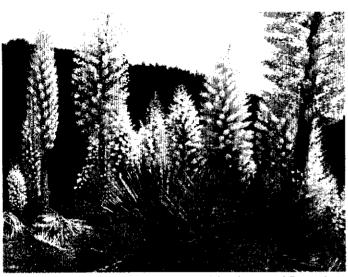


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Chapter Historian Bob Cates took this picture of flowering yucca on a recent Wednesday Local Hikes - HPS Outing.

Important Dates:

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

July 26 (Saturday) Waterman Mtn Rendezvous

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

Sep 19 - 21 HPS Fall Festival

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



Read more conversation about the HPS and the Environment beginning on page 5

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Current Trip Reports begin on page 22

Hundred Peaks Section Fall Festival September 19,20, 21, 2008 Tillie Creek Campground Lake Isabella. CA

It's time again for our annual Fall Classic. This year it will be at the Tillie Creek Campground. Located at the north end of Lake Isabella, this beautiful campground has showers, flush toilets, firepits and tables. Nearby are a number of our HPS peaks. A number of hikes are scheduled for this weekend. We have reserved the campground for Friday and Saturday nights.

A potluck will be held Saturday night beginning about 6 PM or whenever you are done hiking.

Once again there will be no charge to participants. We just need to know who is coming. Send SASE for information/reservation to the address below. Reserve early. Space is limited.

Copy this page or cut here and send registration form.

HPS Fall Festival Registration Form: (Please print legibly)

Name(s)______

Address:______

Email address or phone number

Number of people in your party:______

Staying at the Campground?: Yes_____ No____

Friday Night:_____ Saturday Night:_____

Attending Potluck? (Potluck only welcome): Yes_____

Mail form with SASE to: Dave Comerzan No_____
695 Aurora Dr., Claremont, CA 91711
Or email to Dave at _comerzan@verizon.net

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT - MAY 2008

By Greg De Hoogh

ACHIEVEMENTS:

List Completion #1

#274 - Marlen Mertz - 4/12/08 - Circle Mountain

#275 - Gene Mauk - 4/19/08 - Garnet Mountain

#276 - Jennifer Washington - 11/07/07 - Middle Peak

#277 - Cheryl Gill - 5/11/08 - Winston Ridge

100 Leads

#39 - Wayne Bannister - 3/30/08 - Garnet Peak

200 Peaks

#437 - Don Croley - 3/26/08 - Cahuilla Mountain

#438 - Wasim Khan - 4/19/08 - Black Mountain #4

#439 – Jennifer Washington – 6/24/07 – Bohna Peak

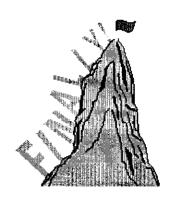
100 Peaks

#1103 - Christine Soskins - 4/27/08 - Bare Mountain

#1104 - John Slagle - 4/27/08 - Bare Mountain

#1105 - Jennifer Washington - 8/30/06 - Etiwanda Peak

DONATIONS
Joel Goldberg - \$16
George E. Christiansen - \$36



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MEMBERSHIP COUNTS 350 Members (303 primary + 47 household) 55 Subscribers 405 Total

The Hundred Peaks Section Website

The HPS Website is maintained by Karen Isaacson Leverich and Wolf Leverich. It's really cool and chock full of information: http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/

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



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you send film photos or cd's please write your identify all subjects in each photo whether ask participants to remove sunglasses! If so and include a return SASE. Articles may be send articles, photos, etc to Joe Young, 12551

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From the Chair

By Karen Leverich

What a crazy month May was: record highs for Spring Fling, then mere days later unseasonal snow on many of our peaks. But even with the heat, there were a lot of folk enjoying the party at Keller Ski Hut. Thanks to the leaders, organizers, participants, for such a grand weekend!

The following weekend, rescheduled to Memorial Day to avoid (too weird) rain, a bunch of us hiked up the PCT to the Sierra Pelona ridgeline, then followed the road eastward into Ritter Ranch Park, and visited Mount McDill. This peak was on the original HPS List, but removed in 1973 because it was on private property. From the Summit Signature: "This is one of only a few named peaks to appear on the first Survey map of this area. It is most notable for the fact that it was the first local peak known to have been climbed by any American survey team." If you weren't with us, you missed a fantastic hike (other than the wintery windy bit at the top), with mariposa lilies and other late bloomers providing eye candy along the way. If I get my act together (that'll be the day), I'll see if there's interest in adding the peak back to the List. There are at least five different approaches, we could even have a Rendezvous event! (Maybe next spring, the flowers in April when Doris. Winnette and I prehiked the peak were even more awesome.)

Many of our peaks that weren't accessible due to fire closures are now open for hiking, and you'll probably find some interesting trip reports in this issue of The Lookout that describe the hope and devastation to be found in the burned areas. Several peaks were suspended late last year due to the fire closures, and have since been unsuspended. Peaks still suspended include Pilot Knob (only access is across private property); Modjeska (closed from the Santiago fire, perhaps until fall): Crafts Peak, Butler Peak and Gravs Peak (closed from the Slide and Butler II fires last summer, still closed during Spring Fling last month); and Chaparrosa Peak (closed when Pipes Canyon burned in the Sawtooth fire of 2006, but hopefully to be opened soon, meanwhile some HPS leaders have been able to lead outings there by special arrangements.)

Petitions have been received that request the deListing of Palomar, Cannell Point, Cleghorn, Cajon, Sugarpine and Monument, and the addition of Bailey Peak. If you're an HPS member, you'll get to vote on these later in the year. (If you're not an HPS member, but have climbed 25 HPS peaks, send the list of those peaks to Greg de Hoogh, our Membership Chair, and you, too, will have a vote.) The Annual Business Meeting will be on September 9th. If you're circulating a petition to add or remove a peak (or introduce a new emblem or...), you'll need the signatures of twenty members (suggestion: collect a few more for padding), and send the petition to me or Greg de Hoogh at least two weeks before the business meeting.

Which, by the way, will be held this year at

Newcomb's Ranch, on Highway 2. The business meeting (to repeat myself) is on September 9th. But we're having a plain old Management Committee Meeting there on Tuesday, July 8th, at 6:30PM. It's about 27 miles up Highway 2 from I-210. Better still, meet at La Cañada rideshare at 8AM the morning of July 8th, hike Middle and South Hawkins with Dave Comerzan, Bobcat Thompson and Joe Young, and then come to the meeting!

On one of the visits to the area burned over by the (seemingly endless) Zaca fire, some HPSers ran into Wilderness Rangers from Los Padres Forest. There were some really interesting conversations about trail maintenance. I've written for a clarification of the extent to which they'd like us to prune as we hike, and hope to include in my next column their response. Meanwhile, if you're a leader and would be willing to lead a group to do maintenance on trails that they specify (for instance, the trail down to the Madulce Cabin site, or the headwaters area of the top of the Sisgouc), they can probably give your group a ride in (to, say, Alamar or McKinley Spring). The group does trail work and then "you get to do your peak thing also." If there's any interest in organizing such a trip, and you don't already have the contact information (I know some of you ARE working on this already), let me know and I'll put you in contact.

And if you're looking to get out there and "do your peak thing" on other peaks, you may want to sign up to the HPS Outings mailing list. Drop me a note, or go here (good luck typing this into your browser w/o error!):

http://lists.sierraclub.org/SCRIPTS/WA.EXE?SUBED1 = ANGELES-HPS-OUTINGS&A=1

Why? Well, Chapter Safety and the Outings
Management Committee (with the assent of ExCom)
have developed a new system for approving selected
outings by selected entities. And HPS outings on
documented HPS routes are included. We can now
publish new outings straight to the mailing list and web
site, outings which might not ever appear in the Lookout
and Schedule because of the lead times involved. So if
you never want to miss an outing, you'll either want to
visit our website

(http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/outings.htm) frequently or sign up for the mailing list...

Meanwhile, it's almost July. And did I say "rendezvous" a few paragraphs ago? It's not McDill where we're rendezvousing the last weekend in July, it's the 15th Annual Great Waterman Mountain (8038') Rendezvous and Informal Pot Luck!, on Saturday, July 26th. And there are (count'em) six different outings being led up to the summit. Come join us for our traditional mid-summer party on a peak! (Yet another way to do our peak thing, natch.) There are long hikes, slow hikes, visits to other peaks on (and not on) our List, nature hikes. Hoping to see you there!

The Hundred Peaks Section and The Environment

As someone who has been critical of the HPS in the past for the damage to the environment on some of the peaks, my views on the current controversy about delisting peaks may come as a surprise. Rather than joining the chorus to reduce the number of peaks, I favor keeping as many on the List as possible with a few exceptions. There are 2 main reasons for this.

First, introducing people to the many wild places left in Southern California fosters an appreciation of these lands and leads many towards working to conserve them. There is a rather long and impressive list of activists who started out as HPS members. Wilderness areas do not get protection without a strong mandate by the public. People need to experience something special that moves them to take the action that ultimately leads to the long and difficult process of ensuring that a wild areas remains that way for future generations to appreciate. The HPS achieves this by introducing many people to places that they otherwise would never have visited on their own. Many return from these areas with a greater appreciation of the diverse and beautiful places in our own "backyard".

Second, the idea that discouraging people from visiting some areas would be better for the environment doesn't really achieve that goal. Poachers, marijuana growers, OHV users, vandals, meth labs, private landowner incursions are major problems in all our forests. I ran into a meth lab on my first outing as a Los Padres Wilderness Ranger and have twice removed drip hose from the Agua Tibia Wilderness. "Good" users of the forest are the eyes and ears of the Forest and Park Service. They need you out there reporting anything unusual or potentially dangerous. Very few rangers get out in the field due to budget cuts that will only get worse in the coming years. Many members of the HPS have done an excellent job of reporting problems to the appropriate land agencies.

Rather than limiting the number of trips or areas covered by the Section, I would suggest finding practical alternatives. Carpool as much as possible and consider staying in one area longer. Rather than drive all the way to Cannel Point for a short hike, stay for a few days and explore the surrounding area. Tread lightly when hiking off trail, especially in arid areas. Use your best judgment on route selection and take your time even if it means doing fewer peaks in one day. Take down the ducks and ribbons and keep the areas as wild as possible.

Remember, these areas will remain wild only as long as people continue to appreciate them. Share your experiences with others and consider volunteering your time to help keep them that way. Join a trail crew, become a volunteer ranger, attend conservation committee meetings. The HPS has been a great catalyst for protecting our environment and has the potential to become an even greater one.

By Alan Coles

Climate Change (Formerly Known As Global Warming), HPS, and the Environment

When I was fortunate enough to learn of the Hundred Peaks Section in the mid nineties I found a vibrant band of healthy, friendly, positive, and dedicated nature lovers doing exactly what the Sierra Club expected of them: explore, enjoy, and protect the mountains of Southern California. Many had committed to being leaders for the Club and through their abundant outings introduced me and innumerable others to marvelous places in our area we never even knew existed even though we had lived here for years. And we in turn became explorers, enjoyers, and protectors of these wild treasures... eager to visit them again and again, eager to deepen our appreciation of their value, eager to speak on their behalf. Membership and enthusiasm were high!

Yet now we read that one member finds this nauseating, others want to abandon peaks, and some dread we are in imminent danger of being cast from the Sierra Club. And the net result of all this angst? No matter how sincere its foundation it signals that we are winding down, contracting, that we have a pall of negativity enveloping us that discourages new members. Is all this inevitable? I don't think so!

Let us take the first issue: nausea at the thought of hikers revisiting places they love and care for. The main reason to visit a peak is because one is genuinely attracted to and concerned for the area. The more leaders we have who have gone to peaks many times by many routes under many conditions the safer and more fulfilling our outings will be, the more satisfied the participants will be and the more they will appreciate the area and advocate for it. The multitude of emblems created over the years bolsters this trend and have served us well in contributing to a cadre of extraordinarily knowledgeable and skilled leaders. Leaders that cannot be thought of as simply another Sierra Club member with an O or I rating but leaders who are truly Master Guides of the Hundred Peaks List: The Carleton Shays and Frank Goodykoontzs of the past; the Tom Hills and Peter Doggetts of now; and the up and coming legends. perhaps you, of our future. Let us continue this encouragement with its positive results.

