my proposal to limit the number of recognized list finishes to *one* I agree that this would do basically nothing to reduce the temperature rise rate of Earth. But if the concern is seeing that HPS'ers get their peaks, then recognizing more than one 'Lead the List' emblem can continue. Obsessive individuals without a life could continue to bag their ad nauseum lists, just for personal - um - satisfaction and to help out their compulsive worshippers. Remember, it's the IMAGE that matters here.

Meanwhile, here I am trying to add more far away peaks to the Lower Peaks List. Go figure.

George Wysup

Proposal for a New Emblem: The 100 Species Emblem

By Joe Young

Most of the ideas I've seen recently that purport to make the Hundred Peaks Section a more "environmentally sensitive" organization involve cutting back on peaks, reducing peakbagging itself, removing recognition of peakbagging awards (List completions), or other "negative" approaches. I'd like to deal with this issue another way: Let's stop and smell the flowers while we hike, and listen to the birds, and watch the animals scurry. And while we're at it, let's document the forms of life we encounter on our way to our peaks.

I propose a new emblem. This would be called the 100 Species Emblem. The idea is simple: Document each different species of plant (tree, moss, bush, etc), and each different species of animal (reptile, mammal, insect, bird, etc) that we encounter. "Encounter" means to see a plant, see or hear a bird or find a feather, or see an animal or its tracks or scat or other vestige of its presence. Every plant or animal is a form of life, and they are forms of life that share our wilderness experience with us as we scramble to and from our peaks.

"Document" means to describe the plant or animal by photo, drawn picture, verbal description, or recording. This would include descriptions of the feathers, scat, tracks, dead skin, or other manifestation of the plant or animal. The peak where the species was observed and the date of observation would be recorded.

The idea is that during an outing we would look for the plants and animals, and, finding one, record what we encountered and where we encountered it. We'd need to add photographic evidence or sketch or verbal description to our entry. And I'd add one more task: Find out the genus and species designation of each entry on our list. This is where some work would enter into the process! When we've reached one hundred entries, submit the list just as we submit all Emblem achievements to the Hundred Peaks Section. (Maybe the Natural Science Section could join in this recognition?)

I would add some details to this proposal. There should be no "grandfathering;" no entries should be allowed prior to implementation of the Emblem. Also, attainment of this Emblem would not require attainment of any other Emblem status, nor would any other Emblem recognition be dependent on this 100 Species Emblem. It would be a stand-alone Emblem. Of course, to receive any Emblem from the HPS requires that you **be** a member of the HPS.

Responses anybody?

Example of entry:
Western Diamondback Rattlesnake
Crotalus atrox
Observed on May 26, 2006
Mt Waterman



Photo by Bob Thompson

Mt Lukens on A Beautiful Day



Bill Simpson (leader) and Lilly Fukui (co-leader) on Mount Lukens on Saturday, March 29, 2008 with 11 participants. As promised in the Schedule, we did see the "spectacular" views of the L.A. basin and surrounding mountains. it was a gorgeous day and the hike was excellent. Photos by Lilly Fukui.

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Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities

May 3 through October 26, 2008

By Karen Isaacson Leverich

May 3 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Mt. Markham (5742'), Mt. Lowe (5603'), Adopt-A-Highway
Cleanup: Easy peaks in Angeles National Forest and easy
cleanup of our section of Route 2. Hike total is six miles round
trip, 1100' gain. Refreshments provided by the HPS, after we
give a little back to the mountains. Start celebrating Cinco de
Mayo early! Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring
water, lugsoles. Rain cancels. Leader: JIM S. FLEMING
Assistant: WINNETTE BUTLER

May 3 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Alamo Mountain (7360+), San Rafael Peak (6640+),
McDonald Peak (6870'): These peaks in Ventura County
suffered only minor damage from the Day Fire. San Rafael
from Little Mutau Trailhead, strenuous but moderately paced
11 miles round trip, 3500' gain; half of the gain on return; some
brush and steep cross country. Optional Alamo and McDonald
add 500' gain each. Expect to celebrate Shane Smith's third
generation HPS list finish on Alamo. High clearance vehicles
recommended. For details send conditioning or recent
experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE
WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER, STEVE SMITH

May 3 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Lookout Mtn #2 (6812'): Hike this fine peak near Mount
Baldy. The total hike will be about 4 miles round trip with 2300'
of gain. Bring: lug soles, water, lunch & hat. Contact the leader
for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant
Leader: IGNACIA DOGGETT

May 3 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Pacifico Mountain (7124') from Mill Creek Summit: Enjoy
this lovely spring hike mostly on the PCT in the nearby
Angeles. Moderate paced 12 miles round trip hike with 2200'
gain. Bring water, goodies, 10 essentials, and your good
humor! Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point. Leaders:
MARS BONFIRE, KATHY CHEEVER, LILLY FUKUI

May 3 Sat Palos Verdes-South Bay, Hundred Peaks
M: Strawberry Peak (6164'): Moderate 6 miles round trip, 2600'
gain via Colby Canyon. Experience and comfort on class 3
rock required. Meet 9 AM Colby Canyon parking area (11
miles from La Canada rideshare point, 1 mile beyond Angeles
Crest/Angeles Forest junction). Bring good boots, Adventure
Pass, something with "strawberries" to share on top. Rain
cancels. Leaders: BARRY HOLCHIN, BOB BEACH

May 3 Sat LTC, WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Lowe (5603') Beginning Navigation Clinic: 4 miles,
500' gain. Spend the day one-on-one with an instructor,
learning/practicing map and compass. Beginners to rusty
old-timers welcome. Not a check-off. Many expert leaders will
attend; many I-rated leaders started here in the past. Send
sase, \$25 deposit made out to Sierra Club (refunded at
trailhead), phone to Leader: DIANE DUNBAR Co-Leader:
RICHARD BOARDMAN

May 3-4 Sat WTC, Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Indianhead (3960'), San Ysidro Mountain (6147'): Enjoy
desert scenery in Anza Borrego Desert State Park. On
Saturday dayhike up beautiful Palm Canyon to DPS peak
Indianhead (8 miles, 3200' gain). Car camp at Borrego Palm
Canyon with happy hour and potluck dinner. Sunday AM drive
short distance to trailhead for HPS peak San Ysidro Mountain
(4 miles, 2300' gain). Send SASE or email (preferred) to leader
with contact information, recent experience and conditioning.
Leader: KATHY RICH Co-Leader: WILL McWHINNEY

May 4 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Black Mountain #2 (6202'), Snowy Peak (6532'), Sewart
Mountain (6841'): Search for a new route up the southern and
eastern slopes to these peaks. Exploratory climb from
Hardluck Campground to shuttle vehicles parked near Alamo
Mtn. Very strenuous, 16 miles one way to shuttle vehicles, up
to 5600' gain, with much brush and burnt debris from the Day
Fire possible. For details send conditioning or recent
experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE
WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

May 4 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Cajon Mountain (5360'), Sugarpine Mountain (5478'), White
Mountain #1 (7727'): Hike these three lovely peaks in the San
Bernardino National Forest. The total hike will be about 10.5
miles round trip with 2300' of gain. Much dirt road driving
between the peaks. Bring: lug soles, water, lunch & hat.
Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER
DOGGETT Assistant Leader: IGNACIA DOGGETT

May 4 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Strawberry Peak (6164'), Mount Lawlor (5957'): Moderate
paced, 8-9 mile round trip on trail with approximately 2000'
gain. Bring water, lunch, and something with strawberries (or
chocolate) to share on top. Rain cancels. Send ESASE to
Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, PAT ARREDONDO

May 6 Tue Hundred Peaks
O: Josephine Peak (5558'): We'll hike this peak in the front
range of the San Gabriel Mtns by going up Colby Canyon to
Josephine Saddle and take the road for a short distance to the
summit. The total hiking distance is 8 miles round trip with
2100' of gain. Contact leaders by email for meeting time and
place. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, INGEBORG
PROCHAZKA

May 7 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Fox Mountain #1 (5167'), Peak Mountain (5843'), McPherson
Peak (5749'): Knock off this cluster of peaks in the far NW
outback of Santa Barbara County. First peak may require a
new ridgeline approach due to Zaca Fire closure, up to 8 miles
round trip, 2500' gain. Final peaks total 2 miles round trip, 800'
gain. Much cross-country travel in scrub brush and sometimes
steep slopes. Much dirt road driving, high clearance vehicles
recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, DAVE COMERZAN

May 7 Wed Hundred Peaks, 20s and 30s
New Outing, first time published
I: Come out and join us for an evening walk to Simi Peak - the highest point in the Simi Hills, with great views and beautiful wildflowers! Hike is 9 miles and 2000' gain. Meeting location at 6:15 PM is Wood Ranch trailhead parking lot at the intersection of Wood Ranch Parkway and Long Canyon Road. Please bring a headlamp, windbreaker, water and a snack to share with the group on the peak. Co-leaders: PAMELA ROWE, JIM FLEMING

May 10 Sat Hundred Peaks, Natural Science
O: Cerro Noroeste (8286'), Grouse Mtn (8582'): Don't drive UP Noroeste, just drive DOWN. Join us on a hike up the Boy Scout Trail; strenuous 9.5 miles, 4000' gain mostly on trail. Long car shuttle, all paved road driving. Warning: leaders will insist on pauses to examine nature. Bring water, lunch. Email leader for info. Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, GINNY HERINGER, LAURA JOSEPH

May 10 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Iron Mtn #1 (8007'): Tough, grueling dayhike to this classic San Gabriel peak near Mount Baldy. We hike at a moderate but steady pace following the standard route from Heaton Flat, very strenuous, 14 miles round trip, 7200' gain. Group size limited by permit, so apply early with conditioning information to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: WAYNE BANNISTER

May 10 Sat Hundred Peaks, WTC
O: Baldylocks and the Three Ts: Our fifth annual - for Big Bad Wolves only! You know the story: Baldylocks heads out from her Mt. Baldy Village home at the strike of dawn and hikes up 6000' in 6 miles to the top of Mt. Baldy (10,064') where, gazing eastward, she spies Mama T, Papa T and Baby T, aka the Three Ts. "A T party!" she exclaims, then scrambles over Devil's Backbone, past the ski lift and up Thunder Mountain (8587'), Telegraph Peak (8985') and Timber Mountain (8303') before descending Icehouse Canyon to Grandma's house and a waiting car shuttle. "Only 20 miles and 8000' gain - this hike was ju-u-u-u-st right!" Long, strenuous and paced to complete pre-dark. But if you think this hike is just right, too, email your conditioning, experience and contact info to Leader: EDD RUSKOWITZ Assistant: MELISSA KANE

