

## THE LOOKOUT

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## Hundred Peaks Section Holds Annual Awards Banquet



Winners of our major awards stand in front of their respective perpetual trophies. Left to right:
Patrick Vaughn - John Backus Leadership Award
Dave Comerzan - R. S. Fink Service Award
Bob Myers - Bill T. Russell New Leader Award



2011 Chair Pamela Rowe addresses the audience



Mark Allen received a plaque from Banquet emcee and 2010 HPS Chair Wayne Vollaire. Mark was the recipient of a Special Award for his work on banquet auctions and his maintenance of the Register Box.



Greg de Hoogh won a special award for his service as Membership Chair for several years.



- •The new 2011 Peak List
- •The advance schedule of Hundred Peaks Section activities

#### HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT – JANUARY 2011

By Greg De Hoogh

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Lead the List #2

#6 – Ignacia Doggett – 1/2/11 – Rattlesnake Peak (Pictured on right)

100 Peaks Led

#48 - Jim Fleming - 3/10/96 - Rabbit Peak #1

List Finish #2

#53 - Larry Campbell - 1/8/11 - Rabbit Peak #2

List Finish #1

#288 - Brian Mason - 10/30/10 - Frazier Mountain (LO)

200 Peaks

#456 - Brian Mason - 5/16/10 - Round Mountain

100 Peaks

#1127 – Matthew Hengst – 11/26/10 – Bailey Peak #1128 – Alice Goldman – 12/15/10 – Bailey Peak

#1129 - Brian Mason - 7/19/08 - Drury Peak

25 Snowshoes

#17 - Wayne Vollaire - 12/26/10 - Circle Mountain

#18 - Marlen Mertz - 1/15/11 - Scodie Mountain

#19 - Ginny Heringer - 1/19/11 - Kratka Ridge

#20 - Brookes Treidler - 1/19/11 - Kratka Ridge

**NEW LIFE MEMBERS:** 

**NEW MEMBERS** 

**NEW SUBSCRIBERS** 

Lynda Armbruster Kelly Weiss Wendy Lawrence
Aidan Butler

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**MEMBERSHIP COUNTS:** 

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#### Please note:

We are looking for a volunteer to be in charge of Outreach for the HPS.

If you are interested please contact Pamela Rowe.



## 4A View from the Chair

## By Pamela Rowe

Welcome to my first article as Chair of the Hundred Peaks Section. Wayne Vollaire did a wonderful job last year with his lovely articles and patience in guiding the management meetings. I hope to make as much of a contribution in the coming year.

Speaking of which, 2011 is the 100 years since the beginning of the Angeles Chapter. Several outings have been noted as "Chapter Centennial Outing" on the HPS website and in **The Lookout**. They also have created a special symbol in the Chapter Schedule for these outings. I encourage everyone to participate in this momentous occasion by joining us for these outings and for creating new outings in the coming year to celebrate.

We had a great banquet this year at the Monrovian Restaurant. Thanks to Ted Lubeshkoff for suggesting this location. Martin Dumpis, Acting Angeles National Forest Supervisor, gave a wonderful presentation on the status of the Angeles National Forest after the Station Fire. At the end of his presentation, his slideshow let us see the progress that has been made so far. He provided an update that a portion of the closed area of the forest may be open sometime between Memorial Day and 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend (we're hoping that he was speaking of this year). The opening depends on the progress of re-growth since the fire. We also received a quick update on Highway 2 which is maintained by CalTrans. Originally it was scheduled to be open in December 2010, however it seems that new damage has been noticed which will delay the opening.

Many received awards for emblems received during 2010. Of note was Kelly Weiss who received her certificate for hiking 25 peaks (http://www2.angeles.sierraclub.org/news/SS\_2009-07/kellyweiss.asp). As far as anyone can tell, she is the first legally blind person to become a member of the HPS Section. She is truly an inspiration for all of us. We also had three people lead the HPS List in 2010 – Pat Vaughn, Bill Simpson and Dave Comerzan.

Awards were presented to several from our section. Dave Comerzan received the R. S. Fink Service Award for his service as past HPS Chair, Programs Chair and leading outings (including his lead the List on December 4, 2010 – our #18 leader to do so). Pat Vaughn received the John Backus Leadership Award for his strong leadership skills including being #16 to lead the List on October 9, 2010. Bob Myers was the recipient of the Bill T. Russell New Leader Award for his contributions with navigation outings and navigation articles in **The Lookout**. Two special awards were given



2011 HPS Chair Pamela Rowe addresses the attendees at the annual awards banguet

this year. One was to Mark Allen for his hard work on the auctions at the banquet, maintaining the register list as well as creating new registers for our peaks. Word is that if he hears a peak is missing a register, if possible, he'll go out and hike to the top to deliver it rather than adding it to the list. Greg DeHoogh also received a special award for his dedication as Membership Chair which involves receiving payments for memberships, maintaining the statistics for our list of members and tracking emblem recipients for around 350 members of our Section. His hard work and attention to detail is much appreciated.