The second and third issues – abandoning peaks and fear of environmental excommunication – are intertwined and best considered together. "The world is run by those who show up!" That's an insightful and realistic phrase from the realm of politics indicating that we have to at least be at the discussion table to influence the results. And the more informed we are at the table the stronger our influence. If we abandon Cleghorn, Cajon, Sugarpine, Monument, Cannel Point, Samon, and others, who will remain at the table of discussion on how these areas are to be managed? The OHV community, the mountain bike groups, the hunters and fishermen, the

resource extraction industries, the energy transmission interests, the highway system lobby. That's who! Abandoning an area will not cause it to romantically revert to a pristine idyllic state. The multitudes just listed will simply expand their activities and become the dominant force influencing the well-being of the region. And we will be left speaking from afar with a voice that no longer has the credibility and immediacy of firsthand experience. But don't we have an environmental impact when drive to and hike these areas? Yes!!! It's okay. You can say the "yes" word. You won't be struck by lightning. Environmentalism is a rational science, not an absolutist religion. The pragmatism of the medical profession is helpful here. A treatment is embraced not because it is 100% effective with 0% side effects. It is embraced because, on balance, it does more good than harm. On balance the Sierra Club outings program does immeasurably more good than harm: it produces the credible and impassioned voices that effectively argue on behalf of the natural world. We should not let our adversaries chase us from the table by pointing out that outdoor programs have an environmental cost nor should we unilaterally withdraw because some find a peak unappealing. [As an aside: It's healthy to remind ourselves occasionally that the marvelous Hundred Peaks list and its attendant emblems are a frame work of possibilities suggesting a life time of unforgettable

adventures, but they are not a requirement of Hundred Peaks! Beyond enjoying a stroll to twenty five peaks on that list any hike to a peak considered too far to drive, too brushy, too steep and loose, too long and hard, to ugly, too whatever is entirely by choice. Should a hiker make that choice and then have a miserable or scary time is it the fault of the list or an emblem (which therefore needs to be changed) or a consequence of the choice?]

And I don't believe for a second the good people elected by the Sierra Club membership to chart our course are hysterical puritanical greener-than-thouists who would unwittingly destroy the Sierra Club from within by dismantling the outings program, starting with Hundred Peaks, in an unrealistic quest for a zero impact image.

Instead of winding down, contracting, and generating a discouraging negativity we need to be revving up, expanding, and inspiring new members and leaders. The positive voices of Karen Leverich, Barbara Lilley, and Joe Young herald the way! More emblems rather than less, more hikes instead of fewer, upbeat rather than downbeat with a growing an ever more informed membership all moving us towards being Southern California's preeminent hiking and conservation group.

Sincerely, Mars Bonfire



Picture from the April 26, 2008 hike to Pacifico Mountain. The weather was beautiful and wildflowers were everywhere. The participants were:Leaders Mars Bonfire, Kathy Cheever, Lilly Fukui. Participants included Chris Spisak, Pat Vaughn, Bruce Craig, Ellis Cramer, Bill Gaskil, Gabriel Molina, Kwee Thao, and Corinne Lehr. Kathy Cheever found the register and put it back in the same place!



Come get high with us.

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

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

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

Jul 6 Sun Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina O: Baldy from the Back: Wright Mountain (8505'), Pine Mountain #1 (9648'), Dawson Peak (9575'), Mount San

Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities

July 3, 2008 through January 24, 2009

By Karen Isaacson Leverich

Antonio (10,064'), Mount Harwood (9552'): Experience the Real Devils Backbone on this very strenuous 14 miles round trip, 5800' gain jaunt up the backside of Mt Baldy from Blue Ridge near Wrightwood. Trail is steep and rugged, adding to the experience. Those satisfied with 5000' gain can enjoy a second lunch on top of Baldy while diehards visit Mount Harwood and return. For trip details send recent conditioning, phone information to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: BRUCE CRAIG, PAT VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 6 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Dobbs Peak (10,459'), Jepson Peak (11,205'), San
Gorgonio Mountain (11,499'), Bighorn Mountain (10,997')
and Dragons Head (10,866'): Visit these grand peaks on
the top of Southern California on a long, very Strenuous
and BRISK-paced hike. The total hike will be about 17.5
miles round trip with 6500' of gain. Part of the route will
be cross-country on a trail-less, steep slope. Please
bring: water, lug soles, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the
leader for meeting information. Leader: PETER
DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT,
BILL SIMPSON

Jul 8 Tue Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Middle Hawkins (8505'), South Hawkins (7783'): Join
us for a pleasant hike to these local favorites. We will
start at Islip Saddle. 14 miles round trip, 3000' of gain,
estimate 7 1/2 hours of hiking. After the hike will be
stopping at Newcomb's for Happy Hour and will be
attending the HPS Management Meeting. Meeting is
optional, Happy Hour is mandatory. Meet at La Canada
rideshare 8 AM. Leader: DAVE COMERZAN
Co-Leaders: BOBCAT THOMPSON, JOE YOUNG

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

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

Jul 9 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: Cerro Noroeste (8280'), Grouse Mountain (8582'),
Sawmill Mountain (8818'), Mount Pinos (8831'): Enjoy

this classic high elevation ridge walk west of Frazier Park, featuring expansive views of Los Padres National Forest. Moderately paced 10 miles round trip, 3000' gain. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER

Jul 12 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Timber Mountain (8303'): 10 miles round trip, 3300'
gain. Strenuous hike at comfortably brisk pace up
Icehouse Canyon to the Saddle then up to enjoy the
beautiful view from Timber Mountain for lunch/snack.
Bring 2-3 qt. water, lunch, appropriate clothing, lugsoles.
Rain cancels. Adventure Pass needed. For details
contact Leader: CHERYL MCMURRAY Assistant
Leader: MELISSA KANE

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

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

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

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

Jul 19 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Jean Peak (10,670'), Marion Mtn (10,320'), Drury Peak
(10,160'), Folly Peak (10,480'), San Jacinto Peak
(10,804'), Cornell Peak (9750'): Climb the San Jacinto
SIX on a very Strenuous, BRISK hike. The total hike will
be about 15 miles round trip with 5000' gain. Comfort on

rocky terrain is required. NO beginners. Please bring: water, lug soles, lunch, jacket, hat & money for the Tram. Contact the leader for the meeting information. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jul 19 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Cornell Peak (9750'), Jean Peak (10,670'), Marion Mtn.
(10,320'): Moderately paced 10 miles, 3500' gain hike in
the beautiful San Jacinto Mtns. Ride the tram, and then
hike cross-country to the peaks. Permit limits group size.
For info, email city, phone, recent conditioning, and
experience to Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader:
WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Jul 20 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: San Gorgonio Mountain (11,499'), Jepson Peak
(11,205'), Charlton Peak (10,806'), Dobbs Peak
(10,459'): Ascend to the high point of Southern California
using the Vivian Creek Trail, then return cross country to
the trailhead along a beautiful, high altitude ridge, picking
up two nearby peaks along the way. Very strenuous
dayhike at a steady pace, 16 miles round trip, 5600' gain
for first three peaks, with several hours spent at high
elevation. Optional side trip to Charlton adds 3 miles and
800' gain. Permit limits group size. For details contact
Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER,
MARLEN MERTZ

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

Jul 26 Sat Hundred Peaks

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

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

cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, MIKE and DOTTY SANDFORD

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

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

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

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

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

Jul 27 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Copter Ridge (7499') & Middle Hawkins (8505'): Visit
these fine peaks in the Angeles Forest from Islip Saddle
using the Pacific Crest Trail. Some of the hike will be
cross country. The entire hike will be about 14 miles
round trip with 5500' of gain (3100' out & 2400' back).
Please bring: water, lunch, lug soles, windbreaker & hat.
Expect some adventure. Contact the leader for meeting

info. Leader: PETER DOGGETT Assistant Leaders: IGNACIA DOGGETT, BILL SIMPSON

Jul 28 Mon Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Kratka Ridge (7515'), Mount Akawie (7283'): Easy hike
of 1.6 miles round trip with 700' of gain to a peak south
of Highway 2 in the San Gabriel Mountains. Might be
able to add Akawie for an additional 1.2 miles round trip
with 400' of gain. Slow pace. Call Mars (661 609 8218)
during four days before event for status and details.
Leaders: CHERYL GILL, MARS BONFIRE

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

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

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

Aug 4 Mon Hundred Peaks
I: Monrovia Peak (5409'), Sunset Peak (5796'): Easy
hike of 1 miles round trip with 600' of gain to peak in San
Gabriel Mountains. Might be able to add Sunset for an
additional 3 miles round trip with 1500' of gain. Slow
pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Permit to drive
Redbox-Rincon Road required. Call Mars (661 609
8218) during four days before event for status and
details. Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, CHERYL GILL

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

contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT VAUGHN

Aug 6 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Boucher Hill (5438'), Garnet Mountain (5680'), Garnet
Peak (5880'): A drive-up (State Park entry fee) and two
easy hikes totaling 3.1 miles round trip with 700' of gain
to peaks in the Julian area. Slow pace. Call Mars (661
609 8218) during four days before event for status and
details. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, MARS BONFIRE

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

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

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

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

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

Aug 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: San Bernardino Peak (10,649'), San Bernardino East
Peak (10,691') Anderson Peak (10,840+'), Shields Peak

(10,680+'): Join us for a big hike to four high peaks in the San Gorgonio Wilderness, via the Forsee Trail. 18 miles round trip on good trail with 5000' of gain. Moderately fast pace. Permit limits group size. Bring lots of water, lug soles, lunch, and hat. Send email to Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA

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

Aug 17 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Three Sisters (8100'): A pretty forested peak in San
Bernardino National Forest, 7 miles round trip on road
and cross-country, 1800' gain. Mellow pace. Contact
Karen at least three days before the event. Leaders:
CHERYL GILL, KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

AUG 17 Sun Angeles Chapter
O: 8th Graze Little Tokyo: Total immersion walking, eating tour of Little Tokyo. Start with a Docent tour of Japanese American Natl Museum, do some nibbling on Lotus root, cured bamboo, pressed shark, pounded rice as we wend our way to a Buddhist Temple and finish with an opportunity to see the Nisei Week Parade. An enriching experience for those souls who always wanted to know about unusual Asian food but were afraid to ask.
Easy.1.5mi. 9am-3pm. \$36 (\$56 non-mem) Includes museum admission,ample grazing. Send check, sase, SC#, phones, email to Leader. Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews Pl/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/email ROXTLEWIS@aol.com , Co-leader Dotty Sandford.