May 10 Sat Palos Verdes-South Bay, 100 Peaks, WTC
I: Shay (6714'), Little Shay (6635'), Ingham (6355') and Deep Creek Host Springs (5' deep): 18th semi-annual Deep Creek Host Springs hike/soak/swim with some more peaks. Mod. paced 13 miles, 3100' gain with considerable cross country via exploratory routes. Some 4WD driving. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, lugs (swim suit optional!). No beginners. Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia. Rain cancels. Send esase (preferable) or sase, along with carpool info to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

May 10-11 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, DPS, Desert Com
I: Places We've Saved Navigation Noodle in the Mojave National Preserve: Join us for our fifth annual journey through this jewel of the Mojave now preserved, under the California Desert Protection Act, as a result of the efforts of Sierra Club activists and others. An intermediate cross-country navigation day-hike workshop will be conducted out of a car camp in the pinyon and juniper forests of the Mid Hills. Potluck and social on Saturday, and also for those arriving early on Friday. Send email or sase to Leader: VIRGIL SHIELDS Assistant: HARRY FREIMANIS

May 11 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Three Sisters (8080'+): Hike this peak from Morongo Valley via the Big Morongo Canyon. The total hike should be about 14 miles round trip with 4500' of gain. The first 5 miles will follow a dirt road. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch & a hat.

If this dirt road can not be driven from the highway, we'll have to walk another 7 miles. Contact the leader for meeting info. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

May 11 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Winston Ridge (7003'): Celebrate Mother's Day and a List finish on Winston Ridge! 5 miles round trip, 1000' gain, and a beautiful wooded summit in the Angeles Forest near Cloudburst Summit. Meet 9AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring goodies to share and good cheer... Leaders: CHERYL GILL, KAREN LEVERICH, WINNETTE BUTLER

May 11 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Akawie (7283'), Winston Peak (7502'), Winston Ridge (7003') and possibly Krakta Ridge (7515'): Come join us for a longer version of Cheryl Gill's list finish (aka my body double in my list finish pictures in the Lookout). First hike to Akawie is 1.2 miles and 400'. Separate hike to the Winstons at approximately 5 miles and 1400' gain to catch up with the group (or maybe crash the party). Possible separate hike to Krakta Ridge afterwards with 1.5 miles and 700'. Be sure to bring goodies to share and 10 essentials. RSVP to Leader: PAMELA ROWE Co-leaders: LOUIS KWAN, GREG DALY

May 12 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Williamson (8214'): Moderately strenuous walk along PCT and use trail to a peak southeast of Palmdale for 4 miles round trip with 1529' gain. Slow pace. Call Mars (661-609-8218) during four days before event for status and details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

May 14 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Hawes Peak (6751'), Little Shay Mountain (6635'), Ingham Peak (6355'), Shay Mountain (6714'): Loop hike near Big Bear in somewhat challenging burnt-out woodlands with patchy poodledog growth, moderately strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Lots of dirt road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, WAYNE BANNISTER

May 16-18 Fri-Sun LTC, Harwood Lodge, WTC
C: Wilderness First Aid Course: Runs from 8 AM Friday to 5:30 PM Sunday. Includes lodging, meals, practice first aid kit. CPR within previous 4 years required to enroll. \$190 with SC#/\$200 non-member (full refund through April 11). For application, contact Leader: STEVE SCHUSTER

May 16 Fri Hundred Peaks
May Management Committee Meeting: The HPS Management Committee will meet at 6:30 PM at the Keller Peak Ski Hut (site of the weekend's Spring Fling.) All are welcome to attend. Contact DAVE COMERZAN for directions

May 17 Sat WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Lake Peak (10,161'): Practice navigation for Sunday's checkoff on this 13.5 mile round trip, 3500' gain hike in the San Gorgonio Wilderness. We will take a cross-country route to Lake Peak and practice micro-navigation skills along the way. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders: JANE SIMPSON, ADRIENNE BENEDICT

May 17-18 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
HPS Spring Fling Weekend at Keller Peak Ski Hut: Welcome in the spring with a fun and festive weekend at Keller Peak Ski Hut in the San Bernardino Mountains. Join us for peak-bagging in the area and fun or camping (with potluck Saturday night) at the hut, or motels in area. Send SASE, e-sase or fax for info/reservation to Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN

May 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Hawes Peak (6751'), Little Shay Mountain (6635'), Ingham Peak (6355'), Shay Mountain (6714'): Spring Fling loop hike north of Big Bear in somewhat challenging burnt-out woodlands. Moderately strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Lots of dirt road driving. Send recent conditioning, phone, city, & rideshare information to Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF
Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

May 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Sugarloaf Mountain (9952'): Spring Fling hike near Big Bear that follows an unusual route to the peak from the west and north, visiting huge western junipers along the way. Mod strenuous, 9 miles round trip, 2800' gain mostly on road and trail; the final push goes steeply up forested slopes to the summit. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP
Co-Leaders: TOM HILL, MARLEN MERTZ, PATRICK VAUGHN

May 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Little Bear Peak (7621'), Delamar Mtn (8398'), Arctic Point (8336'), Bertha Peak (8201'): Do some peakbagging on the north side of Big Bear Lake as part of the HPS Spring Fling. 9 miles, 2400' gain combined, mostly cross-country. Dirt road driving between peaks. High clearance vehicles appreciated. Meet at Fawnskin rideshare by the fire station at 8 AM.
Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

May 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: The Pinnacles (5737'), Mount Marie Louise (5507'): Enjoy these two rocky summits north of Lake Arrowhead, moderately strenuous but slow paced 6 miles round trip, 1600' gain cross-country in desert-like terrain. Some brush and rock scrambling, some dirt road driving. We'll finish in time for the HPS Spring Fling potluck. Contact Karen at least three days before the outing for details. Leaders: MARK ALLEN, WINNETTE BUTLER, CHERYL GILL, WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

May 17 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Granite Peaks (7527'), Mineral Mountain (7238') & Tip Top Mountain (7623'): Strenuous, Spring Fling hike to an adventurous peak and two lovely mountains. The total hike will be about 8 miles Round Trip with 2900' Gain. For details, contact Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT & BILL SIMPSON

May 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'), Luna Mountain (5967') & Round Mountain (5272'): Enjoy this moderate Spring Fling hike at a comfortable pace. The total hike will be about 5.5 miles round trip with 2000' of gain. For details contact For details, contact Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT & BILL SIMPSON

May 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Gold Mtn (8235'), Silver Peak (6756'): Why were these peaks named after precious metals? Let's visit them while at the HPS Spring Fling. 6.5 miles, 1900' gain combined. Dirt road driving between peaks. High clearance vehicles appreciated. Meet at Fawnskin rideshare by the fire station at 9 AM or make other arrangements with leaders on Sat night.
Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

May 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Deer Mountain (5536'): Spring Fling hike to this obscure brushy peak near Lake Arrowhead. Moderate, 5 miles round trip, 1800' gain. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP
Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, TOM HILL, MARLEN MERTZ

May 18 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Mill Peak (6670'), Keller Peak (LO) (7882'), Slide Peak (7841'): Three simple but very different peaks near Keller Ski Hut and the HPS Spring Fling. All driving on paved roads. Slide is 1 1/2 miles cross-country on firebreak, 460' gain, to the top of a ski lift. Mill is 2 miles round trip, 600' gain, on road and good use trail. Keller can be driven up, and we might. But if there's interest, we can set up a car shuttle and hike up the new trail, getting in a few more miles of hiking and another 1000' of gain. Chat up leaders at potluck Saturday night or meet 9 AM at the old Mill Peak trailhead (plenty of parking): from Running Springs, go east 1.0 miles on Highway 18, turn right (south) on Keller Peak Road and park in 0.5 miles in a large dirt turnout on the right. Leaders: MARK ALLEN, WINNETTE BUTLER, CHERYL GILL, WOLF & KAREN LEVERICH

May 18 Sun LTC, WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation noodles at Grinnell Ridge for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare info, phones, email/sase to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS

May 20 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Granite Peaks (7527'), Tip Top Mountain (7623'), Mineral Mountain (7238'): Join us east of Big Bear Lake for this strenuous cross-country trek. We will hike Tip Top and Mineral rather than driving that awful road to Tip Top. 9 miles round trip, 2700' gain. Some dirt driving requiring high clearance vehicles. Apply with recent conditioning info to Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Co-Leader: JENNIFER WASHINGTON

May 21 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Pacifico Mountain (7124'): Pretty hike mostly on PCT from Mill Creek Summit to a classic Angeles peak. Suitable for well-conditioned beginners. Moderate, 12 miles round trip, 2200 gain, mainly on the Pacific Crest Trail. Bring water, 10 essentials. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, JOHN RADALJ

May 24 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Pinyon Peak (6805'): Join us near Walker Pass in Kern County on this moderately strenuous ramble, 6 miles round trip, 3100' gain. Terrain is often steep as we negotiate ridgelines through a vast pinyon pine wilderness. Optional layover for Cannel Point on Sunday. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

May 24 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Iron Mountain #1 (8007'): Hike this very strenuous peak in the Angeles National Forest. The total hike is 14 miles round trip with 7200' gain. Highly recommended for those who enjoy gain! First 4.75 miles up: fairly enjoyable trail. Last 2.25 miles up: brutally steep. Paced to take 8-9 hours. Bring water, lug soles, sunscreen, lunch, jacket & hat. To obtain the meeting information, contact Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

May 24 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount McDill (5187'): Visit a peak that was on the List decades ago, just north of the Antelope Valley Freeway between Santa Clarita and Palmdale. We'll ascend to the Sierra Pelona Ridge from Bouquet Canyon on the Pacific Crest Trail, then follow the Sierra Pelona Trail to the peak in Ritter Ranch Park. Approximately 12 miles round trip, 1500' gain. Slow pace, but that leaves time and breath to chat with friends and admire views. Contact Karen for meeting details.
Leaders: SUZY HERMANN, KAREN ISAACSON LEVERICH

