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# HUNDRED PEAKS LOOKOUT



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*Jack Bascom: Recollections* (from Weldon Heald's first lead with the Sierra Club, June 29, 1941)

*See page 6 for more information about the early days of the Hundred Peaks game!*

## Upcoming Social Programs

June 9 "Dr" Ruth Dobos presents program on her recent exploration of the Anasazi ruins of the southwest.

July 14 **Stories Under The Stars**  
Tell your scariest stories—about your first hike with the HPS; your best hike; your worst hike. After usual HPS business we will proceed outdoors to tell our stories.

August 11 **Jennifer Lambelet** recounts hikes of two peaks in the Khumbu region of Nepal with Bonnie Michel.

September 8 **Annual Business Meeting**  
After usual HPS business we discuss HPS election, proposed bylaw changes, peak additions/deletions. Note: Hundred Peaks **Section** turns 40! this September. Help us celebrate this event at the meeting.

# Congratulations

By *Charlie Knapke, Membership Chair*

## 100 Peaks Emblem

911 Jack Adsit                      March 27, 1994                      Ranger Peak

## 200 Peaks Bar

315 David Michels                      December 27, 1993                      Monument Peak No. 1

### New Member

Robert A. Young

### New Subscribers

Elizabeth Pomeroy  
Kevin Bach  
Terry Richter

### Membership Summary :

	May 1994	May 1993
Active membership	422	407
Inactive membership	254	265
Honorary membership	3	3
Total HPS membership	675	675
<b>Lookout</b> subscriptions only	54	27

## Roadside cleanup crews Quietly return to Work

(From the San Francisco Examiner, May 26, 1994)

Gradually and without fanfare, Caltrans is reviving the highway cleanup program it suspended on March 28, after an out-of-control milk tanker killed five people and injured 14 on the Nimitz Freeway in San Leandro.

The agency has "conducted a statewide review on every section of highway where the (cleanup) work is done" and concluded that the program is basically safe, a Caltrans spokesman said Wednesday.

Section by section, the highway system is being returned to the non-paid cleanup crews - jail inmates working off misdemeanor sentence and Adopt-A-Highway volunteers - as they are vetted for safety by Caltrans.

The grisly San Leandro incident, in which the northbound, full-loaded milk tanker careened through a Caltrans cleanup crew in broad daylight, was "absolutely an exception" to the program's history of safety. "We had a situation where we

had a location on the freeway where there wasn't adequate escape, and someone driving under the influence who precipitated the accident," the spokesman said.

Litter pickup on about 8,000 miles of California's 15,000 mile highway system is done by "community service" workers, jailed for misdemeanors, and Adopt - A - Highway volunteer programs, all wearing orange hard hats and vests.

A spokesman said that a new training program has been instituted for supervisors of the community service and Adopt-A-Highway programs.

The northern California region has 300 Adopt-A-Highway groups and is adding new groups all the time. "We just want to make sure that our regional supervisors have specific work plans for work alongside the roads," the spokesman said.

Caltrans has had a community service highway cleanup program since 1981. "We've had 28 million hours of work performed by the special programs people. We estimate that they perform \$80 million worth of work a year."

Until the milk tanker accident Caltrans says it had not any fatality since the program started.

## From The Chair

By David Eisenberg

There are several issues coming up for consideration. I would like to use this column to let you know about them.

### Peak List Changes

At our July Management Committee meeting, we will be considering changes to the HPS List. Written recommendations for Peak Additions/Deletions should be submitted to me before the meeting, (preferably by July 1 so that they can be included with the agenda). Please come to the Management Committee meeting to present your viewpoint if possible. We will be meeting at 6:30 pm at the Griffith Park Ranger Station Auditorium on July 14.

I believe that this is a good time to consider several Peak deletions. We have been diligent in checking out peaks before adding them. Perhaps we should use the same standards and examine whether or not a peak should remain. In particular, the issues of safety, access and quality of the peak should be considered. I have several suggestions for Peak deletions:

**Ortega Hill:** A shooting range is located at the trailhead. Shooters direct their shots at the peak! I have had to shout out at shooters when descending the hill. Ortega Hill is a brush heap which is lower than the surrounding bumps including the one across the road from the trailhead. (Ortega Peak is worth keeping.)

**Bare Mountain:** Our original trailhead was turned

into a shooting area a few years ago. While we have found an alternate route, the trip continues to be led and climbed via the old route! I am concerned that there will be an incident on a led hike resulting in confrontation or injury.

**Barley Flats:** This peak is located next to a water tower and a former prison. The access to the peak is alongside the fence over which the former inmates had thrown trash and debris during their terms. This peak would never have been added if it were proposed now!

**Hot Springs Mountain:** I have mixed feelings about this peak. It has status as the high point of San Diego County. There is a problem with access. The peak is located on the Los Coyotes Indian Reservation. They have limited access to unpredictable times of the year. When we do get access, they charge a fee. The route to the peak begins at the lookout and crosses an area used by visitors for split breaks (as evidenced by the piles of toilet paper and human waste). This adds another worry when bothered by the abundant flies.

**Other Drive-Ups:** Some of you have expressed concern about having drive-ups on the List. Most of these have one or more excellent hiking routes and should remain on the List.

Peak additions are a more complicated matter. Those of us who are multiple List finishers often speak against the addition of new peaks because of the added difficulty of List finishing. These

Peaks must also be led at least to qualify for the List. I would like to see the following added to the List:

### Little Desert Peak

Located between Palm View and Pyramid. Charlie and I placed a register on this peak as an April Fool's joke a few years ago. I led this peak last week and was surprised to find that over a hundred people had enthusiastically signed in. The view is excellent and makes a good variation to the normal trip.

**Oak Glen Peak:** This peak is located on the Yucaipa Ridge. A register is located on this peak. We routinely sign in as we cross the summit on our ridge walk.

**Miller Peak:** This peak is worth it just for the ability to make beer jokes. It is located just off the main trail to San Jacinto Peak. I climb it when I take the shortcut from Cornell to San Jacinto which ascends this peak up the East Ridge. It has a view better than that of San Jacinto. Miller Peak has a brass plaque commemorating the Boy Scout lead it was named after.

## Sierra Club Rules

I was hoping that this would not happen this year. The HPS has been censured by the Safety Committee. Complaints have been made regarding the presence of dogs on Sierra Club hikes. According to Sierra Club rules, the hike **must** be listed as a K-9 hike before dogs are allowed. Please list your hikes as K-9 hikes if you are planning to bring your dog on a trip you are leading or wish to allow

dogs. This will give people with allergies, etc. a chance to stay away. If you are a participant, please do not impose on the goodwill of the leaders by showing up on a regular hike with dogs. It places the leaders in a bad position. They can lose their leader rating by allowing you to come or your friendship by turning you down. **Note:** Outings include events such as meetings, car camps, and Oktoberfest.

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### Volunteer Now:

After the June meeting, we will be forming a nominating for next year's Management Committee elections. If you are interested in serving next year, please contact me and I will let you know who to contact. We will be appointing an Elections Committee in August. This committee runs the election and counts the ballots. Contact me if interested.

We will need an Awards Committee. This is also appointed in August. Contact me if interested.

Oktoberfest needs helpers. Contact Jennifer Lambelet if interested in helping with the planning or the event.

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### Outings not in the Angeles Chapter Schedule

**June 19 Sunday**  
**I: Old Man, Monte Arido:** 2,500' gain, 5 miles round trip via Potrero Seco. Lots of dirt road driving. This trip is severely limited by permit availability. Call leader for more information. Leader: **DAVID EISENBERG** (818) 247-4635

between 4 pm and 7 pm only).  
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**GOODYKOONTZ**

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**June 19 Sunday**  
**O: Waterman Mountain and Adopt - a - Highway Clean-up:** Moderate hike (steep but short) is followed by clean-up of the Hundred Peaks Section Adopt - A - Highway stretch of the Angeles Crest Highway. Leaders will be camping in the area Saturday night after that evening's moonlight hike of Hillyer. Well behaved K-9's may join us on this trip as it is to be conducted with the **K - 9** Committee. Meet 9:00 am Sunday morning at Cloudburst Summit (32½ miles from La Canada). Hard hats, vests, tools, trash bags will be supplied. For information call Leaders **JOE YOUNG** or **BOBCAT THOMPSON**.

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### IS THIS YOUR LAST Lookout?

The following people have not renewed their subscription to the **Lookout** as of May 24, 1994. This is the last issue of the **Lookout** that will be mailed to these members unless they renew their subscription.

Daniel Bleiberg  
Dennis Coad  
Theresa Ebeling  
Richard Fewell  
Mike Gosnell  
Wayne J. Grabert  
Gwendolyn Hembroock  
Sherry Hughes  
Rita Hunter  
Edward J. Nemeth  
Carol Snyder  
Renate Tries  
Judy Ware  
Catherine Weiskopf

## OKTOBERFEST!

### October 1 - 2

Make your plans now for the annual Hundred Peaks Section Oktoberfest!

Jennifer Lambelet, our Social Programs Chair, is in charge of planning for our gala event, a Hundred Peaks Section tradition for many years. "Dr" Ruth and Frank Dobos have graciously volunteered to be the chief cooks again this year. Donica Wood has volunteered to be reservationist. We are exploring possibilities of using the Zen Center as we did once before.

The HPS Management Committee decided that there would be more beer and soft drinks and there will be entertainment.

Leaders of Oktoberfest related hikes will not be admitted free.

Because of increases in expenses, such as Harwood Lodge's fees, the Management Committee established a price of \$25 per person for the weekend. It should be noted that this compares quite favorably with fees charged by other Angeles Chapter groups providing equivalent services.