Aug 18 Mon Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Arctic Point (8336'), Bertha Peak (8201'): Easy hike of
1.8 miles round trip with 766' of gain to peak north of Big
Bear Lake. Might be able to add Bertha for an additional
3 miles round trip with 621' of gain. Slow pace. High
clearance 4WD advised. Call Mars (661 609 8218)
during four days before event for status and details.
Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, CHERYL GILL

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

Aug 23-26 Sat-Tue Hundred Peaks I: Clouds Rest (9526') to Half Dome (8835'): 17 miles, 3600' gain, 4800' loss. Strenuous but comfortably paced, unrushed 4 day backpack from Tenaya Lake to Yosemite Valley. Must be comfortable with steep exposed route holding cables. Email or send SASE with H&W phones, recent conditioning to Leaders: DIANE DUNBAR, GARY BICKEL

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

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

Aug 25 Mon Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Gold Mountain (8235'), Silver Peak (6756'): Easy hike
of 2 miles round trip with 900' of gain to peak north of Big
Bear Lake. Might be able to drive up Silver. Slow pace.
High clearance 4WD advised. Call Mars (661 609 8218)
during four days before event for status and details.
Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, CHERYL GILL

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

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

Sep 1 Mon Hundred Peaks New Outing, first time published

O: Middle Hawkins: Pleasant forested hike on PCT from Islip Saddle. 8 miles round trip, 2000' gain, wonderful views. Contact Karen at least three days before the hike for details. Leaders: CHERYL GILL, KAREN & WOLF LEVERICH

Sep 3 Wed Hundred Peaks

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

Sep 3 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Mill Peak (6670'), Keller Peak (7882'), Slide Peak
(7841'): A drive up and two easy hikes totaling 3.6 miles
round trip with 900' of gain to peaks in the Big Bear area.
Slow pace. Call Mars (661 609 8218) during four days
before event for status and details. Leaders: DORIS
DUVAL, MARS BONFIRE

Sep 6 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
O: Cucamonga Peak (8859'), Etiwanda Peak (8662'):
Enjoy a spectacular canyon route on this long trail hike
from Lytle Creek to these favorite peaks via the
seldom-visited Middle Fork Trail, very strenuous 18 miles
round trip, 5400' gain. A long day with many rewards.
Permit limits group size. Some dirt road driving to reach
trailhead; high clearance vehicles recommended. For
details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE
BANNISTER, BRUCE CRAIG, PAT VAUGHN

Sep 6 Sat Hundred Peaks

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

Sep 9 Tue Hundred Peaks

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

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

Sep 10 Wed Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Indian Mountain (5790'), Rouse Hill (5168'), Thomas
Mountain (6825'): Three drive-ups in the San Jacinto
area. High clearance 4WD advised. Call Mars (661 609
8218) during four days before event for status and
details. Leaders: DORIS DUVAL, MARS BONFIRE

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

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

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

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

Sep 17 Wed Hundred Peaks
M: Josephine Peak (5558'), Strawberry Peak (6164'),
Mount Lawlor (5957'): Enjoy this classic introductory rock
climb as we scramble the west ridge to Strawberry after

an easy warm up on Josephine. Conveniently located in the San Gabriels near Pasadena. Strenuous outing with steep ridge traverse, 10 miles one way, 3900' gain on our way to Red Box for a short car shuttle. Comfort on solid rock with moderate exposure required. Send some indication of your climbing background and conditioning to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER, BILL SIMPSON, PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

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

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

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

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

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

Sep 20 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Heald Peak (6901'), Nicolls Peak (6070'): 8 miles,
4000' gain, strenuous moderately fast-paced
cross-country hike over rocky, brushy terrain in
conjunction with the HPS Fall Festival near Lake
Isabella. Some dirt road driving, high clearance helpful.
Meet 7:30 AM at intersection of Vista Grande Road and
Highway 178, 0.2 miles west of the Highway

- 178-Kernville Airport Road intersection, about 11 miles east of the town of Lake Isabella. Bring lunch and at least 3 liters water. Leaders: SANDY SPERLING, PETER LARA
- Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
 I: Cannel Point (8314'): Climb this remote HPS summit via a new route from the east, beginning at Little Cannell Meadow. Up to 6 miles round trip, 2000' gain. Moderate cross country in forested terrain with some easy rock scrambling near the summit. Lots of dirt road driving; high clearance vehicles recommended. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, WAYNE BANNISTER, PAT VAUGHN
- Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
 I: Bald Eagle Peak (6181'), Lightner Peak (6430'): Get
 either or both of these peaks on the way home from HPS
 Fall Festival. 11 miles of unpleasant dirt road driving to
 Bald Eagle; 1.5 miles, 600' gain with some rock
 scrambling. 2 miles easy dirt driving to Lightner; 4 miles
 round trip, 1600' gain. For details contact Leader:
 GEORGE WYSUP Assistants: LAURA JOSEPH,
 JENNIFER WASHINGTON
- Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
 O: Sunday Peak (8295'), Bohna Peak (6760'+): Two
 lovely wooded peaks near Lake Isabella. Sunday is 3 1/2
 miles round trip, 1000' gain. Bohna is steeper, 3 miles
 round trip, 1400' gain. Slow pace. They are separate
 hikes, with some easy dirt road driving in between. Meet
 at 8AM at the HPS Fall Festival (Tillie Creek
 Campground) or 8:30 AM at Greenhorn Summit (7.7
 miles west of Wofford Heights on Highway 155). Bring
 food, water, sturdy shoes, jacket. Co-Leaders:
 WINNETTE BUTLER, JIM FLEMING, KAREN & WOLF
 LEVERICH
- Sep 21 Sun Hundred Peaks
 I: Onyx Peak #2 (5244'), Mayan Peak (6108'),
 Butterbredt Peak (5997'): Total 10 miles, 5300' gain,
 strenuous, moderately fast-paced cross-country hike
 over mostly rocky terrain. Drive between peaks. Do one,
 two, or all three as we head toward home. Meet 8 AM at
 HPS Fall Festival group campsite at Tillie Creek
 Campground, near Lake Isabella. Leaders: SANDY
 SPERLING, PETER LARA
- Sep 24 Wed Hundred Peaks
 O: Sawtooth Mountain (5200'+), Burnt Peak (5788'),
 Liebre Mountain (5760'+): Classic set of easy peaks near
 the Grapevine in northern Los Angeles County. Moderate
 overall, 10 miles round trip, 2600' gain. For details
 contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE
 BANNISTER, JENNIFER WASHINGTON
- Sep 27 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina O: Apache Peak (7567'), Spitter Peak (7440'+): Visit these two interesting peaks on the Desert Divide near Idyllwild. Moderately strenuous, 13 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Permit limits group size. Paved road driving. For details contact Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: PAT VAUGHN, WAYNE BANNISTER, BRUCE CRAIG

- Sep 28 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS
 I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation noodles at
 Grinnell Ridge for either checkout or practice to satisfy
 the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation
 requirements. To receive homework assignment, send
 navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating,
 rideshare info, phones, email/sase to Leader: HARRY
 FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS
- Sep 28 Sun Hundred Peaks
 M: Antsell Rock (7679'), Southwell Peak (7840'+): Climb
 a classic HPS peak via the Sam Fink "Trail" up the north
 side of Antsell. Strenuous outing but moderately paced,
 10 miles round trip, 3400' gain. Participants should be
 comfortable with moderate exposure on solid rock.
 Permit limits group size. For details send climbing
 experience to Leader: TOM HILL Co-Leaders: WAYNE
 BANNISTER, BILL SIMPSON, PETER & IGNACIA
 DOGGETT
- Oct 4 Sat Hundred Peaks, Verdugo Hills
 O: Mt Hillyer (6200'): 6 miles round trip, 900' gain easy
 hike, newcomers welcome. Meet 9 AM La Canada
 rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, hiking boots. Rain
 cancels. Leaders: FRANK DOBOS, DELPHINE
 TROWBRIDGE
- Oct 4 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
 New Outing, first time published
 O: Mount Deception (5796'), Mount Disappointment
 (5960'), San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mount Markham
 (5742'), Mount Lowe (5603'): Enjoy a hike to these
 historic peaks above Pasadena. Slow to moderate paced
 10 miles round trip, 2500' gain. Afterwards we may visit
 nearby Occidental Peak and Mount Wilson Skyline Park.
 Rain cancels. Early start, for details contact Leader: PAT
 VAUGHN Co-Leader: BRUCE CRAIG
- Oct 4 Sat Pasadena, Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures O: Mt. Baden-Powell (9399'): Hike the 41-switchback trail and enjoy views of the high country and the Mojave Desert from the second highest mountain in the San Gabriels, 8 miles round trip/2800' gain. Meet 8 AM in the parking lot of REI's Arcadia store (214 N. Santa Anita) or at Vincent Gap trailhead at 9 AM. Bring water, lunch, hiking boots, jacket. Leaders: JIM and GINNY HERINGER, CHRIS SPISAK
- Fri-Sat Hundred Peaks, PV- South Bay. Oct 17-18 NSS, WTC New Outing, first time published O: Palm Springs Tram (8450'), Mt San Jacinto (10,804') Moonlight Hike: Strenuous hike for tigers only, 10 miles, 8300' gain to tram with additional 10 miles round trip, 2400' gain to the peak. We'll start hiking before midnight Friday. With the advent of the moonlight aspect of the hike, we've been getting many more successful peak baggers, so we'll have two groups, hopefully both SJ bound, one faster, the other naturalizing along the way. Of course, any who wish can head back down at the tram after a mere 8300' gain. Bring money for tram ride and taxi back to cars. Send e-mail (preferable) or SASE with carpool information, conditioning/experience to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-Leaders: TONY TRULL, WAYNE VOLLAIRE, SHERRY ROSS, KENT **SCHWITKIS**

Oct 19 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS

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

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

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

Nov 1 Sat Palos Verdes-South Bay, Hundred Peaks, WTC New Outing, first time published I: Rattlesnake (6131'), Hawes (6751'), and Deep Creek Hot Springs (5' deep): 18th semi-annual Deep Creek Hot Springs hike/soak/swim with some more peaks. Moderately paced 14 miles, 3100' gain with considerable cross-country via exploratory routes. Some 4wd driving. Adventure pass required. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, lugs (swim suit optional). No beginners. Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia. Rain cancels. Send e-mail (preferable) or sase, along with carpool information, conditioning/experience to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Nov 1 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina
New Outing, first time published
O: South Mt. Hawkins (7783'): Moderately paced 14
miles, 1500' gain, from Islip Saddle. Enjoyable fall hike in
the San Gabriel Mountains. Optional short climb to
Middle Hawkins on the return. Bring water, lunch, layers
and appropriate footwear. Rain cancels. E-mail leader for
details. Leader: PAT VAUGHN Co-Leader: BRUCE
CRAIG

Nov 8 Sat Outings Management Committee
Outings Assembly: Eaton Canyon. Outings leaders are
welcome to attend this interesting and informative event.

Nov 15 Sat Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures
New Outing, first time published
I: Iron #3 (5040'), Round Top (6316'), Granite #1
(6600'+), Rabbit #1 (5307'): Bag 4 moderate peaks and join Leader's 100th peak lead. Approximately 11 miles and 4150' gain should be back to the cars at 4 PM. Meet 7 AM La Canada rideshare point. Bring lunch and 10

essentials. Leaders: HARVEY GANZ, BRENT COSTELLO, MARYANN MEGGELIN

Nov 15 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina New Outing, first time published
O: Mount Emma (5273'), Old Mount Emma (5063'): 4 miles round trip, 1200' gain for these peaks with some ups and downs between them. Great views to Antelope Valley and Edwards AFB. Meet 8 AM at La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch, hiking boots. Rain cancels. Leader: PAT VAUGHN Co-Leader: BRUCE CRAIG

Nov 15-16 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, HPS I: Indian Cove Navigation: Navigation noodles at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter; homework, campfire. Sunday for checkout. To receive homework assignment, email/sase, navigation experience training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare info, phones, to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS

Nov 22 Sat Hundred Peaks, Airport-Marina New Outing, first time published O: Barley Flats (5600'), Mt Lawler (5957'): We will hike from Red Box on an old road 3 miles with 1000' of gain to Barley Flats then do another 2 miles with 800' gain to Lawler. Then down the west side of Lawler to Strawberry saddle, return 2 miles to Red Box. Some loose spots on road between Red Box and Barley along with some bush whacking on trail early along the ridge from Barley to Lawler. Meet 7:30 AM La Canada rideshare point with water, lunch and lugsoles. Rain cancels. Leader: PAT VAUGHN Co-Leader: BRUCE CRAIG

Dec 13 Sun Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Sawtooth (5200'), Burnt Peak (5780'), Liebre Mtn
(5760'): Easy way to bag all 3 peaks in the Liebre range.
Approximately 4 miles and 500' gain. Meet 8:30 AM
Sylmar rideshare location. Leaders: HARVEY GANZ
Co-Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, MARYANN MEGGELIN

Dec 14 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS
I: Warren Point Navigation: Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkout or practice to satisfy the Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To receive homework assignment, send navigation experience/training, any WTC, rideshare info, phones, email/sase to Leader: HARRY FREIMANIS Assistant: ROBERT MYERS

Jan 24 Sat HPS

Our Annual Awards Banquet. This year in China Town. Speaker will be Bill Burke. More details in future issues, but ... save the date!