We had a wonderful selection of Auction items and many happy customers. Some of the items auctioned were donated by Angie Wysup and we thank her for contributing these. Mark Allen and Sandy Burnside did a great job of setting up the items and taking the funds. The donations received from our auction help contribute to business expenses for the Section.

The new HPS Management Committee was presented which included a few new members and several familiar faces. Some of our new members include seasoned conservation Sierra Club member and leader Erik Counseller and our new Merchandise Chair Dave Cannon. As HPS Conservation Chair, Erik plans to write articles for **The Lookout** and lead conservation outings in the areas of our peaks. Dave is working now on ordering new merchandise for our section. We also have new MComm member Markey Neighbors helping out with the Outings Chair Committee.

During the banquet, I provided a little history about myself. I was born in Virginia and first began hiking on the Appalachian Trail when my mom was pregnant with me. My first Angeles Chapter hike was when I was 13 with the Griffith Park Section. My first backpack was in college where I took an Upper Division PE class to apply to my BS degree in Mathematics. My first hike I led was with the 20s30s Section in 2003 and I've been assisting with the Backpacking Committee's Beginning Backpack Class since 2005. I'm not the first in my family to hold a management committee position in the Angeles Chapter. My dad, Allan Rowe, was the Chair of the Griffith Parks Sierra Club Section for two years when I was a teenager. He encouraged many to get out on the trail and made sure he was always prepared on all the hikes he led. So in a way, this new role is helping me to further follow in his footsteps.

Thanks to all the management committee for their support in my role as Chair and for their generous hours of volunteering to help our section. Thanks also to all the leaders for offering a wide selection of outings and to our participants for the support of our leaders.

As we prepare for the spring, I'm hoping for a wonderful wildflower season this year.

I hope you'll feel comfortable to contact me with any questions, suggestions or comments.

## Wild Protection of our San Gabriel Mountains

## By Erik Counseller, Conservation Chair

One reason we head into our local mountains, the San Gabriels, is to be in a world away from the big city, away from roads and developments, to be in wilderness. Some areas in the national forest need access roads and visitor facilities, yet there are still other areas where nature holds primacy. Here the pines, oaks, and chaparral flourish away from roads. Here there are trails and campsites but no parking lots or motorcycle races. Hikers taking the lead have made sure that there are still these protected places left for us to enjoy. We hikers, as well as most of Los Angeles county, would like to see more of these undeveloped areas stay wild and protected (as shown by opinion pieces in the LA Times and San Gabriel Valley Tribune and endorsements by many local city councils).

The best way to ensure lasting protection is for congress to pass a law declaring these places federal wilderness. Early in January, Rep. David Dreier introduced a bill to congress adding about 18,000 additional acres to the Sheep Mountain and Cucamonga Wildernesses.

Wilderness is the gold standard of protection. It allows hiking, camping, and non-motorized enjoyment while it prevents off road vehicles and the building of roads and power lines. To qualify as wilderness an area must be away from current roads and existing developments. Wilderness is difficult to get, requiring passage in both houses of congress and a presidential signature. Contrarily because of the difficulty in getting wilderness, it is equally or more difficult to take away the protections requiring another congressional bill.

In 2009 we had a big victory with the passage of the law making the new Pleasant View Ridge Wilderness of 27,000 acres. A big part of the success was due to the thousands of letters from hikers who enjoy the area and wanted lasting protection. Now we need to make sure that the new additions to Cucamonga and Sheep Mountain wildernesses pass congress. Several of the HPS peaks such as Iron Mountain, Mount Baldy, and Thunder Mountain are in or near these areas.

There are several ways that you can help ensure additions to our wildernesses. One, we need more letters thanking Congressman Dreier for introducing the wilderness bill. Two, you can attend programs of the Angeles Chapter Forest Committee (and see a great forest related presentation at the same time). Third, we can train hike leaders and hikers as a liaison to give a brief conservation message on hikes and collect letters from hikers in and near the proposed wilderness areas. With your help 2011 will be a year where we celebrate new wilderness in our San Gabriels.

**To thank Rep. Dreier** and learn more about the bill go to: www.SanGabrielMountains.org/action

Next Forest Committee program: March 23rd, "Recovering from the Station Fire: The 2011 Update." The 2009 fire burned 160,000 acres in the San Gabriel Mountains, impacting people, wildlife and native plants. Please join us for a program that will provide you with an insider's view of how our mountains are recovering by Marty Dumpis, Acting Supervisor of the Angeles National Forest. The program will also include a recreational update on areas that will be opening back up for hiking in summer and fall 2011. 7:30 p.m. at the Eaton Canyon Nature Center, 1750 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena

For more information or conservation liaison training, please contact me at GreatHornedOwl@gmail.com.