May 24-26 Sat-Mon Wilderness Adventures, HPS, Pasadena, OCSS New Outing, first time published
I: Bear Creek, West Fork of San Gabriel River Backpack (Smith Mountain (5111'), Monrovia Peak (5409')): Enjoy the Memorial Day Weekend on this moderately paced backpack along Bear Creek trail to Bear Creek, down Bear Creek, west along West Fork of San Gabriel River to Glenn Trail Camp, exit at Rincon Fire Station. Bag Smith Mountain and Monrovia Peak as side trips. Total mileage and gain/loss, not including side trips to peaks, is about 21 miles, 1100' gain/2800' loss. Short car shuttle required. Send name, phones, email, recent backpacking experience to Leader: BRENT COSTELLO
Co-Leader: HARVEY GANZ

May 25 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Cannel Point (8314') from Kernville: Long hike with early start to climb Cannell National Recreation Trail from its trailhead at 2800' elev near Kernville. Saves 100 extra miles of driving compared to HPS Route 1. Very strenuous but relaxed moderate pace, 20 miles round trip, 5600' gain, mostly on trail. Some rock scrambling on the summit block. Paved road driving. Consider attending May 24 Pinyon hike as a warmup. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Assistants: TOM HILL, WAYNE BANNISTER

May 28 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Timber Mountain (8303'): 10 miles round trip, 3300' gain. Strenuous. Moderate pace up Icehouse Canyon via Columbine Spring. Return same route. Meet 8:30 AM at public parking lot (intersection of Mills Ave & Baldy Rd). Bring water, lunch, appropriate clothing, lugsoles. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, DON SIMINSKI

May 29 Thu Hundred Peaks
O: Kratka Ridge (7515'), Mount Akawie (7283'), Winston Ridge (7003'), Winston Peak (7502'): Ramble the San Gabriels on this series of easy peaks in the Middle High Country. Moderate, 9 miles round trip, 2200' gain for all four peaks. Do any or all. Paved road driving. Meet 7 AM at La Canada rideshare point. For additional information contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BRUCE CRAIG, DAVE COMERZAN

May 31 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Legends of the HPS: Goodykoontz Pk (7558'), Mt Williamson (8244'+): Strenuous outing in the Angeles Forest involves 8 miles round trip and 3000' gain and a car shuttle. Learn about Frank Goodykoontz, one of the greatest HPS leaders of all time. Meet 7:30 AM at La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, lug sole boots. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant: BOB THOMPSON

May 31 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: San Rafael Peak (6666'): Climb the devil's peak at a heavenly pace. The total hike will be about 10 miles round trip with 2400' of gain (2100' in & 300' out). Bring: lug soles, water, lunch & hat. Contact the leader for meeting info. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT & BILL SIMPSON

Jun 1 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
O: Legends of the HPS: Mt Akawie (7283'), Winston Peak (7502'): Moderate outing in Angeles Forest involves 4 miles round trip and 1000' gain. Suitable for beginners. Learn about Dick Akawie, one of the Angeles Chapter's great leaders. This is the annual first Sun in June hike with Stag. Meet 8 AM at La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant: STAG BROWN

Jun 1 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Chief Peak (5560+), Hines Peak (6704'), Topatopa Bluff (6367'): Visit three spectacular peaks in condor country along

Nordhoff Ridge near Ojai. Easy-paced 9 miles round trip, 3000' gain. Expect some rugged scrambling, including a traverse of a severe knife-edge at Hines that will definitely get your attention. Your 4wd vehicle especially welcome since 4x4 driving permits are required to access the trailheads. For details send vehicle type to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT ARREDONDO

Jun 4 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Ross Mountain (7402'), Mount Baden-Powell (9399'): We start from Vincent Gap and go over Baden-Powell to reach the remote summit of Ross. Very strenuous but moderately paced, 14 miles round trip, 5000' gain. Note that more than 2000' of this gain is on the return climb back over Baden-Powell. For details send conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jun 4 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Pacifico (7124') from Mill Creek Summit: 12 miles round trip with 2200' gain. Hike on PCT going but may vary return route. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring lunch, water, lugsoles. Leaders: DAN LUKE, BETH MIKA

Jun 7 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Split Mountain (6835'), Black Mountain #5 (7438'): Moderately paced, strenuous hike near Lake Isabella in steep terrain with some brush, 10 miles round trip, 4000' gain. Easy dirt road driving to trailhead. For details send conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT ARREDONDO

Jun 7 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Sugarloaf Peak (6924'), Ontario Peak (8693'), Bighorn Peak (8441'), Cucamonga Peak (8859'), Etiwanda Peak (8662'): Visit these 5 wonderful peaks on a very strenuous hike in the wilderness. The total hike will be about 20 miles round trip with 6400' of gain. The first two peaks will be reached by hiking cross-country up a very steep canyon. The rest of the hike will follow good trails. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jun 11 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Marion Mountain (10,320+), Jean Peak (10,670'), San Jacinto Peak (10,804'), Folly Peak (10,480'+), Drury Peak (10,160'+): Beautiful wilderness awaits on this springtime grand tour loop of San Jacinto State Park from the westside. Very strenuous 16 miles round trip, 5200' gain with considerable off-trail travel through rocky forested high country. Some rock scrambling. Group size limited by permit so reserve early. Paved road driving. For details send conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jun 11 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mount Lowe (5603'): 5 mile loop with car shuttle between JPL Trail & Eaton Saddle. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lugsoles. Leaders: DON SIMINSKI, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Jun 13 Fri-Sun Natural Science
O: Nature Knowledge Workshop: Join the Natural Science Section for a weekend of discovery and enjoyment as you learn about the natural wonders that surround you. From our streamsides camp accommodations in the San Bernardino Mountains we'll explore three habitats - chaparral, forest and riparian via easy guided walks led by our Naturalists. Special interest and hands on workshops will be taught Saturday afternoon and evening by our professional Naturalists who will

share their expertise in a variety of natural history topics such as bird, bat, reptile, plant, mammal, insect, geology studies. Includes two nights lodging in dormitory cabins (bring own sleeping bag), six full course meals, instructions. (Tent or carcamping available). All this and hot showers, too! LTC credit available. Participants must be 13 years or older (under 18 must be accompanied by adult). Reservation deadline June 1. See NSS website at <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/nss/>. Send two SASE/email, phones, names of all participants, \$138 with Sierra Club #/\$158 non-member (make check to Natural Science Section) to Reservationist: MONICA DONLEY Leader: LIANA ARGENTO Assistants: CLIFF & GABI McLEAN

Jun 14 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Galena Peak (9324'): Creekbed bouldering and gnarly scree climb of the "Headwall" brings us to the highest point on Yucaipa Ridge near Redlands. Strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3300' gain. Number of participants limited. For details send conditioning and experience to Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jun 14 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Ross Mountain (7402'), Mount Baden-Powell (9399'): Start from Vincent Gap and go over Baden-Powell to reach the summit of Ross. Very strenuous but moderately paced, 14 miles round trip, 5000' gain. 2000' of the gain is on the return climb. E-mail leader for details. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF
Co-Leader: JOE YOUNG

Jun 14 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Pine Mountain #1 (9648'), Dawson Peak (9576'): Strenuous and dangerous hike along narrow, steep, loose, and rocky ridge for 5-3/4 miles round trip with 2809' of gain to two peaks north of Mt. Baldy in the San Gabriel Mtns. Suitable only for experienced and agile hikers. High clearance 4WD advised. Slow pace. Call Mars (661-609-8218) during four days before event for status and details. Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, KATHY CHEEVER

Jun 15 Sun Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Williamson (8214'): This moderate 5 mile, 1600' gain hike offers a great view of the San Andreas Rift Zone. Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, snack, sturdy shoes. Leader: RON GOLDFARB Assistant-Leader: MIA YANG-GOLDFARB

Jun 17 Tue Hundred Peaks
O: Mill Peak (6670'), Keller Peak (7882'), Slide Peak (7841'): These peaks are in the San Bernardino Forest in beautiful tree and rock settings. Mill Peak is 3 miles round trip with 600' of gain. Keller Peak with its lookout tower is almost a drive-up, except when the gate is closed, then it is 2.5 miles round trip with 300' of gain. Slide Peak has the distinction of being the top of a ski lift. The hiking distance is about 2 miles round trip with 500' of gain. Contact leaders by email for meeting time and place. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Jun 18 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Sugarloaf Mtn (9952'): Enjoy this isolated summit towering above the south side of Big Bear Lake, moderate 8 miles round trip, 1900' gain. Dirt road driving 6 miles to reach trailhead; high-clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BRUCE CRAIG, DAVE COMERZAN

Jun 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Yucaipa Ridge Traverse: Little San Gorgonio Mountain (9133'), Wilshire Mountain (8832'), Wilshire Peak (8680+),

Cedar Mountain (8324'), Birch Mountain (7826'), Allen Peak (5795'): Tough hike though steep forested terrain, rewarded with spectacular ridgeline views. Very strenuous traverse, 15 miles one way with car shuttle, 5500' gain for all six. Final summit of Allen is optional. Paved road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jun 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Castle Rocks (8600'): Hike this lovely peak near San Jacinto Mountain. The total hike will be 4.5 miles round trip with 900' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch & jacket. Contact the Leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant: IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jun 22 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: San Bernardino Peak (10,649'): Help the leader celebrate the completion of his 10th HPS List. The total hike will be about 18 miles round trip with 4900' of gain. We'll start & finish in Angelus Oaks. Bring water, lug soles, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jun 22 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Tahquitz Peak (8846'), Red Tahquitz (8720+), Southwell Peak (7840+): Hike to these three lovely peaks, one with a fire lookout, in the San Jacinto area. Moderate pace of 17 miles, 4000+' gain. Mostly on trail with some cross country. Permit limits group size. E-mail leaders with recent conditioning and hiking experience. Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU, PAT ARREDONDO

Jun 25 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Crafts Peak (8364'), Butler Peak (8535'), Grays Peak (7920'): Cross-country scramble to connect these summits in a continuous hike if the fire closure has been lifted, otherwise we will substitute some comparable nearby peaks. Moderately strenuous 10 miles total, 2600' gain. Much dirt road driving; high-clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jun 25 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: San Antonio Ski Hut (8264'): 4 miles round trip, 2000' gain to Sierra Club's historic hut, near headwaters of San Antonio Falls. Built in 1935, it burned down in 1936 and was re-built in 1937. Meet 9 AM public parking lot (intersection of Mills Ave & Baldy Rd). Bring water, lunch, appropriate clothing, lugssoles. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, DAN BUTLER