Please let Jennifer Lambelet know if you are interested in working on the Oktoberfest Committee. Much work remains to be done.

Let's maintain our tradition of successful HPS Oktoberfest events.

## Some Easier Hikes Scheduled July - October 1994

Date	Day	Peaks	Distance	Gain	Leaders
July 10	Sun	Introductory Hike	5 mi.	1000'	Eisenberg, R. Dobos
July 16	Sat	Winston, Williamson, Wilson <sup>1</sup>	7 mi.	2000'	Sandford, Fleming
July 30	Sat	Waterman	5 mi.	1200'	F. & R. Dobos
Aug 6	Sat	Islip	6 mi.	1250'	Coles, Dobos, et. al.
Sep 14	Sat	Kratka Ridge	6 mi.	1200'	Courtney, Martin
Sep 24	Sat	Gleason	5 mi.	1000'	Eisenberg, Dunbar
Sep 24	Sat	Rabbit #1, Iron #3 <sup>1</sup>	6 mi.	1940'	Feitshans, Maxwell
Oct 2	Sun	Sunset	7 mi.	1250'	T. & L. Armbruster
Oct 15	Sat	Vetter, Mooney <sup>1</sup>	2 mi.	600'	F. & R. Dobos
Oct 16	Sun	Waterman	6 mi.	1300'	Nilsson, Holladay

<sup>1</sup> Possibility of completing only one peak to lessen difficulty and/or time

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## How To Write a Member of Congress

Senators and Representatives pay attention to their mail. It is good politics. Responding to mail is crucial to reelection. A member knows your vote can be won or lost by his/her response. The most effective letter is a personal one, not a form letter. Cards and petitions do not have the impact of a few concise, informed, and polite **personalized** letters. Some specific tips:

1. Try to stick to one typewritten page. Two pages at most. Don't write on the back of a page. If writing longhand, take care to write legibly.
2. **In a short first paragraph, state your purpose. Stick with one subject or issue.** Support your position with the rest of the letter.
3. If a bill is the subject, cite it by name and number.
4. Be factual and support your position with information about how the legislation is likely to affect you and others. Avoid emotional philosophical arguments.
5. If you believe the legislation is wrong and should be opposed, say so, indicate the likely adverse effects, and suggest a better approach.
6. Ask for the legislator's views but do not demand support. Remember, Senators and Representatives respond to a variety of views, and even if your position is not supported on one issue or bill, it may be the next time.

7. Be sure your name and return address are legible.

8. The suggested address style is:

The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_  
 United States Senate  
 Washington, DC 20510  
 Dear Senator \_\_\_\_\_

The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_  
 United States House of Representatives  
 Washington, DC 20515  
 Dear Representative \_\_\_\_\_

9. If you receive a response from a legislator, it may indicate the staff person who handles the area of your concern (e. g., environmental, energy, economics, etc). Further correspondence should still be addressed to the legislator but directed to the attention of that staff person.

10. It takes surprisingly few letters to get the attention of a legislator. On average, **FIVE personal** letters are enough to get some action from your Congressional Representatives! However, because they represent more constituents than any other United States Senators, it will take more effort to get the attention of Senators Feinstein and Boxer. But it can be done. Be persistent, but follow the tips suggested here.

## Recollections by Jack Bascom

In the pre-war years, I served on the Schedule Committee of the Southern California Chapter. My duty was to write up the Sunday day hikes for the Schedule. In those days there were no leadership training courses and the suitability of leaders was at my discretion. In general, leaders were required to be members of the Sierra Club, show a willingness to lead, be mentally sound, physically fit and morally straight. The last item was important as the leader had to account for all the nickels he had collected as trail fees. When a leader failed to show up for a hike, I would often substitute.

In November 1940 our committee received a letter from Weldon Heald describing a hike he had made from Buckhorn to Pleasant View Ridge. A recent extension of the Angeles Crest Highway had made this day hike possible. In his letter Weldon said "I believe it is new to the Club and is of such a high order that I am very enthusiastic about it." He followed with a detailed description of the hike including the view "from Cuyamaca Peak to Mt Whitney and from San Clemente Island to Telescope Peak, one of the finest views in Southern California." I was given the letter and was expected to follow up.

I found that he was unlisted in the directory and the only address he had given was "Los Arboles, Rubio Canyon, Altadena." I found that

there were many trees in Rubio Canyon. I was about to give up looking for him when it occurred to me that since there was another Heald in the phone book, he might be a relative. I called him. He was not related but had gotten mail by mistake and was able to direct me to Weldon's home. I dropped in on him on a Sunday morning and he was surprised when I showed him his letter. In a few minutes, I was convinced that he conformed to the necessary requirements for a leader and then I began to persuade him to lead the hike. He protested saying that not only had he never led a hike, but he had never gone on a day hike. I explained to him that, since he was the only one that had scouted the trip, he was better able to lead it than anyone else. He finally agreed and we settled on a date, June 29, 1941. I recall that later, I was complimenting myself on getting his assent to lead the hike, when it occurred to me that I had forgotten to ask him if he was a member of the Club!

The next time I saw him was the day of the hike. He did an excellent job of leading and the day was so clear that we did see Mt. Whitney. On the return hike to the cars, Weldon divulged to me an idea he had. He had compiled a list of 112 peaks over 5000' elevation between the Tehachapis and the Mexican border. This list he had gotten from topo, Forest Service and Auto Club maps. It was his intention to climb 100 of these peaks. He asked me what I thought of his idea.

It took me a few

minutes to respond. At first I thought it was another labor for Hercules. If he wanted to make the Book of Records I could suggest an easier way. Someone had just pushed a peanut with his nose up Pikes Peak. That seemed easier. However, since he had done a great job of leading I had to be careful with my reply. Suddenly, I got an idea. I wanted to go back to Iron Mountain and see what the top looked like in daylight. It was difficult to find anyone to go with. The people I had climbed it with four years earlier on a 17 hour Club hike turned pale and sick when I mentioned another hike to Iron Mountain. If I could get Weldon to go with me, and we found a better route, we could make it by daylight. How much persuasion would it take? I asked him if he wanted to include Iron Mountain on his list. He said he was eager to climb it if he could find someone to accompany him. We agreed on a date for the hike. Then, I told him his "Hundred Peaks List" was a great idea.

That made him happy.

After climbing Hot Springs Mountain in March 1940, he found that he had climbed 50 peaks and decided to go for 100. When we climbed Iron Mountain in November 1941, it was his 65th peak and I had collected 38.

Weldon was an interesting person to hike with. He was a graduate of MIT with a degree in architecture but was more interested in writing about the outdoors. He wrote extensively for Westways and Sunset magazines and was the

author of several guides including a "Guide to California". He was a Vice-President of the American Alpine Club and a Director of the Sierra Club.

I accompanied him on many of his peak bagging hikes and together we revised the lists, adding new peaks as we found them. I recall a hike we made up Icehouse Canyon. I had previously climbed Ontario Peak, but Cucamonga Peak was new to me. Since Weldon had made Cucamonga but not Ontario, we parted at the saddle and went for our different goals. I noted a distinct peak east of Cucamonga Peak that was shown on the topo map as 8701'. I suggested to Weldon that we add it to the list. He said, "What shall we call it?" I said, "If Ontario Peak is north of Ontario and Cucamonga Peak is north of Cucamonga, what do you say we call 8701' 'Etiwanda Peak' as it is north of Etiwanda?" So that is how it got that name.

On another hike we climbed Mt. Emma. That evening Weldon called to say that he had checked the latest topo map and that Mt. Emma was shown to be a higher point about a mile south of the one we had climbed. The mountain we had climbed was called "Emma" on older maps, so he said "What do you say we call it "'Old Mt. Emma'." When it came to giving names to peaks, we were drunk with power. No one else was interested.

I recall a hike we made from Crystal Lake to Windy Gap, where again we parted, Weldon going to Mt. Williamson, which I had

previously climbed, and I went over Throop Peak to Mt. Lewis. At an agreed upon time, I flashed sunlight by a mirror to him. Weldon failed to see it, but being a prolific writer, he wrote about it in the Williamson register and for years after I heard from others about our experiment. As I crossed the saddle between Mt. Lewis and Throop Peak, I recall thinking, "What a nice secluded place to build a hideaway cabin." It was well that I didn't carry out such plans as The Angeles Crest Highway now goes through Dawson Saddle.

On another hike we went to Thomas Mountain, where I managed to bring home a wood tick. That evening while driving down Colorado Street in Pasadena, my arm became paralyzed. I drove to the Emergency Hospital where the doctor used some chloroform and removed the tick. Worried as to whether I had enough money to pay for the operation I inquired, "How much?" The doctor replied, "No charge." Those were the days.

A war interrupted our peak bagging, but in 1946 we continued. Others had become interested and the "idea" had become a game. The first 100 Peaks scheduled hike was made on March 10, 1946 to Iron No. 3 and Rabbit Peak. I was the leader and Parker Severson was the assistant leader. Later, another 100 Peaks scheduled hike was made to Throop Peak. On this hike, a reporter and photographer came along from the Los Angeles Times and we gained much publicity. We could say, "Without a

newsletter, we just put our write-ups on the front page of the Times!"

In June 1946, Weldon completed the 100 peaks and I was privileged to accompany him. We drove from Lockwood Valley on a one-way dirt road to a high point near Mt. Pinos, then hiked over Mt. Pinos and Sawmill Mountain to Grouse Mountain. To record my congratulations a time exposure picture was taken. The first climbing of 100 peaks had been accomplished.