## 6New HPS Member, Kelly Weiss, and Her Remarkable Achievement

By Ed Lubin



At the HPS
Banquet held on
January 22, 2011, our
newest member, Kelly
Weiss, received special
recognition for climbing
her first twenty-five
peaks on the List. It was
a real achievement
because she is blind,
having lost her sight
shortly after birth.

Kelly began climbing HPS peaks in April 2009. Trekking

poles enable her to climb Class 1 and 2 peaks with relative ease and little assistance. She has been on long climbs, such as Harwood Peak by the Devils Backbone Trail. The plan had been to also summit Baldy, but we had to turn around because of too late of a start. She has received some training at a rock climbing gym, that possibly can be used in the future for roped climbs. Kelly has an adventurous spirit and peak-bagging seems natural to her.

The first peak that Kelly climbed was Josephine. That was all that it took for her to "get the bug". It was followed by Markham and Lowe. Markham is not an easy peak terrain-wise, but she has expressed a desire to do it again.

Welcomed by Virginia Simpson, Kelly was a participant on her July, 2010, Pinos/Sawmill outing. A visually impaired person must be accompanied by someone on scheduled Sierra Club outings, and Bill Simpson volunteered. She was able to easily summit both peaks.

Kelly is fit, sure-footed, and confident. She is getting progressively stronger. She has a growing circle of climbing friends, because of her wonderful attitude towards life, outgoing personality, and how astonishingly well she does.

We met around two-and-one-half years ago, on one of the Sierra Singles Section, WLA Group, Friday Night Hikes that I co-lead to Parker Mesa Overlook in Topanga State Park. I introduced her to trekking poles and later to climbing HPS peaks. With the exception of Virginia's scheduled Pinos/Sawmill outing, all of the climbs that she has gone on so far, have been private with friends.

I know that Kelly would like to join other leaders on scheduled outings and private climbs that are within her capability. I can provide her telephone number and e-mail address. My contact information is in the Chapter schedule. Kelly has set a goal of climbing one-hundred HPS peaks.

## The Challenges of Snowshoe Outings: Circle Mountain and Gobblers Knob and Wayne Vollaire's Snowshoe Emblem

## Wayne Vollaire's Snowshoe Emblem by Marlen Mertz

With one snowshoe to go for Wayne and four for me – to get the much-coveted snowshoe emblem and patch – we put our heads together to make a plan. We were determined to take advantage of the fresh blanket of snow in the mountains after the record December storms.

It was the Sunday of Christmas weekend and we hoped to avoid holiday and skier traffic in Big Bear. We decided on Wrightwood, and were eager to know if the snow level would be low enough to make the below-7,000' peaks snowshoeable. Driving through Wrightwood was especially beautiful with fresh snow lingering on all the pines. That put us in a great mood. I suggested driving around some more, having lunch in a mountain restaurant, taking out my sled for a few runs, and calling it a day. But Wayne would not hear of that. He said we had a lot of "work" to do.

So we headed toward Lone Pine Canyon Road to check out the snow on Gobblers Knob and Circle Mountain. But we soon discovered that this road had not been plowed and was closed to traffic. I regained my hope for a mountain meal and a hot toddy in front of a warm, crackling fireplace.

Seeing Wayne's disappointment, though, I flagged down a snowplow and asked the driver if he was on his way to clear the route we needed. No such luck. But the "snowplower" fellow suggested that we try accessing Lone Pine Canyon Road from Route 138. He did not know for sure how far it would be open. We turned around and made the 15-minute drive to the other end of the road. We were happy when we were able to drive all the way to the parking area near the ridge up Circle Mountain. Better yet, Circle had snow from bottom to top.

So up we went, tripping over some rocks and bushes but snowshoeing the whole way. The snow got deeper as we got higher and we agreed that it would not have been safe to climb Circle without our snowshoes.

Wayne and I celebrated his 25<sup>th</sup> "snowshoe" on top and I enjoyed memories of my HPS-list finish on the same peak.

Because of our late start, we did not return to our car until 2:45 p.m. But with that success under my belt, I had regained the snowshoeing spirit and insisted that we try Gobblers Knob next.

But of course the 3N31 road up to Gobblers Knob (just a few minutes from Circle) was also closed and covered with an impressive amount of snow. We agreed to snowshoe the 3.6 miles leading to the Gobblers Knob ridge, hoping to shortcut some of the road's twists and turns. But after the first tramp up the side of the snow-covered slope, we realized that we had not saved any time or energy and that it would be far safer to stay on the road.