Jun 28 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Legends of the HPS: Sam Fink Pk (7339'): Strenuous outing in San Jacinto area involves 12 miles round trip and 4000' gain. Some cross country scrambling. Learn about Sam Fink, an inspirational leader for the HPS for many years. Bring water, lunch, lug sole boots, \$\$ for tram ride. Call leaders for meeting time and place. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant: DIANE DUNBAR

Jun 28 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Galena Peak (9324'): Hike this steep, sandy & intense peak via Mill Creek. The total hike is about 8 miles round trip with 3300' of gain. The headwall is extremely challenging. Not for beginners! Bring water, rugged lug sole boots, lunch, & jacket. Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jun 29 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Allen Peak (5795'), Birch Mountain (7826'): Hike these two fine peaks on the Yucaipa Ridge's lower end. The total hike will be about 13 miles round trip with 3900' of gain. Bring water, lug soles, lunch & jacket. Contact the leader one week before the hike for meeting info. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant: IGNACIA DOGGETT

Jul 2 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Bighorn Mountain (10,997'), Dragons Head (10,866'): Climb two prominent peaks next to San Gorgonio using the convenient Vivian Creek Trail. Very strenuous 15 miles round trip, 5800' gain, with significant cross-country travel in open high country at high elevation. A moderate but steady pace gets this one done. Group size limited by permit. Paved road driving. For details send conditioning/altitude experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 4-6 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks, WTC, Wilderness Adventures I: Lake Peak (10,161'), Ten Thousand Foot Ridge (10,094'), Grinnell Mtn (10,284'), San Gorgonio Mtn (11,499'), Jepson Peak (11,205'), Charlton Peak (10,806'), Dobbs Peak (10,459'), Dragon's Head (10,866'), Bighorn Mtn (10,997'): 3 days, 9 peaks, 40 miles, 10,000' gain on trail and steep, rocky cross-country. Very strenuous. Spend the holiday weekend in our beautiful San Gorgonio Wilderness. Backpack 4.5 miles, 2000' gain from Fish Creek trailhead to set up base camp for both nights at Fish Creek Saddle. Friday PM dayhike 4.5 miles round trip, 1500' gain to Lake Peak, 10K Ridge, and Grinnell. Saturday dayhike to San Gorgonio, Jepson, Charlton, and Dobbs 18 miles round trip, 3500' gain. Sunday dayhike to Dragon's Head and Bighorn Mtn, 9 miles, 3000' gain. Then break camp and backpack to trailhead. Friday: shared salad. Saturday: Italian potluck. Sign-up early. Permit limits group size. Proven comfort and ability above 10,000' required. Email recent conditioning and experience, city, and phone to leader. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

Jul 5 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Akawie (7283'), Kratka Ridge (7515'): Two separate shore hikes next to the Angeles Crest Highway. Akawie is 1.2 miles round trip, 400' gain. Kratka is 1.5 miles round trip, 700' gain. Both are steep in places, but we'll take our time to enjoy these two wooded peaks in the San Gabriel Mountains. The pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots, and bring water, a snack and a sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, WINNETTE BUTLER, LILLY FUKUI, SUZY HERMANN

Jul 6 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Baldy from the Back: Wright Mountain (8505'), Pine Mountain #1 (9648'), Dawson Peak (9575'), Mount San Antonio (10,064'), Mount Harwood (9552'): Experience the Real Devils Backbone on this very strenuous 14 miles round trip, 5800' gain jaunt up the backside of Mt Baldy from Blue Ridge near Wrightwood. Trail is steep and rugged, adding to the experience. Those satisfied with 5000' gain can enjoy a second lunch on top of Baldy while diehards visit Mount Harwood and return. For trip details send recent conditioning, phone information to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BRUCE CRAIG, PATRICK VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 8 Tue Hundred Peaks
July Management Committee Meeting: The Hundred Peaks Management Committee will meet at 6:30 PM at Newcomb's Ranch on Highway 2, about 27 miles from I-210. All are welcome to attend.

Jul 9 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Heart Bar Peak (8332'): This pleasant hike in the San Bernardino Mountains is 5 miles round trip with 1100' of gain. Contact leaders by email for meeting time and place. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, INGEBORG PROCHAZKA

Jul 9 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Cerro Noroeste (8280'), Grouse Mountain (8582'), Sawmill Mountain (8818'), Mount Pinos (8831'): Enjoy this classic high elevation ridge walk west of Frazier Park, featuring expansive views of Los Padres National Forest. Moderately paced 10 miles round trip, 3000' gain. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: JENNIFER WASHINGTON, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 12 Sat Hundred Peaks, Verdugo Hills
New Outing, first time published
O: San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mt Disappointment (5960'), Mt Deception (5796'): 5 miles, 1800' gain in the San Gabriel Mountains, great views of the LA basin. Meet 9 AM at the La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, hiking boots a must. Rain cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, MARY McMANNES

Jul 13 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Shields Peak (10,680'+), Anderson Peak (10,840'+), San Bernardino East Peak (10,691'), San Bernardino Peak (10,649'): We access this corner of the San Gorgonio Wilderness via the Momyer Trail from the south, then spend several hours at high elevation as we wander the forest from one high point to another. Very strenuous dayhike at a steady pace, 21 miles round trip, 6200' gain, mostly on trail. Permit limits group size. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT ARREDONDO, MARLEN MERTZ

Jul 16 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: San Guillermo Mountain (6606'), Lockwood Peak (6261'), Frazier Mountain (8000'+): Enjoy three small loop-trip adventures on these peaks in Lockwood Valley near Frazier Park, 11 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Moderately strenuous, but each peak will be done as a separate hike. Final peak optional. Several miles of dirt road driving; high-clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 19 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Gleason (6502'): Visit Mount Gleason via the PCT. 7 miles round trip, 1300' gain and a nice trail with lots of nice shade. The pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots, and bring water, a snack and a sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, LILLY FUKUI, SUZY HERMANN

Jul 20 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: San Gorgonio Mountain (11,499'), Jepson Peak (11,205'), Charlton Peak (10,806'), Dobbs Peak (10,459'): Ascend to the high point of Southern California using the Vivian Creek Trail, then return cross country to the trailhead along a beautiful, high altitude ridge, picking up two nearby peaks along the way. Very strenuous dayhike at a steady pace, 16 miles round trip,

5600' gain for first three peaks, with several hours spent at high elevation. Optional side trip to Charlton adds 3 miles and 800' gain. Permit limits group size. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, GEORGE WYSUP, MARLEN MERTZ

Jul 23 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Castle Rocks (8600'), Old Castle Rocks (8462'), Black Mountain #1 (7772'): Visit a remote corner of the San Jacinto Wilderness north of Idyllwild. After a short climb just off the PCT for the first peak we scramble through brush and rocks to the top of the more picturesque and difficult "old castle", the former HPS register location for this summit. Relaxed pace, 6 miles round trip, 1300' gain. Afterwards enjoy a woodsy picnic near scenic Black Mountain, with an optional short trip to the summit lookout tower. Permit limits group size. Much dirt road driving, high-clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
The 15th Annual Great Waterman Mountain (8038')
Rendezvous and Informal Pot Luck: HPS invites you to join us for our annual party atop Waterman Mountain. Plan on spending some time on top getting acquainted and having fun (and eating) as most hikes won't be returning to the cars until late afternoon or early evening. Be sure to bring lots of food and drink to share with other hungry hikers. Rain cancels.

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Waterman Mtn (8038'): Easy to moderate hike to the top of the peak to meet and picnic with other HPSers. 5 miles round trip, 1200' gain. Bring party items to share. Meet 9:30 AM at the La Canada rideshare point. Rain cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, MIKE and DOTTY SANDFORD

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks, Natural Science
New Outing, first time published
O: Waterman Mountain (8038'): Take your time on this mellow paced outing to the Waterman Rendezvous. 5 miles round trip, 1200' gain. We'll learn about the flora and fauna as we ascend the nicely wooded trail to the summit and party. Bring something to share at the potluck, your curiosity, sense of humor, a hat, sturdy shoes, and two quarts of water. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare point. Co-Leader/ Naturalist: GINNY HERINGER Co-Leaders: LILLY FUKUI, SUZY HERMANN, KAREN LEVERICH

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Twin Peaks (7761'), Waterman Mountain (8038'): Attend the annual HPS Rendezvous the hard way. Expect an early start for this strenuous dayhike, 11 miles to the summit of Waterman via Twin Peaks, 3900' gain, with a leisurely 6 miles back to vehicles after the feast. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Valcrest Rocks (6629'), Waterman Mountain (8038'): Attend the Waterman Rendezvous, but first hike along the adventurous, rocky ridge above Camp Valcrest. The entire hike will be about 10 miles round trip with 3200' of gain. Please bring: lug soles, water, jacket, lunch & cookies. Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistants: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Mount Waterman (8038') and Rendezvous via the West Ridge: 9 miles, 3000' gain. Join us on our "adventure" up the West Ridge of Mt. Waterman from Three Points with a short car shuttle to the end at Cloudburst Summit. Cross-country route will ascend the West Ridge to arrive at the Waterman Rendezvous at High Noon. Descend via steep use trail to Cloudburst Summit after celebration. Bring goodies to share on the summit and a spirit of adventure. Meet 8 AM La Canada rideshare point with foot, water and lugsoles. Well-behaved K-9s & felines welcome but on leash at summit party. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, JIM FLEMING

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Kratka Ridge (7515') to Waterman Mtn (8038'): 10 miles, 2000' gain. Strenuous cross-country hike through gorgeous forested area meeting groups for potluck. Bring lug soles, 2 to 3 quarts water, goodies to share. Early meeting time for comfortable pace. Meet 6 AM La Canada rideshare point. Leaders: DIANE DUNBAR, JOE YOUNG

Jul 30 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Constance Peak (6645'), Heart Bar Peak (8332'), Onyx Peak #1 (9113'): Pick up three relatively easy peaks north of Redlands adjacent to the San Gorgonio Wilderness, averaging 3 miles round trip, 800' gain for each peak. Do any or all. Hiking routes combine roads, trails, and sometimes steep forested ridgelines. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, GEORGE WYSUP