Rideshare Points and Leader Information

Rideshare points mentioned in the outings in this Lookout:

La Canada: Angeles Crest Hwy (Hwy 2). Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Park on Angeles Crest Hwy only Sylmar: Encinitas Ave, South of Roxford St; Roxford exit from I-5, TG 481-F4

Contact information for leaders with outings in this Lookout. (If you don't have e-mail, drop a note several days in advance of the outing to Dave Comerzan, 695 Aurora Dr, Claremont, CA 91711-2925, and he'll forward your request to the leader.)

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Winnette Butler and Jim Fleming lead a group of HPSers on an Adopt - A - Highway cleanup of our five-mile stretch of the Angeles Crest Highway on May 3, 2008.

The Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet May 4, 2008 By Mary McMannes

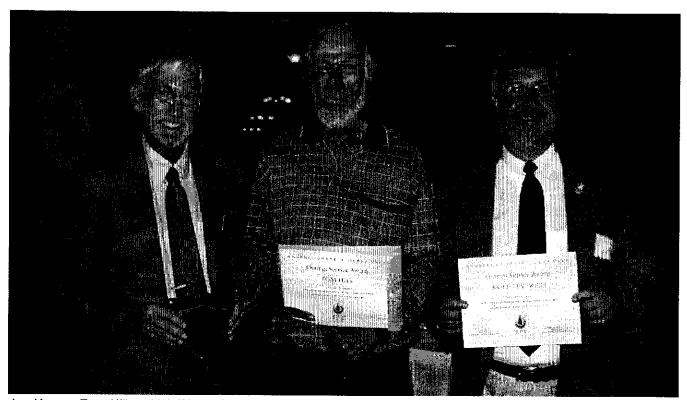
Sold out! Sold out! Such were the words from Cathy Kissinger for last minute purchasers as myself in procuring a ticket to the Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet (May 4). What a bummer! I'd be unable to see best friends and admired cronies, Joe Young, George Wysup, Tom Hill, Brian Wolferich (Wolfie), and Joe Wankum receive well deserved awards. However, at the last minute, David Eisenberg came through and gave me his ticket, and away I drove to Pasadena and the lovely Rose Bowl Brookside Country Club for a rollicking evening.

In gazing around the banquet room that holds 250 people, I could see Cathy had been right in posting the Ticket Holders Only sign. On the outside patio stood schmoozing past and present friends, and it's always a family reunion to attend such an event (especially if you've been with the Sierra Club from the 70s and 80s if not before!) Free cups of wine were flowing, and so were the stories as we laughed and bragged about our glorious pasts and ever unraveling present. Finally, the cue was given to run for our seats, and there were those getting last minute (did I mention 'free'?) fills-ups. I had no idea a celebrity was in our midst (other than ourselves, of course), and as I turned to see a tall, ruddy faced, handsome man at my elbow, there stood Huell Howser, star of California Gold and KCET Travels Around the Golden State. Some of us girls started shrieking like groupies, "Huell!! Huell Howser!", and he



Bobcat Thompson with special guest Huell Howser

was more than pleased to see our reactions. Past awardee and bon vivant, Frank Dobos took our pictures, before we let Huell go to his seat with Robin and Lori Ives, Virgil Shields, and Ann Pedreschi. What a guy was that Huell who sat through a couple hours of other peoples' awards smiling that big Tennessee smile graciously waiting to give his keynote speech. Behind our table sat a group of big men in very dark suits, and at first, I was sure it was a re-run of The Sopranoes



Joe Young, Tom Hill and Wolf Leverich hold their respective awards at the Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet.

bearing gifts of cement shoes; but then I saw it was Garen Yegparian and his Glendale friends and fans. Congrats to Garen for his Political Service Award.

Meanwhile, Joe, Wolfie, and Tom were waiting for their awards (and Joe getting one of the biggies, the Lifelong Service Award). All the HPSers (Jeri, Bobcat, Stag, Marlen, and more) looked quite attractive in fancy clothes and slicked back hair--I'd say they clean up real good (especially Tom!). Tom was usually quiet and behaving himself (is that what an Award banquet does to Tom?); but when it came time for his award, the crowd began the Tom chant, "YO-HO, YO-HO, Uh-Oh, Uh-Oh, " (or something like that.) George Wysup couldn't be found anyplace, but I guess he was doing what he was awarded for, bagging more peaks and out on an outing! He was greatly missed, but with all the List Finisher trophies and Leader Leading Lists pins, he and Tom probably don't have much room for another certificate.

Back to the main program. Virgil Shields, Ex-Com leader, and formerly known as Mr. RCS (Rock Climbing Section) began his inimitable emceeing with lots of jokes and quips. I've known Virgil since the '70s when he was known for driving his infant son to roadheads as Virgil studied the routes up great and wondrous walls for his weekend RCS ascents. We all agree that Virgil could stand at the podium and recite a telephone book with the greatest of enthusiasm.

Many awards were handed out, and there were many speeches. Our HPS fellows finally won their "just desserts" for Outings, and we jumped up to take their photos for posterity. Joe Young (poster boy for Pritikin -- the Silva Thins Man) has done a little of this 'n that and a lot of everything for as long as we've all been hiking and climbing. His list of achievements are way long: editor of The Lookout, Chapter Ex Com, Chair of Airport Marina Group, leader in several sections, plus keeping people in condition at Griffith Park. As someone wrote, "Joe is a man of character and integrity, a fine example of what a Sierra Club leader should be." Hubba hubba! The writer should add that we HPSers are well known for our ability to Party on! Party on! having been schooled in the Bobcat Thompson School of Over Zealous Celebrations.

Finally, after all the hoop-de-la, Sierra Club ombudsman, Bill Jackson, another great fellow receiving an Outings award, introduced our star, Huell Howser. Huell made it to the podium and gave some good natured teasing back to Bill cracking us all up. Huell's speech was thoroughly entertaining, both fun and funny. He concluded by saying, "When our crew is done taping and heading back to our Motel #6 (laughter), the sun is setting, the grasses are blowing, and we stop to take it all in. Those moments when pundits say we can't go on, I trust my heart. The best days of California are yet to come." A huge and well deserved applause followed Huell, and the autograph seekers and amateur photographers crowded around him

This was one occasion not to be missed, and you can bet I'll buy my ticket early next year and slip



Stag Brown, Joe Young and Jeri Marston pose for Mary McMannes' camera at the Angeles Chapter Awards Banquet.

some payola to the Award's committee. Congrats to our tireless workers, Joe, Wolf, Tom, George. I'd agree with Huell that your best days are still ahead of you, too. After all, we need those peaks, and we need you! Thanks and congrats!



From the City to the Circle A hiking history of an HPS List finisher By Marlen Merts

My dad had an after-dinner ritual of walking down Broadway on New York's upper west side. Each night he would ask my mother to join him. She would go when she had energy and when she didn't, I would fill in. Dad taught me, by example, that walking was good. He said it helped clear his head after a long day in the office.

On those New York streets (before I met Harry Freimanis) I learned how to estimate distance. A mile was 20 numbered blocks. The distance between the named avenues was longer so they calculated differently. I would walk from our apartment on 88th to Macy's on 34th Street, about two and a half miles, and then take a cab home. Walking in the "woods" was unknown to me.

It wasn't long after my arrival in Los Angeles that I learned about the Sierra Club. My first Sierra Club outing was Mount Wilson, which I hiked on the first of November, 1981. Hearing chatter about "The List" I was intrigued enough to order a copy and proudly recorded my very first peak. I still have that dog-eared List which is clearly marked with its hefty price of 50 cents.

I progressed on the List at not exactly record speed. In the 80s I checked off 55 peaks. In the 90s, I recorded only 20. I had, by then, discovered the closer, tamer Santa Monica Mountains.

I celebrated my 100th peak in 2003, twenty-two years after beginning. Then it took me five more years (and Tom Hill's tenacious prodding) to get the remaining 176 peaks. I may hold a certain record for longevity in this pursuit, but Don Croley claims he will beat me.

Challenges along the way

Warren Point and Lost Horse Mountain

Tom and I scheduled our first lead together on these two peaks. The weather prediction was rainy but Tom insisted we could not cancel. On the morning of the hike, the weather was stormy but Tom still refused to reschedule. I drove to pick him up with lightning flashing across the sky and thunder rattling my car. I knew Tom would come to his senses. He stubbornly did not.

Laura Franciosi was our only participant. We began at Warren Point but Tom thought better of hiking in the hail so turned us back, insisting that the hills surrounding Los Horse would stabilize the weather. So we moved over there. In the end, Tom and I carried umbrellas on both hikes and we were still soaked. I wondered with what crazy person I had chosen to be coleader.

Onyx Peak #2

The first time I hiked Onyx (the one near Lake Isabella) I vowed to put a Big Red X on my list through the peak. I was determined never to hike it again. I made the peak that day but threatened to stop and give up at every disappointing false summit.

Despite my Red X, I was tricked into doing that peak a second time. As I approached the trailhead, I was awestruck by a display of poppies on the lower flanks of the mountain. I didn't recognize it as any peak I had ever



done. Onyx was the second hike of the day and I was weary. But I was glad that I hadn't followed the wimps who bowed out and went home. As I was expressing my enthusiasm about "tip toeing through the tulips" Tom muttered "Hold those thoughts until you are back down". I didn't understand why he was poopooing my enthusiasm until I reached the first false summit. Then I remembered this d-man peak. I cursed my bad memory. But, in the end, perhaps the views and flowers made it all worthwhile. I am still trying to decide.

Lily Rock

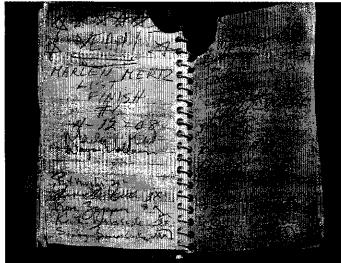
Tom took me on a private outing. I was full of energy and enthusiasm and bounded up the Ernie Maxwell trail a full fifteen minutes ahead. I waited at the point the trail met the climbers' turnoff. Then we walked together until we came upon the infamous third class move (about which I had not been warned). I watched Tom step effortlessly on that twig called a tree and hop onto the other side. I stared in disbelief that I was expected to follow, entrusting my life to that piece of leafy bark. Tom, sensing my hesitancy, starting screaming that I should hurry and follow in his direction. He said that if I didn't he would leave me there -- I would not get the peak and I would never finish the List.

I felt my upper lip quiver and a single tear rolled down my cheek. After all my work, I thought, I would never

finish. I said a silent prayer, put my full weight on the branch and found myself on the other side. Two years later, when I returned to Lily Rock, the tree seemed to have grown into a miniature sequoia redwood. Funny how our mind can play tricks.

Cuyama Lookout

I had carpooled to Lizard head with Don Croley, Laura Stockton and Tom Hill. After returning from Lloyd Johnson's List Finish celebration on Lizard Head, Don announced that he doesn't "do" driveups and he was ready to return to the carpool point. I was tired and figured that was not a bad idea. Tom had jumped in another car and was on his way to the Lookout. I had no way to notify him that I



succumbed to Don's pleading and would be returning to Sylmar. The next day, I suffered from Tom's wrath that I abandoned him on the Dry Canyon dirt road. And for two years I had to endure his icy cold warning that I would NEVER finish the List because nobody would accompany me to get just the Cuyama Lookout drive-up, that I would suffer forever, cursed with a Cuyama orphan. I believed him.

Disobeying my vow never to do peaks twice, I later returned to hike Lizard Head so that I could capture the darn Cuyama drive-up. I was intent on removing the Hill curse.

Hines Peak

Why had nobody told me about the death-defying four steps of treacherous knife edge ridge? My bravery had increased since Lily Rock but still I succumbed to traversing that ridge on my butt, hoping nobody would notice. On the return I mustered up my courage by silently singing to myself, "Whenever I feel afraid, I Whistle a happy Tune." It sort of worked.