*Editor's note: Recollections are from a series of articles that appeared in the East San Gabriel Valley Group newsletter. They appear here with Jack Bascom's permission.*



Your **Lookout** Editor plans to explore the early days of the Hundred Peaks Section, or "Game" as it was called, in each issue of the **Lookout**. Readers who have memories or memorabilia of the pre-1954 Hundred Peaks era are encouraged to share that history with the Editor. Pictures would be appreciated. Also, if any readers are aware of the whereabouts of hikers from the early days (not limited to pre-1954!), please let me know. Thank You.

*Editor's Note: One of our top environmental goals is the passage of the Desert Bill, which, among other things, would bestow National Park status on Joshua Tree National Monument. We expect this to become a reality soon. But protecting the desert has long been a concern for the Sierra Club. Volume 1, Number 1 of what is now the Southern Sierran appeared in May 1946. And what was its lead article about? Protecting Joshua Tree National Monument! And surprise! The author of the article was Weldon F. Heald, our Hundred Peaks Section founder! Courtesy of Jack Bascom, I have obtained a copy of that issue. Below is Weldon Heald's article in its entirety.*

### **Trouble on the Desert by Weldon F. Heald**

Joshua Tree National Monument is threatened—possibly will be abandoned entirely unless we act promptly. Jim Cole, custodian, reported his difficulties at a conservation meeting March 24, at Sierran Harry G. James' Trailfinders School in Altadena. Principal trouble is that area includes alternate sections of private land, originally Southern Pacific grants but some which the railroad has sold to private individuals.

Private lands complicate the hunting situation. Although shooting is prohibited within the Monument, the government has no authority on private sections. With only two men to patrol an area greater than Rhode Island, wildlife protection is next to impossible. Jim reports that mountain sheep and quail have increased during war years, but now complete government ownership is necessary for continued protection of birds and animals.

Randall Henderson writes in Desert that the current issue of California Mining Journal carries cover picture of Joshua trees with caption, "The Joshua trees of San Bernardino and Riverside counties--eight hundred (thousand) acres of them block the mining industry in that area! This vast acreage has

been withdrawn from public entry to protect a few scrubby trees that are of absolutely no value sentimental or otherwise." It is true that mineral land lies in eastern part of Monument which has little scenic value. Jim Cole states that Park Service in redrawing boundaries is willing to exclude this mineral area, but the claim of mining interests that the whole Monument should be turned into prospectors' playground is ridiculous and should be vigorously opposed.

But greatest problem is the existence of private land within the area. Most waterholes are owned privately so that Park Service is hampered even in laying out improved campgrounds. The government is unwilling to expend funds to build roads and install facilities as these benefit private owners, raising the price of their land and making it more difficult to acquire.

The S. P. has been willing in the past to sell out all holdings at 92¢ an acre. But Park policy provides no funds for acquiring land for parks and monuments. However, the Sheppard Bill, now in Committee, includes appropriation of \$210,000 for buying major portion of private lands in Joshua Tree N. M. Jim Cole does not know the

chances of the Bill's passage or whether it would be whittled down, but he states \$150,000 is essential to keep the Monument functioning under government control.

Even Sheppard Bill may not save it. A motion picture syndicate has approached the S. P. to buy Pinto Basin for permanent Western location upon which to build movie cow towns and mining camps. One member of railroad's Board of Directors, presumably sympathetic to Monument, has held out awaiting result of Congressional action on Sheppard Bill.

Joshua Tree National Monument hangs by a thread—if Sheppard Bill is defeated the movies take over and, according to Jim Cole, the government will probably bow out.

Strange civilization! Eight billions development of atomic bomb to blow fellow humans off the face of the Earth while up to now we decree that our government shall not pay one cent for acquiring wilderness land for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future Americans,

**W r i t e y o u r  
congressmen and senators to  
PASS THE SHEPPARD BILL!!**



## Current Trip Reports

### IRON MOUNTAIN # 1

May 7, 1994

Leader: Frank Goodykoontz

Assistant: Wynne Benti-Zdon

By Wynne Benti-Zdon

Lucky 13 was the number of participants, including the leaders, who were brave enough to tackle this beast of a peak, despite the warnings of potential thunderstorms. When the trip was first scheduled for the last weekend in March, 25 people had signed up with at least ten on the waiting list. The day before the trip was to go, a huge storm hit the southland, with the snow level down to four thousand feet. At that time, the leaders decided to postpone the trip until May 7th. On Friday, we heard various grim reports about another storm that was going to hit the Los Angeles basin on Saturday, but decided to make a go for Iron anyway, despite the weather predictions.

The group met at the Azusa rideshare point at 5am and were soon on the road~ stopping along the way to pick up parking permits (purchased at a 24 hour market a few blocks north of the rideshare point on Asuza Avenue~HWY 39), and shortly thereafter, arriving at the trailhead. The summit of Iron Mountain, enshrouded in snow from the previous night's snowstorm, was readily visible from the trailhead parking area on the east fork of the San Gabriel River. Blue sky around Iron Mountain and the front range would peek out only momentarily from behind the

last of the front's storm clouds.

We were on the trail by 6:15am with Frank taking the lead, establishing a steady and deliberate pace which was to continue all day long. At the trailhead, Diane Dunbar set her Avocet watch which would record the duration of the hike as well as the elevation gain. The trail climbed as steadily and deliberately as Frank's pace, contouring around ridges then up over ridgetops. As we followed the long ridge to Allison Saddle, Mt. Baldy was always in our view, spectacular and beautiful, covered with snow. Many wildflowers were in bloom~shades of pink, yellow, purple, red and magenta covered the slopes. The menacing gray clouds of another front pushed toward us from the south, and were a constant reminder of possible thunderstorms.

At Allison Saddle, we began the final, very steep ascent to the summit. Hugh Blanchard and Dorothy Danziger kept the group lively with uplifting renditions of chain gang songs. About half a mile above the saddle, one of the participants wasn't feeling well and decided to turn back. Soon after, the clouds moved in and visibility was down to about one hundred feet in any direction. The last half mile was a very cold, wet walk through thick mist and pines.

We reached the top of Iron around 12:30. The view was obscured by a dense, swirling cloud cover. We stayed about half an hour on the peak and then began the long-welcomed descent back to the cars. The run back down

the ridge was fairly uneventful, though poor visibility continued due to the thick cloud cover which enveloped the ridge. We reached the end of the trail around 3pm. According to Diane's watch, total hiking time was 10 hours and 40 minutes and total elevation gain was 7030'.

The trip participants were Diane Dunbar, Dorothy Danziger, Hugh Blanchard, Mike Daugherty, Bruce Corning, Ann Bennett, Ellen Ricks, Ray Soucy, Cyndi Runyon, Mike Runyon and Rick Pierce.

## SAMON, BIG PINE, WEST PINE AND MADULCE

April 8 - 10, 1994

Leaders: Doug Mantle &

Vi Grasso

By Vi Grasso

It wasn't so much that the BIG-4 daunted me when Doug proposed to lead them. What daunted me was his trip writeup. Quoting: "Welcome! Meet 6:00 a.m. Friday (ugh) at the parking area for Samon (see enclosed). We have lots of miles, over 40, and, if there's much snow, er, well, it could be messy. Anyway, tentatively we'll do Samon Friday, backpack on, perhaps toting water, to Alamar (approx. 14 mi, 3,500', much brush on Samon, perhaps some postholing too; bring extra water container for backpacking beyond Chockcherry). Then, well, we'll see. Plan on a tough, relentless trip!"

Two people didn't hesitate to cancel out. Other call-ins said, well, no. Two of the strongest hikers I know stayed on, Terry Flood and Mark Adrian. So there were

just 4 of us total, and I was left to do my own sweep. (Terry did accompany me now and then, when I promised to talk about snakes.)

Doug was right for the most part, fortunately not so right in other predictions: i.e., no snow except for some patches here & there hence no messy hiking and we had ok accessible water. The Samon trail is well brushed. (On the approach to the summit from the SW, Doug heard one of Terry's friends - I promptly selected the brush to the right.)

Unfortunately, at camp, what none of us expected, based on weatherman predictions, it first misted Fri. nite after we went to bed, then it sprinkled, then it downright **rained**. All 4 participants got up Sat. a.m. emerging out of wet sleeping bags. The space blankets held up, but were not adequate. (Our tents had been disdainfully left in the car anticipating great clear weather.)

The stats for the trip are: Started up the road Fri. 4/8 at 6:30ish arriving Chockcherry at 9:50 a. Off to Samon at 10ish, back down the road at 2:00 p., loaded the packs (extra water) on to beautiful Alamar arriving at about 4:15. After enjoying our dinner and great campfire that Terry tended and Doug contributed to, we got into our sleeping bags observing that what appeared to be a heavy marine layer was settling down in the canyon and ominously reaching campsite. Next a.m. Sat., wet and groggy, we're off to Big Pine & West B. Pine hoping the sun would burn thru

the clouds. (West B. Pine was in a whiteout, but with the wind swirling around, we could make out the cliffs below.) Back to Alamar at 11:30 for lunch break which gave us a chance to aerate the sleeping bags, but the clouds continued to obscure the sun. So as not to double back to Alamar on Sunday, we opted for luggin' the packs up to Madulce Saddle where we started for the peak around 1:30 p. The air was brisk with temperatures  $\pm 50$  and the view in all directions from the top of Madulce at around 2:45 was magnificent. Back to the Saddle by 4:00ish (4:20 for me) and on to Chockcherry by 5:00 where we camped for the night. By this time the clouds to the East were quite dark and menacing and we anticipated another wet night. It got very cold, a few frozen flakes came down now and then, but mercifully, we kept dry. Sun. off at 7:00 a. making it to the cars at 10:00 (10:10 for me). The weather continued brisk, but sunnier. And so, another RELENTLESS trip led by Doug where I managed to hang in there.