Aug 2 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: Thunder Mountain (8587'), Telegraph Peak (8985'), Timber Mountain (8303'), Bighorn Peak (8441'), Ontario Peak (8693'), Sugarloaf Peak (6924'): A grand ridgeline awaits you on this grand tour, from Baldy Notch over 3Ts to Falling Rock Canyon. Very strenuous, 11 miles one way hike, 4300' gain, 5800' loss, with much steep downhill in the final leg. Permit limits group size. Short car shuttle. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PATRICK VAUGHN

Aug 3 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Williamson (8244'): Wonderful views from this high peak north of the Angeles Crest Highway. 4 miles round trip, 1600' gain on the PCT and on a steep use trail. The pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots, and bring water, a snack and a sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, WINNETTE BUTLER, JIM FLEMING, LILLY FUKUI

Aug 6 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Brush Mountain (7040'+), San Emigdio Mtn (7492'), Tecuya Mtn (7160'+): Three relatively easy peaks near Frazier Park, with routes depending on temperature conditions, vehicle types, and group desire. We anticipate an easy-paced moderate outing ranging from 5-10 miles round trip, 1000-2000' gain. Much dirt road driving with high clearance vehicles recommended. To state your peak and route preferences or obtain details contact Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

Aug 9 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Mt Islip (8250') 18th Annual Peaknic Hike: Peaknic at Little Jimmy Campground. Moderate pace, 6 miles round trip, 1300' gain. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring lugsoles, water, your best potluck item to share, good cheer. Rain

cancel. Leaders: MIKE & DOTTY SANDFORD, FRANK DOBOS, LAURA QUINN

Aug 9 Sat Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures
O: South Mt. Hawkins (7783'): Moderately paced 14 miles, 3000' gain, from Islip Saddle. Escape the heat on this hike in the San Gabriel Mtns. All trail, no cross-country. E-mail leader for details. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-leader: TERRY GINSBERG

Aug 9 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Hawkins (8850'), Throop Peak (9138'), Mount Burnham (8997'), Mount Lewis (8396'): Long PCT dayhike in the Middle High Country of the San Gabriels, this time from Islip Saddle with an interesting Angeles Crest road hike return. Each peak involves a short side trip from the main trail. Strenuous, 16 miles round trip, 4600' gain for those who do all four peaks. For trip details send recent conditioning to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PATRICK VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER, BRUCE CRAIG

Aug 13 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Reyes Peak (7514'), Haddock Mountain (7431'): Easy, moderately paced 8 miles round trip, 1500' gain on trail through the pleasant pines north of Ojai with fine vistas of sedimentary formations. Some easy dirt road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, GEORGE WYSUP

Aug 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
M: Lily Rock (8000'), Suicide Rock (7528'): Climb one spectacular rock in Idyllwild using the rock climbers' return route, then relax on a trail hike to the second one. Totals for the day 10 miles round trip, 3500' gain. Lily Rock is a moderately strenuous climb in steep, rocky terrain, with some previous experience in 3rd class climbing required at the summit. Suicide Rock is a fine trail. Do one or both. Permit limits group size. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, BILL SIMPSON, PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Aug 17 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
I: San Bernardino East Peak (10,691'), Shields Peak (10,680'+), Anderson Peak (10,840'+): Ascend these peaks in the San Geronio Wilderness via the Momyer Trail from the south, descend via Forsee Creek Trail. Car shuttle. Very strenuous dayhike at a steady pace, 17 miles round trip, 6000' gain, mostly on trail. Not suitable for beginners. Bring lots of water, lunch, sturdy boots, rain gear. Meet at Mill Creek Ranger Station at 7 AM. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, BOB THOMPSON

Aug 20 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Sam Fink Peak (7339') from the Palm Springs Tram: We head south over Hidden Lake Divide to launch ourselves downhill through forested cross country to a remote, cliff-shrouded peak named in honor of the Santa Ana fireman who pioneered routes to this rugged area. Strenuous, 12 miles round trip, 3700' gain. Most of the gain is on the return to the Tram but we will use the scenic trail network to ease this burden. Permit limits group size. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leader: WAYNE BANNISTER

Aug 23-26 Sat-Tue Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Clouds Rest (9526') to Half Dome (8835'): 17 miles, 3600' gain, 4800' loss. Strenuous but comfortably paced, unrushed 4

day backpack from Tenaya Lake to Yosemite Valley. Must be comfortable with steep exposed route holding cables. Email or send SASE with H&W phones, recent conditioning to Leaders: DIANE DUNBAR, GARY BICKEL

Aug 23 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Williamson (8244'), Kratka Ridge (7515'), Mount Akawie (7283'), Winston Peak (7502'), Winston Ridge (7003'), Vetter Mountain (5908'), Mount Mooney (5840'+), Mount Sally (5408'): Join us as we travel the Angeles from high-to-low toward La Canada, with separate trips to many pleasant, easy peaks along the way until we run out of daylight or energy. Moderate pace throughout, although the total for the day may approach 17 miles, 5200' gain before sundown. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PATRICK VAUGHN, BRUCE CRAIG

Aug 24 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Hillyer (6200'): 6 miles round trip, 900' of gain to this interesting peak near Chilao Flats in the San Gabriel Mountains. The pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots, and bring water, a snack and a sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, JIM FLEMING, LILLY FUKUI

Aug 27 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Will Thrall Peak (7845'), Pleasant View Ridge (7983'), Pallett Mtn (7760'+), Goodykoontz Peak (7558'): The Burkhart Trail gets us through a land of twisted canyons, waterfalls, and boulders in the Middle High Country of the San Gabriels, then a moderate cross country ridgeline trek gets us back. Strenuous, 15 miles round trip, 5200' gain. Paved road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, WAYNE BANNISTER

Aug 30-31 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mill Peak (6670'), Slide Peak (7841'), Keller Peak (7882'), Little Bear Peak (7621'), Delamar Mountain (8398'), Bertha Peak (8201'): Late summer trip to always beautiful Big Bear Lake. First three peaks Saturday, up to 6 miles round trip, 2800' gain depending on group preference. Camp overnight near Big Bear. Then Sunday final three peaks, 11 miles round trip, 2600' gain, do any or all. Paved road driving Saturday; some easy dirt road driving on Sunday. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PATRICK VAUGHN, BRUCE CRAIG, WAYNE BANNISTER

Sep 3 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Lookout Mountain #2 (6812'): Climb this peak near Mount Baldy following a ruggedly beautiful canyon from the east. Route choice will be either Kalember Gulch (pioneered by Laura Joseph) or Erv Bartel Canyon (pioneered by Diane Dunbar), depending on group preference. Moderately strenuous, 6 miles round trip, 2800' gain, with many steep slopes, downed logs, and areas of alpine brush. Paved road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, DAVE COMERZAN

Sep 6 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Cucamonga Peak (8859'), Etiwanda Peak (8662'): Enjoy a spectacular canyon route on this long trail hike from Lytle Creek to these favorite peaks via the seldom-visited Middle Fork Trail, very strenuous 18 miles round trip, 5400' gain. A long day with many rewards. Permit limits group size. Some dirt road driving to reach trailhead; high clearance vehicles

recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, BRUCE CRAIG, PATRICK VAUGHN

Sep 6 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Islip (8250'): Hike the PCT from Islip Saddle to Windy Gap, then follow the Mount Islip trail to the top of Islip. 6 1/2 miles round trip, 1600' gain. Lovely forest, with wonderful views of the city below. The pace will be slow and newcomers are definitely welcome. Meet 8:30 AM La Canada rideshare. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots, and bring water, a snack and a sense of humor. Rain cancels. Leaders: KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH, LILLY FUKUI, SUZY HERMANN

Sep 9 Tue Hundred Peaks
Annual Business Meeting: All are welcome to attend our annual business meeting, where nominations are finalized for next year's Management Committee. In addition, proposals for Bylaw changes, peak additions and deletions and other matters on which members will vote are discussed and votes are taken on whether to put them on the ballot. The business meeting follows the monthly Management Committee meeting. Join us at 6:30 PM for the management meeting; for 7 PM business meeting, at Newcomb's Ranch on Highway 2, about 27 miles from I-210.

Sep 10 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Cleghorn Mountain (5333'), Cajon Mountain (5360'+), Sugarpine Mountain (5478'), Monument Peak #2 (5290'), explore Bailey Peak (5699'): Join us as we visit the four traditional HPS peaks just east of Cajon Pass and explore the area high point, a nice little rocky summit that may be worthy of replacing the others. Much dirt road driving; high clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: JENNIFER WASHINGTON, WAYNE BANNISTER

Sep 13 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Rouse Hill (5168'), Thomas Mountain (6825'), Rock Point (5280'+), Toro Peak (8716'), Santa Rosa Mountain (8070'): Turn your sturdy trucks into dirty yucks as we do a day of serious driving near Idyllwild. Enjoy 27.5 miles round trip dirt driving for first two, stretch and relax with middle peak; then those able to continue can pick up final two for another 24.5 miles round trip dirt driving. The extravaganza is punctuated with hiking totals of 7 miles round trip, 1700' gain. Send vehicle and rideshare information to Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: BRUCE CRAIG, WAYNE BANNISTER, PATRICK VAUGHN

Sep 13 Sat Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Winston Peak (7502') and Winston Ridge (7003'): 5 miles round trip, 1100' gain scenic figure 8 loop beginning and ending at Cloudburst Summit. Some of trail is steep or narrow. Meet at 8:30 AM, La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing layers. Leaders: ROSEMARY CAMPBELL, TERRY GINSBERG