We continued on and made the peak (after the half-mile, 500' ridge) just as it was getting dark on the shortest Sunday of the year. In total, we snowshoed 8.2 miles with a 2,000' gain to check off Gobblers Knob. Wayne got his 26<sup>th</sup> snowshoe and I my 23<sup>rd</sup>. We safely returned to our car by 8 p.m., with our trusty headlamps showing us the way.

## Congratulations, Wayne, on achieving your 25-peak snowshoe emblem!!

We discovered after this outing, via Karen Leverich's dependable biweekly email, that on this very day, the road to Baldy was closed to all but residents, Route 330 to Big Bear was severely damaged by rain and closed (most probably through the winter), and the road to Pinos was unplowed and closed. So we indeed had, by accident, made a good choice for a snowshoe destination!!

## My 24<sup>th,</sup> 24.5<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup> Snowshoe Outings to Timber, Wysup, and Scodie

With two more snow peaks needed, I was determined to achieve my emblem goal before the HPS banquet on January 22. (What little kids this peakbagging game turns us into!) On January 9, Mikki Siegel and I headed up Icehouse Canyon to try to get Timber. Don Croley AND the rangers warned us that there would be ice and the need for crampons. Not prepared to do a technical climb, we drove to Icehouse Canyon anyway and decided to go as far as we could to still feel safe.

The beginning of the hike did have a mixture of bare ground with some sheets of ice from the constant freezing and thawing. But our snowshoes did fine to keep us upright. As we continued up the canyon, the ice turned into snow and in less than a mile the conditions were perfect.



Wayne Vollaire

Last winter I led a snowshoe outing to Icehouse Saddle on a well-traveled path down the center of the canyon. This time I was surprised to see all the hikers on the snow-covered trail. There were no visible tracks on the canyon floor. So we continued on the trail as it traveled up the side of the canyon. There were times when we questioned how comfortable we were feeling with the drop-offs to the canyon floor. There were plenty of other hikers and almost all we passed were wearing crampons or Kahtoola microspikes, the latest craze. Because the path was made by hikers with boots and crampon-like devices, it seemed a little narrow for our clumsy, wide equipment. We kept thinking that if one snowshoe stepped on the other we might lose our balance and could tumble down the slope. But it really was not as narrow as we sometimes imagined, so a little caution made it just fine to proceed.

We arrived at Icehouse Saddle with plenty of energy and headed up to the peak of Timber. We noticed that most people stopped at the Saddle and so there were few tracks to the peak. Once on top, the views were magnificent. We enjoyed a 20-minute lunch break on the peak, which was peacefully blanketed in white.

The route back down from the Timber's peak did not go quite as smoothly. It was slippery at points on the steeper section of the descent but careful side-stepping made the challenges more manageable.

Shortly after the Saddle we noticed two lone snowshoers blazing a path on the canyon floor. We decided to follow their route, which would eliminate the relatively narrow trail and steep drop-offs. Travel on the canyon floor was slow and adventurous, with sections of deep snow, logs to climb over and under, and soft powder. But it was lots of fun. We returned to our cars in the late afternoon as it was getting cold and darkness was approaching. I had my 24th.

The next weekend Wayne Vollaire promised to

help me get me my 25<sup>th</sup> snowshoe peak. I decided I wanted to finish on Wysup Peak. George had gotten me started on snowshoes so I wanted to honor him and this newly named HPS Peak by making it my triumphant 25<sup>th</sup>.

The conditions seemed perfect when we started and we followed tracks all the way up to the trail junction for Heart Bar Peak. After that we were confronted with virgin snow and the work was just beginning. On the unconsolidated snow the snowshoes provided little flotation. Wayne, being the big hunky guy that he is (hey, just being honest), had a much harder time. He was sinking deeply and tiring. Though he was soon complaining of exhaustion and urging a turnaround, he ultimately persisted, seeing how much I wanted that peak.

However, when we had to leave the snow-covered road, the cross-country travel was impossible. The snow was resting on top of brush, so with each step we would sink to our hips with one leg dangling in the air beneath the snow. It was virtually impossible to proceed. Very disappointed but with no choice, I agreed to retreat. We got out just in time to drive home. It was too late to try Onyx which had been my second choice. So that coveted snowshoe patch was still eluding me.

I desperately needed one more! Wayne told me that he was to be the check-off leader for an "I" Provisional the next weekend on Scodie. The leader, Linda Robb, had just scouted the route. I asked for the trip sheet. It read:

This is a really tough day-hike, especially given the snow right now. It's quite likely we could have a 10-hour day. From Mile 1.5 to the peak (two miles) there is snow and lots of it. It may be tough even with snowshoes if the snow isn't consolidated. There is one mile of steep uphill with snowshoes in snow that's not well packed, with ducking under logs, going through branches, going over logs, traversing on slopes, etc. Once we get on the plateau and head towards the peak, it's not as steep, but there is a dense Pinyon pine forest to deal with and lots of unconsolidated snow. Now doesn't that sound like fun! That said, if anyone doesn't want to go, considering the conditions, I would completely understand.