(My kingdom for a bike!)

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**Bernard Pk, Little  
Berdoos Pk, Warren Pt.  
April 30, 1994  
Leaders: Diane Dunbar &  
Frank Goodykoontz  
By Diane Dunbar✓**

18 happy people met at the junction of Hwy 62 and Hwy 247 in Yucca Valley at 7:00 AM on 4/30/94. The weather was perfect, with chilly air, warm sun, and clear skies.

We all divided into five

4WD vehicles and caravanned past the West entrance to Joshua Tree National Monument, to the Geology Tour Rd, and on across the desert toward the Little Berdoos Mountains.

This was Diane Dunbar's checkout hike for her "I" rating. The route chosen to Bernard and Little Berdoos was not the conventional route from the HPS writeup. It was, instead, an alternate route, a favorite of the Coach's and had been scouted the end of last year.

When everyone had parked and put on their boots and packs, Diane announced she and Frank had just taken Wilderness First Aid, and requested that someone please injure themselves so they could practice. A few hikers even agreed to do so, asking what kind of injury would be preferred!!!

As soon as Diane took a compass bearing from the cars to the opening the canyon, the group set off.

There were several species of cacti in glorious bloom, and the ground was covered with a blanket of multicolored flowers. This canyon is typical of most of the canyons in Joshua Tree, with rugged rocks, occasional catsclaw(!) to avoid, and lots of grey-green juniper.

A brief break was taken at a little double saddle to show the group the other canyon down below (the one in the HPS writeup) and the group continued on up the same canyon. At the point where the canyon turned North, they turned SW and sidehilled around an "intermediate bump", eventually meeting up

with a second canyon at a place where the sides were gradual and it was not too deep. Bernard pk, visible part of the way at the beginning of the hike, loomed again into view toward the top of this new canyon, disappearing again as the group approached the exit point.

The group climbed up a steep slope and over another rise and there in all its glory was Bernard itself. The group sat around on the summit block pointing out San Jacinto, San Gorgonio, the Salton Sea, and many other landmarks, all visible from this one peak.

After a short break, the group followed Diane along a ridge and over and around two high points. Frank (the coach) pulled his usual amazing trick twice on this ridge. When all the group is together after negotiating a high point, and looking behind them for the sweep, he magically appears in front of them instead, in a nonchalant way. Where he comes from, nobody knows, but you can be sure that, as a sweep, he had the group in sight at all times.

From here, another little ridge led up to Little Berdoo, where Diane bandaged someone's scraped hand. Again, everyone marvelled at the view and ate Vi Grasso's chocolate cookies.

The route back from Little Berdoo was beautiful rough XC, back to the double saddle where the group had been shown the HPS route on the way up, and a reverse bearing from the original canyon's mouth led them directly back across the desert floor to the

cars. The hike lasted 4 ¾ hours.

Again, the 4WD vehicles wended their way across that desert plain toward the Geology Tour Road. Later, passing the original meeting point, they drove to Black Rock Canyon Campground, parking at the Ranger Station.

Together the group set off again, this time XC across the desert toward Black Rock Spring. It was very green on that route, with lots of flowers here, too. The spring had water in it, in the middle of this dry place! A swarm of bees was sitting around on the ground around it, though, so it was passed quietly and quickly. The group climbed a ridge to Warren Point, celebrating Diane's successful checkout hike with champagne, sparkling cider and chips and salsa on the summit.

The route down was further down Black Rock Canyon then groups usually descend, and offered a chance to see parts of that beautiful canyon that are usually missed on most hikes. They returned to the cars in less than 3 hours from the starting time, and a tired happy group left for home, Southern nursing a Cholla puncture.

Participants: Diane Dunbar, Frank Goodykoontz, Vi Grasso, Keith Martin, Bill Sheehan, Ann Bennett, Susan Rubio, Kay Rogowski, George Thomas, Roxanna Lewis, Southern Courtney, Stephen Bache, George Schroedter, Walia Ringler, Betty Stirrat, Ralph Turner, Eileen Ricks, and Gwen Hembrock.

This was a very supportive,

very upbeat, fun group to have on a checkout hike, and nobody ever had a better coleader and evaluator than Frank. This leader appreciates everyone involved!!! Thank You!!!

## **Sorrell, Weldon, Morris May 14 - 15**

**Leaders: Louella Ficke, Erich Ficke, Bob Michael  
By Louella Ficke**

We met at 7:00 a. m. at Walker Pass Campground on Saturday. We got into David Jansen's 4x4 and Bob Michael's Ford truck. Instead of a route bag of Sorrell, we were doing Sorrell the short way with Weldon from Hwy 589. Sorrell was a repeat for everybody but Dorothy Danziger and George Thomas. We quickly climbed Sorrell then drove to the place where the PCT crosses Hwy 589 (Jawbone Canyon Rd) via Landers Meadow. Using a copy of the PCT guide, Charlie Knapke's 1993 trip description and the guide from the **Lookout** we proceeded to hike out to Weldon Peak. The **Lookout's** route guide suggested the use of a west/southwest gully. We took this literally. We climbed up a west/southwest facing gully. This gully leads brush and rock free to a point just north of the west summit of Weldon. I have never seen as much miner's lettuce as we walked over going up this gully to Weldon Peak. The summit of Weldon Peak is the high point just west of the "W" in Weldon Peak on the new Emerald Mtn 7½ minute quad per Charlie Knapke. Erich

Fickle completed **THE LIST** on Weldon Peak. Bob Michael carried some champagne to celebrate Erich's List Completion. Dorothy Danziger supplied home made cookies. We ate and drank before we descended via the south side of Weldon into the south draw and followed it back west to the PCT where we found the duct mentioned in the **Lookout** route description. We encountered some brush descending from Weldon to the saddle above the south draw. The hike back up to the cars was a real slog. It was hot and humid!! We decided that we really didn't want to drive up Piute so we returned via the Landers Meadow/Harris grade route to the Kelso Valley Road and Walker Pass Campground. More goodies. Saturday night we were joined by Paul Sue, Alan Pendley, and Wayne Norman who had climbed Kearsarge Peak in the Sierra Saturday.

Sunday morning the group split up. Bob wanted to explore The Needles. David wanted to do Scodie. George did Scodie Friday. George had enough heat and wanted to go home as did Wayne. The rest of us climbed Morris. We got a 7 a.m. start from Walker Pass. We had a cool breeze. There was coreopsis and lupine along the trail. A Scott's Oriole sang from a Joshua Tree clump it's meadowlark sounding song. The breeze continued all morning. We were back to the cars in time for Erich and I to reach Graziano's in Mojave in time for a noon pizza.

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**Strawberry Peak**  
**May 22, 1994**  
✓**Checkout Hike For**  
**Theresa Glover**

We met at La Cañada carpool point on May 22, at 8:30 a.m. and began our hike from Red Box around 9:20. There were six participants - Julia Stein, Roxanne Lewis, Rex Hyon, Frank and Ruth Dobos and myself. We made it up to the summit in good time (just over two hours) and ran into Julie Rush's (Highway Cleanup) group at the top, as well as a hiking group from Hughes Aircraft. Joe Young had his camera in hand so he took some celebratory photos. Because of our excellent timing, some of us went over Lawlor on the way back to the cars. It was Rex's first time on both Strawberry and Lawlor, and Julia's first time on Strawberry (her fifth peak). Rex is an avid Desert Peakbagger and I rated leader and only hikes HPS peaks when he's not in the desert. The rest of us had climbed Strawberry before (nine times for Frank!) but found it as refreshing as ever.

I'd like to thank everyone for participating in the hike, especially Ruth and Frank for their support and encouragement (and the patch—thanks). If anyone would like to arrange an O rated trip with me, call me at (213) 852-9893. Thanks and see y'all on another trip real soon.

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**Agua Tibia Trail Work**  
**April 23-24, 1994**  
**May 21-22, 1994**  
**Alan Coles & Charlie Knapke**  
by Alan Coles

The Vail Fire of 1989 that burned over most the northern portion of the Agua Tibia Wilderness resulted in significant trail damage. All of the trails were affected but the most troublesome was one of my favorites: the Cutca Valley Trail. Because of its isolation and relative lack of use, the features that have always made it appealing to me and others, it quickly became impassable due to rapid brush growth. The forest service is overwhelmed with the need to maintain trails in the area but has only a small budget to do it. The choice was clear, either we had to work on it or the trail would be lost for years, perhaps forever.

I contacted Norm Noyes, the recreation ranger for the area, and planned 2 trips in spring. I had hoped to do a car camp with transportation to the trailhead each day. About a week before our April trip I contacted him again and learned that a) the road was not passable into Cutca Valley b) the forest service could not provide transportation each day but would drop us off one day and pick us up the next c) the lower portion of the trail was not flagged, hence we could only work from the top down. This made it necessary to do a backpack and we would have to hike in from the Crosley Ranch, 6 mi. and 2000' of gain to

camp carrying our gear and tools. We also learned that a major storm was expected to arrive Saturday night.

Seven people showed up at the parking lot of Dripping Springs Campground at 8 am. Besides the 2 leaders only 1 other person, Barbara Reber, was from the Angeles Chapter. The other 4 were from San Diego, Gail Hanna, Bert Ton, John Case and Sarah Ball. Without Gail's help, there would have been only 3 of us. The day was clear, sunny and warm when Norm showed up in the green USFS van. We quickly loaded our packs and took off up the road to the private land just east of the wilderness passing through 2 lock gates. We drove to the 3rd gate at the west end of the Crosley Ranch and unloaded our gear where we were met by the caretaker with his enormous dog. He introduced himself to Norm who replied that they had met previously. The caretaker responded "Oh, I didn't recognize you when you're not all beat and torn up". Norm gets to spend a lot of his time thrashing through brush.

