



MOUNTAINOUS INSURANCE ENDURES

MOUNTAINEERING INSURANCE STILL TOO EXPENSIVE

By Bob Kanne
ANGELES CHAPTER CHAIR

Liability insurance to cover mountaineering activities would have cost the Sierra Club an additional \$450,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year. At the September 16-17 Board of Directors meeting, it was decided that this was too much to pay for an activity that had 2500 participants.

Many remain skeptical of the validity of this figure. HPS received a request for information concerning our involvement in mountaineering long after the deadline for tabulating the results—how many others were similarly left out?

The Club's insurance broker, Johnson and Higgins, contacted 31 insurance companies in an effort to obtain competitive insurance offers. The insurers did take into consideration the Mountaineering Program Development Plan, which was developed by the Mountaineering Policy Task Force (Chaired by Bruce Knudtson). This six page Plan was designed to reduce the cost of insurance partly by requiring participants to sign liability waivers and be Club members.

Write to the Lookout if you would like to have a copy of BOD Agenda Item#16: Report of the Mountaineering Policy Task Force, Sept. 1989.

The broker reported that the plan "did have a positive impact on both terms and premium" but the five insurance offers that were received were still too expensive. The mountaineering community could have raised about \$50,000 by charging each registered mountaineering participant a \$25.00 annual fee, but that would have covered barely a tenth of the cost of mountaineering insurance. The Board seemed willing to give some subsidy to mountaineering, but \$400,000 was too much.

INSURANCE COSTS

The cost of insurance has gone up so dramatically because the Club's insurers have lost money on their business with the Club over the past six years. The insurance losses and loss reserves (expected settlements) have exceeded the premiums that the Club has paid by a factor of 1.63. The losses were the result of three rock climbing accidents, one major ice axe accident, an accident on a foreign outing, and a few smaller claims.

It's hard to believe that just seven years ago the Club's total insurance cost was less than \$75,000. This year's premium

Please turn to Insurance page 14

CONGRATULATIONS



100 PEAKS EMBLEM

Georgina Burns	San Gorgonio Peak	08/29/89	804
Russell Glavis	Rouse Hill	06/10/89	805
William Lien	Aquila Peak	10/15/88	806
Rocky Morton	Hines Peak	09/11/89	807

200 PEAKS BAR

Edmond R. Cokeley	South Peak	08/19/89	258
David F. Jensen	High Pt Palomar (LO)	08/27/89	259
David Eisenberg	Santiago Peak	08/30/89	260
Asher Waxman	Shields Peak	08/06/89	261
Alice Cahill	Black Mtn#1	09/23/89	262

LIST COMPLETION

Bob Emerick	Black Mtn#6	09/16/89	141
Roy Stewart	Pacifico Mtn	10/14/89	142
Tom Amneus	Hot Springs Mtn	10/08/89	143

SECOND LIST COMPLETION

Bob Emerick	Black Mtn#6	09/16/89	16
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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Evelyn De Chantillion
Sandra Dennison
Alan Dion
Patricia Dion
Robert L. Parker
Monica Parker
Paula Peterson
Bruce Peterson
Eric "Poindexter" Weinstein
Monalisa Ward

HPS ELECTION ISSUE

CONTAINS YOUR

OFFICIAL 1989 HPS BALLOT

Please have your choices
for By-Laws changes and
Management Committee
in by December 4.

HPS SOCIAL MEETINGS

PROGRAMS:

November 9

"Traveling by Eurorail
in Western Europe"

By Laura Webb

December 14

"Gray Whale Migration off Baja"

By Howard Stapleton

January 26

22ND ANNUAL HPS
PEAKBAGGERS BANQUET!!!
Reservationist: Dottie Rabinowitz

February 8

"The American Expedition
to Yalung Kang"
By Jim Farkas

MEET SECOND THURSDAYS AT 7:30PM
GRIFFITH PARK RANGER STATION
4730 CRYSTAL SPRINGS DRIVE
Refreshments Served

HIKING SHORTS

New Record

Bob Emerick finished the HPS List on Black Mountain#6 at 7:26AM September 16. He finished the List for the second time later that same day on the same peak at 9:59AM. As a warm up he finished the SPS List at 12:07AM on Mount Morgan#1, and to cool off he finished the DPS List on East Ord Mountain. Bob believes: "this establishes two firsts in the Club, having four List Completion climbs on the same day and completing the HPS List twice in the same day."

☞ Congratulations Bob!

Our Banquet

Our 22nd Annual Peakbagger's Award Banquet will be celebrated Friday evening, January 26, 1990 at the Freres Taix Restaurant, 1911 Sunset Boulevard, near Alvarado. Doors open at 6:30PM for socializing, with a no host bar. Dinner will be served beginning at 8:00PM. Noise-makers, funny hats, cameras and generally silly behavior are not only tolerated but the rule. After a tradition-rich HPS ceremony including awards, raffled prizes and more, our main Program will be: "HPS—the Early Years". It will be presented by a consortium of senior peakbaggers. HPS merchandise will of course be available. Please send your SASE and check for \$18.00 per person, to cover all the wine you can drink and reasonably good food (specify your choice of entree: chicken, beef or vegetarian) to the Reservationist Dotty Rabinowitz, P. O. Box 5488, Mission Hills, CA 91345. Make sure your ticket order is in by January 22.

HPS Historical Photos

Social Chair and Section Historian Joe Young is once again busy coordinating our Banquet slide show for the third time this decade. He is desperately seeking the help of all "old hands" at the 100 Peaks Game. He needs submissions, loans, gifts, (any and all) precious objects to duplicate, etc—that in any way visually document the wonderful "early days" of our HPS. Sam Fink and Dick Worsford have already offered their aid. Anyone else with anything going back to the 50's should leave word with Joe at 213/251-3600 immediately! Please!

You better be good

You better not pout, you better not cry, and henceforth we will all have to watch how loud we complain about the difficulty of a given route or the pace set by a Leader. Because the Angeles Chapter has just approved a modification to the Rules of Conduct for outings that will allow the exclusion of certain participants at the trailhead based on a Leader's experience with their past conduct. Uh oh.

Toxic waste

On September 17, our National Board of Directors voted to reject the still very high bids from all insurance companies for mountaineering coverage for 1990. Then why, does a Club that has so turned its back on the mountains, and the rewards that our founder John Muir discovered there, still continue to misappropriate photos of climbing activities as a marketing ploy for the "Sierra Club Trail Calendar 1990" And why in the name of decency is an abomination called the "Sierra Club Catalog 1989-1990" (known as a hemorrhage on our treasury since its ill-considered beginnings, and a prime cause ever since, of the grave losses necessitating a tightened fiscal belt) still being continued? Why?

May we suggest that items such as "soft cuddly Panda", or the "endangered species T-shirts" don't belong? What imagined history can the Club claim for the ridiculous inclusion of orangutans, cheetahs, rhinos, tigers, koala bears, and green sea turtles as somehow representative of our uniqueness? A statement in this unwelcome junk-mail asserts that "Outings have been an important part of the Sierra Club almost from the beginning" but fails to add that the loss of so many of them recently has been caused by the continued existence of this same catalog. The images in this despised folio are made obscene next to a quote from Muir—"Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as the sunshine flows into trees." We are very disappointed in the National Board and its current trashy priorities. Thanks, but no thanks, we'd rather have the Sierra back. But if not just yet, then why not a mountaineer T-shirt with John Muir's face labeled "endangered species"?

Globedope

The Club has agreed to become one of the sponsors of the "Globescope Pacific Conference and Public Hearings" to be held at the Biltmore Hotel, October 31 to November 5. Slated participants include Michael Deland of the Center for Environmental Quality as the main speaker Thursday night, Sierra Club President Cellarius will participate in a panel on toxic waste, also present will be various third world leaders, Jimmy Carter, John Denver, and Robert Redford. Free "Globemart" exhibits will be manned by assorted environmental organizations. Lunches will be \$25. Dinners will be \$35. Cost for registration for the entire event is \$250, or \$50 per day. Call 714/754-4515 for more info.

Joyce Coleman

Until the ExCom picks a new Conservation Chair, Joyce will be filling-in. She was once HPS and deserves our support and best wishes.

Their Banquet

Bill Oliver invites us all to come to the SPS Banquet on Wednesday, December 13 at the Proud Bird Restaurant, 11022 Aviation Blvd, just east of LAX (1/2 mile west of the 405 between Century and Imperial). The program will be "Early California Climbs with Glen Dawson and Jules Eichorn". Cocktails at 6:00PM and Dinner at 7:00PM. Tickets are \$20.00 by advance purchase only. Please make your check payable to the SPS and include an SASE by December 7 to the Banquet Chair: Bruce Parker, 3377 Wilshire Blvd., #102-68, LA CA 90010. For more info contact Bill at 213/838-5156.

Oh yeah?—take this!

Surprising no one but our own SMMTF, Marvin Braude has "defected" back to his own original position in favor of widening and paving Reseda Boulevard to Mulholland. Because of the many firm official denials to the contrary, we may soon expect the road to continue to the sea. Then it's goodbye eastern Santa Monicas, and hello Ticky-tacky Estates.

As a result, our Chapter ExCom is attempting to retrench against the shmucks by drawing a new line in the ground, with yet another new resolution. "The Angeles Chapter of the Sierra Club opposes the widening, straightening or paving of the currently unpaved portion of Mulholland between Encino Hills Drive to the east and Saltillo Drive to the west." Given our current level of effectiveness in this area, that should really scare them.

Wedding Bells!

Mr. Ron Jones, Esq. and Ms. Leora Stoler on November 4! In a helicopter?

Yay!

The ExCom recently declined a sleazy opportunity to drop our lawsuit opposing the Whizzin (Renaissance Faire) property near Paramount Ranch. The Club also sneered at the slimy \$50,000 they offered us to do so. The Club will continue to pursue the lawsuit.

Errata

Mea culpa: check the List Completion dates in the last issue (#133-137 did it in 1988), also my apologies to Don Tidwell who alone originated the idea for the HPS Olympics.

P.S.

This is my last issue. I've loved doing this and you know I hate to leave, but I must move on.
—Louis Quirarte 30-30-30

FEATURES



MOUNTAIN MERCHANDISE

■ **STING EZE.** "Quick relief from insect bites. Stops pain, itching, swelling. Concentrated formula. 1 or 2 drops does it." Net Wt. 5 fl. oz. \$2.50

There was a product briefly on the market called "Bite stick" (test marketed locally only at the Sports Chalet). It worked much better but it's no longer available. The same manufacturer (Wisconsin Pharmacal) is instead concentrating on producing this stuff. It's only marginally better than nothing at all. But that's miles ahead of all the other similar notions available. The trick in using this stuff is getting it on your bite as fast as possible. Unintentional tests with normal creepy crawlies and buzzing dive-bombers bear out the manufacturers claim that "1 or 2 drops does it"—if you manage to act quickly enough. Even then it takes a good 10 or 15 minutes for the camphor, phenol, and benzocaine to work, but they eventually get around to it. The nice thing is that so used, you can almost forget about the bite altogether. If on the other hand, you let a bite swell for a few hours (as Dottie Rabinowitz did recently), this stuff will prove to be too little too late. The yellow bottle is small and pocket-portable and the green cap doesn't leak.

BOOKS

Walt Wheelock. *Southern California Peaks*. Glendale, CA: La Siesta Press, 1973. 48p. \$1.95

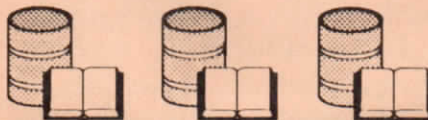
Walt Wheelock, HPS founding member, first Chair, and the legendary hiker who helped scout many of our write-ups, wrote this dandy little companion to our Official HPS Peak Guides. It is reviewed here in the belief that it may have escaped the notice it deserves by newer members of the Section. Its quaint 40's graphics cause it to fade when placed in competition with more recent hiking guides. An update would be much appreciated, a redesign would help sell it, but just the way it is, this pamphlet is still the best quick overview of many of our local peaks.

Included is a representative selection of 98 of our current listed Peaks plus a tantalizing selection of delisted summits from long ago such as Toro Peak, Table Mtn, and the first peak ever scaled by white men in southern California (Mt McGill), plus summits that heretofore have not qualified due to By-Laws restrictions (such as Sadie Hawkins, Grey Tahquitz, or North Peak). Each peak is grouped with small, but useful, area driving maps. Each write-up mentions peak name, elevation, topo map, and a instructions sufficient to get to the summit with a little luck. After all these years—still a must have on any hiker's bookshelf.