I didn't think twice and signed up! I finally reached my 25<sup>th</sup> snowshoe peak and for all you skeptics who asked if there really *was* snow on Scodie, there's the answer.

I now can't wait till the next round of winter precipitation!! Is there a 50-peak snowshoe emblem?



Wayne Vollaire and Marlen Mertz achieve the snowshoe emblem January 2011

## Record Numbers (More Than 60 People) Sign Up for Snowshoe Outing to Pinos and Sawmill on January 16, 2011

Thank you to leaders Bill and Virginia Simpson, Ginny Herringer, Mikki Siegel, Misha Askren, Wayne Vollaire, Dave Coplen, Laura Joseph, and Don Croley for ably tackling the daunting task of organizing masses of snowshoers on the paths and peaks of Pinos and Sawmill. On this special Sunday of Martin Luther King Day weekend, the weather was beautiful with the slight inconvenience of 50 mile-per-hour winds on top of Pinos (it died down once we were off the peak) and similar "breezes" on the summit of Sawmill. The snow was consolidated enough to be perfect for snowshoeing. There were beginners through conditioned hikers. Laura and Mikki led the faster group. Bill and Virginia, Moderate Group #1; Ginny and Misha, Moderate Group #2; Marlen and Wayne led Upper Beginners; and Dave Coplen led the total newbies to the outdoors and hiking.

Dave also "monitored" the area from the peak of Pinos to the Condor Point overlook, helping beginners who had had enough and wanted to return back to the trailhead. He set up a hot-chocolate station for folks who needed a little warmth and sustenance.

Don Croley, who showed up as a participant, stepped in as a leader, doing what needed to be done without being asked. He escorted one fellow off the peak who found himself with broken snowshoe straps. Despite this, Don made it to Sawmill too. What a great group of leaders we had, working as a team and assuring that

everyone was safe and had a fun time.

Here are some of the reports and comments from leaders and participants:

"What an awesome hike, it was great meeting so many of you."

"Awesome, awesome day!! We took our time and enjoyed the hike, although I'm sure we drove Virginia up the wall stopping to take pictures every five minutes!!"

"While the group was large, I'm glad it split into manageable sections. It turned out to be a great snowshoe day . . . bright sun, plenty of snow along our path, some altitude, some gain, strong winds at the summit(s), and great people. I can't wait for another outing as soon as this 'heat wave' passes us by."

Dave Coplen reported, "I gave individual attention to two beginners. The man did not seem to be having too much difficulty at all. He was mainly worried about the cold at the start of the day, but aside from the wind he was quite happy with the weather and the temperature.

"His hiking partner was not in shape. She was severely overdressed, but if she had taken off her

insulated snowsuit she said that all she had on was a thick pair of long underwear – so delayering was not something I wanted to encourage! Strangely, it was impossible for her to stop talking – even when she claimed she was too tired to continue up the hill. That tells me that her body simply was not used to converting energy into leg muscle movement.

"Even though it took us quite a while to get there, both were very, very happy to get to the top of Pinos and spent over an hour there talking, snacking, taking pictures, etc. I ended up making hot chocolate for a number of people and for some folks who were at the overlook bench. They said they were told that a savior named David would suddenly appear out of the bright white snow with an offer they couldn't refuse.

"I came down the hill with Bill Simpson's group at a very, very relaxed pace – after packing up the kitchen works on Pinos at 2 p.m."

Mikki Siegel about Don Croley: "What a guy! Wish he had a clone."

Hey, you spoiled HPS warm, dry, dirt-hikers – think about joining us on the next scheduled snowshoe outing.

#### **REGISTER BOX**

by Mark S. Allen

Thanks to all that have contacted the Register Box regarding peak sign in registers:

Wayne Bannister, Peter Doggett, Daniel Ducey, Gail Hanna, Wasim Khan, Ed Lubin, Pamela Rowe, Kwee Thio, John Wilson, Joe Young.

Missing and deficient registers:

8A Liebre Mt. deficient 11-09

9C Condor Peak missing 4-09

9E Mt. Lukens missing 3-08

9D Fox Mtn. #2 missing 4-09

13B Mt. Akawie deficient 5-10

14B Twin Peaks missing 5-08

14D So. Mt. Hawkins missing 12-10

16C Pine Mtn. #1 missing 5-07

16D Dawson Peak missing 5-07

19F The Pinnacles missing 1-06

21G Bertha Pk. missing 11-10

24L Grinnell Mtn. missing 10-07

25A Allen Peak deficient 4-08

27B Indian Mountain missing 8-10

29D Thomas Mountain missing 8-10

30E Toro Pk. Missing 11-10

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



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## Come get high with us.