After a lengthy explanation on the use of the 2 way radio which was for our emergency use, we took off up the trail. Our plan was to be picked up at 4 p.m. on Sunday if no rain, or 9 am if it did rain.

It was warm going up the steep trail but an occasional cool breeze kept us moving. Flowers were blooming profusely in every direction. It took nearly 3 hours to reach the flat spot at the top of the Cutca Trail just below Eagle Crag. One look

and it became obvious that this was going to be a Major Task.

After lunch we got out the clippers and saws and began cutting thick ceanothus and manzanitas which have grown rapidly in the middle of the trail. Logs and branches had to be cut and removed. It was hard work but very rewarding when one could easily see the difference after 5 hours when we called it quits. We had managed to clear about 3/4 of a mile, almost down to the canyon bottom.

We collected water from a small spring just below the saddle and returned to set up camp. A community salad with many nice items was enjoyed before everyone gathered into their tents and out of the cold wind. Meanwhile, the clouds continued to blow over the ridge in the glow of a full moon.

The rain began around 2 am and showers continued on and off the rest of the night. Hail occasionally pelted the tents. By 6 am the rain stopped and heads began to pop out of the tents. Of the 6 tents, 3 were dry, 3 were soaked. Generally the ones without rain flies were wet.

We packed up and left 1 hour later returning to the meeting point at 9:30. Norm was there with another ranger in a 4x4 truck. The van could not get up the muddy road, so we loaded the packs into the truck and then proceeded to walk with Norm down the road. Hail pelted us a few times before the truck returned to carry us the rest of the way out.

#### May 21-22

At least for this trip no

rain was predicted for the weekend although earlier in the week there had been a chance of it. Norm still did not have the trail flagged and was unable to provide transportation. I offered to do work on the Cutca Trail starting from the trailhead on the Aguana/High Pt road. Norm provided tools which would be left with the Camp Host at Dripping Springs.

Only 4 people showed up at 7:30 at the campground: the 2 leaders, Gail Hanna and Catherine Rochmes from Santa Monica. Since we planned to camp at the trailhead, we took all cars except Catherine's up the road which was recently graded. There was one tough spot where we had to stack rocks to get Gail's VW squareback over exposed rocks. Gail nearly drove past the trailhead because it was difficult to find unless you were very familiar with the location. The grader had cut deep diagonal grooves on both sides of the parking area making it almost impossible to park perpendicular to the road. Brush has also overgrown the spot.

We quickly got to work. Charlie put the trail sign back up and the rest of us began clipping. The trail was actually in much better shape than we thought although there was plenty of work needed. Apparently someone has worked on the trail in the last 2-3 years. My new compound action clippers were especially useful on thick branches. Charlie's old reliable pair lost a handle and he had to use one of the stiff and dull ones from

the forest service.

We took a break around 11:15 when we reached Cottonwood Canyon with its beautiful stream and deep shade. After lunch we worked our way up the trail and finally finished around 3 when we got to the old dirt road about 1 mile later. I took a short walk down the trail to the intersection with the Aguanga Trail. This valley is still very beautiful with fields of bright purple lupine swaying in the wind. It was a warm day but the scenery was superb.

We returned to the cars around 4:30 and after a short poll was taken we decided to go home. Many thanks to all participants who's work is especially appreciated. We are planning more trips in the fall and spring. Please consider coming to one.

## **TWO VERY UNUSUAL PRIVATE OUTINGS**

### **MOUMBLOW & DOGGETT DAY - HIKE BIG THREE**

**April 29, 1994**

**By Peter Doggett**

On April 29, 1994, Tom Moublow and Peter Doggett day-hiked the BIG THREE in less than 12 hours. By starting @ 5 am and hiking Santa Cruz Pk first, we were able to beat the heat. After summiting Santa Cruz Pk @ 9:30 am, we reached San Rafael & McKinley Mts @ 12:45 pm and 1:43 pm respectively.

Even though the entire trip covers about 33 miles & 6,600 feet of gain, we feel that hiking all three in one day

(starting and finishing @ Cachuma Saddle) is preferable. As long as you start around 5 am and can average 3.0 MPH on a dirt road, one should be able to do Santa Cruz and get back to the saddle between San Rafael & McKinley before noon. Good Luck! -PKJ

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## **FOUR EMBLEM COMPLETIONS IN 24 HOURS**

**30 August - 1 September  
1993, by Rob Langsdorf**

### **The Concept**

About 5 years ago I read about several people obtaining their Emblem status on the three Angeles Chapter Section Peak lists within a 24 hour period. I thought it would be a great challenge to obtain such status on 4 lists (the 3 peak lists and the Segment list of the Pacific Crest Trail Section) within a 24 hour period.

My plan was to reach the summit of Olancha, my 10th SPS emblem peak, shortly after midnight to begin the 24 hour period.

After returning to my vehicle I would drive to Kennedy Meadow to finish the Olancha Peak segment of the Pacific Crest Trail. (The San Diego Chapter has a Pacific Crest Trail Section (PCTS). The PCTS has divided the PCT into 60 segments of about 35-60 miles each. Their trail emblem requires completing 15 of these segments. The Olancha Peak segment is the 41 miles of PCT from Horseshoe Meadow to Kennedy Meadows.)

Then I would drive down 395 to bag Aquila for my

100th summit from the Hundred Peaks List.

Finally I would bag Telescope for my 5th Desert Peaks Section emblem summit. (DPS require 5 of their 7 "emblem" peaks and any 10 other on their list for their emblem.

To accomplish all these 4 emblems in 24 hours I needed to be in fairly good shape, have a full moon, and good weather.

### **Getting the "Next to Last" Peaks & Miles**

The Friday I was suppose to leave for the Sierra I was still 2 peaks short and I also needed about 3.5 miles of the PCT to finished my 14th segment of the PCTS trails list.

I left La Jolla about 3:30 pm on Friday. Bagged Thomas Mountain and Rouse on "drive ups". I made the mistake of driving this long dirt road route from Garner Valley to Hemet. The light of setting sun played on the truck's dusty windshield, making it very hard to see the road. The last of evening light found me hitting the paved road near Hemet. I drove around to the north side of San Jacinto and took the Snow Creek Road across the wash and parked where the PCT crossed a dirt road about a third of a mile north of Snow Creek Village.

First I hiked to the Snow Creek Water District gate, the last point I had reached hiking north through the San Jacinto segment of the PCT. Then I followed the trail north across the San Gorgonio River Wash and north under the railroad and I-10 to the end of the segment at Tamarack Road. (Since I hadn't arranged for a

shuttle I was stuck hiking all the way back to my truck. (7 miles round trip.)

### A Trip to Get into Shape

After a few minutes rest I hit the road again. First to Banning for gas and a late (2 am) supper. Then an all night drive through Lone Pine to the Sawmill Pass Trail Head. I arrived just as the group I was to meet there gathered for breakfast. About noon I interrupted the 5400' elevation gain day with an hour and a half nap along side a nice stream.

During the following week we crossed 3 passes. I bagged 7 peaks. The night we did Arrow & Pyramid we didn't get back to camp until 2 am. On another day we were so slowed by an avalanche blocked route that we bivouacked only a mile from camp. It was a first for both Ron Young and me, but the fourth for another member of our party. The night we came out I stayed up too late having dinner in Bishop with our Taboose group. In short I didn't get caught up on my sleep during the week. Not the best preparation for a sleepless event.

Monday the sun awoke me after only about 5 hours of sleep. I spent the day doing errands and driving south on 395 to the Kennedy Meadow turn off and in to the Monache Meadows trail head for Olancha Peak. There I was able to stretch out for 2-1/2 hours of rest (no sleep) before it was time to eat supper and get ready to hike all night.

### SPS Emblem: Olancha

(7:50 pm) The western sky was still orange as I headed off. Soon it gave way to the light of the full moon, as I climbed up the stock torn Monache/Olancha Trail. At times this trail is actually about four separate paths. The challenge is to pick the correct one. After climbing and winding around for some time, the trail dipped a bit to meet the Pacific Crest Trail. (9:05)

Now I was on familiar tread. I had hiked it going the other way with Ken and Jan Quigley in July. It didn't take long to say good bye to the stock trail as it headed off towards Summit Meadows. (9:35) Now the PCT was a more hikeable trail. Nearly dust free. Where there had been a flowing stream 6 weeks earlier it was often dry now. I did find enough flowing water in one stream to top off my water bottle.

The trail climbed up to the saddle above the junction with the non-existent Bear Trap Trail. Then the route crossed a high meadow, that was silver in the moonlight, and contoured the west side of Olancha's south ridge to the trail's high point west of the peak.

Originally I had planned to backpack to this high point saddle and sleep in its flat until about 10:30 pm. Then start my Emblem bagging marathon from here. But I had arrived at Monache Meadows too late for this option. Instead I reached the saddle just after midnight. (12:10 am, August 31) To celebrate the start of this new day I decide to take a longer rest break here and got behind a large boulder to get out of

the cool wind. Fortunately it was cool enough to keep me awake. (12:47)

From this saddle it was a steady up hill grind over downed trees and boulders. In several places I found myself following a ducked route. Then the ducks would disappear and I would just keep climbing over the rocks toward the summit. The top was easy to spot in the moonlight. The meadows to the west and north also showed clear in its reflected silver. At times I wanted to take a break, but I kept going on.