Sep 13-14 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Grinnell Mountain (10,284'), Lake Peak (10,161') 10K Ridge (10,094'): Three great peaks in the nearby San Geronio Wilderness. Saturday we'll pack to camp and happy hour at Fish Creek Camp (5 miles, 1800'). Sunday we'll climb 7 miles, 2800' gain cross country in a loop to our peaks, then pack out. Send experience, conditioning, phones, email, rideshare info

via email or sase to Leader: EDD RUSKOWITZ Assistant: MELISSA KANE

Sep 14 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Galena Peak (9324'): Up Mill Creek, then climb the notorious (scary, to some) "Headwall" to the highest point on Yucaipa Ridge. Strenuous 10 miles round trip, 3300' gain. Pace not too brisk. Number of participants limited. For details, Email conditioning and experience to George. Co-Leaders: GEORGE WYSUP, PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Sep 17 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
M: Josephine Peak (5558'), Strawberry Peak (6164'), Mount Lawlor (5957'): Enjoy this classic introductory rock climb as we scramble the west ridge to Strawberry after an easy warm up on Josephine. Conveniently located in the San Gabriels near Pasadena. Strenuous outing with steep ridge traverse, 10 miles one way, 3900' gain on our way to Red Box for a short car shuttle. Comfort on solid rock with moderate exposure required. Send some indication of your climbing background and conditioning to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, BILL SIMPSON, PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Sep 19-21 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks
Fall Festival 2008: Welcome in the fall with a fun and festive weekend at the Tillie Creek Campground in the Lake Isabel area. Join us for peak bagging in the area. Stay at the Tillie Creek Campground Friday or Saturday night or both nights and join us for potluck on Saturday night. Or stay in motels in the area. Send sase/esase to
Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN

Sep 19 Fri Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Pinyon Peak (6805'): Warm up for HPS Fall Festival on this moderate cross-country ridge line trek near Walker's Pass; 6 miles round trip, 3100' gain. Paved roads. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Assistants: LAURA JOSEPH, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Sep 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Bohna Peak (6760'+), Sunday Peak (8295'): Climb Bohna's east ridge cross-country from Cedar Creek through beautiful Sequoia forest, then switch gears as we enjoy a scenic trail to second peak. Moderately strenuous overall, 9 miles round trip, 3100' gain. Some easy dirt road driving. Unwind after at HPS Fall Festival. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

Sep 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Morris Peak (7215'), Mount Jenkins (7921'): PCT hike from Walker's Pass with steep cross-country diversions involving some rock scrambling. 14 miles round trip, 3400' gain. Paved roads. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Assistants: LAURA JOSEPH, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Sep 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Tehachapi Mountain (7960'+): Beautiful wooded peak near Tehachapi, en route to the Fall Festival. 5 miles round trip, 2200' gain, slow pace, on road and trail. We'll finish in time to join the HPS Potluck near Lake Isabella. All driving on pavement. Meet at 8:30 AM at the McDonald's in Mojave (on east side of Highway 14, about a mile into town when coming from the south). Bring food, water, sturdy shoes, jacket. Co-Leaders: WINNETTE BUTLER, JIM FLEMING, KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

Sep 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Heald Peak (6901'), Nicolls Peak (6070'): 8 miles, 4000' gain, strenuous moderately fast-paced cross-country hike over rocky, brushy terrain in conjunction with the HPS Fall Festival near Lake Isabella. Some dirt road driving, high clearance helpful. Meet 7:30 AM at intersection of Vista Grande Road and Highway 178, 0.2 miles west of the Highway 178-Kernville Airport Road intersection, about 11 miles east of the town of Lake Isabella. Bring lunch and at least 3 liters water. Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Cannel Point (8314'): Climb this remote HPS summit via a new route from the east, beginning at Little Cannell Meadow. Up to 6 miles round trip, 2000' gain. Moderate cross country in forested terrain with some easy rock scrambling near the summit. Lots of dirt road driving; high clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, WAYNE BANNISTER, PATRICK VAUGHN

Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Bald Eagle Peak (6181'), Lightner Peak (6430'): Get either or both of these peaks on the way home from HPS Fall Festival. 11 miles of unpleasant dirt road driving to Bald Eagle; 1.5 miles, 600' gain with some rock scrambling. 2 miles easy dirt driving to Lightner; 4 miles round trip, 1600' gain. For details contact Leader: GEORGE WYSUP Assistants: LAURA JOSEPH, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Sunday Peak (8295'), Bohna Peak (6760'+): Two lovely wooded peaks near Lake Isabella. Sunday is 3 1/2 miles round trip, 1000' gain. Bohna is steeper, 3 miles round trip, 1400' gain. Slow pace. They are separate hikes, with some easy dirt road driving in between. Meet at 8AM at the HPS Fall Festival (Tillie Creek Campground) or 8:30 AM at Greenhorn Summit (7.7 miles west of Wofford Heights on Highway 155). Bring food, water, sturdy shoes, jacket. Co-Leaders: WINNETTE BUTLER, JIM FLEMING, KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Onyx Peak #2 (5244'), Mayan Peak (6108'), Butterbredt Peak (5997'): Total 10 miles, 5300' gain, strenuous, moderately fast-paced cross-country hike over mostly rocky terrain. Drive between peaks. Do one, two, or all three as we head toward home. Meet 8 AM at HPS Fall Festival group campsite at Tillie Creek Campground, near Lake Isabella. Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

Sep 24 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Sawtooth Mountain (5200'+), Burnt Peak (5788'), Liebre Mountain (5760'+): Classic set of easy peaks near the Grapevine in northern Los Angeles County. Moderate overall, 10 miles round trip, 2600' gain. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, JENNIFER WASHINGTON

Sep 27 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: Apache Peak (7567'), Spitzer Peak (7440'+): Visit these two interesting peaks on the Desert Divide near Idyllwild. Moderately strenuous, 13 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Permit limits group size. Paved road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PATRICK VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER, BRUCE CRAIG

Sep 28 Sun LTC, WTC, Hundred Peaks
I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation noodles at Grinnell Ridge for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare info, phones, email/sase to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS

Sep 28 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
M: Antsell Rock (7679'), Southwell Peak (7840'+): Climb a classic HPS peak via the Sam Fink "Trail" up the north side of Antsell. Strenuous outing but moderately paced, 10 miles round trip, 3400' gain. Participants should be comfortable with moderate exposure on solid rock. Permit limits group size. For details send climbing experience to Leader: TOM HILL
Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, BILL SIMPSON, PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Oct 4 Sat Hundred Peaks, Verdugo Hills
New Outing, first time published
O: Mt Hillyer (6200'): 6 miles round trip, 900' gain easy hike, newcomers welcome. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, hiking boots. Rain cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, DELPHINE TROWBRIDGE

Oct 4 Sat Pasadena, Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures New Outing, first time published
O: Mt. Baden-Powell (9399'): Hike the 41-switchback trail and enjoy views of the high country and the Mojave Desert from the second highest mountain in the San Gabriels, 8 miles round trip/2800' gain. Meet 8 AM in the parking lot of REI's Arcadia store (214 N. Santa Anita) or at Vincent Gap trailhead at 9 AM. Bring water, lunch, hiking boots, jacket. Leaders: JIM and GINNY HERINGER, CHRIS SPISAK

Oct 19 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS
I: Indian Cove Navigation: Navigation noodles at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Practice or checkout. To receive homework assignment, email/sase, navigation experience training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare info, phones, to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS

Oct 25 Sat Hundred Peaks, Natural Science
New Outing, first time published
O: Thomas Mountain (6825'): Don't drive this peak - join us on the beautiful Ramona Trail as we do a moderate hike (10 miles, 2500' gain) from chaparral to pine forest. Includes Natural Science credit for prospective I-rated leaders. Consider staying to hike another drive-up the next day, Rouse Mountain. Contact Laura for details. Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, GINNY HERINGER, GEORGE WYSUP

Oct 26 Sun Hundred Peaks, Natural Science
New Outing, first time published
O: Rouse Mountain (5168'): Don't drive this peak - join us on the South Fork Trail as we do a moderate hike (10 miles, 3000' gain) through chaparral and riparian areas. Includes Natural Science credit for prospective I-rated leaders. Contact Laura for details. Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, GINNY HERINGER, GEORGE WYSUP

Jan 24, 2009 Saturday
Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet
Golden Dragon Restaurant
Chinatown

100 Leads: Reflections

By Wayne Bannister

On a windy Sunday afternoon in San Diego on March 30th I passed a milestone in my hiking career by completing 100 Leads. This was never my intended goal, but as things happen you just seem to find yourself in an unintended position to reflect on being part of such an elite group within the Hundred Peaks Section.



*Wayne leading to the summit of Garnet Mountain.
Photos by Dave Benson*

In February of 2003 I was hiking a lot in the San Gabriel Mountains, and getting a little bored of going up the different routes on Mount Baldy when Sharon Hechler turned me on to something called the the 100 Peaks List. I was gleeful to find there were so many mountains that I hadn't even thought about to hike. I approached the list without a thought that I could actually complete the entire List let alone the idea of leading. I made use of the write ups in the HPS Web Site and learned enough about GPS to be dangerous and actually made some progress on the list. A lot of the peaks I did solo, but occasionally with a few friends.

In November of 2005 I was hiking with a few friends that wanted to hike to San Gorgonio via the Vivian Creek Trail. We had called in to the Mill Creek Ranger Station to find out the trail conditions. The ranger said no problem, they just had a little dusting of snow, so the next day we embarked on the hike.



Leading Monument Peak

We got into some snow just above

the Vivian Creek Campground. When we got to High Creek Camp it was some serious stuff. Not to be dissuaded we pressed on and about 11,000 feet we were postholing in about a foot and half of snow. At 2:00 p.m. I made a strategic decision to abandon the trip. After actually finding the route to San Gorgonio in the snow I learned two things from the misadventure. One, to never trust a ranger's description of conditions, and two, I might have a future leading hikes.



On the trail to Garnet Peak

I didn't get serious about actually leading until October of 2006 at the the Friday before the Fall Classic when I led a private hike with Mei Kwan to Heald Peak. George Wysup and Tom Hill, discovering that we actually made the peak in time to get dinner at the Indian Wells Cafe, encouraged me to seek a role in HPS. After getting through all the huddles with navigation and wilderness first aid I led my first provisional "I" lead on May 6th 2007 with Wayne Vollaire on Eagle Rest. Since then it is almost an every weekend and Wednesday thing that I am leading with Tom Hill, although Tom has given me some time off for good behavior to hike in Nepal and New Zealand.



On a windy Garnet Peak!



We're sure we're on Cuyapaipa!

Leading has been both a responsibility and a privilege. Tom Hill has made it easy because he does all the important work of setting up the hikes and usually takes the lead, but there are those occasions when unexpectedly Tom will say OK Wayne it is your lead. So on a cold blustery afternoon on an almost inconsequential mound of earth in San Diego County called Garnet Mountain I celebrated my 100th lead with nine others hardy hikers only to find out later that I had actually completed my 100th on the previous peak. Maybe

it is an appropriate way to achieve a goal that you didn't seek out. In retrospect I feel privileged to be part of such an elite group of 38 other leaders who have also led 100 peaks, even though my accounting skills leave something to be desired.