Mar 1 Tue **Hundred Peaks** I: Whale Peak (5349'): A moderately strenuous hike on rough trail for 5 miles round trip with 1800' of gain to a peak south of Julian. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN. MARS BONFIRE

Mar 3 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks

O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: Every Thursday night - 6 miles round trip, 1400' gain aerobic conditioning hike. Great views of LA Basin and the night sky. Museum is often open when we arrive at the Flats so you can learn about history of area during the brief rest before starting back down. Meet 6:55 PM (we leave promptly at 7 PM) every Thursday at gate at Pinecrest (exit 210 Fwy at Altadena Dr, N 2 1/2 miles to Crescent Dr, R to Pinecrest). Remember the neighbors; keep your voices down as we gather. Bring water, flashlight, sturdy shoes. Rain/landslides cancel. For additional information contact Leader/Coordinator: JOHNNA BEESON Leaders: TERRY GINSBERG, PAM ALLEN, BETH & KEITH MARTIN, MEI KWAN, JERRY JOHNSON, BILL GASKILL, GARY KINSLEY, JENNIFER WASHINGTON, MARCIA REITMEYER, TED LUBESHKOFF

Mar 4 Fri **Hundred Peaks** 

I: Quail Mountain (5800'+): Join us for day in Joshua Tree National Park for this old favorite. Moderately strenuous hike of 14 miles round trip with 1500' of gain on road and cross country. Other routes possible. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 4-6 Fri-Sun **Hundred Peaks** I: Villager Peak (5756'), Rabbit Peak #2 (6640'): Very strenuous cross country backpack at a slow but steady pace over steep, loose, rocky, and thorny desert terrain to these two Santa Rosa Mountain peaks in the Anza Borrego Desert State Park. Friday pack in about 6.5 miles with 4700' gain to a spot just below Villager and make camp. Saturday ascend nearby Villager; continue on up the ridge to Rabbit, and then back down to base camp for a day's total of 8 miles with 4000' of gain (2500' in, 1500' out). Saturday evening relax in camp at happy

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By Karen Leverich

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hour and savor the feeling of having nearly completed two of the most feared peaks on the HPS list. Sunday pack out much lighter for 6.5 miles with 4700' loss back to cars. Dry camp, must carry all water for the trip; 8 - 10 liters minimum recommended. Contact leader for status and details. Leader: MAT KELLIHER Assistant: JIM **FLEMING** 

**Hundred Peaks** Mar 5 Sat Rescheduled from November 20 I: White Mountain #1 (7727'), Luna Mountain (5967'), Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'), and Round Mountain (5272'): Hike these four separate peaks east of Hesperia at a moderate pace. The total hike will be about 12 miles with 3000' of elevation gain. Lots of dirt road driving. Email leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: PATRICK VAUGHN

Mar 5 Sat Hundred Peaks, 20s & 30s New Outing, first time published I: South Mount Hawkins (7783'): If you like true pathfinders of substance, join us for this pure pathfinder (no duplication) as we hike this peak from Hwy 39 via the recently-cleared Pigeon Ridge firebreak. This is a no pansy pathfinder as the total hike will be about 12 miles with 5300' of gain. This very strenuous, not for beginners route, consists of steep portions of a firebreak and some cross-country travel. Please bring: water, lunch, lug soles, hat, jacket and stamina. Fantastic views of the surrounding mountains and canyons; the San Gabriel River and the ocean on the horizon. Contact Peter for meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA **DOGGETT** 

Mar 8 Tue **Hundred Peaks** I: Granite Mountain #2 (5633'): A strenuous hike on rough trail for 8 miles round trip with 3000' of gain to a peak south of Julian. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 8 Tue **Hundred Peaks** Management Committee Meeting: All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. Opportunities to become involved are

available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM via conference call. To receive conference call information, to have items added to the agenda or to volunteer, please contact Chair: PAMELA ROWE

Mar 10 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Mar 11 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: San Ysidro Mountain (6147'): Join us for a day on this peak near Borrego Springs. Strenuous hike of 10 miles round trip, cross country, 3200' gain. Other routes possible. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 12 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: McPherson Peak (5749'), Peak Mountain (5843'): Hike to both of these destinations in northern Santa Barbara County. The total hike is 15 miles with 3500' of gain.
Email leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: PATRICK VAUGHN

Mar 12 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Fox Mtn #1 (5167'): Hike this nice Santa Barbara
County Peak from Cox Flat. The total hike should be
about 10 miles round trip (7.5 miles UP & 2.5 miles
DOWN) with 2600' of gain. Please bring: lug soles,
water, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leaders for
meeting info. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Mar 12 Sat Forest Committee, Hundred Peaks, Pasadena, Natural Science Chapter Centennial Outing