Finally I reached Olancha's summit. (2:35 am) This was my 10th Sierra Peaks Section emblem peak and my 138th SPS summit. My first emblem for the day. (It was also my 25th peak from the PCTS peak list. To qualify for an emblem on that list one must climb 25 summits, with at least one from each of 4 areas: Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, and Washington. I still need one peak from those listed in Washington to qualify for that emblem.) I signed in and celebrated by having a freeze dried ice cream sandwich that was a present from my brother & his wife.

(2:57) Back down to the PCT. (4:00) Down and down the trail. The moonlight was giving way to dawn's light as I pounded down the last mile to my truck. (6:40)

**PCTS Emblem:** Completed Horseshoe to Kennedy Meadows Segment

I napped for an hour and loaded my gear into the truck. (8:25) The jeep trail was a bit of a challenge for a tired driver. Eventually I reached good dirt

road. (9:23) Then down the paved road to the Kern River Bridge in Kennedy Meadows. (10:10)

I had hiked all but the final third of a mile of the Horseshoe Meadow to Kennedy Meadow segment in July. So far today I had rehiked four miles of that segment. Now I hiked the final third of a mile to complete my 15th segment of the PCT for the Pacific Crest Trail Section's emblem. When I covered this distance I hiked back to retrieve my truck. (10:34) I celebrated with a Dr. Pepper at the Kennedy Meadow general store.

#### **HPS Emblem: Aquila**

Then I drove down to the desert and 395 (11:24) and south on Highways 395 and 14 to the Indian Wells Canyon turn off. (11:38) A short drive up this canyon took me to the parking for Aquila. (11:50 am) A few moments at the designated parking spot convinced me to drive up the canyon another block to get away from the bee hives across the lot. Stowed everything in my truck's cab and got ready to hike. The temperature was just a little over 90 degrees.

(12:25 pm) My route ground up the soft sand and loose rock towards the saddle just east of the highest of the five fingers. When I was about halfway up a car with rifle shooting young men drove past. They announced that my headlights were still on. I thanked them and told them there wasn't anyway I could have them turn them off and I would take care of it on my

return. I was happy to see them drive on without shooting them out.

When they left I continued to climb up to the saddle between the two rock fingers. (1:30) Once there the route drops around the 395 side and scrambles up about 100' of third class rock to the summit. (1:45) Signed in. This was my 100th peak from the Hundred Peaks Section list. My third emblem qualification for the day. (1:56) Then it was down around the northwest side to a great scree run back to the truck. (2:27) Reloaded the truck. What a hassle to have to move everything to & from the cab with each stop. It started easily in spite of leaving the lights on.

#### **Drive to Mahogany Flat**

(2:40) On to Ridgecrest. (3:08) Good gas prices at the ARCO. (3:19) Lunch at Burger King. (3:49)

On through Trona to the Inyo County line. Here signs said that the road was closed ahead due to storm damage. What a way to end this 4 emblem attempt. (4:25) I turned back to Trona and went to the San Bernardino County offices. A lady there said that a car had come through ok from Beatty that morning. She thought that Cal Trans had probably just failed to take the signs down. Her advise was to drive on through. (4:34)

So I did. The sides of the road showed signs of fresh grading. There were also indications of recent flows of muddy water across parts of the road. Only two cars passed going the other way before I

turned off for Wildrose Spring.

After that I saw no other vehicles until I came upon a stalled construction truck. About a half mile further up the road I picked up that truck's driver and gave him a ride to his construction camp at the campground a mile below Mahogany Flat. He was involved in constructing a new microwave repeater station on Rogers Peak. As thanks for the ride he gave me the combination for the gate that would allow me to drive up Rogers Peak. I decided it would not be Kosher to use it for this multi-emblem attempt. I drove on up the rugged dirt road to the Campground at Mahogany Flat. (5:54) Stowed my gear and ate a quick dinner.

#### **DPS Emblem: Telescope Peak**

(6:50) There was still plenty of twilight as I hiked up the trail. To the east I had great views of Death Valley's Badwater area. Gradually the sun's light gave way to the full moon and I rounded Rogers Peak to the saddle between it and Anderson. (8:15) I still felt pretty good as I hiked around the west side of Anderson and onto the next saddle. (8:58) But by the time I climbed up the ridge to the saddle at about 9500' (9:23) I was getting quite tired and took a longer break. I had gone over 62 hours with less than seven hours sleep. (9:40) My watch and map told me I had to just keep pushing.

In the surreal moonlight my body plodded up the path, while my mind began to carry on a third party discussion about how to get this person up the



mountain. It was very dream like, yet some how I kept awake and kept going. (10:55) At about 10,800' I stopped for a final Snack. (11:00) It was a challenge to get started again. But soon I topped the ridge. I was going to make it. Rejoicing I strolled along it to the summit. (11:19 pm)

Telescope Peak was my fifth Desert Peaks Section Emblem summit. It was my 58th DPS summit and my fourth emblem in 24 hours. I was too tired to do much other than sign in, snack, and drink some water. I thought about taking a picture, but couldn't find a good place to set up the camera. Besides I was too cold. I just wandered around the summit for a while thinking about taking a picture.

The scenery didn't lend itself to a moonlit picture. The lights of Trona and Pahump were quite visible, but not god picture material. The silver casts of various hills and valleys showed well for the eye in the moonlight, but wouldn't photograph as much. I drank all this in and then decided it was time to head down before I got too cold or just fell asleep.

(11:51 pm) On the way down I would hike for about a half hour, then curl up under a tree, that protected me from the breeze and from radiating my heat, and nap for half an hour. This I repeated 3 times to get to the saddle south of Rogers. (3:30 am)

I decided to avoid the narrow trail back to Mahogany Flat by climbing around the west side of Rogers to the

road to the Microwave towers. (3:52) The roads wide track guided me back to Mahogany Flat, camp and my truck. (5:07)

I slept until 1:30 that afternoon and then headed back to Bishop and up to South Lake to join Al Conrad, Ali Aminian, and Scott Sullivan for a climb of Devil's Crag. It was good to have the emblems behind me.

Things I would do differently:

1) Get more rest in the 24 hours before setting off for the emblems. 2) Have someone else do the driving. It was hard to stay awake on some of the roads. And 3) Have someone climb the final peak with me. I was getting kind of spacy the second night. Actually it would be wise to climb every peak with other people.



**Conquest of Iron Mountain.** Second row (pictured from left to right): Mike Daugherty, Eileen Ricks, Hugh Blanchard, Dorothy Danziger, Bruce Corning, Diane Dunbar. Front row (left to right): Ann Bennett, Rick Pierce, Frank Goodykoontz, Cyndi & Mike Runyon (photo: Wynne Benti-Zdon).

Theresia Glover enjoys hugs from "Dr" Ruth Dobos and Frank Dobos. Theresia led a hike of Strawberry Peak on May 22, 1994 which served as her check-off for leading 'O' level hikes. Picture was taken on the summit of Strawberry. Congratulations, Theresia!



Mike Sandford and Julie Rush lead first Adopt - A - Highway Clean-up since resumption of program by Caltrans. At start of clean-up, pictured above, Julie carefully instructs volunteer trash collectors in proper techniques— and do's and don'ts about the clean-up. Below is the group after the clean-up. Date of this clean-up was May 22, 1994. Prior to clean-up Mike and Julie led the group on a vigorous hike of Strawbewrry Peak, with Theresia Glover's hike meeting up with Mike & Julie's on the summit.

*Photos by Joe Young*



## REGISTER BOX

By Jim Adler

Five new registers were added to the missing list while seven were removed. Some reported as missing were subsequently reported as replaced. Reports were received from Joe Young, Vi Grasso, Peter Doggett, Carleton Shay, Gail Hanna, and Mark Adrian.

Vi Grasso also sent me a large package of materials on peak register issues. It appears that the El Dorado National Forest (Desolation Wilderness) has adopted a no register policy. The SPS has three peaks in that area but had apparently already given up on maintaining them due to ease of access and overuse. The local Motherload Chapter's Peak & Gorge Section has a list which includes many peaks in the area. They apparently have members on both sides of the issue including a former chapter chair against registers. In that area it seems that in addition to those who feel that the mere presence of any register detracts from the wilderness experience, problems with over-filled registers, offensive language, and scattered contents arose due excessive public access.

Larry Tidball on behalf of the SPS made inquiries of the Sierra Club National level and the response indicated that there is no existing policy.

With all this in mind, I wonder if our HPS management committee and mountain records chair shouldn't attempt to devise a policy specifying those peaks which are so overused and/or public that registers should not be placed there lest they

become just litter. This might tend to increase our ability to maintain registers on other peaks in the long run.