MONEY

By Mike Sandford

	BALANCE:	Savings	Checking	Cash	Total
9/31/89	\$21,308.81	\$14,795.53	\$57.58	\$3667.92	
RECEIPTS					
Inv. Sales	0.00	126.00	532.20	0.00	
Members	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	
Donations	0.00	00.00	13.85	0.00	
Pk Guides	0.00	164.70	0.00	0.00	
Bank Credit	0.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	
Map Sales	0.00	246.75	0.00	0.00	
Interest	27.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL	27.02	614.75	564.05	1187.82	
DISBURSEMENTS:					
Office exp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Mailing	0.00	67.33	0.00	0.00	
Donation	0.00	284.00	0.00	0.00	
Printing	0.00	376.91	0.00	0.00	
Refreshments	0.00	180.00	40.84	0.00	
Bank Charges	0.00	7.20	0.00	0.00	
Pk Guides	0.00	0.00	23.05	0.00	
TOTAL	0.00	915.44	63.89	979.33	
BALANCE:					
7/31/89	\$2157.83	\$1178.84	\$539.74	\$3876.41	



THE REGISTER BOX

By Jim Adler

REGISTERS NEEDED:

Nicolls Peak/ 2C: deficient
Mayan Peak/ 2I: missing
McKinley Mtn/ 6F: missing
Round Top/ 10H: missing
Josephine Peak/ 11A: decrepit
Barley Flats/ 11D: decrepit
Kratka Ridge/ 14K: missing
San Sevalne/ 17H: decrepit
Delamar Mtn/ 21E: decrepit
Bertha Peak/ 21G: missing
Onyx Peak#1/ 23G: missing
Lilly Rock/ 28A: missing
Tahquitz Peak/ 28B: missing
Eagle Crag/ 31A: missing
Stonewall Peak/ 32F: missing

If you're 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 Jim Adler, 10726 Woodbine Street #3, Los Angeles, CA 90034, or phone: 213/838-0524. Also, please advise me 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. (Since Register Books and pencils are so easy to carry, Peaks where only books or pencils are needed will not be listed.)

I've received no Register can reports over the last two months. What's the matter? Doesn't anyone want to climb Mayan in August?

▲ Anyone seeking the whereabouts of the Register atop Pacifico Mtn should contact Bobcat Thompson



PEAK AND CHEWS

HPS RESTAURANT REVIEWS

If you come across a restaurant you think is worth note please write to us so that your review may be included.

PEPE'S MEXICAN FOOD

927 FOOTHILL BLVD, LA CAÑADA, CA 91011.
 818/790-3670 Weekend hours: 11AM to 11PM Saturday, 10AM to 11PM Sunday.

Ever get the real bad hungries while driving down the Angeles Crest Highway on the way home? The trail mix and the warm water in your canteen just couldn't hold you till dinner? It's still a long way home? About then, the thought of an interior filled with esatz Mexican curios, TV on KMEX, air reeking of grease, slow service and cold beer sets your stomach churning with eager anticipation? Suffer no more. If you can wait as long as the La Cañada carpool point, just drive a few short blocks south, turn left at the last driveway before you reach Foothill, then barrel down an alley and you're there. Yum.

Everything from tacos and enchiladas and all vegetarian offerings to more chichi Tex Mex items like fajitas. All served long after you've eaten the very last corn chip in the second basket that the disinterested waitress grudgingly brings you. But it's worth it. The beer is ice cold (you have your choice of latin favorites such as Carta Blanca, Dos Equis, Bohemia, and Superior. They also have a really good variety of margaritas and Mexican coffees.

There's none of the forced hilarity of a glorified fast-food joint like a "Red Onion". It's more like the sort of hang out you remember going to in high school with your friends. Best of all they're used to all of us wierd HPS types hanging out forever and ever. They also have a bar if that's all you want, but I've never seen anyone use it. Beware of the back entrance—or you'll loose your appetite, but most dishes are under \$8.00 when you get it back.

Recently, Laura Webb arrived early one afternoon and went from one HPS table to the next, socializing the day away. She was still coherent when my gang arrived later that evening. She announced her feat—half proudly, half quizzically. No one thought it strange. Because at Pepe's everything is so normal nothing seems odd. It's a great way to come down from a peak. Try it after your next hike, but only if you have no other plans that night.

Rating: ★★

—Louis Quirarte

Change

As the eighties end we enter the last decade of a millenium. Will it be the end of an era or the beginning of one? What will we experience? A lot perhaps will seem unchanged. Very little will be really new. But a few things that outwardly will seem to have altered will merely be in the process of outer change so that they may continue as they were meant to. Something like that is hopefully happening inside the Sierra Club right now. We're changing. We've seemingly lost a great deal recently. But we have reason to believe that this is appearance only. That we're regrouping and reorganizing for renewal. For example, as expected, our Club recently was forced by circumstance to pass this resolution:

"THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENDS THE MOUNTAINEERING POLICY TASK FORCE FOR ITS PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT REGRETS THAT THE NON-AVAILABILITY OF ADEQUATE AND AFFORDABLE INSURANCE PRECLUDES OFFICIAL REINSTITUTION OF THE PROGRAM AT THIS TIME. WE URGE THE MOUNTAINEERING COMMITTEE TO KEEP ALIVE THE SPIRIT OF MOUNTAINEERING UNTIL SUCH A TIME AS CONDITIONS ALLOW US TO REINSTATE THE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD DIRECTS THE NATIONAL OUTING COMMITTEE AND THE COUNCIL OUTING COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER THE VALUE AND APPLICABILITY OF SIMILAR POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR POSSIBLE IMPLEMENTATION IN THOSE PROGRAMS AS WELL." —Sandy Tepfer and Andrea Bonnette

The Board accepted the second Mountaineering Task Force Recommendations. But recognized that (1) at this time we can't afford any high-risk outings at the prices now offered by any insurance company, and (2) that if we reinstituted such outings without adequate protection we would court financial disaster. But note the final sentence: it is not trivial. For the first time this evidences a willingness on the part of our Club to directly address the anarchy of our outings program nationwide, and shows a desire to correct it. This seeming footnote to the internment of mountaineering may prove to be the the first stage of its renewal. It offers hope of preserving our best—the direct experience of the Nature we seek to preserve—while collaterally reducing risk through more careful preparation, training, and standards.

This resolution signals an epochal shift in that our National Board suggests for the first time that Club outings nationwide should be subject to the same care and energy that we heretofore have expended elsewhere. Thereby the Club shows itself to be both new in attitude and yet true to its beginnings.

Next year there is still the very great hope that Lawrence Downing's third Task Force (specifically charged with the investigation of setting up a separate Outings Corporation, and still unheard from) will present the Board with a workable plan for restructuring the Club. If and when all this happens: required waivers, uniform safety and training standards, and a separate outing entity—then we should expect to be viewed differently by our guarantors and Club members may expect to regain their freedom of the hills. But it will be awhile, and those of us that love the Sierra will need to direct our energies toward continually reminding the Board of the necessity for these changes. In the mean time, the RCS is gone, there'll be no BMTC this year, and many senior Club members are busy envisioning new entities outside of the Club that alone for the moment will "keep alive the spirit of mountainering".

Change is always unsettling for it carries with it the threat of our own demise. But we are after all the Sierra Club, and we know how to solve problems. We may be a little different for this experience, but stronger and ready for the tests of the Nineties.

—Louis Quirarte

FROM THE CHAIR

By Tom Armbruster



Please write to one of our National Directors, expressing support or making constructive suggestions on the work of the Mountaineering Policy Task Force.

This Task Force is headed by Bruce Knudtson, an active mountaineer who ran for the National Board last spring. Bruce bagged peaks in Southern California until last year, when he moved to San Francisco. He can be reached at P. O. Box 6643, Santa Maria CA 93456-6643, 805/736-8468.

Knudtson's group has proposed restoring mountaineering to the Club by (1) running all mountaineering outings under the aegis of a national Club group, (2) carefully defining several words that describe mountaineering, so all can know what's being said, (3) reducing risk by requiring participants to sign a carefully crafted waiver, (b) requiring standardized training and registration for mountaineering participants, (5) possibly setting up the national mountaineering effort as a separate group, something like the Sierra Club Defence Fund, that would be controlled by the Club, but legally distinct from it.

The bad news is that the effort is moot, until we find an insurer willing to take us on for considerably less money. To help make this happen, Knudtson's group again has suggested setting up an affiliated, but legally isolated national organization to run mountaineering activities.

The Report's current draft would "permit each Club entity to run its own mountaineering program, under the "confines of basic criteria" set up nationally. However, it goes on to say that protecting the Club from liability losses and large insurance premiums "might best be accomplished" by setting up a "legally isolated corporation for outing activities," and it "recommends" that this be pursued "aggressively".

PLEASE VOTE!

Meanwhile closer to home I encourage each HPS member to mail in their ballots for the HPS Management Committee and proposed by-laws changes. The ballot (which is due by December 4) is in this issue.

Be sure to vote as well in the upcoming Angeles Chapter Election

HPS Peaks
in or near
areas being
considered
for inclusion
in the Desert
Protection
Act:

Mt Jenkins (1J)
Scodie Mtn (2F)
Black Mtn#6 (2N)
Chaparossa Pk (23I)
Kitching Pk (25I)
Galena Pk (25G)
Quail Mtn (26B)
Queen Mtn (26C)
Ryan Mtn (26D)
Asbestos Mtn (30A)
Sheep Mtn (30B)
Martinez Mtn (30C)
Santa Rosa Mtn (30D)
Rabbit Pk#2 (30F)
Villager Pk (30G)
Rosa Pt (30H)

CALIFORNIA DESERT PROTECTION

YES

CELEBRATE THE GREAT
AMERICAN DESERT
H.R.780/S.11

California Desert
Protection Act Hearings
November 11

Adds 1,333,000
acres to existing
Nat Monument

**Proposed
DEATH VALLEY
NATIONAL
PARK**

Preserves 4,500,000
acres of BLM lands as
new wilderness areas

Barstow

Establishes new
1,500,000 acre
National Park

For participants at Barstow
Eldon Hughes will have
special new Desert Bill
T-shirts with above
design by Louis
Quirarte

**Proposed
EAST MOJAVE
NATIONAL
PARK**

Adds 245,000
acres to existing
Nat Monument

San Geronio

**HPS
Wilderness
Study
Areas**

Santa Rosa

**Proposed
JOSHUA TREE
NATIONAL
PARK**

LA

"Cranston-
Levine is...
the real
'People's
Bill'"

—L A Times

CONSERVATION

By Wynne Benti

We need you in Barstow, 11/11/89!

House Subcommittee Field Hearings are to take place. We need people to come and show their support in force by holding signs and cheering on those who will be giving testimony on the desert. The hearing will take place between 9:00AM and 6:00PM. The exact location has yet to be announced.

400 spaces in campsites outside of town have been reserved. Members of the California Desert Protection League [this includes Sierra Club members] will be cooking dinner (donations accepted) following the hearings. Sunday, several hikes will be led into surrounding areas. I will be leading a Sunday-Monday climb of Edgar (aka Providence) and Mitchell with the assistance of Asher Waxman.

Sign-up sheets are being circulated at Section meetings. Those who sign up will be notified by mail a week prior to the hearings of the exact location and time in Barstow and any additional info.

CDPL Hotline 213/387-1847: for those who don't sign-up, but find that they can attend, please call the hotline a week prior to the hearings for a recorded message of location and time. If you have any additional questions or would like to get your name on a sign-up sheet, call me at 818/352-4043.

Tortoise Quarantine starts!

59 square miles of the Mojave Desert have been closed to off-roaders, hikers, and herd grazing in an emergency quarantine aimed at protecting the tortoise. Fifty percent of the steadily decreasing population of desert tortoises are being lost per year. If this decrease continues, the tortoise will be extinct within five years or less.

Yosemite Centennial year begins!

100 years ago John Muir fought and succeeded to set aside some of the most beautiful wilderness in the Sierra Nevada as Yosemite National Park. The year-long celebration will culminate with a week-long environmental symposium in Yosemite in October 1990.

Keep those testimonies coming in!

The HPS adopted the Santa Rosa and San Geronio Wilderness Study Areas. Recently Ron Jones and Lou Brecheen led a scheduled trip to Galena and Kitching on the edge of the San Geronio wilderness additions. Lou wrote about his observations of this area [see Footnotes Section] which I submitted to Editor Earl Giddings of the CDPL to be included into the books about these proposed wilderness areas.



HPS Management Committee Candidates for 1990

❖ RICK ANGLIN

Joined HPS: 1986

• HPS SERVICE

M-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Attorney

❖ LOU BRECHEEN

Joined HPS: 1977

HPS List Finisher

• HPS SERVICE

M-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Retired

❖ STAG BROWN

Joined HPS: 1973

HPS 200 Peaks Bar

• CHAPTER AWARDS

Outings Service Award 1979

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Vice-Chair/Outings-Safety

Past HPS Chair 1984

HPS Chair 1983

Social Chair 1979, 1981, 1982

Council Representative 1977

M-rated Leader.

#3 All-time most HPS hikes led

• HPS AWARDS

Leadership Award 1979

Special Award 1984

• OCCUPATION

Counsellor

❖ RON JONES

Joined HPS: 1974

HPS List Finisher

• CHAPTER SERVICE

Incumbent Chair: TSAC

• CHAPTER AWARDS

Special Service 1988

Outings Leadership 1985

Outings Service 1979

• HPS SERVICE

E-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Retired

❖ PATTY KLINE

Joined HPS: 1982

HPS 100 Peaks Emblem

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Past HPS Chair

HPS Chair 1988

Social Chair 1987

HPS I-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Dental Hygienist

❖ CHARLIE KNAPKE

Joined HPS: 1986

HPS List Finisher

• HPS SERVICE

Adopt-a trail Coordinator 1989

HPS I-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Electrical Engineer

❖ LOUIS QUIRARTE

Joined HPS: 1986

HPS 100 Peaks Emblem

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Lookout Editor

Lookout Editor 1988

Incumbent Publications Comm Chair

O-rated Leader

• OCCUPATION

Art Director

❖ JULIE RUSH

Joined HPS: 1987

HPS 100 Peaks Emblem

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Mailer

Mailer 1988

• OCCUPATION

Educator.