Galena Peak

I first tried Galena as a private trip with Tom. Enjoying the lulling sound of the gurgling stream, during our lunch break, I decided to take a nap. When I awoke from a restful sleep, Tom announced, "It's time to go home now". I had no idea what the infamous headwall involved and Tom insisted we did not have time to tackle it. Boy was I mad.

After catching a glimpse of the Wall that day, I decided that I wanted to do Galena on a "safer" route. Wayne Bannister was going to pioneer a lead from a different direction and I was the first to sign up. But after scouting it, Wayne canceled his outing saying his route was even more slippery and steep than the traditional one. So I was back to the Headwall, which I completed on another private trip. I swore to circulate a petition to delist that

darn peak.

The Big Four

My friend and mentor Tom talked me into hiking the Big Four in pieces. I led Samon and picked up Madulce on the same weekend. Then two years later he reminded

> me that I had to go back and get the Pines...a dreaded 36 mile round trip backpack on dirt roads. I had nightmares about that awful trek, which loomed in front of me, and I decided that these peaks might be another roadblock, keeping me from finishing the list.

> Fortunately I met Mars and Kathy and heard about their peakbagging on mountain bikes. I was convinced that was the way to get the Pines. I eventually borrowed a bike, twisted the arms of two friends and then, on Memorial Day weekend of 2007, we set out to get Pine and West Big Pine. I had never been mountain biking before. It was

more work than I anticipated. There were many times I visualized my demise, my bike ricocheting off a rock then veering off the road and plummeting down the steep side of the mountain.

The basic beginner bike I borrowed had no rear shocks. I could feel my brain collide with my skull with every bump. It took the same number of hours getting up as it would have if we hiked. But we flew back down in just a few hours and our feet were sans blisters or any other kind of wear and tear. The second half of that weekend holiday was spent on Santa Cruz Island, hiking El Montanon and every open trail on the island, admiring Caribbean-like ocean views in the spectacular Channel Islands National Park. That was a very full and special weekend. I accomplished my goal and became a mountain bike convert.

The Big Three

My plans to hike the Big Three on a scheduled outing ran into problems. I was invited to a wedding shower that I couldn't miss. I could not begin the hike until the early evening. With nobody among the sign-ups willing to start later, I emailed the Los Padres Chapter and begged for them to distribute an email asking if anyone was interested in "escorting" me in to meet my group. Bernard Mines, a Santa Barbara leader, kindly volunteered. We walked in the dark and I saw the piercing eyes of mountain lions staring at me around every bend. We arrived at 11 pm. In the morning, Bill Simpson arrived, having also hiked through the night. He too reported seeing mountain lion eyes glaring at him. Bill and I had never met, but I immediately liked him. He understood my very rational fears!

Cobblestone and White

In late spring of 2007 I was desperate to finish off my remaining "needs" list, which had miraculously dwindled to less than ten. I joined George Wysup and a few others

to hike Cobblestone and White, which had been closed off from the Day Fire and had just been reopened. It was very warm but we came armed with lots of water and I had my Disneyland fan/spray bottle with me. Despite our preparations for this outing, one member of our group developed the beginning signs of heat exhaustion twenty minutes from the first peak. For safety reasons, we made a quick turn-around decision and the elusive peaks remained in my future. Several months later I returned to those nasty hills of soot and forest fire remains. On both trips I came home with more dirt covering my body than I can ever remember. Fire soot has the special skill of seeping through the pores of hiking pants. I could not imagine what it was doing to our lungs.

Roads and Gates

I was departing on the dirt road after doing Thomas Mountain and Rouse Hill. All was well until 100 feet from the pavement, where I drove my Forester into a shallow ditch hidden in a standing pool of water. How embarrassing. I had to flag down a passing truck and ask for a tow.

After a long day hiking Hines, TopaTopa and Chief, the group drove down the dirt road to be greeted by a locked gate. A new challenge! We were locked inside. Thanks to the ingenuity of one of our participants, he was able to lift the heavy gate off its hinges using a car jack. We managed to get out before our Monday morning work commitments.

(I hope forest service personnel aren't reading this).

On our hike to Old Man and Monte Arido, we could not open the entrance gate to the Potrero Seco Road, despite our double checking with the rangers to get that weekend's combination and the one from the week before (as directed by the Peak Guides). Luckily we ran into one of the only inhabitants of that area and he let us follow him in. After the day's outing he agreed to escort us out and open the gate for our departure. He had two guns on his person claiming that he went nowhere without these weapons, due to the mountain lion population that roamed the hills. He succeeded at giving me something new to fear.

Marking Milestones

Two 100th Peak Celebrations

One celebration seemed never enough. I got my 100th peak on Bohna on 6/1/2003. But because I had just only recently returned to HPS hiking after quite a few years, I really didn't know the people who sat on top with me. I generously offered bites of my Costco chicken leg and thigh but had no takers. It was a lonely, quiet celebration.

So I decided to send out an invitation to all my old hiking friends and have a real celebration "to commemorate" my 100th peak. I did this on top of Pacifico with an array of appetizers and barbecue foods which had been driven up in advance. That was a memorable day and my second 100th celebration.

Two 200th Peak Celebrations

My first 200th was on top of Red Mountain. I walked up triumphantly arm in arm with Tom, whom I had met on Peak # 105 and who had helped with most of the rest. I

signed the register marking my milestone achievement. I shared a bottle of champagne and snacks. What I didn't explain was that this 200th included peaks that most of the "newbies" present never heard of....Chalk, Snow and Pisgah Peaks from the 80s and 90s, and Hot Springs Mountain which had more recently been delisted. Four peaks later, on Bernard Peak in Joshua Tree, I felt justified in having another celebration and again noted my 200th when I signed in (that is, 200 peaks on the current List at that time). I shared another bottle of champagne. A couple of strangers, Bruce Craig and Pat Vaughn, chanced upon both my Red Mountain and Bernard Peak sign-ins and identified me as some kind of crackpot who threw unjustified parties all over the mountains. Once they met me, I never heard the end of their assessment. They were most probably accurate.

Two List Finish Celebrations

Finally, on my List Finish day, I held onto my tradition to celebrate twice, this time on Circle and Table Mountains.

I was more than ready for my final peak on November 4th, 2007, but the outing had to be canceled due to National Forest wildfire closures. I postponed to April 12, 2008. It was worth waiting. The gods were shining on us that day. The heat wave in Los Angeles delivered nearly perfect temperatures on 6800 foot Circle Mountain. In the distance, the surrounding peaks were still covered with snow, creating an amazing alp-like backdrop. The designated party location on Table Mountain was still officially closed for the season but was available for our exclusive use. We barbecued (thanks to Ted Lubeshkoff's beefburger help and Wayne Vollaire's vegeburger help), enjoyed old and new friends, listened to music, and danced (at least I did) to the tunes of the fun and festive bluegrass band I invited to spruce up the



celebration. There were 65 hiking buddies in attendance helping to make my List Finish a very special day and an enduring memory.

I've shared a sampling of my little adventures, challenges and celebrations. But it was all of you who made my journey through the List so very special. Even when it was hot or buggy or too long, or too steep, your

chatting and laughter made it all worthwhile.

Tom Hill took me on dozens and dozens of club hikes and private HPS outings. They were hot, cold, rainy, windy hikes and sometimes perfect weather hikes. But whatever the conditions and however my attitude, somehow he got me to the peak. He sometimes dragged me screaming and yelling, as he would often say. Thank you, Tom, for teaching me how to be a hiker and for keeping me on track. I couldn't and wouldn't have done it without you.

And, despite my insistent chatter about retiring from peaks, I will continue to meet all of you on the trails.
You'll see!!

Circle Mountain Marlen Blues

[To the tune of "My Favorite Things" (Richard Rogers)]

By George "Hammerstein" Wysup

Hiking through buckthorn with bare limbs a-bleeding Falling in cholla, some tweezers I'm needing Leaves in my sports bra are scratching my boobs These ain't a few of my favorite things. When the ticks bite When my head's light When I'm getting mad I simply remember I've bagged a new peak And then I don't feel . . . so bad.

Packing uphill with 8 liters of water
Sore feet are telling me – I shouldn't oughta
Hot sun a-cooking my arms and my legs
Those are some more of my least fave-rit things.
When it's so cold
Makes me feel old

I'm a mess, egad
I simply remember I've bagged a new peak
And then I don't feel . . . so bad.

Bugs buzzing 'round me are driving me crazy It's so damned hot and that's making me lazy Trail dust is making my allergies rise Do I still have any favorite things? When the rain pours Wannabe in doors Lounging in my pad If I will never go hiking again-Then I won't feel . . . this bad.

Following leaders who like to go fast My mind rebels and I try to be last I'll never hike with these dudes any more 'Til I forget that they made me so sore. When my head hurts And the thick dirt's O'er my entire bod I simply recall that I'm having a ball But I still feel bad . . . Oh God.

Com-posing po-ems for new emblem baggers Feeding them goodies so they won't be saggers Wearing a costume to give a few yucks If they don't like it I sure think that sucks When I can't walk I can still talk Show you that I'm smart; Have to walk backward to speak to your face So, listen, have a heart.

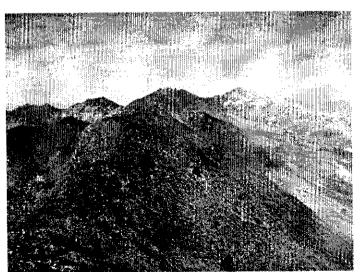


Photo by Mamiko Oko was taken on April 26, 2008. View is from Backus Peak looking westerly. Owens, Jenkins and Morris peaks are visible.

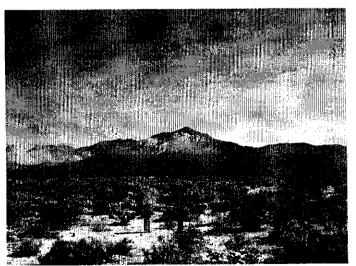


Photo by Mamiko Oko was taken from Highway 178 looking northerly towards Backus Peak and the ridge to Mt Russell. Photo was taken on April 26, 2008 and the occasion was Joe Young's and Diane Dunbar's outing to Backus and Russell Peaks.

Current Trip Reports

Madulce Peak By The Standard Route by Mars Bonfire

On 5/28/08 I mountain biked the Big Four road to visit Madulce. On my first two rides into the area after the fire I encountered landslides and downed trees on the road section between the fork and Chokecherry that required walking or carrying the bike to get past. On subsequent rides I was delighted to find the road freshly graded and in excellent shape. On this trip I learned that cattle had partially churned up the road with their hoofs and left innumerable droppings and the recent storm had brought down occasional light rock fall. The road surface has been degraded from excellent to good and is still a pleasure to ride.

The horse trough at Chokecherry was full and water was abundantly cascading down the sandstone above creating hope that this important source for the animals that live there and for visitors will continue through next winter. The road segment from Chokecherry to Madulce saddle received only sporadic burn and retains most of its charming look and inviting shade, causing me to reflect on how fortunate we are to learn of such charismatic places through Hundred Peaks.

Burning around Madulce saddle was intense and any brush problems on the initial section of the trail are now gone. Soil destabilized by the burn has eroded onto the trail filling in the trough and leaving the surface sloping downhill. Hiking demands more attention and deliberateness than in the past yet remains well short of dangerous for practiced nature hikers. From the junction with the Santa Barbara Canyon Trail to the summit there were several instances (nine or so) of easily negotiated or bypassed downed trees. Ironically two of these serve to better locate the beginning of the switchbacks. The hiker will eventually come to a huge fallen tree that brought down with it a stand of wire (presumably the telegraph line used by fire lookout personnel to signal a fire). Bypass this on the downhill side. A short distance beyond the hiker will encounter a minor downed tree and at a roughly equal short distance beyond this they will begin the switchbacks.