Two Trip Reports about Day Hikes to Rabbit & Villager!

Day Hike to BIG Bunny

February 17, 2008

**Leaders: Peter Doggett, Ignacia Doggett
and Bill Simpson**

by John Slagle

Presidents Day weekend was chosen by Peter Doggett to schedule a day hike of Villager Peak and Rabbit Peak #2, which Peter calls the BIG Bunny. With the BIG hike scheduled for Sunday, February 17, Peter decided that a "warm-up" hike to San Ysidro Mountain on Saturday, February 16, would be a nice complement. The hike to San Ysidro was only about 7 miles and 1900' of gain as we drove a dirt road to cut off some of the distance. Peter scheduled Saturday's hike to start late so getting to the trailhead in time was easy despite the long drive to Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Peter was assisted by co-leaders Ignacia Doggett and Bill Simpson.

Sunday's Villager/Rabbit hike was a challenge: 21+ miles and 8000' gain/loss over rocky, dry and cactus-filled terrain on a sunny day at a brisk pace. Despite wearing a hat and SPF 50 sun block, my face and scalp got a bit burned. And those sharp rocks did a number on my boots. The toe protection got sliced open on one and the stitching got ripped open a bit on the other. Yes, my feet were dragging on this difficult trek at a brisk pace. And I had to pull out my pliers on Monday to remove some cactus needles from both boots.

I noticed a lot of instructive leader planning and execution regarding the Villager/Rabbit hike that contributed greatly to the hike's success and that might be beneficial for budding HPS leaders. Seven participants joined the leaders for the hike, which Peter advertised as "brisk" and wished to complete in 12 hours. The participants were Dave Benson, Lorraine Daly, Michael Dougherty, Gary Hughes, Lee Kenyon, Christine Soskins and I. From the leaders' perspective, the challenge was to take this rather large group (for such a hike) on a very strenuous hike and finish by twilight. Otherwise, among other problems, we would need to traverse over a mile of cactus-infested desert floor in the dark. Among the obstacles would be the ocotillo, with its octopus-like arms covered with dangerous spines extending at eye level. Navigating the desert floor in the dark amongst the cacti can also present a problem. So as a precaution, Ignacia Doggett bought a strobe light and placed it behind the front windshield of Bill's SUV so that the vehicle location could be spotted if we hiked back in the dark.

Evidencing the difficulty from a leader's perspective of completing this HPS hike as a day hike, Peter emailed me prior to the hike that this was the first time that this hike has been offered as an HPS-sponsored day hike in years. Wanting to know how many years, I looked back on the HPS site which lists

outings starting in 2002, and none was a day hike. All were backpacks, with the ironic exception that Mars Bonfire and Kathy Cheever offered this same day hike the day prior to our hike but at a more relaxed pace. Mars' group also successfully made it to Villager and Rabbit according to the peak registers.

Looking at the last climbing archive for Rabbit -- <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/archives/hps01583.htm> -- the Villager/Rabbit hike was estimated to take 18 to 20 hours by a group in 2003. It ended up taking 26 hours, though the official HPS record for longest day hike of Rabbit is 36 hours! Such was not what our leaders had in mind! Fortunately the three leaders and seven participants on our hike are strong hikers. Peter clearly indicated the difficulty of the BIG Bunny day hike in the Outing Schedule and every participant was prepared for the challenge.

Peter planned to start at 6:10 a.m. and finish at 6:10 p.m. Sunrise and sunset were at 6:28 a.m. and 5:31 p.m., respectively, so we had about 11 hours of sun to work with plus about another hour of twilight. Peter's planning included estimated times of arrival and departure at the three peaks (you have to return over Villager) to meet his plan of hiking in daylight or twilight. Peter explained that there are only two really good weekends to attempt this hike as a day hike. By March it can get too hot. In December the days are too short. Peter noted the weekends in January and February closest to a full moon are the times to attempt the hike under optimal conditions. February 17 had the additional advantage of being followed by a holiday (i.e. a recovery day).

Our hike started a bit late at 6:17 a.m. because there was apparently some miscommunication of the expected start time, so the participants who car-camped at the trailhead were not quite ready to go at 6:10 a.m. Thus, we began the hike seven minutes behind schedule. Bill, the fastest climber of the three leaders, would lead up to Villager. Peter, the most experienced navigator, would monitor the middle of the pack, keep us on schedule, help with navigation if needed and lead the group to Rabbit from Villager. Bill would lead the group back to Villager, and Ignacia, the fastest at descending, would lead down from Villager. Together they make quite a team. Bill explained the leaders' strategy as follows:

"Peter, Ignacia and I did have a secret to our success other than a very strong group of participants. If you'll reflect back on the hike, you'll note that we handled it in much the same way that a superior football team wears down its opponents by shuttling players in and out of the game to keep a rested group on the field. We always had a "fresh" leader in front. I took the group from the trailhead to Villager while Peter and Ignacia rested up in the back. Peter took over for the leg to Rabbit. Then I, refreshed from loafing in the back, brought us back to Villager from Rabbit. [In fact, Bill was

so refreshed that he blew past the peak such that he and a couple of people with him had to double back some.] Ignacia, who was resting throughout the day, was able to practically race-walk the group from Villager to the bottom of the ridge. With Ignacia somewhat worn from her race down the ridge, the now-fully-rested Peter took over for the final sprint to the vehicles. You participants were only called upon to tag along with us all day!"

For the first leg of the hike Bill led us across the sandy desert floor at about 3 mph, stopping a few times to point out the many varieties of cactus that can be a problem, particularly if one is coming back in the dark. After traversing the desert floor, Bill instructed us to get down to one layer as that would be sufficient for the ascent that would come next. The climb up to Villager is relentless and never-ending, and the initial part is probably the steepest. We reached Villager just a little behind Peter's schedule. The hike to Rabbit is more up and down as compared with the hike to Villager, which is all up. The entire hike is rocky, but the hike to Rabbit is slow going, especially in a lot of spots with three-to-four-foot drops. We bagged the BIG Bunny in six hours -- exactly as Peter had planned. However, we were still seven minutes behind Peter's schedule due to the late start. The three leaders had hiked to Rabbit a year ago as a private hike (just the three of them), and according to the peak register had made it to Rabbit only 15 minutes faster (at five hours and 45 minutes). It was quite an accomplishment to get a group of ten of us up there in six hours, but it wasn't a sight-seeing adventure. It was hard work for sure. Breaks were short. The pace was brisk. Hearts were working overtime.

I think Peter had scheduled 20 minutes for lunch, so he had scheduled five hours and 40 minutes for the descent, a reflection that you needed to be able to climb almost as fast as you descend to do this hike in nature's light. On our descent we started to get behind schedule. Peter suggested that we get down to the desert floor at least by 6 p.m. so we could find the use trail to the cars before it got too dark. Breaks were kept short, we picked up the pace and we started to make up time. We all reached the desert floor well before 6 p.m. and regrouped once again. Peter was hoping for a 6:17 p.m. trailhead arrival to meet his 12-hour target and to avoid hiking the desert floor in the dark. We soon realized we might have to slow it down before reaching the cars to finish in exactly 12 hours. Peter led the rest of the way. He was constantly referring to his altimeter, his watch and the strobe light in Bill's SUV as well as estimating the distance to the car to do an ETA. It was beginning to get a little dark, but with twilight and a nearly full moon headlamps weren't necessary. We made it to the vehicles at exactly 6:10 p.m., precisely the time Peter had originally scheduled and seven minutes faster than Peter's 12-hour target!

"Day" Hike to Villager and the Big Bunny at
Easter time
March 21, 2008
By Edith Liu



Dorothy Danziger on Rabbit Peak, March 21, 2008

Barely two days after the inimitable Mars Bonfire led two other hikers up the same route, Dorothy Danziger and I met him at the Thimble Trailhead at 3 am. The full moon provided enough light for the hike across the desert and up the so-called ramp, but gave us only a glimpse of the wildflowers. We were blessed with nearly perfect temperatures for hiking during the night and day light hours!

We reached Villager at 10 am and Rabbit at 2 pm. My GPS clocked 11.5 miles one way. Our spirit was high, but only until our knees rebelled during the long descent from Villager. What are the odd's of meeting hikers in this remote area late in the evening? About half way down we stumbled over tent lines and woke up two campers. And lo and behold, soon after this encounter, we saw lights moving across the desert floor. We met the two travelers at the wash, one of them delighted to finally meet Mars!

Dorothy and I took a long rest in the wash, enjoying the softness of the sand. We reached the car around 1 am. During the last half hour we just aimed for two lights, which turned out to be a reflection of moonlight on the cars.

Interestingly, the GPS stats from the hike Mars led earlier in the week coincided precisely with mine, suggesting the trek may be a bit longer than the HPS write-up mentions.

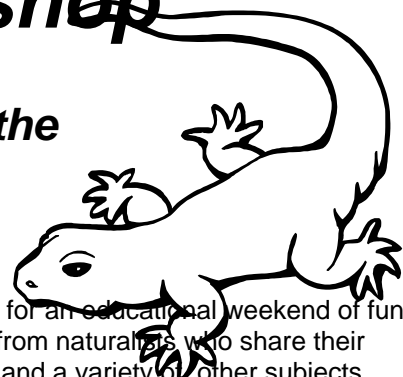
If these peaks can be done by two *mature* ladies in a day, (albeit quite a long day at 22 hours) any fit hiker could do it - some (Peter Doggett & his band of tigers) in half the time!

And to those you want to know how much water we carried: I started off with 3 quarts, which was more than enough because of the cool weather. The one-pint bottles came in handy for stashing along the way; but follow Mars' advice, pick VERY obvious and familiar spots or you won't find them in the dark!

Nature Knowledge Workshop



Sponsored by the
Natural Science Section of the
Sierra Club-Angeles Chapter
June 13-15, 2008



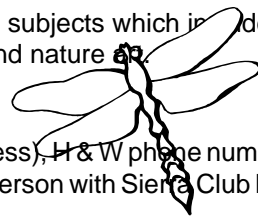
The Natural Science Section of the Sierra Club/Angeles Chapter invites you to join them for an educational weekend of fun and discovery in an outdoor natural setting. Learn about the wonders that surround you from naturalists who share their expertise in bird and mammal identification, ecology, geology, entomology, bats, botany and a variety of other subjects.