❖ LAURA WEBB

Joined HPS: 1985

HPS 200 Peaks Bar

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Secretary

• OCCUPATION

Federal Employee

❖ JOE YOUNG

Joined HPS: 1971

HPS List Finisher

• CHAPTER AWARDS

Special Service Award 1984

• HPS SERVICE

Incumbent Social Chair

Incumbent Historian

Vice-Chair/Outings-Safety 1975

M-rated Leader.

#9 All-time most HPS hikes led

• HPS AWARDS

R. S. Fink Service Award 1989

Leadership Award 1985

Special Award 1984

• OCCUPATION

Civil Engineer

Proposed HPS Peak List and By-Laws Changes

Addition to the HPS Peak List

SKINNER PEAK

Argument in Favor

Good four mile, 1800' gain hike from Big Bird Pass on the PCT to the summit. Excellent views on route and summit of southern Sierra, San Gabriels, San Bernardino ranges. Unique area—southern end of Scodie Mountains. An excellent peak!

ALAN COLES

No argument against submitted.

PROPOSITION #1:

PEAK CRITERIA

Argument in favor

There are two reasons to support the

recommended By-Law change deleting the requirement of 1,000 feet of gain for the addition of a new Peak. One is that there are many worthy Peaks which could be added which meet the remaining criteria called for in the By-Laws. The second is that the Management Committee and the membership itself retain the ultimate responsibility in determining which peaks may be added to the List.

The "From the Chair" column of HPS Chair Tom Armbruster in the July/August 1989 Lookout describes some of the peaks including 10,997' Bighorn Peak, which await adding to the List. Bighorn Peak involves 5,000' of gain if climbed via the Vivian Creek Trail, a strenuous climb by any measure. And it's just under 11,000' elevation, which would

make it one of the highest peaks on our List. But it can't even be considered for addition because it is deemed too close to San Geronio by our current By-Laws.

Second, the possibility that frivolous peaks could be added is blunted by the fact that the Management Committee, entrusted by the membership to govern the Section, can accept or reject proposals to recommend Peak additions for the ballot. And, of course, the membership always reserves the final say in any proposed addition to the List.

JOE YOUNG BOB THOMPSON DOTTIE RABINOWITZ
STAG BROWN BETTY QUIARTE MIKE SANDFORD
ART SCHAIN KEATS HAYDEN TOM ARMBRUSTER
LAURA WEBB ROY STEWART NAMI BROWN

No argument against submitted.

PROPOSITION#2: PATHFINDER EMBLEM

Argument in favor

We urge you to vote YES on HPS Proposition #2, which would create the Pathfinder Emblem Award.

We have at present, 270 peaks on the List. The Peak write-ups describe one primary route for bagging the Peaks, and a few write-ups describe a secondary route for selected peaks. But almost all peaks can be bagged by more than one route.

Credit should be afforded those Leaders and followers who are willing to explore, innovate and otherwise demonstrate creativity by conceiving non-standard routes up peaks. For example, the various climbs of Big Iron from the south ridge (primary route), from Baldy, or from the north or west ridges, would be considered climbs of Big Iron by different routes for the Pathfinder Emblem. But so would easier peaks such as San Gabriel Peak from Lake Avenue via Inspiration Point, or via the Disappointment Road from Red Box. These too, should be considered different routes for Pathfinder status.

Leading Peaks from different road heads over different routes is a logical extension of the HPS game and is worthy of recognition.

Questions about details of any particular alternative routes (in particular, whether two routes were sufficiently different) would be resolved by the Management Committee.

JOE YOUNG BOB THOMPSON DOTTIE RABINOWITZ
STAG BROWN ROY STEWART MIKE SANDFORD
NAMI BROWN KEATS HAYDEN TOM ARMBRUSTER
LAURA WEBB LOUIS QUIRARTÉ FRANK DOBOS
PATTY KLINE BETTY QUIRARTÉ RUTH LEE DOBOS
DON TIDWELL

Argument Against

The concept of the Pathfinder Emblem is a worthy one for inclusion in the Hundred Peaks Game. It is consistent with the Section's purpose of exploring the mountains of Southern California. However, the wording of this Proposition could lead to a great deal of confusion. For example, what constitutes "two different routes". Is starting from different trail-heads sufficient? Would climbing Mount Islip from Islip saddle and Pine Hollow qualify? How about Ross Mountain from Vincent Gap and Ross from Dawson Saddle? Do these two trips qualify as four since Mount Baden-Powell has to be climbed each time?

Another problem is the determination as to whether the List of Routes climbed qualifies for Emblem Status. This Proposition gives authority to the Management Committee to validate the List and confirm status. What criteria will it use?

Should the Management Committee review each List submitted and debate its worthiness? How will you know if the route you are climbing will qualify?

I suggest that this Proposition be voted down. But I also strongly encourage the 1990 Management Committee to pursue the idea and present to the membership on the 1990 ballot a proposal that will include some guidelines as to the qualification of different routes, will insure consistency through the years as well as encouraging the exploration of new quality routes up our peaks.

JON SHELTON

Rebuttal in favor

The purpose of this Proposition is not to specify every peak route, or to wearily itemize shades of difference. "Two different routes" is not ambiguous. It means: distinct, unlike, or separate. Beyond a similar use of the common language, we further trust that the individual probity and honor of anyone achieving this extremely difficult goal will allow a personal perception of "having done it right". We anticipate that all future Management Committees will accept this view as sufficient.

Our Section permits a great deal of latitude in the manner of achieving its peaks, and it does so in a spirit of serious fun. We need not ask for more, either from our members, or from the By-Laws that lightly but deftly guide us.

This Award has been long considered and carefully debated. We have procrastinated long enough. It will be a very good thing for the Section. Let's vote it in now. Vote YES on 2.

LOUIS QUIRARTÉ

PROPOSITION#3: RECORD KEEPING

Argument in favor

It is the responsibility of the Membership Committee to maintain all records of the Section's membership, including "inactive member" files. At present there is no limit to how long these should be kept. Some files have been inactive for over 15 years. It is my position that "inactive member" files be maintained for five years from the last year of renewal. If members wish to reinstate after that period they may re-submit their applications and Peak Lists. But maintaining a file of individuals (who may no longer wish to be involved) for an unlimited period is both cumbersome and unnecessary. This change will assist in updating our current files and make it easier to maintain accurate records in the future. I urge you to vote YES in Proposition 3

BETTY SNOW QUIRARTÉ

No argument against submitted.

PROPOSITION#4: MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT

Argument in favor

Very few people join the Section and then go on to complete their Hundred Peaks in under a year. That's three new peaks every other week for a year. On the other hand, doing 100 or more and then joining is becoming much more frequent. A few become active members at this point. But too often someone who desires to have nothing to do with the Section or its goals, decides to submit his peaks and \$7.00 and is never heard from again. If this is not improper it is at the very least impolite. Both parties suffer in such a transaction.

There is nothing stopping hikers from doing their peaks alone, and privately knowing that they have achieved a personal goal. But when they submit a List to the HPS it is a singular admission on their part that they are willing to have that List considered by us and then accepted with all the honor and privileges that our history, traditions, and group integrity may confer. In addition to personal achievement they wish our group to confer a part of its prestige onto them.

A one year membership requirement is a significant but short enough time period to become sensitized to the values we espouse and the reasons why we have continued and prospered for so long. Otherwise the Emblem and all subsequent awards are in increasing danger of being cheapened. For similar reasons, this requirement has already been found necessary by our fellow Sierra Peaks and Desert Peaks Sections.

Our awards are for more than just lists of hill-tops banged off like targets in a video arcade. The HPS is not running a mail-order diploma mill. Please consider a vote of YES on Proposition 4

LOUIS QUIRARTÉ JOE YOUNG BOB THOMPSON
TOM NEELEY PATTY KLINE STEVE ZOSCHKE

Argument Against

A climber who gets 100 Peaks in eight or ten months should get the Emblem right away and not have to wait for the full year to pass. I suggest a NO vote.

TOM ARMBRUSTER

PROPOSITION#5: TEMPORARY PEAK DELISTING

Argument in Favor

If a climber is one Peak short of List Completion and that Peak develops a private property access problem, the climber is stuck until the next election. This proposal provides an avenue for him to get List Completion Status right away.

TOM ARMBRUSTER

No argument against submitted.

**Please Vote on Self-mail Ballot Only.
Return Ballot to the Elections Committee
by December 5, 1989—thank you!**

**Twin Peaks and Waterman Mtn
7/15/89**

**Leaders: Tom Armbruster
and Micky Thayer**

By Tom Armbruster

Sixteen people showed up for a hot day in the San Gabriels. To head off problems, I asked everyone how much water they had with them at the start, and I extended my usual hourly breaks from 10 to 15 minutes. Luckily, we were above the smog the whole day, and the temperature didn't get above the low 80's.

We climbed the high point of Twin Peaks first. One member signed out to climb the lower of the pair, to the west. Later he reported that there was a Register on it, collecting signatures at about a third of the rate of the summit that we list.

Bighorn sheep have been seen in the area. I had my hopes up, but despite having finished the List, I had never seen a bighorn. But we didn't spot any.

On the way back, two people signed out to go faster, and at the junction near the top of Waterman, six more decided to forgo it and head straight back to the cars. The eight of us remaining, went on to Waterman. When we got there, we decided to go back by the western half of the loop route down. It's shorter but steeper than the way we came up.

Taking this route was lucky: it turned out that the ski lift was running and they didn't charge for the downhill trip.

**San Bernardino Peak, Anderson
Peak, San Bernardino East Peak,
Shields Peak and Charlton Peak
8/5-6/89**

**Leaders: Ron Jones
Lou Brecheen**

By Ron Jones

Six of us met Saturday morning at the Forsee Ridge trailhead to start this beautiful weekend. We were unable to get a permit to camp at High Meadowspring so we instead backpacked to Trail Forks Springs (10,400 feet).

It was an uneventful hike, the campsite was nearly empty and we dayhiked to Anderson and San Bernardino East easily enough. We returned to camp with more than three hours of daylight remaining.

This was the first California backpack for Alejandro Gonzales, a visiting student from Spain, and we introduced him to the usual and some unusual hor d'oeuvres.

The night was gorgeous with great views into the Santa Ana River Valley

and the Big Bear area. The next morning we were off after sunlight hit our camp and Asher Waxman climbed his 200th HPS Peak with Shields Peak. After climbing Charlton and returning to our cars in Angeles Oaks, we celebrated as Asher provided for us with all the beer we wanted before our return home. Thanks to the participants: David Eisenberg and Roger Burry in addition to the others named for a good trip, to Asher for a well-laid campfire, and special thanks to Lou Brecheen for his usual good assist.

✍️ Congratulations Asher!

**HPS "Beat the Heat" Backpack:
Mt Baden-Powell, Mt Burnham,
Mt Hawkins and Mt Islip
8/12-13/89**

**Leaders: Bob Thompson,
Stag Brown**

By Bob Thompson

Nine Happy Wanderers met at 7:00AM in La Cañada. We carpoled and met again at a point 2 1/5 miles east of Islip Saddle where we left three cars for later use. Then it was on to Vincent Gap at the base of Mount Baden Powell where we began our ascent up the Pacific Crest Trail about 8:45AM. Up, up, up on a beautiful Summer morning in the high mountains, all attaining the lofty summit of Baden-Powell by 11:00AM. Here we met dozens of other day-hikers and spent 45 minutes on top for an early lunch. We watched the lazy gliders soaring overhead with their eerie whistle as they glided effortlessly overhead.

After saying good-bye to our good friend, Lord [Lieutenant General Robert Stephenson Smyth] Baden-Powell [1st Baron of Gilwell, Chief Scout of the World, 1857-1941], we continued down the west ridge, rejoining the PCT in about a half mile, and enjoyed the views up and down this great roller coaster ridge, being motivated from the rear by Stag; finally reaching Mount Burnham. After the traditional "sign-in" at the top, we then continued westward again and reached Throop Peak's summit about 1:30PM. A couple of hikers waited on the southwest slopes of the peak on the PCT for our return.

After enjoying a shady snack, it was "wagons ho westward" to Mount Hawkins for a second lunch on top at about 2:30PM. We enjoyed more gliders overhead and identified about twenty peaks on "The List" around us. After about 45 minutes, we descended via the steep west ridge of Mount Hawkins, back to the PCT and on down to Windy Gap. Here we left the PCT and hiked north-

ward down the steep gully one third mile to our cars. We retrieved the cars at Vincent Gap and brought them to this point where we stuffed our backpacks with goodies needed for a great evening at Little Jimmy Campground—including "fire-logs" provided by Mike "roadrunner" Baldwin and Sandy "blue-bird" Houston. We trudged steeply back up a use trail with our extra heavy packs to Windy Gap and then a half mile west to Little Jimmy by 5:30PM, where we set up camp.

Surprise! No Boy Scouts were to be seen anywhere. The campground was nearly empty. We quickly filled it with our backpacks and tents and settled down to a yummy dinner shared by everyone.

Just at dark (about 8:30AM) we heard some eerie sounds coming from the opposite side of the campground (gulp)! It turned out to be none other than Jim and Jane Fleming, packing in to join us for the evening's entertainment (the Perseid Meteor Shower). We got the fire going and helped Jim set up his tent in the dark. We enjoyed the evening, watching the Moon rise to the southeast through the pine trees. Telling "stories" around the campfire lasted until about 10:00AM when some of us hiked over a ridge overlooking the desert to the north.