The summit burned over but left the register untouched. Any brush problems here have vanished. Judging by the number of sign ins this trail gets little human use yet it continues to be walked by the animals of the area and with patience remains discernible. One caveat: there are many standing dead trees in various conditions of stability that will be a safety hazard on windy days for years and years.

The Big Four have always been and, in spite of the fire, continue to be one of the high points of the Hundred Peaks experience leaving an indelible impression that is never confused with other peaks or areas. This chance to visit them in brush-free conditions and reappreciate the diversity and appeal they add to our

incredible list of places to explore and protect won't last ... new shoots are already vigorously sprouting from the root balls of burned scrub oak, manzanita, and buckthorn!

A Day Trip to Santa Cruz Peak By Mars Bonfire

On 4/26/08 I mountain biked the dirt road from Cachuma Saddle to the Wilderness Boundary at McKinley Saddle (28W 01) to visit Santa Cruz Peak. The road was in its usual state of light rock fall and mild erosion which translates into good to very good for hiking and fair to good for mountain biking. The firebreak that takes off from 28W01 about half a mile from parking and rejoins the road at a concrete water tank has been redone and is the obvious choice for hikers as it shortcuts a long switchback of the road. The water tank at the first significant saddle was as always except the picnic table was gone. Water was available from the hiker faucet at one quart in thirty seconds. The road and its margins were untouched by the fire until the Big Cone Spruce Trail. From here on fingers of burn intruded up to the road but did not cross it. Cold Spring (McKinley Spring) was as usual with the horse trough and hinged lid cistern both full of water. It was not until McKinley Saddle that the full impact of the fire started to be revealed.

The descending road/firebreak that makes its way over to the ridge heading south to Santa Cruz has been redone as has the firebreak along the ridge. Hikers could now walk three abreast along this thoroughfare with no concern for route finding, brush, or foot placement. The could simply relax and enjoy the postcard views down to Lake Cachuma and the verdant multimillion dollar ranches and reflect upon the vast devastation to the east extending to West Big. Pine and beyond ... an incineration so intense it has revealed every fold of land and every outcropping of rock. These two oppositional worlds are separated only by the fifteen foot wide line of bare earth that did what firebreaks are supposed to do: stop the advance of the fire.

From the base of bump 5484 northeast of Santa Cruz a new firebreak ascends and then drops to the saddle between the two peaks. The old side hill road/firebreak on the north flank of Santa Cruz has been redone and invited me to find out if the historical route up the west side of the peak was still doable. It was disappointingly brushy and I left the peak on the ridge descending northeast following a use trail and deviated from it only when the burned slop on the southeast of the ridge presented a better line. The summit did not burn and the register was intact.

On the way back, at the point where the road from McKinley Saddle meets the ridge descending south to Santa Cruz, I followed a hand cut and partially burned firebreak that ascended to 6523 southwest of

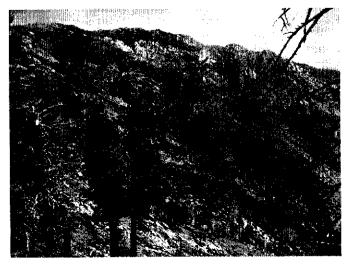
San Rafael and then turned west to descend to McKinley Saddle. I do not recommend this route in its entirety as it had some rock scrambling over unstable piles of sandstone. The beginning section, though, heading north to 6523 was routine and appeared that it could be the first leg of a pathfinder to San Rafael. There were, in fact, several new firebreaks in addition to those I have described, some of which suggested pathfinders and explorers previously unimaginable.

All in all this was the most brush free, beautiful, and thought provoking adventure I have ever had on Santa Cruz. I hope that all with an interest in this area will visit this oft-criticized treasure of the Santa Barbara back country soon.

An Update on the Desert Divide and the Apache Fire Area May 30, 2008 By Dave Cannon

On Friday (5/30/08) I went with a small group to backpack up the Desert Divide for three days. We started at Fobes Canyon trail head and went up to the PCT. Then at the Spitler Trail junction we came across a large pile of Mexican backpack junk left in the middle of the trail. There were sleeping bags in flour sacks, large pots and pans, tuna cans un-opened and miscellaneous junk including a head lamp wired to a lantern battery. They had evidently pulled all this stuff on an old airplane window frame like a sled. So much for border security.

We camped at Apache Peak and there was lots of good water in Apache Spring although it was covered with black ash from the fire. Not a problem to sweep off the surface. Also had a first hand report that there was lots of water at Cedar Spring down below Palm View. The Apache register peak was not burned but the fire started by a cigaret on the PCT just north on the sister bump adjacent to Apache and burned along the east side of the Desert Divide down to the spring area then all the way north along the east slope to where the PCT makes a left turn toward Antsell (UTM 343319). The trail was in good shape throughout the burn area. A discouraging site to see all the devastation.





We then proceeded leisurely up the PCT and camped at Reeds Meadow adjacent to Tahquitz Creek on Saturday night. There was lots of water in the Tahquitz area and patches of snow on the north slopes. Didn't expect that on the first of June. There were several large tree falls on the PCT in Little Tahquitz Valley which we cleared off the trail. After climbing to the lookout on Tahquitz on Sunday morning we came out the Devils Slide Trail to Humber Park. It was a great backpack with ultra light equipment (total pack with food and water under 20 pounds) and the weather was perfect and the scenery was magic.

A Different Route to Fox Mtn #1 May 7, 2008 George Wysup

I needed Fox#1 for List 9. Zobeida "Explorer" Arauz was looking for a third route to any HPS peak. Jennifer Washington was just looking for an unusual hike. Zobeida had already hiked up the Tom Hill ridge that starts about 1/2 mile down the road from the usual trailhead. So I had a look at the topo map and concocted a route that might just go - or not. This route is a bit longer than the others; we found out how much longer. I did a short recon walk to assess how ridiculous this idea might be. It went very well for 100 yards or so, and was heavily dappled with hunter residue (cans and broken bottles and cartridge boxes). I took this as a good sign and we decided to try it. Jennifer parked Big Dog at the usual Fox starting point and we hiked up the road, to about 1/4 mile past the Dry Canyon road junction. Let the adventure begin - at 10 am. We had plenty of time and water and nothing else to do that day. The route went amazingly well, if one doesn't mind back tracking occasionally and pushing through scrub oak trees on occasion. This hike had a bit of most everything; steep areas, a knife-edged ridge, brush, ticks, heat. It did, though, seem to be lacking in rattlesnakes for a change. The route goes generally northwest, then curis to the northeast to join route 1 just above the notorious slide cliff, about 3/4 mile from the summit. The stats for the

hike were 4.3 miles to the summit (not including almost 1 mile on the road) and 2.5 miles returning to Big Dog via the usual route. Gain was about 2400'. We did this at my leisurely pace in about 6 hours. Wildflowers were sparse. Too many oak leaves seems to cause that. The flower of the day was the Death Camas (don't eat these).

Why Do You Insist On Calling It Mal Doosay? (or, A Short Memorial Day Hike to Madulce) April 24, 2008 By George Wysup

On a cold, windy April 24, a group of 5 hikers, Zobeida Arauz, Wayne Bannister, Jennifer Washington, Don Croley, and I (George Wysup) attempted to climb Madulce Peak, one of the "Big 4". We failed miserably because of icy snow clogging some gullies, and because we couldn't see the trail continuation across a gully. This left us all a serious "orphan". We wanted to give it another try soon under better weather conditions.

On May 26, a pleasantly cool and cloudy Memorial Day, we met at 7 am at the Santa Barbara Canyon trail head to day hike Madulce the "short" way, via peak guide route 2. This is billed in the guide as a 24 mile hike with 4800' elevation guide with a suggested hiking time of 13 to 14 hours. We all had our headlamps. All of us except Wayne met in Pasadena at 4:20 am for the long drive because, uh, well, just because.

Perhaps because hiking 24 miles is no longer an easy deal for my old body. I researched this hike - quite out of the ordinary for me. Closely examining the route on the NG TOPO! program it appeared that the distance to Madulce Guard Station (now naught but a few pieces of historical junk) is 7 miles rather than 8. Every little bit helps. And, there had been a serious fire in the area last year, reportedly burning extensive areas in the Dick Smith Wilderness (wherein lies Madulce). I figured that it was likely that an interesting- looking ridge that leads up to Madulce summit from the northeast, almost directly from Madulce Camp, might offer a significant shortcut if, indeed it was torched. Such a burned ridge worked amazingly well on a recent hike to Lizard Head via the Rancho Nuevo trail (Route 2). If the ridge goes, the hike would be only 17 miles with 3600' gain! Four of us hikers are GPS addicts, and we had our own ideas of the route(s) "electronically ducked" with a plethora of waypoints. Here are the details. A sign at the Santa Barbara Canyon trailhead warns that the trail is not in good condition. As it turned out, the trail was quite good and easy to follow much of the way but, in many areas, it was overgrown with my two favorite plants - poison oak and wild roses. Several impressive deadfalls block the trail. At some canyon junctions the direction to take upstream is not immediately obvious. Our dozens of GPS waypoints did help.

At about 6 miles in, at 4300' elevation, the trail leaves the creek and climbs steeply up an old firebreak to over 4900 before gently descending to the Madulce Guard Station. This section is wide open, though badly

eroded by years of hard rains. From the top of this rise it appeared to me that the ridge of interest was burned enough that it might work. We agreed to try it. 1.5 miles and 1700' gain to the summit. And it worked; very, very well. The only issue was that the soil on the ridge was muddy from previous days' rains, and the ashes in the mud seemed to make it about as slippery as cat scat on Teflon. Following the same route down the ridge was reminiscent of an old Buster Keaton movie, and most of us ended up with wet and black pants seats. Bottom line, the hike was a total success. We took just under 11 hours, including breaks and finding our way through the occasional snag. The route is entirely class 1. The shortcut via the ridge saved us about 4 miles and 1400' gain.

Yes, it's getting to warm in the year to do this. What does the future hold? I believe the ridge will still be OK in spring of '09, though the oaks are regrowing very fast from their root crowns. 2010 will probably find it nigh impassable. The trail to Madulce Camp will be fine, or not so fine, depending on maintenance. If you take this trail, you might do some pruning, maybe even some sawing. A few ducks at trouble spots would be helpful. Maintaining this trail is perfectly acceptable. It even has a number, 25W02.

The wildflowers were rampant after the healthy Fall and Winter rains and helped by the infusion of potash from the blaze. I have never seen such a concentration of Mariposa lilies. [Or perhaps they should be called Maricopa lilies in this area, after the small town.] We saw large quantities of the usual suspects for this time of year, including: Scarlet bungler, Parry's larkspur, Chia, Coyote mint, several Phacelia species, Pussypaws, Blue Dicks, Yellow pincushion, Golden yarrow, Clarkia (Farewell-to-spring), Miners' lettuce, Parry's blue-eyed Mary, Whispering bells, Coyote tobacco, Bluehead gilia, Mules' ears, Bog rush, Peppergrass, Coast wild cucumber, Bollander's and Sticky monkeyflowers, two species of Onion, Meadow rue, Yellow pea, and many I'm not certain of.

Garnet Mountain and Sombrero Peak April 19, 2008 By Gene Mauk

The culmination of many years of effort was realized on April 19th when I completed both the HPS and DPS peaks lists. I could not have reached these goals without lots of help from many people. But first the day in review.

At the 8:00 am post time 27 hardy souls met at the roadhead for Garnet Mtn in the midst of a cold and fierce wind which apparently had been blowing all night according to reports from a few roadhead overnighters. I was assigned the lead to the peak and almost immediately screwed up by taking us too far north along the Pacific Crest Trail. Before long a revolt developed among the ranks and my error was corrected. Soon after, the summit of Garnet was conquered thus completing the HPS list, a quest that began

unintentionally 66 years ago on Strawberry Pk in the San Gabriels. The ensuing celebration was quite lively with a surprisingly large amount of champagne consumed considering the early hour. Pictures of various groups were taken. I was especially honored to have my wife, Jan, and sons, Steve and John, join me on the summit. After about a half hour of carrying on we all trudged back to the cars and prepared for the 60 mile drive to the roadhead for Sombrero Pk.