Missing and deficient registers:

1A	Sunday Peak	deficient	7-91
1H	Owens Peak	missing	11-93
2N	Black Mtn #6	missing	2-94
3B	Back Mtn #3	missing	11-93
3D	Double Mtn	missing	8-93
3E	Tehachapi Mtn	missing	8-93
4I	Mt. Pinos	deficient	9-91
6B	McPherson Peak	deficient	7-90
7I	Sewart Mtn	missing	10-93
7J	Snowy Peak	missing	10-93
7K	Black Mtn #2	missing	10-93
8A	Liebre Mtn	missing	3-94
9A	Mt. Gleason	missing	11-93
9B	Iron Mtn #2	missing	10-93
10D	Bare Mtn	missing	6-93
10H	Round Top	missing	11-93
10J	Cole Pt	missing	3-94
12A	Mt Deception	missing	4-94
13A	Winston Pk	missing	8-93
13D	Will Thrall Peak	missing	7-93
13E	Pallett Mtn	missing	11-93
14K	Kratka Ridge	missing	8-92
15F	Sunset Pk	missing	12-93
16B	Wright Mtn	missing	7-92
16C	Pine Mtn #1	missing	7-92
16D	Dawson Peak	missing	7-92
16F	Thunder Mtn	missing	9-92
16G	Telegraph Peak	missing	7-93
17A	Sugarloaf Peak	missing	9-92
17B	Ontario Peak	missing	9-92
17C	Bighorn Peak	missing	9-92
17E	Cucamonga Peak	deficient	9-92
17F	Etiwanda peak	missing	9-92
17H	San Sevain	decrepit	5-88
20D	White Mtn	missing	9-92
21G	Bertha Peak	deficient	5-93
21H	Gold Mtn	missing	9-93
22E	Heart Bar	missing	5-93
23A	Bighorn Mtn	missing	3-94
23C	Tip Top Mtn	missing	5-93
24C	San Bernardino E	missing	9-93
24F	Charton Peak	missing	11-93
24J	10k Ridge	missing	11-93
24K	Lake Peak	missing	11-93
24L	Grinnell Peak	missing	7-93
25A	Allen Peak	missing	12-91
26B	Quail Mtn	missing	4-94
26D	Ryan Mtn	missing	4-94
26E	Inspiration Pt	missing	4-94
26F	Lost Horse Mtn	missing	2-93
27E	Folly Peak	missing	8-93
27I	Marion Mtn	decrepit	7-92
28G	Spitler Peak	missing	6-93
28I	Cone Peak	missing	6-93
28J	Pyramid Peak	nds lg can	11-93
28N	Rock Pt	missing	2-94
29A	Rouse Hill	missing	11-91
30F	Rabit#2	too small	4-93
32D	Middle Peak	missing	1-94
32E	Cuyamaca Peak	missing	1-94
32G	Oakzanita Peak	decrepit	3-92
32I	Garnet Peak	missing	1-94
32K	Cuyapaie Mtn	crushed	1-94

If you are climbing any of the above peaks, please consider bringing a new register can and book. If you discover a peak which needs a new register can, please let me know by mail addressed to Jim Adler, 10726 Woodbine Street #3, Los Angeles, CA 90034, or by phone at (310) 838-0524. Also, please advise if you have replaced any of the missing or deficient registers or discover that any of the above reports are erroneous or out of date. (Since register books and pencils are so easy to carry all the time, peaks where only books or pencils are needed will not be listed.)

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*Editor's Note:*

*Leaders, please consider carrying a register can, register book, and pencils with you whenever you are leading. Also, please let Jim know the status of registers on summits so he can update his list.*

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*Editor's Note:*

*Due to the vacation plans of the Lookout Editor and the Lookout Mailer, the due date for articles for the September - October Lookout must be moved up to July 15. Please send your articles to me by that date! Thank you!*

## Environmental Monitoring by Alan Coles

How many times while climbing a peak have you encountered abuses of the environment such as motorcycle tracks on trails, overgrazed meadows, trash, vandalism or other problems? You may have wished to report the problem but didn't know how to do it or perhaps you felt there was nothing that could be done to rectify the problem.

Outings led by the HPS cover some of the most remote areas of Southern California from San Diego to Santa Barbara. The members of the HPS are often aware of changes to the environment well before the forest service or other land agency administrators know about them. This information is often useful to forest activist who regularly meet with forest service personnel to discuss problems and issues relating to the forest.

The HPS management committee has endorsed a proposal that provides an easy and effective way for hikers to monitor and report environmental problems. It will work in a similar manner to the register box column by Jim Adler. A list of peaks with related problems will appear in each issue of the Lookout. Anyone climbing one of the peaks would be persuaded to make a brief report (by mail or phone) or just send in a picture of the problem to the person compiling the reports (I have volunteered for this position). This information will then be passed on to the appropriate

activist. Of course anyone who wishes to pursue the problem can be put in touch with the corresponding Sierra Club committee or Chapter which is involved with the issue.

As an example, on your hike up Butterbrecht Peak you noticed several motorcycle trails along the way. You may be unsure of the legality of the trails (actually the area is closed to motorized vehicles) but they look terrible. Then on top of the peak 2 people ride up on ATV's making a racket and disturbing your outing. When you return from your trip you could fill out a simple form (HPS could provide them free) and fill out the basic information on date, time, people on your trip and details of what you saw. It would not be necessary to go into a lot of detail. The shortest, most accurate description of what you saw is sufficient. You could state that you saw a number of motorcycle tracks which appeared to be used recently and that you witnessed 2 riders near the summit. If you have any pictures or have poor knowledge of the area, you may wish to include it in your report.

Another example is the route to Granite Peaks near Big Bear Lake. The San Gorgonio Chapter of the Sierra Club and the American Motorcycle Association worked together with forest rangers to rehabilitate the area around the Champion Joshua Tree. They planted native vegetation on former off-road vehicle routes and tried to disguise vehicle tracks. It is not possible for them to continuously monitor the site to determine

how well this pilot project is working to deter illicit drivers. However, hikers passing through this area on the way to the peak and could easily spot a new problem when it can still be easily corrected thereby giving the project a better chance of success.

In addition to off-road vehicle damage which most of us can identify, we also need to monitor such things as:

### Cattle Grazing

Watch for riparian (streamside) damage, polluted water, grass and plant damage, soil erosion (Owens Pk, Samon Pk, Monte Arido, Sheephead Mtn).

### Logging

Erosion, scarred landscape from tractors, tree stumps, logging access roads (Black Split Mt, Sunday Pk, Bohna Pk, Cannel Pt, Piute LO).

### Mining

Tailings, access roads, polluted water, general eyesore (Gold Mtn, Silver Pk, Iron Mtn #1, Lookout Mtn #2).

### Vandalism, other problems

Include hiker created problems such as trash, campsite construction or overuse of an area.

The activity that you report does not have to be illegal. Grazing, mining and logging are all allowed with special permits on the public lands we hike. Often these permits come up for renewal by the appropriate governmental land agency and the allotments may be adjusted depending on conditions. The process by which these permits are renewed is undergoing a change by the current administration in Washington

(under Sec. of Interior Bruce Babbitt) which will result in a stronger voice by environmental groups such as the Sierra Club. This will require the need for greater observation of the affected lands by people like us.

The success or failure of this proposal is dependent on the level of participation. Whether you are on a club sponsored outing or hiking alone, the information you have could be very useful for our conservation efforts. Providing a form may be one way to make it easy to pass this information on to me but any method, including phone calls or a note scribbled on paper is useful. Please remember to include dates, number of people, where you were, what you saw and a phone number in case we need additional information.

Over 20 years ago I remember hiking the trail to Lockwood Point and passing through many nice meadows along the way. Today the meadows are nearly gone. In their place are sterile caked mud flats created by motorcycles riders looking for new thrills. If this change had taken place over a short time there would have been immediate action. But it happened gradually over many years and as a result there was little done to prevent it. Hopefully we can prevent more incidents like this from happening.

If you are going to hike or have recently hiked any of the following peaks, please report on the conditions listed below and send to: Alan Coles 5637 Keynote St. Long Beach

90808 (phone 310-420-9270). If you have noticed recent environmental problems on other peaks, please file a report in the same manner.

List of peaks to monitor:

Morris Pk, Jenkins Pk.

☛ Watch for motorcycle encroachment on PCT.

Split Mtn, Black Mtn #5

☛ Watch for motorcycle tracks on ridge between peaks.

Mt. Pinos, Cerro Noroeste

☛ Bicycles, motorcycles in wilderness. Are any wilderness signs up yet? Watch for recent motorcycle tracks on trail between Cerro Noroeste and Grouse.

Santa Cruz Pk, McKinley Mtn

☛ Any sign of damage from bulldozers used to fight Marre fire?

Cobblestone Mtn, Snow Pk

Stewart Mtn

☛ Watch for OHV (motorcycles especially) tracks past Stewart Mtn gate. Are motorcycles going down to Snowy Ck from saddle below Snowy? Any wilderness signs up?

Hines Pk, Topatopa Bluff

☛ Look for bicycle tracks in wilderness. Are wilderness signs vandalized?

Hawes Pk, Shay Mtn.

☛ The Forest Service is constructing a new OHV trail from Big Pine Flat over the top of Hawes Pk to Hawes Ranch Rd. Once this trail is opened, the current OHV trail going down the canyon from the ranch site will be closed. Watch for trail construction progress and report when first motorcycle tracks are seen. Are motorcycles using the trail to Shay, Deer, etc? It was

closed to OHV 3 years ago and a fence constructed to keep them out.

Granite Peaks

☛ The road to Champion Joshua Tree (now deceased) has been shortened and a new turnout constructed. The former roads have been re-vegetated with natives. Are vehicles staying on authorized routes? Has re-vegetation been successful on former roads?

Cone Pk

☛ Controlled burn planned for area.

Cahuilla Mtn

☛ Motorcycle damage on trail. New sign at trailhead: how long will it last?

Villager Pk, Rabbit Pk #2

☛ Look for fire rings or other man-made objects such as a rock wall for a campsite. Area is State wilderness, no improvements or fires allowed.

Beauty Pk, Iron Springs Mtn

☛ BLM wants to know if any "unusual" activities are occurring in area and would appreciate information on use in the region. A management plan for the area has been completed and the BLM is planning for more public access to the region.

*Editor's note:*

*Alan has prepared a simple form for your use in recording your environmental monitoring. The form appears on the next page. Please make copies of the form and take them with you on outings. Mail your observations to Alan Coles. His address appears on the form.*

# ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

STARTING LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION OF PROBLEM \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE: OHV \_\_\_\_\_ GRAZING \_\_\_\_\_ MINING \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE DESCRIBE WHAT YOU SAW \_\_\_\_\_

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BEST TIME TO REACH YOU (OPTIONAL) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to Alan Coles  
5637 Keynote St  
Long Beach, CA 90808

## Summary of the Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting of April 14, 1994

Committee members present: David Eisenberg, Carleton Shay, Charlotte Feitshans, Donica Wood, Southern Courtney, Jennifer Lambelet, Ruth Lee Dobos, Charlie Knapke, Joe Young, Julie Rush, Patty Kline, Louis Quirarte.