We didn't see many meteors, but we really enjoyed the million points of light below in the desert.

A wake-up call was set for a 4:00AM so we could see the best part of the meteor shower. Most answered the call and enjoyed the numerous "shooting stars". Back in the sack by 4:30AM and sweet slumber until...6:32AM, two cannon shots just missed our tent. (Who's been sleeping with Bobcat?) It turned out to be the sonic-booms from the soon to be landing Space Shuttle at Edward's AFB. Some early risers, who were watching, even saw the shuttle as it turned and landed in the dry lake bed. Everyone was up by 8:00AM cooking breakfast and preparing for our morning ascent of Mount Islip.

Warming up with Mr. Frisbee was a lot of fun. Everyone hiked up the Mt Islip Trail, reaching the summit (my 19th time) by 10:00AM and enjoying the 360 degree views. In the Mount Islip Register was the following "R. S. Fink, Aug 6, 1989. 31X, 3655 total peaks" Keep on climbing Sam!

After enjoying the early morning views, we headed back to camp, striking the tents and hiking the one mile back to the cars by noon, ending our day hike/backpack. Thanks to Stag and everyone

else for such a fun and memorable trip. Participant-Adventurers were Bobcat and Stag, Nami Brown, Sandy Houston, Mike Baldwin, Priscilla Libby, Harriet Edwards, David Koppel, Rachel Salas, Jim and Jane Fleming. See you all same time next year when the "Sky is Falling!"

Waterman Mtn

8/12/89

Leaders: Nami Brown

and Stag Brown

see page 16

**Castle Rocks, Folly Peak,
San Jacinto Peak, Jean Peak
and Marion Mtn**

8/12-13/89

**Leaders: Charlie Knapke,
Patty Kline**

By Charlie Knapke

This trip was delayed about 30 minutes because two participants were late in getting to the trailhead. This was no problem since we had plenty of time to make our first day's objective. About 8:30AM Saturday morning, thirteen of us hiked up the Pacific Crest Trail from the Fuller Ridge trailhead.

After 1 2/3 miles we reached the take off point for Castle Rocks. We dumped our backpacks and scrambled up the steep slope to the summit. From here we could see the "old" Castle Rocks to the west of us. After signing the register we headed back down to retrieve our packs.

As we continued up Fuller Ridge we could see clouds beginning to form to the right and left of Mount San Jacinto. The farther we hiked, the larger the cloud formation. Soon it was totally overcast. Eventually we reached the campground at Little Round Valley.

We set up camp and then discussed the possibility of rain. This discussion continued through the beginning of "happy hour". It was amazing how fast the topic changed from the weather to just about every subject imaginable. I heard opinions about computer operating system, the Mideast hostage situation, peak routes, and many other subjects. Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves. It never did rain.

Sunday dawned with not a cloud in the sky. We left camp and carrying day-packs, we hiked about 1/2 mile up the trail and then struck off cross-country toward Folly Peak. Just before the peak, one of the group slipped and tore some skin on his leg. When we reached the peak of Folly, Patty staged a first aid demonstration for the group.

From here we hiked up to San Jacinto where we stopped to enjoy the grand

view. Then it was down to the shelter cut where we signed the Register. We continued along the ridge to Jean Peak, and then up the Class 3 summit block of Marion Mountain. Everyone went up to the peak. One person required some coaching on the way down, but no problems were encountered.

We then struck off cross-country back to Little Round Valley. On the way we found what appeared to be an aircraft tank. After everyone speculated on how it happened to be there, we all posed and had our picture taken with our find.

After reaching the camp we packed up and headed back to the trailhead. We decided that it was a good weekend. After saying our farewells, everyone headed their separate ways.

**Mt Hawkins, Middle Hawkins,
and South Mt Hawkins**

9/16/89

**Leaders: David Eisenberg
and Ruth Dobos**

By David Eisenberg

Forty-two peak baggers braved the heat and smog to make the hike down the Hawkins Ridge. While we left Crystal Lake at 9:00AM, we did not rise above the smog until 10:00AM. Windy Gap lived up to its name and we were able to take a cooldown break and enjoy the great view of the smog to the south and the desert to the north. By noon, everyone was resting in the various shady spots atop Hawkins, enjoying the cool breeze and the clean air.

From Hawkins, we traveled the new trail to Middle and South Hawkins. As it happened two of our participants had helped in its construction. We returned to the trailhead via the South Hawkins Road.

**Black Mtn#5, Split Mtn,
Sunday Peak and Bohna Peak**

9/16-17/89

**Leaders: Carleton Shay,
Luella Martin**

By Luella Martin

The storm called "Octavio" was arriving Saturday morning as we assembled at Black Mountain Saddle for the 7:30AM meeting time. I had visions of mired passenger cars so we took the cars back out to Greenhorn Summit and only left the two 4x4's at Black Mountain Saddle. This proved to be a good decision for Molly Beathe who came up Saturday night, but got stuck trying Black Mountain saddle in the rain.

The climb of Black was soon accomplished, then we set out for Split. I re-

membered the brush as being [terrible during my] 1974 ascent. So I'd been avoiding this mountain ever since. [But now] there is a nicely brushed-out trail.

By the time we reached the summit of Split, the weather had turned much cooler. We knew we were in for it. On the way back we all got wet. The 4x4's never looked better. On David Eisenberg's there was a note from Jerry Keating. He had led a group of Canyon Explorers up Sunday and Black. They didn't get wet. He invited us to join them at Hungry Gulch Campground. I didn't want to stay at Black Mountain Saddle where I had planned to camp.

We [drove] into Kernville and ate dinner at a Pizza place. The highlight of the evening, besides the warm building, was the garlic bread. They also have a game, called "Zeke's Peak". David tried it.

Minor White and Harriet Edwards decided to camp in a motel. Carleton went back to Greenhorn Summit, while David, Erich and I went to join Jerry at Hungry Gulch. I discovered that sleeping in the front seat of a mini truck is preferable to sleeping out in a tent in the rain. All were back at Greenhorn Summit by 7:30AM.

We again got into the two 4x4's and drove out to the Sunday roadhead. We had a lovely foggy hike up Sunday [Peak]. On the summit Minor said we ought to read out of the 23rd Psalm out of the Bible that was there. I recited it instead.

We found Molly, who had been trying to find us, when we got back to Greenhorn Summit. I had figured wrongly that not even a peakbagger would try such a muddy road in the rain. She was stuck and was waiting for a tow truck to get her out. She has a forgiving nature. She still wants to go on my next hike.

Bohna was lovely as always. We tried the shorter route from the dirt road. It went well. But we found no [Register] can. I phoned Patti Kline so that it can be replaced on her hike there in October.

The weather was starting to clear and everything smelled and looked clean.

Thanks to Erich, David, and Harriet for brush cutting. Thanks to Carleton for the lead. Also, thanks to Carleton and David for driving their 4x4's. Minor and I are neck and neck. He has five to go for his first List Completion, and I have six left for my second.

**Mt Piños, Sawmill Mtn,
Grouse Mtn and Cerro Noroeste**

9/17/89

**Leaders: Tom Ambruster
Louis Quirarte**

By Tom Ambruster

Sally Reid asked us to schedule special trips to the Sespe, to help push for Wilderness status for this area. Right now there is no special status for the area these peaks are in. Reid is an HPS peak-bagger on the Club's National Board of Directors.

The trip was organized way too late for the Schedule, but Louis got a notice into the Southern Sierran. Fourteen people showed up at Sylmar at 8:30AM, including two completely new to the HPS—I love fresh recruits.

The forecast was for clouds, wind and then showers the next day. It sure looked cloudy heading up out of Sylmar. By the time we got to the Frazier Park off-ramp, we were completely socked-in with a light drizzle. But driving into Cuddy Valley, along the San Andreas earthquake fault, we burst into the clear, with sharp blue sky and puffy white cumulus clouds around. The clear brisk weather stayed with us all day.

We left three cars at Cerro Noroeste trailhead, and then drove back around to Piños. Setting up the shuttle took three hours: we started hiking around 11:15 AM. The dirt road to Mt Piños was open, but we decided not to drive it.

We hit Piños, with a little car traffic, and then charged out to Sawmill. It was too windy on top for lunch, so we went back down to the trail to eat.

On the way Rick Tate, a graduate student in geology who is devoting much effort to aid in the passage of the Sierra Club version of the Los Padres Wilderness Bill, asked each of us to phone Representatives George Miller and Bruce Vento the next day, for their support so that we could get as much protection for as much of this area as possible.

✍ The Bill has now gone to the Senate and the Club asks that we contact Senator Wilson and request his support for S.1625—the "Condor Range Rivers Act".

On Grouse, I celebrated my 100th Peak towards my second List Completion. Louis pointed out that Grouse was Weldon Heald's 100th Peak. Heald started the "Hundred Peak's Game" four decades ago, and was the first to reach "Emblem Status". I opened a bottle of Korbel, and remembered John Muir, Dick Akawie and John Backus with a toast.

After a steep climb, we were back at the cars on Cerro Noroeste. We drove to the Register, following the climbing guide. The Register is hidden in a pile of rocks to the right of a gravel road leading south from the summit loop. Cerro Noroeste is a Spanish term for "north-west hill", we were told. The alternate name "Mount Able" came from a local

pioneer ranching family.

By 5:30PM we were back at the cars at the Piños trailhead. We celebrated Betty Quirarte's birthday with a tangy poppy seed cake made by new HPS member Sandy Dennison. By now the wind was really cold, making it hard to enjoy any more champagne, but nonetheless, a good time was had by all.

✍ Congratulations Tom!

Castle Rocks and Black Mtn#1

9/23/89

**Leaders: Alice Cahill,
Jon Sheldon**

By Alice Cahill

Twenty fun-loving peakbaggers met at the Boulder Basin Campground on Saturday morning between 8:00 and 8:30AM. After the usual signing-in and boot putting-on we managed to carpool up to the trailhead for Castle Rocks. Here a masked mystery hiker appeared in the introduction circle before the hike began, but he soon revealed himself to be Mike Sandford as soon as we hit the trail. (It's hard to actually hike with that mask on.) Before long we came to a most ominous sign that reads "BE PREPARED FOR HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS BEYOND THIS POINT." Well, that did make me a little nervous, but being in the company of so many brave souls, I took the risk and plunged ahead. For our bravery we were treated to many beautiful views. It was one of those perfectly beautiful days when it's a pure pleasure to be out hiking. We paused next to what was first identified as a gooseberry patch. But after the first round of "goose" jokes, we were corrected and informed that these were really currants. A new wave of jokes started on that theme. It was time to move on.

We waited at the take-off point (the use trail up to the peak), where my able and patient assistant agreed to shepherd up the peak the two less-conditioned hikers who were lagging behind. The rest of us forged up the hill. I added in an interesting detour through a patch of chinquapin to keep everyone on their toes. In a short time we were on top being cooled by that pleasant breeze that often seems to play about on mountain tops. After signing-in, having a snack and playing that exciting peak to game: "name that peak", we headed back down to the cars. Here, thanks to the continued patience of the group, we had a relaxing break for the last hikers to make it back.

We then drove back to the campground where we regrouped and were joined by my cousin Meg and her two daughters, Kristin and Kate. It was time

for the final assault! Well, I had not gone far up the road when I spotted a be-ribboned scroll hanging from a tree topped by a pointing finger sign that read "For Alice". What could it mean? I cautiously opened up the scroll and read "For you this is a special day." Three more times I was stopped by the pointing finger and the message continued: "So here's some help to get you on your way." "Soon you will be on top", "And lots of champagne corks will pop!" The last scroll was accompanied by a bag of Mint Milano cookies (one of my favorites). It read "Happy 200/Birthday Alice." Some kidding arose about it being my 200th birthday as the slash between 200 and birthday was not very pronounced. Then I reached the top! My 200th Peak! Hoorah! And true to the words on the notes, the champagne corks popped and goodies magically appeared. No one seemed to be lacking in appetite. Pictures were taken and we strolled back down to the campground to continue the party. And a great one it was. Gerry Dunie brought his famous salsa, Ruth and Jon contributed bagels and cream cheese, and my good friends Diane Emmons and Dick (who did all the notes) had a chocolate cake with white chocolate icing—yum! yum! The load of goodies could hardly be contained on the table. It was so inspired I even got out my guitar and sang a few songs. Thank you everyone for such a wonderful day. Especially my husband, Don Henderson, and all the other participants who included Dotty Rabinowitz, John Southworth, Evan Samuels, Ruth Lee Dobos, Mike Sandford, and daughter Marci, Micky Thayer, George Pfeiffer, Charlotte Bourne, Lucy Woodward, Ruth Kocher, Frank Marrufo, and Ruben Rodriguez.

Galena Peak and Kitching Peak

9/23-24/89

**Leaders: Lou Brecheen,
Ron Jones**

By Lou Brecheen

All of the "hiker parking" at Fallsview was taken before any of our seventeen participants arrived, but we sent our hikers over to the "Big Falls" parking lot, a hundred yards away where there was plenty of room. A pleasant, cool, leisurely stroll up Mill Creek followed. I kept assuring everyone that the last time I was there, the "Headwall" had a nice firm use trail bisecting it and there would be no problems ascending. However, Nature had rearranged the face of the jump-off with rain, landslides and rockfall. There was one casualty. A bounding, cart-wheeling, leaping fist-sized rock came

smashing down on the fanny-pack being held over her head by Betty Stirrat. It broke the camera inside her pack, but Betty escaped injury.