After a lunch break at roadend in Indian Valley the group assembled once again. Here we had a round of introductions along with more sign ins. Doug Mantle took over the lead at this point and up we went for some 2100 feet of gain. The wind and temperature were more agreeable now. The route traversed many spectacular wildflower displays. As I approached the summit I was tickled to see my daughter, Cindy, and son, Rob, waiting to join me and the others for the final steps. Most of the group had reached the summit area earlier but had kept the pathway clear for me to be first to the top. The DPS list was now mine. Another goal of many years realized. It was an emotional few moments to be sure.

In the midst of more good cheer and flowing champagne I was surprised to have Mary McMannes present me with my very own DPS list finish pin. Thank you, Mary. Then more pictures. More champagne. Finally it was deemed time to go back down the mountain.

We regrouped once more a few miles south in Carrizo Canyon for the evening campfire and potluck dinner. Thank goodness for the campfire because it was a cold and windy night. I sincerely thank all who brought the many delicious entrees. Mary MacMannes, representing several contributors, presented me with a beautiful plaque, a collectors item if ever there was one. Doug Mantle's remarks stretched the truth in certain places but were much appreciated. Rob Mauk rounded out the evening with a recitation of Poe's "The Raven."

All in all it was a day to remember for me. It would never have come to pass without the help of so many of my climbing friends. At the risk of leaving out some important names I want to give personal thanks to those who helped me climb those many peaks. Starting with this days leaders: Doug Mantle, who has led (sometimes hauled) me up more peaks than I can count, and Mary McMannes, who has joined me on innumerable climbs and hikes. Continuing: Duane McRuer (Are you listening, Duane), Rob, Steve & John Mauk, Dave Comerzan, Al Conrad, Gary Craig, Bob Hoeven, Sue Holloway, Mary Motheral, Dave & Ann Perkins, Greg & Mirna Roach, Don Sparks, Larry & Barbee Tidball, Jennifer Washington, George Wysup and, most especially of all, my wife, Jan, for putting up with me these many years while I pursued my impossible dream.

Finally, I want to thank all the others who joined me on this special day: Cindy White, Dean Acheson, Ron Bartell, Christine Mitchell, Necia Bower, Tina & Tom Bowman, Dave Cannon, Ron Eckelmann, Edna Erspamer, Rich Gnagy, Mark Goebel, Vic Henney, Sue Wyman, Pat & Gerry Holleman, George & Carol Hubbard, Ron Hudson, Kathy Rich, Karen Leonard, Mike

Manchester, Betty McRuer, Lara McRuer, Ret Moore, Rayne Motheral and Ron Young Thank you all very much,

Cucamonga Peak, frontal approach (6200' Vert. and (est.) 21 mi RT) May 3, 2008. By Bill Kells

Had heard reports of still extensive snow by the

usual route (via saddle, Ice house Cyn), and so. following up a tip from George W. (many thanks!) decided to explore (for me) the "direct" route from the end of Haven Ave. (Rancho C.) into Deer Cyn. The nominal end of Haven continues about a mile (on pavement) to a fork, continuing on L. to some view mansions, but park R. just at local water Co. locked gate. The expanding development underway in this area suggests this area may not be accessible much longer! Hike about 1/2 mi, still on pavement to second gate (water Co. "No Trespassing" signed, but advised by locals going up cyn ok (and gate has easy, much used, walk around). Pavement continues another 1/2 mi, past debris basin to tanks/pumps, then continues for another 2 mi. gradually up the very broad Deer Cyn. on excellent, maintained dirt access road. All the while massive Cucamonga PK. directly in view straight ahead, for ready assessment of ridge line possibilities. Wild flowers in massive bloom (Lupine, Indian paints, etc.). Road finally degrades into wash boulder field. First goal is to reach the old truck trail which is readily visible above (~5000'). With less than 1 mi. to go chose R. branch slot ravine more direct to Truck trail (mistake, realized on way down; the main Deer wash is overall way superior from brush POV). This entire area was burnt (years back) and new growth has not quite become impenetrable, so bush-whack was not out of the question (burnt stalks making excellent poling up!). Finally the Truck trail! How this has deteriorated since last there (1991-2 ??). Massively washed out at every Cyn crossing. Originally had planned to just follow the prominent, massive SE buttress up from here, mostly expecting to be turned back by the brush I just had only a brief tussle with. However, following the TT East for less than 1/2 mi. a promising ravine (almost certainly the continuation up of Bull Cyn. which branched off Deer way below) heads straight for the Pk. (some cairns found). Planned to take this as far as possible to bypass brush. This was the fun part of the hike. A classic all big boulder and bed rock ravine. Pure joy of boulder bounding. Very fast, very straight up. A very few hand hold step ups, through mini-falls pitches. Continues on this 3-4 mi. Ravine peters out and opens up below Pk. revealing two easily scrutinized options: up to ridges, either bank L or bank R. Both look a go. Chose R. This final 3-4 MI. to summit was the hard part, becoming knife edge at points (see the snow banks, and thousands of feet down to the E.!), and always extremely loose crumbly junk. Though not clear it could be made to the very end (the final few 100's to summit appear extremely cliffy), the route is entirely non-technical. Summit 2pm, no-one, only large blocks of snow (register indicated someone had come up from Deer Cyan. few days previously). Almost "cold" on top: current weather perfect for such an exposed route. Back down same, exept taking Deer Cyan. all the way from TT. 10 1/4 hr. total. Serious downhill muscle/knee strain!

Cooked Lizard Goes Great Lizard Head via Route 2 May 3, 2008 By George Wysup

Leader Tom Hill came up with the idea of hiking to Lizard Head by way of Rancho Nuevo Creek. This was a substitute hike because the road to Alamo Mountain was closed. Wayne Bannister and I (George Wysup) assisted. This area was recently opened in the aftermath of the Zaca fire. Tom figured that, if we can ever do this route, now is the time. The hike was billed as exploratory and no guarantees for getting the peak were made. This route was originally written up for the HPS peak guide around 40 years ago, by Luella Martin, and few had done it with success since.

I had my doubts about our success, imagining that the trail might still be impassable. But visions of a pathfinder danced in my head, so I signed up. Wayne is up for anything, no matter how bad it might turn out. The hike was billed as an 18 mile, 2000' gain adventure. There was no good recent information. Howard Eyerly had tried it about 6 years ago and was turned back by the thorny wild rose bushes.

We reached the Rancho Nuevo turnoff from highway 33 (2.1 miles north of the Lockwood Valley road junction) and were blessed to find the gate to be open and the Cuyama River was passable by high clearance 2WD vehicles. We easily managed the jostling 1.5 mile drive to Rancho Nuevo campground.

The 8 hikers started up the trail shortly before 8 am. The participants were (alphabetic order) Ron Zappen, Anne Howell, Scott Gabbert, Jim Davis, and Zobeida Arauz. The trail was quite easy to follow, thanks to occasional orange flags and ducks, presumably placed by rangers in anticipation of some future trail maintenance (I hope). We immediately passed the Dick Smith Wilderness sign.

The trail started on the south side and soon crossed to the north side of the shallow creek, going high above the water. After a few minor deadfalls, some easy water crossings and 2 miles of hiking we reached Deal Junction campsite. We continued, making good time, another 3.5 miles along the creek, again with several easy water crossings, to Upper Rancho Nuevo campsite.

The area had been burned almost completely and the soil was permeated with charcoal and ashes. The plethora of wildflowers was obviously appreciative of the copious quantities of potash and phosphorous. Legume plants lupine, lotus, and chaparral pea added nitrates to the soil to complete the nutrition. With all the variety of plants and with the garter snake and several

lizards and butterflies we could have bagged Joe Young's proposed 100 species emblem on this hike alone. Also enhancing the scenic value of the hike were some interesting sandstone formations.

We continued hiking up the gentle slope of the creek, around 3 ox bows, for another 1.4 miles (give or take a yard or 2), finally reaching a broad flat area, at 4200' elev, on the north side of the creek. It was now time to gain our elevation and get on to Lizard Head, which proved to be 1.1 miles distant from this point.

Rather than scrambling north up Luella Martin's gully, then veering west to attain the ridge, it was much simpler for us just to hike directly up the ridge. The entire area was completely torched by a fire that was hot enough to defoliate sandstone boulders. The ridge went extremely well, with no obstacles at all, directly to the summit. The ridge is somewhat steep, but we have all hiked steeper firebreaks to HPS peaks. We were amazed at how easy this hike went. Our timing was fortunate. The weather was cool enough, the water was flowing but not an obstacle, and there was no brush to whack through. We returned to the trailhead at about 6 pm. Stats are: 16 miles round trip with about 2700' gain (my estimate from GPS track uploaded to TOPO!). Our time will be easy enough for anyone to match since I was on the trip, slowing the group.

This hike should not be missed. I know, the weather will be too warm by the time you read this. You can hike it in the Fall, but the wildflowers will be gone. Next Spring should be a fine time to try this route. Consider that the brush will grow back at a rate of 2 to 3 feet per year. Next Spring the roses will likely reach 3 to 4 feet in height. Assuming that the trail will receive no maintenance, it may be difficult to negotiate by Spring 2010.

Please realize that this entire area is in the Dick Smith Wilderness. The trail along Rancho Nuevo creek can legally be maintained.

[Editor's note: The HPS is involved with a dialogue with the Los Padres National Forest regarding pruning of hiking trails within the National Forest including within the wilderness areas.]



"I'm on my way to the Waterman Rendezvous on July 26"

Spring Fling May 17 & 18, 2008

By Dave Comerzan

This annual spring event was held this year at the Keller Hut in Big Bear. A total of eight hikes were scheduled in the Big Bear area. When we decided on this area over a year ago, our big concern at that time was snow and ice being a possibility at that time of the year in Big Bear. That was not our concern this weekend. With temperatures in mid-80's, hiking was a real challenge. But a little heat doesn't stop true HPS hikers. I was on Sandy Sperling and Peter Lara hikes and I found out something about Sandy. She goes straight for the top. We did 5 hikes, so I guess she didn't want to waste any time. Great hikes Sandy. Peter and Ignacia Doggett, Bill Simpson and group did the ever challenging Granite, Tip Top and Mineral peaks. Rumor has it that they spent more time getting their vehicles out than hiking. George Wysup and group did Sugarloaf. Asher Waxman showed the group how not to descend a peak. Hope you knee is ok. Karen Leverich and Jim Fleming and group decided to stay low by doing the Pinnacles and Marie Louise. They paid the price in sweat. Karen may have been the only smart one. She sat out the second hike with a good book under shady tree. The longest hike award goes to Ted Lubeshkoff and Wayne Vollaire's group. It took them over 11 hours



Photo taken by Joe Young as Tom Hill approaches the summit of Sugarloaf Mountain. (Left to right) Wasim Khan, Mikki Siegel, Tom, Zobeida Arauz, Laura Joseph. Behind Tom: George Wysup, Don Croley.

to do Hawes, Ingham, and the Shay's. They looked beat when they come in. These were just Saturday's hikes. I'm sure everyone had even more fun on Sunday.

This was also a weekend for some emblem achievers. There were enough management members



Tom Hill stands on the summit of Sugarloaf Mountain. Today's hike marked his 5th List completion.

present to hold a quick meeting and accept a couple of emblem requests. Tom Hill completed his 5th List Finish on Sugarloaf and Sandy Sperling led her 100th peak on Gold. Congratulations to both. Saturday night was our potluck. A great time was held by all who attended. More food then we could possibility eat (or should eat).

The setting for this event was perfect. The Keller Hut, located just across Snow Valley, is ideal for hiking and skiing activities. However, having been built in the 30's, it need some work. The supplies are there, but help is needed to do the work. Various work weekends are held throughout the year. Check the Schedule of activities for dates or contact Jacqueline Meese. Remember, this hut belongs to us.