O: Centennial Trails Restoration in Angeles National Forest: (Location dependent on hillside conditions.) Commemorate Angeles Chapter Centennial by joining the Forest Committee's San Gabriels Trail Crew to help restore and maintain parts of the 500+ mile trail system in the Angeles National Forest. Tools and instructions provided. Boots, gloves, long-sleeved shirts, and pants mandatory. Hiking distances vary. Events typically run 9 AM to 3 PM. Bring lots of water, lunch, safety glasses if you have them, and enthusiasm to work as little or as much as you want. Contact leader (email preferred) week before for destination, meeting time and location. Leader: MEI KWAN Assistant: DON BREMNER

March 12 Sat.Inner City Outings, Wilderness Adventures

O: Whale Watch Fundraiser for Inner City Outings (ICO): Join us for a whale watch trip led by an American Cetacean Society Specialist. Besides seeing whales, we're likely to spot dolphins, sea lions, and a variety of sea birds. This is a great way for adults and children to have fun while helping ICO raise money to provide transportation for underserved urban youth to visit wilderness areas. The boat will depart from the Port of Long Beach, Berth 55, Long Beach Sport Fishing, at 555

Pico Ave at 10:00 am and return at 1:00 pm. "Early Bird" Tickets will cost \$25, then after Feb 15, the cost will be \$30. Please mail a check to Catherine Ronan, 3439 Wade St, Los Angeles, CA 90066-1533. Tickets will NOT be sold at the pier. Ldrs. Elizabeth Neat, Erlinda Cortez. E-mail Elizabeth for more information ean5455@lausd.net.

Mar 13 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Onyx Peak #2 (5244'): Hike this Kern County peak to see some GLORIOUS wildflowers! The total hike should be about 5 miles round trip with 2300' gain. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket, hat and camera. Contact the leaders for meeting info. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Mar 13 Sun Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures

I: Snowshoe in Our Local Mountains: Third in our mid-month series. If conditions are suitable and safe, enjoy the exhilarating experience of navigating a peak or trail on pristine white snow in the San Gabriel or San Bernardino Mountains and then return to the warm dry streets of your SO CA home. Reserve snowshoes early at a local sports store. Email leader for details several weeks before the outing. Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PAT ARREDONDO, WAYNE VOLLAIRE, GINNY HERINGER

Mar 15 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Stonewall Peak (5730'), Middle Peak (5833'): Two easy hikes on trail, road, and brushy rough trail for 9 miles round trip with 2100' of gain to peaks south of Julian.
Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. Contact leaders for status and details Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 16 Wed Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from February 13
I: Martinez Mountain (6560'), Sheep Mountain (5141'):
Hike these two great peaks at a strong pace in about 11 hours. The total hike should be about 20 miles with 5300' of gain on a mostly good trail. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket, hat & gloves. Contact the leaders for meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Mar 16 Wed Hundred Peaks
I: Rabbit Peak #2 (6640'+): Canceled. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Mar 17 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Mar 18 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Piute Lookout (8326'), Sorrell Peak (7704'): Join us for a hike of these 2 peaks near Lake Isabella. Two short hikes, lots of dirt road driving. High clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and

10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 19 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Lizard Head (5250'), Cuyama Peak (5878'): A
strenuous hike on trail and cross-country for 11 miles
round trip with 3200' of gain and a drive-up to peaks west
of Maricopa. Suitable only for experienced and
conditioned hikers. Moderate pace. High clearance 4WD
advised. Bring food, water, 10 essentials. Contact
leaders for status and details. Leaders: BILL SIMPSON,
VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PATRICK VAUGHN

Mar 19 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Chaparrosa Peak (5541'), Black Mountain #4 (6149'):
Hike these two nice peaks out in the Yucca Valley area
at a moderate pace. The total hike should be about 12
miles round trip with 2600' gain. Please bring: lug soles,
water, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leaders for
meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA
DOGGETT

Mar 19 Sat LTC

Deadline for Leadership Training Seminar: Last day for receipt of application and payment by LTC. Register for April 2 seminar to be held at Eaton Canyon Nature Center, Pasadena. Next seminar: Fall 2011. See LTC website: http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc/

Mar 20 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Round Mountain (5272'), Luna Mountain (5967'),
Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'): Hike these good
mountains east of Hesperia at a moderate pace. The
total hike should be about 5.5 miles round trip with 2000'
gain. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket & hat.
Contact the leaders for meeting information. Leaders:
PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Mar 22 Tue Hundred Peaks I: Asbestos Mountain (5265'): A moderate hike on rough trail for 3 miles round trip with 1000' of gain to a peak near Idyllwild. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 24 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Mar 25 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Tecuya Mountain (7155'): Join us for a day to hike this peak near Frazier Park. 6 miles round trip on road and trail, 2100' gain. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Mar 26 Sat Hundred Peaks I: Monte Arido (6010'), Old Man Mountain (5538'), Fox Mountain #1 (5167'): Celebrate the beginning of Spring with this trip to Santa Barbara County. 13 miles, 4400' gain. Three separate peaks, with driving between. Much dirt road driving. Email leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