We turned right, up the sandy steep trail and made good time to the top of Galena. Two San Bernardino County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team members were out on a busman's holiday and were returning from the peak as we went up. They told us that during the rains in the middle of September, a 10-foot wall of water went roaring and smashing down Mill Creek. On our return trip we witnessed the effects. The huge pine trees growing along the banks of the creek were stripped of bark up to ten feet by their scouring effect of the sand and pebbles carried by the raging waters. All starters made the peak and lunched on the summit. They were: Jim Fujimoto, Jack Haddad, Micky Sharpsteen, Bill Lien, Eleanor Carter, Larry Machleder, Barbara Cohen, John Cheslick, John Strauch, Russell Glans, Terri Sutor, Monica Parker (the last four named are some of our San Diego friends), David Eisenberg, Keats Hayden, Bill Gray and Betty and the leaders.

About half of our group could only take one day—or they had other peaks they wished to attain, so we lost them, but nine of us reconvened at Field's Road and I-10 just east of Banning and caravanned through the Morongo territory to the Kitching Peak trailhead. There was a nice "happy hour" and party, starting around 6:00PM, but most were sacked out between 8:30PM and 9:00PM.

Sunday morning, we enjoyed a leisurely breakfast followed by a leisurely hike up the wild and beautiful Millard Canyon trail to the ridge. The 2 mile hike along the ridge to Kitching was even more leisurely since the trail has become overgrown with scrub oak and manzanita. We took some time to trim some of the worst. Jim Fujimoto and David Eisenberg had thoughtfully carried clippers. There is needed work remaining, so the next party should carry clippers and do even more "neatening" up. Peak arrival was at 11:15AM so we had lunch before leaving. Kitching is a rather nondescript peak in itself, but the hike up is one of the nicest in the HPS List and the views from the summit are outstanding. We were back at the cars by about 2:00PM. Most of us stopped off at the Malki Indian Museum, a non-profit exhibit with minimal retail goods—but they accept gifts and contributions.

I want to thank Ron for his usual fine assist, especially going up and down the headwall; Leora Stoler for the delicious

pancakes on Sunday morning (saving me from Ramen Cup-o-noodles), and David and Jim for the brush clipping. P.S. Ron and Leora still hadn't "set the date" but maybe in November?

#3 This write-up was submitted to the Lookout, whereas the following description of the identical hike was not, but it worked its way back by various means. It was intended to be filed as public testimony for the Desert Bill. Yet it is so interesting I just had to include both.

Kitching Peak and Galena Peak 9/23-24/89

**Leaders: Lou Brecheen
and Ron Jones**

By Lou Brecheen

The hike up Mill Creek to the "jump-off" combines the cool, soothing sound of the gentle creek with spectacular rock scenery. The distance (3 1/2 miles) is not too far for most, but is enough for a good workout, when combined with the boulder hopping which is necessary from time to time. Squirrels play in the huge, old Pine trees bordering both creek banks and tracks of deer (and maybe sheep) are evident in the sand. In at least two places, large smooth granite stones form small waterfalls. And about a half mile from the jumpoff, the main stream comes falling and leaping and splashing down from the heights, four hundred feet above, along the San Gorgonio Ridge. The wilderness solitude is broken only by the occasional jet overhead. Climbing the headwall (four hundred feet of very loose sand and rock) is challenging and exhilarating, but can be very dangerous for the unwary.

Groves of buckbrush, and manzanita exist in the sparse stands of stunted Pine along the route from the jumpoff to Galena Peak. Chipmunks (ground squirrels), coyote and snakes live in the rocks. Big-horn sheep have been sighted here and we saw much "sign". The loneliness of the place was accentuated by the sight of a number of ravens circling over the peak as we climbed toward it. Over 9000 feet at the top, the peak furnishes magnificent views of the San Gorgonio Ridge, including "Old Greyback" itself, down the timbered slopes to the Whitewater River and down the precipitous slopes of Mill Creek toward the Valley of the Falls. Most of the wild country west, along the Yucaipa Ridge is visible from here as well.

Following the outing, several persons came to me and remarked "What a nice peak!", and "What a fun peak!", and "I think Galena is one of the best peaks on the List!"

As good as the wilderness experience of Galena is, Kitching is even more so! The scenery is quite different, consisting of

wooded canyons rather than rock precipices. Located behind the Morongo Indian Reservation, the trails are not easy to reach and it is a bit farther from the population center. The hiker is gratified by the cool shade in Millard Canyon provided by a variety of trees, including Big Cone Spruce, Live Oaks, Black Oaks, Alder, Maple (which were beginning to turn golden in September), Incense Cedar and Sycamore. A portion of the canyon flowed water. There was a large amount of animal "sign". There was bear scat along with evidence of other well known animals; coyote, squirrels, rattlesnakes, hawks of several types, vultures, jays and other kinds of small birds.

The weather was warm and sunny up the ridge leading out to Kitching Peak. Thick growths of Manzanita crowded in on the hardy Scrub Oak thickets. The undulating ridge provided constantly changing views to the east—into wild country, and to the west—sometimes wild and sometimes foggy. Down in the canyon we saw native California plants blooming—a type of Aster along with the Goldenrod. Up on the 6000 foot ridge there was sage with its spent dead flower changed into a seedball. Coffeeberry grew in abundance along the high slopes and apparently provided a good portion of the food needs for both the Black Bear and the wild Coyote, since we saw the berries in the scat of both animals.

Millard Canyon trail is the most inspirational on the HPS—in my opinion. It is 3 miles from the roadhead to the ridge-line. Along the way the trail goes along the timbered canyon bottom, climbs up along the dirt sides to where the foot is hardpressed to find stable hold, yet there is never a feeling of danger.

At night, we heard the owl hoot. We also heard the mosquito buzz.

#4 I move that we create a new office, that of Section Naturalist and that Lou be appointed forthwith.

Snow Peak Exploratory 9/30/89

**Leaders: Charlie Knapke
with David Eisenberg
and Minor White**

By Charlie Knapke

The San Bernardino Mountains are the result of the Pacific Plate jamming up against the Pacific Plate on its way north along the Pacific Coast of North America. These Mountains were and still are being forced upwards in a series of ridges. One of these ridges is called Yucaipa.

There are a total of ten named peaks on this ridge. Eight of these are on the Hundred Peaks List. Oak Glen Peak is the

ninth peak. There is a Register there but it does not qualify for the List due to restrictions in our By-Laws. The tenth and newly named peak is Snow Peak.

Snow Peak became a named peak when it appeared in a periodical published by the U.S. Department of Geological Names. It was named for the man who established a radio site on the summit. This article appeared in the first quarter of 1988. Snow Peak is located on the San Geronio Mtn 7.5 minute quadrangle. It is about 3 miles southeast of Galena Peak. On the topo it is indicated as a radio facility at elevation 7920 feet (UTM 172662).

When I scheduled this hike I had no idea that it would conflict with the memorial hike for Dick Akawie. As a result, the turnout was fairly low. I would like to thank both David Eisenberg and Minor White for both volunteering their assistance so that Patty Kline could attend the memorial hike. Earlier in the year I had two discussions with Dick concerning possible routes to Snow Peak. He seemed quite interested in the prospect of climbing a new Peak. I am sorry he could not be with us on the exploratory.

This hike was listed in the Schedule as meeting at the Pomona carpool point. Later I received a new Forestry Map showing that the route was now part of the San Geronio Wilderness. This was the result of a land swap by the Forestry Department with one of the private land owners in the area. Kitching Peak also requires a permit for the same reason.

After meeting in Pomona, we reassembled at the Fields exit on the I-10 Freeway just east of Banning. Here we were joined by Minor who made the trip to Mill Creek Ranger Station to get the required permits. We then caravanned to the parking area at the wilderness boundary. The first part of the route led up a dirt road about 1.2 miles to its end in a clearing. The road climbs steadily for over 1000 feet of gain to this point. On the north side of the clearing is a spring with a small basin made of concrete. According to the Forest Service, in the early 1980's an outfitter led hunters up the trail on horseback from this clearing. I believe the horses were watered at this basin. Campfire rings are still present in this clearing.

On the west side of the clearing is the old beginning of the Raywood Flats Trail. After a short rest at the clearing, we started up this trail. We soon met George Pfeiffer from Banning who started out early to do a little lopping along the trail.

After welcoming welcoming him into our group (and having him sign-in) we continued up the trail.

The lower part of the trail crossed a wide canyon bottom where the brush grows very thick. It had not been brushed since 1982. We have opened the route, but I do not recommend shorts until more work is done. Loppers are recommended. We soon left the canyon bottom and most of the brush behind. The upper part of the trail was much better. There was brush in just a few more spots (mostly Buckthorn). It finally opened up completely on the ridge just south-southeast of the summit.

Just short of the summit we met a series of old logging roads which start at a large log. The correct one to take is the second from the left. From here it was a short hike up the slope through Pine trees to a high point on the ridge where we

him carefully, it turns out that he had slightly bruised a rib. He seems to have taken more damage to his pride than to his ribs.

After returning to the cars we went our separate ways. A small group stopped at Dairy Queen in Banning for "Blizzards".

The general feeling among the group was that Snow Peak was a better peak than many others on our List. It was too late to recommend this Peak for the 1989 Ballot. I would like to see this Peak led again in the late Spring of 1990 since so many people could not make this hike because of the conflict I mentioned earlier. I am also [including] a climbing guide for the Lookout. See you on the trail.

P.S. Georgina Burns, he still has your hat.



Double List Finisher Shirley Akawie with daughters on Buckhorn Peak

have established a Register Can. There is a slightly higher point off to the west through more trees at the radio site. The site we have chosen is *much* nicer and will not cause a conflict with the site owners. The Register Can is just a few yards into private property. The Forestry Service informed me that the site owners have never complained about hikers crossing the edge of their property. They might object to hikers going all the way to their facilities. The Register site we chose was also recommended by the Forestry Service.

Everyone in the group decided that this was a great summit. It has shade and a good view. We could see a great many of our peaks from here. Rabbit Peak was visible to the east-southeast. To the southwest we could see Santiago and Modjeska Peaks. On a clear day Catalina should be visible.

After lunch we retraced our route back to the cars. While crossing the canyon bottom I found a large rattlesnake in the middle of the trail. After carefully coaxing him off to the side, we got everyone by safely. One of our group took a fall when he tripped over a root. After questioning

Dick Akawie Memorial Hike

Buckhorn Peak

9/30/89

Leaders: Tom Armbruster,
with Bob Cates and Stag Brown

By Tom Armbruster

Fifty climbers gathered in LaCañada on a bright, cool autumn day, with fluffy clouds moving against a deep blue sky. We had met in response to a postcard mailing by Mike Sandford, to commemorate the life of Dick Akawie.

After reviewing the plans for the day with Shirley Akawie and her three daughters, we drove to the Buckhorn trailhead and met another or so 50 hikers.

I have never seen so many senior Angeles Chapter members on a hike.

We started up the dirt road. I asked Joe Young to stick near to me for navigation, because of his recent experience climbing Buckhorn hastily in the dark. He climbs it each year at night, as part of the 24-hour HPS Olympics.

Shirley Akawie observed that this was just the kind of weather Dick liked to hike in.

On the way up, we passed a woman on crutches who had gotten a head start. At the summit, we met another early starter, Sam Fink. Sam was the second person to earn an HPS emblem; he blazed the Sam Fink Trail on the Desert Divide, now the route of the Pacific Crest Trail. He has about 3,800 individual ascents to his credit.

At the summit, I waited for the whole group to arrive. Then I requested two minutes of silence, while we listened to the wind in the branches, and smelled the pine aroma. Then several of us shared memories of Dick. Maureen Cates introduced each of Dick's daughters. Betty Quirarte reminded us of the chance to give money for trees to be planted in Dick's honor.

After a half hour or so, Stag led the group back, while Shirley McFall and I remained on the summit for some private moments with the family.

When we were all back at the cars, we decided to go to Charleton Flat for a wake. A few people went on up Winston Ridge for a List Completion.

The next day, I returned to the summit with Lynda Kennedy. I counted 111 names in the Register for the trip. There was also a note from Asher Waxman to Shirley Akawie, that he'd written a few days earlier.

I felt like Dick was telling me, in his reticent way, that he appreciated what we'd done for him.



LOWER PEAKS

The Committee

By Bob Wheatley

In response to the September/October editorial lead-in to Don Tidwell's Lower Peaks article on the Verdugos, the LPC is alive and well, although admittedly not too communicative. We as yet do not publish a newsletter, because the four members of the committee—Jack Trager, Gordon Lindberg, Jack Adsit and I—all live in Orange County and have been using "Santiago" and the Rio Hondo Group newsletter as our publicity organs. Also the Southern Sierran prints whatever copy we send in.

We now have 44 Peaks on our List, all with HPS style write-ups. Besides peaks, which committee members themselves have scouted, we have received contributions from Louis Quirarte, How Bailey, Alan Coles, Lori Raubiere, Jack Grams, Bob Sumner, Don Taylor and also John Marsh who saved us a special trip to Catalina! Jack Grams recently received a recognition patch for bagging his first 20 and he surely must have completed the

LPC List by now. This winter, we hope to add a few more peaks just to keep ahead of Jack if nothing else.