Location: A streamside camp in the San Bernardino Mtns. near Barton Flats.

Date: June 13-15, 2008 Friday evening through Sunday afternoon.

Cost: \$138 members/ \$158 non-members **Cost includes:**

- Two nights lodging in cabins: Dormitory cabins (6-8 people per cabin; bring your own sleeping bag) Tent or car camping also available.
- Six hearty meals cooked by the camp staff.
- Afternoon and evening hands-on workshops and instruction in a variety of subjects which include insects, birds, bats, geology, botany, ethnobotany, ecology, mammals, astronomy and nature art.
- 3 slow paced nature hikes in the forest, riparian and chaparral.
- **LTC credit available for Sierra Club Leaders**



To register: Send 2 large stamped self-addressed envelopes (or E-mail address), H & W phone numbers, names of ALL participants, and a check payable to "**Sierra Club, NSS**" for \$138 per person with Sierra Club Membership

or \$158 for non-members to:

Reservationist: Monica Donley, 5551 Mammoth Avenue, Sherman Oaks, CA 91401; 818-988-7192. Participants must be 13 years or older (under 18 accompanied by adult).

Leader: LIANA ARGENTO, (310-370-2950; lianaargento@hotmail.com). Asst Leaders: CLIFF & GABI MCLEAN (626-966-0580; gabi.mclean@verizon.net)

NSS Website: angeles.sierraclub.org/nss **Register early; space limited! RESERVATION DEADLINE: June 1, 2008**

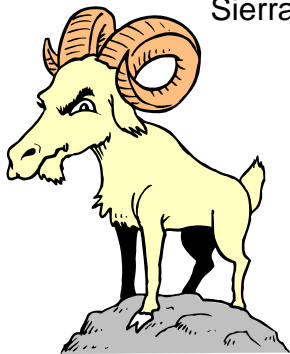
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REGISTER BOX

by Mark S. Allen

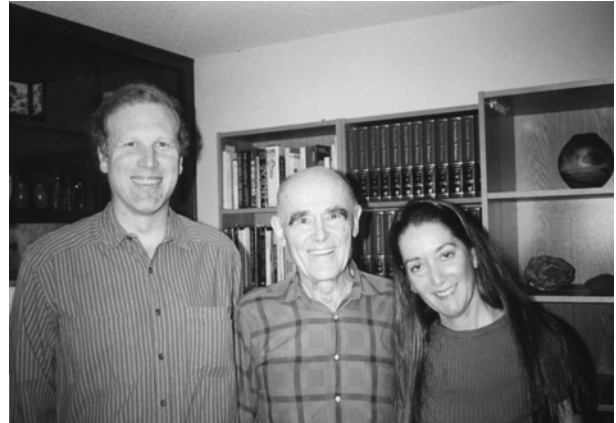
It is my pleasure to take over management of the Register Box effective this issue. Only one report was received, that by Tom Hill. Two deficient registers were found to be in excellent shape.

Missing and deficient registers:

3B Black Mtn. #3 deficient 1-07
3E Tehachapi Mtn. deficient 9-03
6C Fox Mtn. #1 missing 5-07
6H San Rafael Mtn. deficient 12-05
8C Sawtooth Mtn. deficient 6-06
9B Iron Mtn.#2 missing 4-07
11A Josephine Peak missing 6-04
11B Strawberry Peak deficient 1-08
11C Mt. Lawler missing 11-07
12A Mt. Deception missing 3-06
12B Mt. Disappointment missing 3-06
12C San Gabriel Peak missing 3-06
13D Will Thrall Peak missing 5-07
13E Pallet Mtn. missing 6-07
14A Waterman Mtn. missing 7-06
14G Throop Peak missing 11-07
16C Pine Mtn. #1 missing 5-07
16D Dawson Peak missing 5-07
16J Mt. Harwood missing 5-04
17B Ontario Peak missing 11-07
19C Sugarpine Mtn. missing 8-07
19F The Pinnacles missing 1-06
20A Round Mtn. missing 2-06
23H Three Sisters Peak missing 6-07
24D Anderson Peak deficient 7-07
24E Shields Peak deficient 7-07
24K Lake Peak missing 10-07
24L Grinnell Mtn. missing 10-07
27E Folly Peak missing 8-07
28H Palm View Peak missing 5-07

29C Cahuilla Mtn. deficient 1-07
32E Cuyamaca Peak missing 5-06

If you are climbing any of the above peaks, please consider bringing a new register can and book. If you discover a peak which needs a new register can, please let me know by mail addressed to **Mark S. Allen, 11381 Foster Rd., Los Alamitos, CA 90720. (562) 598-0329** or e-mail: markallen4341@socal.rr.com. Also, please advise if you have replaced any of the missing or deficient registers or discover that any of the above reports are erroneous or out of date.



Jim Adler, left, with Bill T. Russell and Patty Kline

Editor's note: Thank you, Jim Adler, for maintaining the Register Box feature for many, many years for the Hundred Peaks Section!

Birthdays in May and June

Carolyn Croker 05/01
Tina Bowman 05/02
Tom Armbruster 05/07
Chris Wu 05/09
Bruce A. Cristol 05/14
Ralph F. Miles Jr. 05/15
Jack Trager 05/16
Gordon Lindberg 05/18
Peter R. Mann 05/18
Casey Schreiner 05/21
Joseph Landau 05/23
Gary Bowen 05/24
Gail W. Hanna 05/25
Jim Adler 05/27

Michael McCarty 05/27
Carol Snyder 05/29
Michael Sandford 06/03
David F. Eisenberg 06/05
Michael Dougherty 06/06
Steve Smith 06/06
Cliff Jones 06/07
Jim Fujimoto 06/07
Philip Weinrich 06/10
Leslie Metcalfe 06/11
Shirley Akawie 06/11
Greg de Hoogh 06/12
Raymond Borun 06/13
Dan Richter 06/15

John S. Wells 06/15
Chris Waldheim 06/17
Sue Holloway 06/18
Peter Ireland 06/20
Gabriele Rau 06/20
Mary Anne Lower 06/20
Barry W. Holchin 06/20
Michael Sallwasser 06/22
Kathy Cheever 06/23
Peter H. Doggett 06/23
Marco P. Cadena 06/27
Peter Lara 06/29
Dave Cannon 06/29

**Hundred Peaks Section
Angeles Chapter
Management Committee Meeting Minutes**

Date: January 9, 2007

Location: Denny's Restaurant
5603 N. Rosemead Blvd.
Temple City, CA 91780

Attendance:

Management Committee Voting Members:

Name Position / Role Present
Wayne Bannister MRC Yes
Dave Comerzan Programs Yes
Greg Daly Secretary Yes
Greg DeHoogh Membership Yes
Jim Fleming Outings Yes
Karen Leverich Chair No
Wayne Vollaire Vice-Chair Yes
Others in Attendance:
Name Position / Role(if applicable)
Winnette Butler

Meeting called to order:

Wayne Vollaire called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
December 11, 2007 meeting minutes reviewed and approved as amended. MSP. A copy of the December meeting minutes will be attached to these minutes.

Committee Reports:

TREASURER:

Accept: Treasurer report as submitted by Sandy Burnside. MSP. A copy of the Treasurers report will be attached to the minutes. **MEMBERSHIP:**

Accept: Membership report dated January 2008 as submitted by Greg DeHoogh. MSP.

PROGRAMS:

Merchandise:

Banquet:

Date: January 19th, 2008

Speaker: None. Social event only.

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Items discussed included status of reservations (reservation count about where it is expected to be at this point in advance of the event), use of HPS pins from stock on award plaques, need for silent auction items, staffing of the front desk, protocol for handling requests to change dinner entrée selection. •

Decision to move dinner back to 7 pm and to inquire about including a vegetarian food selection.

Spring Fling:

Date: May 17th and 18th, 2008

Location: Big Bear area. Keller Hut.

The reservation form will be in the March/April Lookout.

Sufficient parking is available at the facility.

Pot luck dinner on Saturday night.

Decision to modify the flyer to indicate if the attendee is planning to stay at the lodge or will be day use only (could participate in pot luck but then stay in motel).

Waterman Rendezvous:

Date: July 26th, 2008

Need easy hikes leaders.

Annual Business Meeting:

Date: September 9, 2008

Location: Denny's in Temple City.

Fall Festival 2008

Dates: Sept. 27th and 28th, 2008

Location: Tillie Creek, located off Highway 155, so of Wofford Heights.

Selection based on availability for 2 nights, and proximity to peaks. Tillie Creek can handle 60 people, has showers and flush toilets, cost is \$137.50 / night for up to 60 people, 2 night stay required. With a \$9 reservation fee, the total cost is \$281.

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Other locations considered:

Greenhorn Mtn.: availability for 1 night only, cost is \$250 / night + \$25 application fee + \$400 security deposit.

Powers Wells: no facilities, no cost

Saddle at Black Mtn: no facilities, no cost

2009 Banquet:

Date: January 17, 2009, tentative pending availability of facility

Location: options discussed: Castaway in Burbank, TAIX, Via Verde, Pomona Valley, Brookside. Decision on which facility to pursue deferred pending discussions with membership to get feel for what they prefer.

Tentative decision not to pursue a speaker, but discussion deferred pending result of this year's banquet.

Outings:

Noted the 2008 was an excellent year for outings.

Waterman Rendezvous hikes needed by 3/10.

Discussion noted the recent notice in the Lookout about keeping currency in First Aid training.

MRC:

Discussion about the work that is ongoing to review, update and refresh the peak guides. This is a lengthy process. No actions at present time.

Next meeting: March 11, 2008 at Denny's in Temple City.

May meeting: May 16th at Keller Hut.

July meeting: July 8th at Newcomb's Ranch

Appointed positions as submitted by Karen Leverich (slate of appointments included in attachment to these minutes) approved. MSP.

Discussion of Lookout subscription management, including the possibility of making the Lookout a website download and changing the mailing (bulk rate vs. 1st class). No actions taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Gregory Daly

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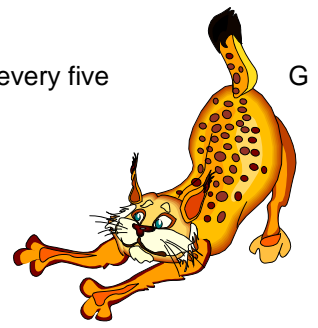
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