We will do this event next year. We're looking at possibly the Foster Lodge. If you have any suggestions for locations, let the Management committee know. See you next spring.

Roxana Lewis Fundraising Events for the Angeles Chapter

AUG 17, 2008 Sun

O: 8th Graze Little Tokyo: Total immersion walking, eating tour of Little Tokyo. Start with a Docent tour of Japanese American Natl Museum, do some nibbling on Lotus root, cured bamboo, pressed shark, pounded rice as we wend our way to a Buddhist Temple and finish with an opportunity to see the Nisei Week Parade. An enriching experience for those souls who always wanted to know about unusual Asian food but were afraid to ask. Easy.1.5mi. 9am-3pm. \$36 (\$56 non-mem) Includes museum admission,ample grazing. Send check, sase, SC#, phones, email to Leader. Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews Pl/Gardena CA 90247/310-532-2933/email ROXTLEWIS@aol.com , Co-leader Dotty Sandford.

SEP 13, 2008 Sat

O: Train/Ocean Hike Solana Beach & San Elijo Lagoon: Union Station to Solana Beach daytrip includes Cedros Design District, docent walk thru San Elijo Lagoon and a beach walk from Cardiff to Encinitas (Self Realization). Local bus to Oceanside for return Amtrak to L.A. 630am-830pm. Ability to walk 11 mi. \$75(\$95 nonmem) Includes, train fare, refreshment. Send check, SASE, SC#,phones,email to Ldr Roxana Lewis,mailto:Roxtlewis@aol.comCo-ldr: Dotty Sandford. Registration after Sep 3, add \$30.

ADVANCE NOTICE

APR 14-24, 2009 Tue-Fri

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

JULY 14-24, 2009 Tue-Fri

Verdugo Hills C: ZEN ADVENTURE IN JAPAN & Mt.FUJI CLIMB: A total Zen immersion spending 7-days in Kyoto, the cultural capitol of Japan. We will visit a sampling of the 1836 temples & gardens succumbing to everything Zen. An added treat is the Gion Festival, considered one of the three best in the country. Day trips

via Bullet train & bus to Hiroshima, Nara, Miyajima, Chikubushima, Hikone. We will then proceed to the Mt.Fuji area for a climb to the summit with a final day at Lake Kawaguchi to recover before flying home. Ability to walk approx. 7-12 miles daily. \$2849 (\$2899 non-mem) includes standard western hotel (2share), breakfast, 7day rail pass. Airfare is additional; arranged on request. To reserve send \$700

deposit/2sase/SC#/phones/email/recent hiking experience to Leader: Roxana Lewis/16304 St Andrews Pl/Gardena Ca 90247/310-532-2933/email

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Who is this handsome, debonair soldier in the Hungarian army uniform? Can it be Gary Coooper starring in, 'A Farewell to Arms,' or James McAvoy in the recent blockbuster, 'Atonement'? No, this fellow has been starring in the Hundred Peaks' Section for many years as one of our best and most enthusiastic leaders. He's guilty of longevity and has never missed a Schedule in leading lots of folks up lots of peaks. Frank Dobos, still handsome, still a bon vivant! Keep on! Keep on! (Mary McMannes, one of Frank's many groupies!)

Hundred Peaks Section Angeles Chapter Management Committee Meeting Minutes

- 1. MEETING DATE: March 11, 2008
- 2. LOCATION: Denny's Restaurant 5603 N.

Rosemead Blvd. Temple City, CA 91780

- 3. ATTENDANCE:
- Management Committee Voting Members:
 Name Position / Role

Present Wayne Bannister MRC, Dave Comerzan Programs, Greg Daly Secretary, Greg DeHoogh Membership, Jim Fleming Outings, Karen Leverich Chair, Wayne Vollaire Vice-Chair

2. Others in Attendance: Name Position / Role(if applicable) Joe Young Lookout Editor

4. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

- 1. Karen Leverich called the meeting to order at 6:20 pm. Meeting agenda attached to these minutes. 1. January 9, 2008 meeting minutes reviewed and approved as amended. MSP. 1. A copy of the final January meeting minutes will be attached to these minutes.
- 5. NEWS: The new Safety Chair of the Angeles Chapter is Phil Wheeler
- 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- 1. Access: Accept: Access Report as submitted by Tom Hill. MSP. A copy of the Access Report will be attached to these minutes.
 - 2. Conservation: No report
- 3. Membership: Accept: Membership report dated March 2008 as submitted by Greg DeHoogh. MSP.

A copy of the membership report will be attached to these minutes. Greg DeHoogh pointed out that membership has been in gradual decline. Joe Young informed that the Chapter membership is likewise down. Ideas for stimulating membership include increasing the number of La Cañada-based hikes along the Angeles Crest that would attract newcomers.

- 4. Mountain Records: Wayne Bannister reports that the new format is being well received. Accepted: Santiago Peak is unsuspended. MSP. Santiago Peak is hikeable again, but Modjeska remains suspended. Accepted: Continue suspensions of all expired suspensions that are still in effect. MSP. The HPS by-laws state that suspensions expire after 6 months. Need to renew the suspensions to stay in compliance with actual conditions on the ground.
- 5. Outings: Accepted: Add Bill Simpson to the list of I-rated leaders authorized to lead hikes to M-rated peaks. MSP. National Standards: Karen Leverich reported that all HPS leaders are current on First Aid through the end of 2009. 2 "sometimes" leaders expire on July 1, 2008. One has already been contacted; the second is very infrequent with HPS and is far more active with the Pasadena section to which the issue is left for action. We have until July 1, 2008 to encourage most of our leaders to fulfill OLT101. Fulfillment is

quite easy to accomplish. Karen Leverich sent an email notice around 2 weeks ago and will do so again in a couple of weeks. Scheduled Outings: 58 outings have been submitted for the next schedule, an average of over 3 per week. Spring Fling: 5 outings Saturday, 4 on Sunday scheduled Waterman Rendezvous: 6 outings scheduled. Fall Festival: 1 outing on Friday, 4 on Saturday, and 4 on Sunday scheduled Discussion noted that outing sign-in sheets are supposed to be retained by the Section; Jim Fleming is the point of collection. Also noted that this requirement is largely unknown and seldom followed. Joe Young to put a reminder of this in the next Lookout.

- 6. Outreach: No report
- 7. Treasurer: Accept: Treasurer Report as submitted by Sandy Burnside. MSP. A copy of the Treasurers report will be attached to these minutes. The Management Committee acknowledges the excellent and hard work of Sandy Burnside in preparing the annual financial statement. This is difficult, tedious work that Sandy does without complaint.

7. PROGRAMS:

- 1. Merchandise: Jim Fleming reported minimal activity in merchandise, mostly related to the Banquet.
- 2. Banquet 2009: Date changed to January 24, 2009 to avoid MLK weekend. Speaker: 2 ideas being pursued: Bill Burke on his Everest adventures and Charles White who spoke at the Banquet 2 years ago. Location: Committee discussed 3 options: TAIX, Brookside Country Club and the Golden Dragon in Chinatown. Joe Young provided good insight into the Golden Dragon. Advantages include the quality of the menu, proximity to public transportation, availability of parking, ability to seat 120. Dave Comerzan, Joe Young and others will visit and if they are impressed will book it.
- 3. Spring Fling: Date: May 17th and 18th, 2008. Location: Big Bear area. Keller Hut. Cost: \$8/person/night for members, \$10/person/night for non-members, \$5/person/day for day-use only (e.g., pot luck dinner but stay at motel elsewhere). Facility will be open on Friday night for the Management Committee meeting.
- Waterman Rendezvous: Date: July 26th,
 2008. See Outings Committee report for hike information.
- 5. Annual Business Meeting: Date: September 9, 2008. Location: Changed to Newcomb's Ranch.
- 6. Fall Festival 2008. Dates: Sept. 27th and 28th, 2008. Location: Tillie Creek, located off Highway 155, so of Wofford Heights. Flyer to be included in the July / August Lookout.
- 8. ANGELES CHAPTER: No report.
- 9. OLD BUSINESS: Committee Chair appointments: Wayne Vollaire replaces Edith Liu as Outlook mailer.

Mark Allen replaces Jim Adler as Register Box chair. Doris Duval reappointed Nominations Committee chair. Lookout distributed as PDF: Management Committee generally in favor idea. Joe Young and Karen Leverich to review / assess various approaches. Still exploratory – no decision to implement.

10. NEW BUSINESS: Karen Leverich discussed the idea selling original Brent Washburn maps as a possible source of revenue. Need to include a disclaimer. Karen to continue exploring concept for later decision. Joe Young discussed the Fee Repeal and Expanded Access Act (\$2438). The Sierra Club is in favor of this legislation that would repeal the Adventure Pass among other fees. California's Senators are not yet co-sponsors of the Bill. All members are encouraged to contact Senators Boxer and Feinstein about becoming co-sponsors. Policy on old registers: the HPS has no policy regarding old register books that are on peaks. Some of these registers have been there for a long time, and some have good historical and / or nostalgic value. The Committee agreed that the registers could be taken, photocopied and then returned to the peaks. Joe Young is developing an idea for a 100-species patch to be achieved by spotting and identifying at least 100 different plant and animal species. Joe to provide additional details at later date. May meeting: May 16th at Keller Hut. July meeting: July 8th at Newcomb's Ranch

11. ADJOURNMENT: • The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm. Respectfully Submitted: Gregory Daly

OLD HIKER By Southern Courtney

Ripened heart, blood, and lungs, Once more I did urgently ask To power my dubious muscles In yet another formidable task.

Defying gravity's heavy hands, With one foot following the next, Upwards I made the climbers thrust Until the lofted summit and sweet rest.

Downwards now - with many a short stride On schist, scree, and rutted rock; Precariously I dared the arduous flank With slip, slide, flop, and leg lock.

Timeworn knees were often deeply bent, First one then swiftly the next, To control the precipitous descent From the so briefly visited scenic crest.

There on the rugged mountainside Nature was not to be mocked, Nor time's arrow dissuaded. Perhaps! - the canting are defrocked.

REGISTER BOX

By Mark S. Allen

The Register box list count remained the same with reports of seven registers replaced; seven deficient or missing registers. Thanks to Lilly Fukui, Peter Doggett, Bill Simpson, Linh Trieu, Dan Richter, Winnette Butler, Joe Young, Carol Hunter-Inman, Dave Cannon, Cheryl Gill, Chris Wu.

Missing and deficient registers:

3B	Black Mtn. #3	deficient	1-07
3E	Tehachapi Mtn.	deficient	9-03
6H	San Rafael Mtn.	deficient	12-05
8C	Sawtooth Mtn.	deficient	6-06
9B	Iron Mtn.#2	missing	4-07
9Ē	Mt. Lukens	missing	3-08
11A	Josephine Peak	missing	6-04
12A	Mt. Deception	missing	3-06
12B	Mt. Disappointment	missing	3-06
12F	Occidental Peak	missing	4-26
13B	Mt. Akawie	missing	5-08
13D	Will Thrall Peak	missing	5-07
13E	Pallet Mtn.	missing	6-07
14A	Waterman Mtn.	missing	7-06
14B	Twin Peaks	missing	5-08
14G	Throop Peak	missing	11-07
14K	Krakta Ridge	missing	4-08
16C	Pine Mtn. #1	missing	5-07
16D	Dawson Peak	missing	5-07
16J	Mt. Harwood	missing	5-04
19F	The Pinnacles	missing	1-06
20A	Round Mtn.	missing	2-06
23H	Three Sisters Peak	missing	6-07
24D	Anderson Peak	deficient	7-07
24E	Shields Peak	deficient	7-07
24K	Lake Peak	missing	10-07
24L	Grinnell Mtn.	missing	10-07
25A	Allen Peak	deficient	4-08
27E	Folly Peak	missing	8-07
28H	Palm View Peak	missing	5-07
29C	Cahuilla Mtn.	deficient	1-07
32 E	Cuyamaca Peak	missing	5-06
If you are climbing any of the above neeks			

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