I enjoyed the in depth (or is it in-height?) guide to the south Verdugos by Don Tidwell. We recently added the Verdugo peaks' 3126 feet of elevation and others to our List (collectively one "peak"). Our described route is quite singular, however: the new trail from La Tuna Canyon Road then onto the Backbone Fire Road to the peaks. This is in keeping to our basic policy of adhering to trails as much as possible—something not easily done in lower peaks. Anyone know of a trail to Mount Bliss?

A complete set of LPC write-ups is available from Gordon Lindberg for \$6.00 postpaid.

The following peaks are all under 5000 feet elevation and are distributed in Southern California from Catalina to the Antelope Valley and from San Luis Obispo to San Diego County:

THE LPC LIST

SUMMIT	HEIGHT	GAIN
Santa Paula	4950	4000
Agua Tibia	4779	4000
Yale	4760	3500
Cachuma	4696	1600
Muir	4686	3000
Mendenhall	4636	2250
Morton	4624	1300
Stoddard	4624	800
Trabuco	4604	3200
Pine	4539	3000
Los Piños	4510	2760
Jupiter	4498	1050
Brown	4485	2500
Arrowhead	4237	1000
Frankish	4198	1400
Pleasants	4007	2600
Bonita	3983	1900
Mel	3819	600
McKinley	3795	1500
Harrison	3740	1500
Bliss	3720	3000
Saddleback Butte	3651	1000
Zion	3575	1600
Silver	3385	2200
Old Sugarloaf	3326	2100
Sitton	3273	1360
Potato	3232	1000
Sugarloaf	3227	2000
Echo	3207	1400
Burro	3200	1200
Verdugo	3126	1700
Sandstone	3111	1411
Tri Peaks	3010	2480
Exchange	2960	1260
Big Dome	2900	2369
Boney	2830	1130
Bee Hive	2830	1130
Russell	2740	900
Calabasas	2163	890
Orizaba	2097	2097
Gilman	1768	1300
La Jolla	1567	1567
Valencia	1345	1300
Mugu	1266	1286

TRAIL UPDATES

San Gorgonio Mtn New Extended Route

By Louis Quirarte

The Forest Service has decided to make "Old Grayback" even more worthy by making it just a bit harder for us to approach it from the north. The USFS closed the old parking lot by Poopout Hill in 1988 and relocated the trailhead 2.5 miles further away from the summit. This is in the hope that just the thought of a 21 mile round trip will make for increased solitude at South Fork Meadows, Dollar Lake and Dry Lake. The Vivian Creek route is now our only "easy choice for dayhikes since this new way almost necessitates an overnight camp.

Don't forget to stop at the Mill Creek Ranger Station on the way for permits and new maps with the latest info.

To get to the new San Gorgonio trailhead follow the Driving Route Instructions (on the latest Peak Guide (24I) dated 7/22/87 by John Backus) to the Jenks Lake Road turn off. Delete the existing instruction to continue to "17.2 miles", and instead substitute "at 13.6 miles, park here." Then hike Road to Poopout Hill, and follow the old instructions to the summit.

Buck Point and San Sevaine Alternate Routes

By David Eisenberg

At this time, the Forest Service has closed the standard driving route to Buck Point and San Sevaine indefinitely. They suggested the following alternate route. High clearance is an absolute necessity. The drive takes about 1 hour and 15 minutes each way.

DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS:

From I-10, take the Euclid off-ramp. Go north about 3 miles to 19th Street, turn right. Go east about 1.5 miles to Sapphire. Turn left. Go north about 2 miles until the road ends. Turn left. Note odometer and go as follows: 0.2 miles turn right onto narrow paved road. 1.0 miles pavement ends. 1.4 miles at fork turn right. 12.9 miles (and campground) go right. 1.8 miles (permanent locked gate) park here unless driving to the top of Buck Point.

CLIMBING INSTRUCTIONS

Buck Point: Follow the jeep trail until it ends near the top of the peak. Take the use trail on the right about 100 yards to the Register.

San Sevaine: Gain 200 feet, return 500'. Pass the locked gate. Continue down the road approximately 2 miles to a fork on the left. Go left up the road to the peak.

PROFILE IN MOUNTAIN HISTORY

EARLY MOUNTAIN ASCENTS IN THE SAN GABRIELS

By John Robinson

Mountain climbing in Southern California has become a popular pastime. Ascents are almost as common as going to the beach (at least among 100 Peakers). Such was not always the case. Although Southern California was occupied by the Spaniards and their Mexican California successors from 1769 until the 1840's, there is no record of their ever climbing a mountain. And the vast majority of early U. S. settlers stayed clear of the mountains too. Most of the known early ascents were made by explorers, surveyors, and scientists—and these were rare. Following are the known climbs in the San Gabriels from 1853 until they became commonplace by 1890. There may be others—but these are all I have been able to "dig up" so far.

1853

In October, Lt. Robert S. Williamson's Pacific Railroad Survey party crossed the Tehachapi's and followed the north base of the San Gabriels, looking for a railway route across the mountains. They made camp near today's Elizabeth Lake. To quote Williamson: "Returning to camp with the intention of advancing to the Mojave River, I was induced by Lieutenant Stoneman's report to ascend a high mountain near camp, from which a fine view of the Santa Clara Valley could be obtained...the mountain is the one named on the map 'Stoneman's Mountain', and we found it by aneroid measurement to be 6,000 feet high." From the summit of this peak, Williamson discovered what he called the "New Pass" (today's Soledad Canyon) and later suggested building a railroad through it. What peak did Williamson and his men climb? From the description and from its position on the map later drawn by the survey party, it is evident that Stoneman's mountain was today's Mount McDill. So, unassuming Mount McDill probably bears the distinction of being the first San Gabriel mountain peak ever climbed by white men.

1864

Benjamin Wilson and William McKee climbed to the summit of Mount Wilson via Little Santa Anita Canyon in April of that year. However, they were not the first up—they found the remains of two log cabins, probably put there by horse-thieves during the 1850's.

1875

This was a banner year for the San Gabriels—apparent first ascents were made of Mount San Antonio (Baldy), Cucamonga Peak, San Gabriel Peak, and Disappointment Peak. All four were climbed by parties of the US Army's Wheeler Survey, whose stated objective was to map the territory of the United States west of the 100th Meridian. Louis Nel, Chief Topographer of the survey, led a small party up San Antonio from Lytle Creek on June 29 to July 2, in order to make "necessary observation". Among these observations was the calculation of Baldy's elevation as 10,191.9 feet above sea level. Cucamonga Peak was climbed from near Cajon Pass by Lt. Eric Bergland and a small party on June 29. In July a party led by a Dr. Kampf and Mr. Cowles climbed and named Disappointment and San Gabriel Peaks, fixing the elevation of the latter as 6,232 feet. They reached the summit of Disappointment first and were "disappointed" to find it wasn't the high point, so they continued lugging the heavy instruments over to San Gabriel Peak. One member of the party, geologist Douglas Joy, became lost during the descent and ended up in the wild west fork of the San Gabriel River, which he managed to descend all the way to the main fork where he was rescued by another survey party. In October of that year, W.E. Greenwell of the US Coast and Geodetic Survey made the second ascent of Cucamonga Peak, determining the elevation by Barometric measurement as 8,450 feet. All of these early surveys were off by 100 feet or more.

1877

John Muir struggled up the rugged slopes of Eaton Canyon to the summit of Muir Peak, then scrambled across what he called "The Knifeblade" to a point near Mount Wilson before descending without benefit of trail. Traversing "The Knifeblade", he probably crossed near or over the top of today's Occidental Peak.

1878

The second recorded ascent of Mount San Antonio was made by Lt. Willard Young and a small party of the Wheeler Survey on October 10. Their route was up from Lytle Creek, through snow most of the way. The previous month they had climbed San Gabriel Peak from the West Fork of the San Gabriel, "although detained there two days by stormy weather (Mr. Carpenter and myself remaining on the peak during that time), we at last succeeded in obtaining all

wished for results", wrote Lt. Young.

1882

William B. Dewey of Ontario made the first of his record 133 ascents of Mount San Antonio by way of the Devil's backbone from "Miner's Camp" (Baldy Notch). Apparently others made the ascent that year too. The Pomona Weekly Times for October 14, 1882 stated: "The ascent is rugged and but few venture the task; but when once the journey is accomplished it is well worth the toll expended".

1885

Ascents of Mount Wilson by Benjamin Wilson's trail up Little Santa Anita became commonplace—as many as 75 camped on the summit on holiday weekends. Parties from Switzer's Camp in the Arroyo Seco began regular ascents of Strawberry Peak, Disappointment Peak, and San Gabriel Peak—which they called "The Commodore".

1886

Mrs. J. D. Hooker of Los Angeles climbed Disappointment Peak with a guide from Switzer's—the first woman known to have made an ascent in the San Gabriels

1887

Owen and Jason Brown, from their little log cabin in El Prieto Canyon, made ascents of Mount Lowe (which they called John Brown Mountain), Strawberry Peak, Brown Mountain, and probably others. The "Brown Boys" were the first local "peakbaggers" and probably deserve posthumous membership in the Hundred Peaks Section. The Pomona Progress reported ascents of Mount Baldy by Mr. Kingsley of Ontario, accompanied by his son and young Mr. Buffington. And a week later by Thomas Dowse of Ontario.

1888

US Coast and Geodetic Survey topographers climbed Telegraph Peak (which they called "Heliograph Hill") and installed a heliograph on the summit, signaling to cohorts on several other Southern California peaks.

1889

Bob and Liz Waterman and Perry Switzer, all of Switzer's Camp, Climbed Waterman Mountain during a cross-range journey. They named the peak "Lady Waterman Mountain", but the lady part of the name was later dropped. The Pomona Progress of August 1, reported the first overnight stay on the summit of Mount Baldy: "So cold was it up there one night last week that the party of young men built a great bonfire...and even then it was so cold that none of the party could sleep".

LETTERS

Norm Rohn

◆ Norm Rohn was born January 14, 1919, in Milwaukee. He was graduated from Exeter Academy, from Cornell University. He held two Masters degrees. In 1981, he retired from the Navy's Pacific Missile Test Center, Fleet Weapons Engineering Program.

He is known to Angeles Chapter climbers as a Triple List Finisher, climbing each peak on the HPS, SPS, and DPS Lists. He fed the hungry, through volunteer work for the Ventura County Food Share and for the Gleaners.

His death in the Sierra Nevada, near the start of a trip he was leading, at age 70, was tragically untimely for such a fit hiker. He is survived by his mother Hazel, by his daughters Carrie and Kate (Banks) and by sons Lex and Casey. He also left two granddaughters by Kate: Alexa and Carmen. —Tom Ambruster

Summits

◆ Since the insurance issue on climbing has still not been resolved, it might be time to temporarily move the summits on HPS third class Peaks down to the highest practical second-class (or less) point. Otherwise, they should be taken off the List until they can be scheduled on properly led hikes. —David O. Jensen

Elitism?

◆ Our management committee has received a letter from a member, who is thinking of not renewing his membership because of the paucity of hikes run at a moderate pace. Here are excerpts from my response to him.

"Thank you for your letter...expressing concerns about the HPS being 'elitist and discriminatory,'..." I am writing both as Chair of the HPS, and as a person who is well known to be in the slower half of the hikers in the Section. Personally, I can't see how any one who has climber 245 peaks can be thought of as a 'wimp or a weakling,' though I do know what it's like to feel awkward as the very last person in the group.

"I am of two minds about the 'elitist' label. Sometimes I like it; it gives me an ego boost. And sometimes I am concerned that the 'elitist' label keeps people needlessly away from our Section.

"When there is a problem, the best way I can get a solution is to be the solution. I lead occasionally, and about half of my trip write-ups specifically welcome beginners. I encourage you to be a Leader yourself, and to organize the kinds of trips you wish others had organized for you.

"I understand your frustration: I have been angry on occasion at the way I've been treated by Leaders. But most of our Leaders really mean well, and put out an awful lot of effort for our group. So I do hope you'll renew, but either way, I hope to meet you sometimes and talk about this further." —Tom Ambruster

Lost and Found

◆ Found at our recent '89 Oktoberfest the following: tools, including lug wrench and vise grip. Contact me at 1507 Hackmore Road, Oceanside CA 92056, or call 619/724-6796

—Lou Brecheen

◆ Found on the southwest slope of Aquila Peak: Woman's tri-focal glasses. Owner can claim by calling me at 213/666-1480

—Carleton Shay

You mean it works?

◆ I read with interest your article on Tecnu Poison Oak-n-Ivy Cleanser. As I read, I scratched. I had a case of poison oak that was a week old and getting worse. REI had some of the ointment and I could tell upon initial use that it did what a week of washing with soap didn't accomplish. Thanks, Louis, for saving my skin. —Paul Freiman

Unfair criticism

◆ The past few months have seen a lot of criticism regarding the Board of Directors decision to cancel mountaineering insurance. While I also lament the loss of this part of the Club, I also see the reason it was necessary. That sum of money may seem small compared to the entire Club's budget but it means a great deal in terms of providing the support necessary to get important bills in regard to the environment passed through Congress. I wish all those who criticized the decision could see the hard work being done by the Club and its Directors, many of whom donate their own time and money. The Sierra Club is very tight with what little it has.