1. The minutes were approved as corrected.
2. Carleton Shay reported that there is a new Chapter committee formed to review outings in terms of safety and insurance, but that HPS outings are not affected because we don't use ropes.
3. The Angeles Chapter membership continues to drop. Southern Courtney suggested that the Chapter canvass prospective members, and his suggestion was approved by the Committee.
4. The committee supported Angeles Chapter positions to (1) swap land from the El Toro base for park use; (2) go forward with the Ballona wetlands suit; and (3) protest the Garcetti Plan for Osha div.
5. Donica Wood, treasurer, reported that we were ahead of last year in terms of receipts exceeding expenditures.
6. Jennifer Lambelet, social

programs are set through February. The July program will be outside the ranger station with people talking about their favorite or most non-favorite hike.

The September meeting will be our annual business meeting. September also marks the fortieth anniversary of the formation of the Hundred Peaks Section. It was suggested that we do something special for this occasion.

5. The membership chair reported that there were two new members. Their applications for membership were approved.

6. Peak Naming. Louis Quirarte reported that many more signatures are needed on our petitions to urge the Board of Geographic Names to recognize the naming of our peaks. The petition will appear in the **Lookout** for the next three months.

7. Adopt - a - Highway. Julie Rush reported that the clean-up program has been put on hold by CalTrans due to a serious accident in northern California. The program will resume pending evaluation.

*Editor's Note: See page 2 of this **Lookout** for an update.*

8. Old Business: A proposal was approved to convince the Sierra Club national office that register cans on peak summits are a part of the club and that we resist the idea that they constitute removable trash.

9. New Business: Alan Coles presented his proposal which would monitor overuse and abuse of mountain and desert areas, such as motorcycle tracks, trash, cattle grazing, mining, etc. It was suggested that a short checklist be prepared for HPS members to take along on hikes for noting these problems. It would also appear in the **Lookout**.

The committee approved support of this project which includes preparation of a checklist prepared by Alan Coles with help from David Eisenberg and a regular informational column appearing in the **Lookout**.

### Peak Naming Petition

On the back side of this page is a "*Petition Supporting The Official Naming of Unnamed Southern California Peaks.*"

Please make copies of the *Petition*. Please sign it and urge others to do so. Please take copies of the *Petition* with you on hikes (whether you are the leader or not) or on other events and urge people to sign the *Petition*.

We believe that we need 1,000 signatures to persuade the Board of Geographic Names to use the local use names (i. e., our names!) as the official names for our peaks.

We need your help to attain our goal of 1,000 signatures.





## REPORTS ON WILDERNESS BASICS COURSE TRIPS TO BAG PEAKS

By Rob Langsdorf

When the Sierra Club lost its insurance for Rock & Ice in 1988 many outing leaders despaired over the loss of the Basic Mountaineering Course as a tool for introducing new people to the challenge of peak bagging. Several Angeles Chapter Groups gave up conducting the course altogether. Others continued to conduct a Wilderness Course, but mourned the loss of "real mountaineering".

In San Diego we accepted the challenge to introduce people to as much of the basics material without violating the intent of no rope or ice axe travel. This meant dropping the rock climbing practice and modifying the snow camp from post holing to skis or snow shoes. But our course still includes four outings: 1) A car camp outing; 2) An easy backpack and Map & Compass weekend; 3) Another desert backpack; and 4) Snow Camp. Two of these outings lend themselves well to introducing people to peakbagging: the Car Camp and the Backpack.

One of the nice aspects of the San Diego program is that we allow the students to experience different leaders. For each of these 4 weekends they can sign up with a different leader to experience the type of trip that leader enjoys conducting. This increases the probability that the students will find outing

leaders they enjoy and will continue to participate in Club outings.

Another aspect of allowing students to sign up for the outing they prefer, is that it allows the staff to provide a large variety of trips, from very easy to strenuous. Usually out of the 200-300 students there are a dozen or so who would like to climb a few peaks.

For a number of years I have enjoyed leading peak bagging car camp trips for the Basic Mountaineering and Wilderness Basic Courses. My typical trip leaves San Diego on a Friday night. We have dinner somewhere as a group and then drive off into the desert and camp somewhere en route to the peak we will climb on Saturday. Saturday we get up with the sun and climb a moderate peak for a full day. That night we camp on BLM land in another location and have a potluck dinner. Sunday we sleep in a bit and have omelets for breakfast. Sunday's peak needs to be easy enough to be back at the cars and on the way home by mid-afternoon.

For backpack trips I try to select peaks that would normally be done on a tough day hike. Whether it be car camp or backpack, most WBC students are still new to camping and would prefer to set up their camp with plenty of daylight.

Through this process I have introduced a number of San Diego Chapter members to peak bagging. Several have, or are about to, become list finishers for DPS and/or HPS,

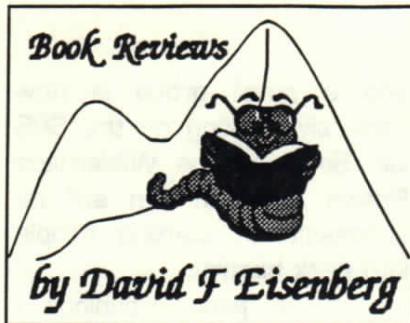
and a small group is now seriously working on the SPS list. So I find the Wilderness Basics program can still be successful in starting people into peak bagging.

The peak groupings I have led on these weekends are 1) Eagle & Orocopia, 2) Black Butte, Chuckwalla, & Palen, 3) Pinto, Little Berdo, & Bernard, 4) Sheephole & Chaparrosa, 5) Smith & Brown, 6) Turtle & Big Maria, 7) Granite & Sombrero, and 8) Martinez & Sheep. All of these peaks (except Martinez) have summits below 5600' and, therefore, usually don't get hit too hard by winter storms. My problem now is finding new peaks to lead that have summits below 6000' and are near good desert camping.

### *Editor's Note:*

*Rob Langsdorf has provided detailed write-ups for the above mentioned outings. Future issues of the **Lookout** may include one or more of those write-ups.*





## California County Summits: A Guide to the Highest Point in Each of the 58 Counties

by Gary Suttle  
Wilderness Press  
\$14.95, Paperback  
6 x 9, 232 pages

This book of County Summits is made for order for HPS'ers! 9 of the High Points are on our list. Many of the others are on the DPS and SPS lists.

Each highpoint is listed alphabetically by county. Each description begins with the name, elevation, and elevation rank of the peak. Other entries give detailed information on the peak:

A topo map is provided with route(s) drawn in. Round trip mileage and gain are given with variations for route changes.

Comprehensive driving and hiking directions are given. Notes are given on the conditions likely to be found on the trail.

Each summit includes a description of the view to be found on each summit. Notes on the natural history and geology of the area follow.

Nearby Campgrounds are listed with descriptions of their facilities.

The narrative ends with a description of the county.

Each peak includes addresses and phone numbers of the local ranger station. In addition, other climbing guides for the area are also listed.

The appendix includes an extensive Bibliography, a list of 26 conservation organizations including the Sierra Club, a list of 13 map sources, a list of the 18 emblems of California, (Did you know that the state fossil is the Saber-Tooth Cat?) A list of accessibility for people with disabilities, a list of the High Points graded by physical exertion and difficulty, and a personal climbing log.

The Appendix ends with a list of organizations that keep lists of High Points. The list starts with the HPS. It includes the SPS, DPS, and Lower Peaks Committee. 12 other list keeping organizations are listed along with the *State 2nd Highest Points*.

**Evaluation:** I have climbed 10 of the peaks on this list. The descriptions given for each peak are accurate and thorough. The shortest hiking distance in mileage is given as the main route even if there is a route with less gain. For example, Vivian Creek is given as the route to San Gorgonio and the Devils Slide Trail for San Jacinto. Routes involving trams, ski lifts, or driveups (Baldy, San Jacinto, & Hot Springs) are given as alternate routes.

*California County Summits* is available by phone and mail order. Wilderness Press will pay the postage. Ordering information:

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Berkely, CA 94704  
1/800-443-7227



## Peaks 'n Chews

by Peter Doggett

Nestled in the little town of Lake of the Woods (at the intersection of Lockwood Valley and Cuddy Valley Roads) lies an excellent bakery. The Luv-n-Oven is behind the convenience store and sells a variety of fresh-baked breads, pastries, cookies & pizza. The store is open every day and is right in the heart of "prime Peak-bagging land."

### Dates to Remember

**June 9** Thursday Regular monthly meeting

**July 1** Friday Submit recommendations for Peak additions/deletions to Chair David Eisenberg for consideration by Management Committee

**July 14** Thursday Regular monthly meeting

**July 15** Friday Deadline for submission of articles for the next issue of the **Lookout**

**August 11** Thursday Regular monthly meeting

**September 8** Thursday Regular monthly meeting

**October 1 - 2** Saturday - Sunday HPS Oktoberfest!

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From Your **Lookout** Editor

Send me your articles (disks or typed copy), special articles and announcements, trip write-ups, letters, and photographs pertaining to Section activities. If you send disks, please include a hard copy of your material. My publishing will be done on a Compaq Prolinea 4/33 computer, presently using Wordperfect 5.2 for Windows, and a Hewlett Packard Laserjet 4L printer.

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