◆ Then why the Sierra Club Catalog?

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Full Beaver Moon	11/13/89
Thanksgiving Day	11/23/89
Full Cold Moon	11/12/89
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RESOLUTIONS

DICK AKAWIE

"The Sierra Club expresses its appreciation for the work of Dick Akawie as editor of the Angeles Chapter Schedule, as trainer in outings leadership, leader of outings, hiker and friend on the trail."

NORM ROHN

"The Angeles Chapter expresses its appreciation for the leadership of Norm Rohn, triple list finisher, BMTC leader, safety leader, mountaineer and friend."

ENVIRONMENTALPEAKS

By Sally Reid

Well trained in climbing peaks, I have often wondered if we shouldn't start a Hundred Peaks Section for environmentalists as an incentive to keep score, try harder, get more in shape, feel strong and good about oneself, and encourage others to emulate the achievement. I challenge the Hundred Peakers to help establish criteria to accommodate the off-trail efforts of those of us who climb fewer peaks than we might wish in order to rack up the following, which I submit as my "personal best", though hardly an Olympic record or an achievement like a six-time List Finisher. The tally might look something like this:

Goal: Passage of Los Padres Wilderness and Wild Rivers Legislation
Meetings (Committee/ SCRCC/ Jt. RCC/ Chapter) attended in six months: 18
Miles driven: about 2000
Trips to Washington, D.C. to lobby: 5
Miles flown: about 25,000
Maps designed: 10 and still counting
Newsletter articles written: 5,
plus 4 page insert
Letters to "important persons": 9
Photographs: Many rolls (not too good)
Telephone calls: Countless
Descriptive pages, computer: About 100
Days devoted: Maybe 100
at 8 hours per day

Flyers designed and printed: 8
Wasted computer pages: At least a ream (one tree?)

Presentations: Dozens
(including one at an HPS meeting)

Achievement:

(1) House passage of improved Los Padres legislation (2) Introduction of the Condor Range and Rivers Act, S.1625.

Next phase: On to the Senate!

(And if it doesn't pass by the end of 1990, we get to start over, without even an Emblem to show for it!)

M I L E S T O N E S

JOSEPHINE SOLOMON	11/13/89
LES REID	11/24/89
DOTTIE RABINOWITZ	11/26/89
JOE YOUNG	12/14/89
RON JONES	12/30/89

♣ If your B'Day is coming up let us know by 12/1/89

A Moment to Remember

By Nami Brown

*The buzz of the clock and it's time to arise,
To face the day and be 'one of the guys'.
My first scheduled hike begins at Lloyds,
with Bobcat, Joe, Stag, just a few of the 'boys'.
My morning started late, but that was not the end,
Looking to the sky the weather would not be a
friend.
With dark clouds gathering I knew it would rain,
I just hoped and prayed I make it with no pain
At the carpool point I counted fifteen in all,
Friends, old and new, ready for a ball.
As we car shuttled our way to the trailhead,
We saw bicyclists, racing ahead.
It was drizzling and windy and very cold,
They pumped on, they were very bold.
With weather like that, who'd want to hike?
So I ask myself, what about my hike?
No, I'm leading this hike no matter what,
I guess this proves I'm really a nut.
We parked our cars, along with the biker's pit stop,
Gathering together and feeling a few raindrops.
I made the unusual speech and headed on out,
towards the trail, ahhh, a familiar route.
It was really a quaint little group,
Friends, far and near, came to join the troop.
It's so nice to share a special day with friends,
They make the day so special, even to the end.
We reached the peak at 10:45,
Cold windy and dark, that ain't no jive.
The sky looked like it was about to let loose,
We signed the register and scampered like moose.
We had our party in the Waterman Ski Hut,
spreading out the goods and filling our guts.
Leaving the Hut at fifty past one,
It's hard to head back, fun almost done.
But this is, after all, the HPS,
Hundred Party Section, I must confess.
Onward and downward to Pepe's we go,
Laughing and drinking for just a little mo'e.
What a great way to become O-Rated,
A moment to remember! That's understated.*

SAY WHAT?

By Laura Webb

Here's a recap of the September "Poetry Night": Stag and Dottie each read their own works about hiking. Jack read a poem he wrote to Joe and Bobcat before they went to Switzerland to climb the Matterhorn. There were childhood poems recited by Mike (actually what came before has been left out) then "Mary had a little lamb." Ruth Dobos admitted "I'd rather see a purple cow than be one". Roy

recited (from the Mikado) "Oh willow, tit willow, tit willow...". Joe got his off the wall (as did Annick), called "An Ode to an Oosik" (see him for further details). Louis recited one [by Montaigne] "On Nature" on how we forget to be good animals, not subject to corruption or opinion. Others included Patty on Poe, Tom recited Frost, Betty did "Sweet Betsy from Pike", Steve did a poem on Summer, Julie on "The Microscope", Frank read a prayer on best friends, and Eric did the "Cremation of Sam McGee". The image I'll remember most is Jack's poem of "squirrels running through the trees, dancing through the pines...". But the one that topped them all was Bobcat's [Wife of Bath] from Chaucer's Canterbury Tales.

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Boring you say? You had to be there to see the trenchcoat, the brushy black moustache, the Sherlock Holmes pipe, and the Tam o'shanter on top of his head. If that's not enough he spoke in Middle English, which no one could understand, except Tom, who promptly translated it into contemporary English. The audience said, almost in unison, "is that what Bobcat said?" As if to say, "Is that it?" "Is that all?" You're right it is boring—no offense Bob and Tom.

INSURANCE

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It's hard to believe that just seven years ago the Club's total insurance cost was less than \$75,000. This year's premium totals about \$550,000, and adding mountaineering would have taken it over \$1,000,000.

Other organizations are also having trouble getting affordable insurance. The 12,000 member Mountaineers, based in Seattle, pay about \$100,000 a year just for \$1,000,000 in coverage—and their insurers have never had to pay a claim.

MOUNTAINEERING RESTRICTIONS

The following mountaineering restriction, which began October 1, 1988, will continue in force in 1989-90. Please read it carefully. Any leader who fails to follow the letter and spirit of the restriction is risking two things. The Leader is risking that he or she is personally liable for any accident that occurs when the restriction is violated. And the Leader is jeopardizing the entire Sierra Club outing program (the Club's insurers might further restrict or even discontinue their coverage of outings, if they feel that outings Leaders can not be relied upon to obey the current restrictions). The text of the mountaineering restriction follows:

"The following are prohibited: all climbs, hikes, expeditions, instruction courses, schools and similar training that involve in any manner the use of ropes, ice axes, or any form of climbing hardware.

"However, ropes and ice axes may be carried by the Leader and assistant Leader only to insure the safety of an outing in unexpected situations; examples are stream crossings and rescues. Ropes and ice axes may not be used as climbing aids or on any outing where their use is recommended by the opinion of experienced local climbers and Leaders; the insurance restrictions require that such outings NOT be conducted by the Sierra Club."

IMPACT ON THE ANGELES CHAPTER

The mountaineering restriction hits our Chapter much harder than it hits any other Chapter in the Sierra Club. Of the 2500 Club members nationwide who have been participating annually in mountaineering, more than half were Angeles Chapter members. The restrictions wiped out the Rock Climbing Section, gutted the Basic Mountaineering Training Course, eliminated early season climbing in the Sierra, and put quite a few Sierra Peaks, Desert Peaks, and Hundred Peaks off limits.

The Basic Mountaineering Training Course trained about 700 people a year, including 150 new Sierra Club members each year. For many people, including myself, BMTC was the first step from "subscribing" Sierra Club member to "active" Sierra Club member. I took BMTC in 1980 (with two excellent leaders: Larry Tidball and Virgil Shields), and then became HPS Conservation Chair in 1981. A group of former BMTC Leaders in Long Beach and the San Gabriel Valley are trying to organize a Wilderness Travel Course for this winter that would still include all of the non-restricted parts of BMTC.

THE FUTURE

The future is very uncertain. If the world does not become more litigious and if the Club can maintain a clean outings safety record, it is possible that insurance rates will become more reasonable. Some people think that it would be easier to get insurance for a legally separate organization, at either the national or local level, that would only run mountaineering trips and would not need the \$41 million of the coverage that the national Sierra Club requires.

The solution to this problem is not easy to find. In the meantime, please do your best as a Leader or participant to ensure that safety is the number one priority on all Angeles Chapter outings. Thank you!

OKTOBERFEST'89

A view from the Kitchen

By Betty Snow Quirarte
OKTOBERFEST COOK

The weekend of October 7-6, the HPS made its annual assault on Harwood Lodge and Mount San Antonio in celebration of Oktoberfest! The group was jovial, the food superb [ahem], the beer flowed freely and the mountains rang with good cheer. Patty Kline led her annual death march to Baldy from the village, joined by other die-hard hikers before making it to the lodge. Others either went on Joe and Bridget's hike to Sunset Peak, or Bobcat and Stag's hike to Lookout Mtn, or did their own hikes.

Those of us who got to the lodge early set up our tents and began planning the day. While various members of the group were out hiking, others were decorating the lodge, lounging around, picking out their favorite bunk, or reading a book. During the early afternoon new arrivals came and began playing games with names of peaks that were placed on people's backs, then each had to guess what the peak was by asking questions of other people. Pleasant conversation and fellowship was shared out on the sunny patio, while waiting.

I was out in the kitchen with a merry crew of choppers, dicers, mixers, kneaders and stirrers, preparing dinner. I've never seen so many knives chopping veggies without at least one sliced knuckle or finger—these cooks knew their business, though and nary a cut was reported, other than that of overseer Marley White, in using her new handy dandy slicer. I gave some of the cooks a lesson in the art of making cabbage rolls, and hope they'll try it on their own at home.

Hikers began arriving back at the Lodge about when Mike Sandford showed up with the beer, wine, soft drinks and T-shirts designed by my new hubby Louis. Everyone eagerly helped unload the goodies from the van. Just then, much to our surprise and delight who shows up but our Section Founder and first List Finisher Sam Fink!

Then the fun began in earnest. David Saxe and Marie showed up and began setting up their equipment in preparation for the program later that night, while Mike's daughter Michelle and a friend set up shop in the corner selling HPS Mugs and T-shirts. Meanwhile, in the kitchen, Sandy Dennison was putting the final touches on her german potato salad, I was basting cabbage rolls, Monalisa Ward was putting together the apple strudel with the help of Elle (what a pastry chef he is!), and Mike Baldwin and Sandy Houston grilled bratwurst while



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the rest of the helpers mixed, rolled and stirred. Helping themselves to whatever liquid refreshment they could grab on the fly (I had managed to furnish some Apple Cider laced with Tuaca earlier in the day, but that didn't last too long!). Finally dinner was ready to be served, and again Mike was first in line (how does he do that every year?). We served bratwurst, sweet-n-sour cabbage salad, hot german potato salad, cabbage rolls stuffed with dressing, sauerkraut, and a vegetable combination of carrots, green beans and zucchini, along with a variety of cheeses and condiments. After the last dinner was served the everyone changed into their various costumes and had some of the best Apple Strudel ever made. Hoorah for Monalisa and Elle—an unbeatable team!

After the desert dishes were cleared away, so were the tables and the musical portion of the program began, during which there were various contests involving champagne gargling, beer gurgling and some other games. Prizes were given in each event and for the best costumes.

After awhile a splinter group decided they were ready for a different kind of

music and the dining room was converted into a separate unit, with Steve Zoschke on trombone, Terry Lindoerfer on jug, and Annick Wolf on the tub Bass, while some of the party-goers did some jitterbugging and others just plain enjoyed the music, or even joined in on a beer bottle or glass—it was great fun, until we were reminded that there was supposed to be a party going on in the other room.

More music was played, along with more games and finally, they started playing dance music, by which time a few of us were headed for our tents and sleeping bag. At least I was, since I had to rise early to prepare breakfast!

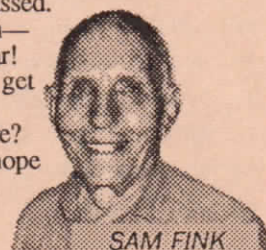
Morning dawned (yawn!) bright and rosy, and people began straggling into the dining room for their coffee and juice, waiting for breakfast to be served. We had a great meal of scrambled eggs with or without sausage, hash-brown potatoes, ala Monalisa, fresh fruit and dutch donuts, made right on the spot by Betty. After everyone had their fill and cleaned up, people began going off on more hikes. One to Timber Mountain was led by Frank and Ruth Dobos. A bit later, a small group of lady hikers (joined by some well-behaved gentlemen), led by Nami Brown and yours truly wended our way along the fireroad up to the waterfall. It was beautiful. While there, Rushtie (Julie Rush's cute doggy) played tag with the water and we all reveled amid Columbines and bright sunshine.

On the way back to the lodge we took a different trail through the wooded area and found some great lookout spots and a very nice trail that runs alongside the Snowcrest Lodge, where some of us dropped in for some wonderful mexican coffee, beer or just a glass of water.

So ended our Oktoberfest in a blaze of sunlight and a tired sigh as we reluctantly climbed into our cars and slowly drove down the hill, laughing at something we remembered from the night before or trying to remember just what shade of red the Columbine was, or how many cascades the water followed before it splashed onto the rocks below.

Plans for an even larger and perhaps even nicer HPS Oktoberfest are even now being discussed.

So once again—its until next year! Times just don't get better than this. Will you be there? I hope so and I hope Sam comes too. I know I will!



HPS PEAKS

Compiled by Louis Quirarte

Rank/ Peak Name (Index)	Gain	Rank/ Peak Name (Index)	Gain	Rank/ Peak Name (Index)	Gain
1 RABBIT PK#2 "BIG" (30F)	6700	43 MCKINLEY MTN (6F)	3100	91 MT HAWKINS (14F)	1900
2 IRON MTN#1 "BIG" (15D)	6000	43 PLEASANT VIEW RIDGE (13C)	3100	91 JOSEPHINE PK (11A)	1900
3 BLACK MTN#2 (7K)	5800	43 SOUTH[WELL] PK (28D)	3100	93 MAYAN PK (2I)	1800
4 SANTA CRUZ PK (6G)	5000	49 DOBBS PK (24H)	3000	93 PINE MTN#2 (28K)	1800
5 ROSA POINT (30H)	4800	49 GRANITE MTN#2 (32A)	3000	93 SMITH MTN (15B)	1800
5 ROSS MTN (14J)	4800	49 PALLETT MTN (13E)	3000	96 PYRAMID PK (28J)	1700
5 VILLAGER PK (30G)	4800	49 THREE SISTERS (23H)	3000	96 MT BURNHAM (14H)	1700
5 COBBLESTONE MTN (7M)	4800	53 SHEEP MTN (30B)	2900	96 SAN YSIDRO (31I)	1700
9 SAN BERNARDINO PK (24B)	4400	54 ETIWANDA PK (17F)	2800	96 SAWTOOTH MTN (8C)	1700
9 WHITE MTN#2 (7L)	4400	54 MT BADEN-POWELL (14I)	2800	96 SUICIDE ROCK (27J)	1700
11 MARTINEZ MTN (30C)	4300	54 OWENS PK (1H)	2800	96 TELEGRAPH PK (16G)	1700
12 BIG PINE MTN (6J)	4200	57 NICHOLS PK (2C)	2700	102 AQUILA PK "5 FINGERS" (1I)	1600
13 EAGLE REST PK (4C)	4100	57 MT JENKINS (1J)	2700	102 CUYAMACA PK (32E)	1600
13 OLD MAN MTN (6O)	4100	59 MARION MTN (27I)	2600	102 LILY ROCK (28A)	1600
14 MADULCE PK (6L)	4000	60 ANTSELL ROCK (28E)	2500	102 PALM VIEW PK (28H)	1600
16 WEST BIG PINE MTN (6I)	3900	60 FOLLY PK (27E)	2500	102 QUAIL MTN (26B)	1600
16 ANDERSON PK (24D)	3900	60 KITCHING PK (25I)	2500	102 SAWMILL MTN (4H)	1600
18 LITTLE SAN GORGONIO (25F)	3800	60 10 THOUSAND FT RIDGE (24J)	2500	102 CHALK PK (16H)	1600
18 SAN GORGONIO MTN (24I)	3800	64 APACHE PK (28F)	2400	109 BLACK MTN#3 (3B)	1500
18 SAN BERNARDINO E PK (24C)	3800	64 LAKE PK (24K)	2400	109 BLACK MTN#4 (23F)	1500
18 EAGLE CRAG (31A)	3800	64 MORRIS PK (1F)	2400	109 BOHNA PK (1B)	1500
22 SHIELDS PK (24E)	3700	64 RED TAHQUITZ (28C)	2400	109 COLE PT (10J)	1500
22 HILDREDTH PK (6M)	3700	64 SAN JACINTO PK (27F)	2400	109 GROUSE MTN (4G)	1500
22 ONTARIO PK (17B)	3700	64 SUGARLOAF PK (17A)	2400	109 MIDDLE HAWKINS (14E)	1500
22 RATTLESNAKE PK (15C)	3700	70 CONDOR PK (9C)	2300	109 MT DISAPPOINTMENT (12B)	1500
26 CEDAR MTN (25C)	3600	70 GRINNEL MTN (24L)	2300	109 MT WILLIAMSON (13F)	1500
26 DOUBLE MTN (3D)	3600	70 MT SAN ANTONIO (16E)	2300	109 RED MTN (20)	1500
28 HEALD PK (2M)	3500	70 PINYON PK (2E)	2300	109 SUNSET PK (15F)	1500
28 JEPSON PK (24G)	3500	70 SPITLER PK (28G)	2300	109 STRAWBERRY PK (11B)	1500
28 PILOT KNOB (IG)	3500	75 CROSS MTN (2K)	2200	109 PINYON RIDGE (13H)	1500
31 WILSHIRE MTN (25E)	3400	75 JEAN PK (27H)	2200	109 TECUYA MTN (4E)	1500
31 BIGHORN PK (17C)	3400	75 LOOKOUT MTN#2 (15E)	2200	122 BUTTERFLY MTN (28M)	1400
31 SAN RAFAEL MTN (6H)	3400	75 MT LUKENS (9E)	2200	123 CHUCKWALLA MTN (2L)	1400
34 BIRCH MTN (25B)	3300	75 ONYX PK#2 (2D)	2200	122 LION PK (28L)	1400
34 CALIENTE MTN (5A)	3300	75 SOUTH MT HAWKINS (14D)	2200	122 SAN GABRIEL PK (12C)	1400
34 SAMON PK (6K)	3300	75 SCODIE MTN (2F)	2200	122 SUGARLOAF MTN (22D)	1400
34 TIMBER MTN (17D)	3300	75 TAHQUITZ PK (28B)	2200	122 WHALE PK (32B)	1400
34 TWIN PKS (14B)	3300	83 SNOWY PK (7J)	2100	128 ALLEN PK (25A)	1300
39 GALENA PK (25G)	3200	83 DAWSON PK (16D)	2100	128 BLACK MTN#6 (2N)	1300
39 SPLIT MTN (1C)	3200	85 FOX MTN#1 (6C)	2000	128 CORNELL PK (27G)	1300
39 WILL THRALL PK (13D)	3200	85 IRON SPRINGS MTN (31F)	2000	128 GRANITE PK (23B)	1300
39 WILSHIRE PK (25D)	3200	85 LIZARD HEAD (6E)	2000	128 IRON MTN#2 (9B)	1300
43 CHARLETON PK (24F)	3100	85 SAN RAFAEL PK (7F)	2000	128 MT ISLIP (14C)	1300
43 CUCAMONGA PK (17E)	3100	85 TEHACHAPI MTN (3E)	2000	128 MT LAWLOR (11C)	1300
43 FOX MTN#2 (9D)	3100	85 THORN PT (7E)	2000	128 LITTLE BERDOO PK (26G)	1300

270 HPS Peaks ordered by approach of least gain from information in the Official HPS Peak Guides—note that multiple numbers indicate a tie.

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122 PINE MTN#1 (16C)	1300	174 MT PIÑOS (4I)	800	221 CRAFTS PK (21A)	400
137 BARE MTN (10D)	1200	174 LUNA MTN (20B)	800	221 HADDOCK MTN (7R)	400
137 BEAUTY PK (31E)	1200	174 SAN GUILLERMO MTN (7C)	800	221 SORELL PK (2H)	400
137 BERNARD PK (26H)	1200	184 ALAMO MTN (7G)	700	221 IRON MTN#3 (10G)	400
137 BUTTERBRETT PK (2J)	1200	184 BIGHORN MTNS (23A)	700	221 MT SALLY (11E)	400
137 BLACK MTN#5 (1D)	1200	184 CASTLE ROCKS (27D)	700	221 RATTLESNAKE MTN (20C)	400
137 CHAPARROSA PK (23I)	1200	184 GRAYS PK (21C)	700	221 SAN SEVAINE (17H)	400
137 COMBS PK (31G)	1200	184 HINES PK (7Q)	700	233 CAJON MTN (19B)	300
137 CONE PK (28I)	1200	184 INSPIRATION POINT (26E)	700	233 GRANITE MTN#1 (10E)	300
137 DEER MTN (20E)	1200	184 KRATKA RIDGE (14K)	700	233 McDONALD PK (7H)	300
137 INDIAN MTN (27B)	1200	184 LITTLE CAHUILLA MTN (29B)	700	233 MINERAL MTN (23D)	300
137 MIDDLE PK (32D)	1200	184 LOCKWOOD PT (7B)	700	233 MT HILLYER (10I)	300
137 SANTA ROSA (30D)	1200	184 LOST HORSE MTN (26F)	700	233 SEWART MTN (7I)	300
137 THROOP PK (14G)	1200	184 ONYX PK#1 (23G)	700	233 SLIDE PK (22C)	300
137 WATERMAN MTN (14A)	1200	184 ORTEGA HILL (7N)	700	233 VETTER MTN (11F)	300
151 CAHUILLA MTN (29C)	1100	184 RABBIT PK#1 (10F)	700	241 MT MOONEY (11G)	250
151 HEART BAR PK (22E)	1100	184 ROUND MTN (20A)	700	242 CLEGHORN MTN (19A)	200
151 MT DECEPTION (12A)	1100	184 SHEEPHEAD MTN (32L)	700	242 GARNET MTN (32H)	200
151 RYAN MTN (26D)	1100	184 WHITE MTN#1 (20D)	700	242 LITTLE BEAR PK (21D)	200
155 HAWES PK (20I)	1000	200 CUYAPAIPE MTN (32K)	600	242 OCCIDENTAL PK (12F)	200
155 OAKZANITA PK (32G)	1000	200 DELAMAR MTN (21E)	600	242 PIUTE LOOKOUT (2G)	200
155 MT EMMA (10A)	1000	200 MILL PK (22A)	600	242 WRIGHT MTN (16B)	200
155 OLD MT EMMA (10B)	1000	200 MT MARKHAM (12D)	600	248 SUGARPINE MTN (19C)	160
155 ORTEGA PK (70)	1000	200 MONROVIA PK (15A)	600	249 BARLEY FLATS (11D)	100
155 SILVER PK (21I)	1000	200 MT MARIE-LOUISE (19F)	600	249 BUTLER PK (21B)	100
155 SHAY MTN (20F)	1000	200 LOOKOUT MTN#1 (29E)	600	251 BOUCHER HILL (31C)	Drive-up
155 SUNDAY PK (1A)	1000	200 ROCK PT (28N)	600	251 BURNT PK (8B)	Drive-up
155 THE PINNACLES (19E)	1000	208 BLACK MTN#1 (27C)	500	251 CERRO NOROESTE (4F)	Drive-up
155 QUEEN MTN (26C)	1000	208 GARNET PK (32I)	500	251 CUYAMA PK (6D)	Drive-up
155 WARREN PT (26I)	1000	208 GOBBLER'S KNOB (16I)	500	251 FRAZIER MTN (7A)	Drive-up
166 BUCK PT (17G)	900	208 RANGER PK (27A)	500	251 HOT SPRINGS MTN (31H)	Drive-up
166 CANNEL POINT (1E)	900	208 LIGHTNER PK (2A)	500	251 KELLER PK (22B)	Drive-up
166 GOLD MTN (21H)	900	208 MONTE ARIDO (6N)	500	251 LIEBRE MTN (8A)	Drive-up
166 INGHAM PK (20H)	900	208 MT LEWIS (13G)	500	251 McPHERSON PK (6B)	Drive-up
166 LITTLE SHAY MTN (20G)	900	208 MONUMENT PK#1 (32J)	500	251 MODJESKA PK (18B)	Drive-up
166 MEEKS MTN (23E)	900	208 MOUNT LOWE (12E)	500	251 MONUMENT PK#2 (19D)	Drive-up
166 STONEWALL PK (32F)	900	208 REYES PK (7D)	500	251 MT GLEASON (9A)	Drive-up
166 THUNDER MTN (16F)	900	208 ROUSE HILL (29A)	500	251 MT WILSON (12G)	Drive-up
174 ANTIMONY PK (4D)	800	208 THOMAS MTN (29D)	500	251 PACIFICO MTN (10C)	Drive-up
174 ARCTIC PT (21F)	800	208 WINSTON PK (13A)	500	251 PALOMAR HIGH PT (31D)	Drive-up
174 ASBESTOS MTN (30A)	800	221 BALD EAGLE PK (2B)	400	251 PEAK MTN (6A)	Drive-up
174 BERTHA PT (21G)	800	221 BRUSH MTN (4A)	400	251 ROUND TOP (10H)	Drive-up
174 CIRCLE MTN (16A)	800	221 BUCKHORN PK (13B)	400	251 SANTIAGO PK (18A)	Drive-up
174 WINSTON RIDGE (13I)	800	221 CHIEF PK (7P)	400	251 SAN EMIGDIO MTN (4B)	Drive-up
174 MT HARVARD (12H)	800	221 CONSTANCE PK (24A)	400	251 TIP TOP MTN (23C)	Drive-up

THAT'S RIGHT WE'RE JUST TOO-TOO THIS YEAR, BUT EVEN AFTER 35 YEARS AS A SECTION WE STILL SEE EYE-TO-EYE WITH OUR FOUNDING MEMBERS!



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HPS-17 HPS T-shirt(s) Large (Gold)		\$7.25 each	
HPS-18 HPS T-shirt(s) X-Large (Gold)		\$7.25 each	
HPS-19 HPS T-shirt(s) Small (Yellow)		\$7.25 each	
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