Mar 26 Sat Wilderness Adventures, LPC, Hundred Peaks Rescheduled from December 18
O: Santa Paula Peak (4957') in Ventura County: Climb a lovely Lower Peak (only 43' lower than an HPS Peak) in Los Padres National Forest. Get a good workout on this 11 mile round trip 3600' gain hike. Walk past avocado groves and lots of cattle. The view from the top includes the Channel Islands and many HPS Peaks in all directions. Email leader for further details including carpool point. Consider joining leaders the next day for an adventurous hike in Santa Barbara (see below). Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Mar 27 Sun Wilderness Adventures, LPC, Hundred Peaks Rescheduled from December 19 I: Cathedral Peak (3333'): Climb a peak in Santa Barbara. Adventurous, steep, boulder hopping hike. 6 miles round trip, 2500' gain. Great views, looking up the coast and to the Channel Islands. Meet some fun folks from the Santa Barbara Chapter of the Sierra Club. Optional festive dinner in Santa Barbara. Consider spending the weekend and joining Saturday outing (see above). Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Mar 29 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Meeks Mountain (6277'), Bighorn Mountains (5894'): A moderate hike on road and rough trail for 10 miles round trip with 2100' of gain to peaks near Yucca Valley. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN. MARS BONFIRE

Mar 31 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Apr 1 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Skinner Peak (7120'): Join us for a day hike of this peak near Lake Isabella. 8 miles round trip on trail and cross country, 1700' gain. 4WD high clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

#### Apr 2 Sat LTC

Interested in becoming an outings leader for the Club?

Angeles Chapter is home to one of the largest outings programs on the planet – thousands of trips ranging from beach barbecues to mountaineering expeditions. You can take the first step toward becoming a leader by attending a class offered by the chapter

Leadership Training Committee on Saturday, April 2, at Eaton Canyon Nature Center in Pasadena.

The class covers all the basics of leadership. Experienced leaders will tell you how to plan a trip, prevent problems on the trail and make sure that everyone – including you – has a great time. They'll also explain good conservation and safety practices. And they'll give you tips for getting your "O" rating quickly and then, if you choose, pursuing more advanced ratings. The all-day class costs \$25. The application is online at angeles.sierraclub.org/ltc.

Mail the application and check, payable to Sierra Club, to Steve Botan, LTC Registrar, 18816 Thornwood Circle, Huntington Beach 92646. You also can reach Botan by phone (714-321-1296) or e-mail (Itcregistrar@hundredpeaks.org).

Applications and checks are due March 19.
Scholarships are available for those with financial need.
Apply to LTC Chair Tina Bowman
(tina@bowmandesigngroup.com).

## Apr 2 Sat Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures

O: Wild Horse Peak (3277'): In San Diego County. 10 miles round trip, 1800' gain. Climb a fun peak climb and explore thus seldom visited area of San Diego County. The views from the top include Vail Lake, Temecula Valley, Eagle Crag and Agua Tibia peaks. Be prepared for some brush. Option to stay overnight and climb Agua Tibia Peak on Sunday. Write any leader for meeting time and rideshare point. Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, LAURA FRANCIOSI, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

## Apr 3 Sun Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures

O: Agua Tibia (4779'): Long strenuous hike of 17 miles round trip, 3200' gain on trail and last ¼ mile cross country through thick bush. Pace is moderate to slow. Agua Tibia seldom visited or led. It is located in the remote northwest section of the Palomar Mountain Range and in the seldom visited Agua Tibia Wilderness. Very brushy chaparral (be prepared!) with oak woodlands and coniferous forests at the higher elevations. Option to join Sat climb of Wild Horse Peak in same area. Write any leader for meeting time and rideshare point. Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, LAURA FRANCIOSI, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

## Apr 2-3 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, DPS, Desert Committee

I: Places We've Saved Navigation Noodle in Mojave National Preserve: Join us for our ninth annual journey through this jewel of the Mojave; preserved under the California Desert Protection Act, as a result of the efforts of Sierra Club activists and others. A basic to intermediate xc navigation day-hike workshop will be conducted out of the Mid Hills area in the pinyon and juniper forests at 5500' elevation. Potluck and social on Sat, and for those arriving early on Fri. Limited to 14

participants. Send email/sase to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders: VIRGIL SHIELDS, ANN SHIELDS, ADRIENNE BENEDICT

Apr 3 Sun LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC E/MR: Stoney Point Rock Workshop/Checkoff: This intermediate and advanced workshop is based on the rock requirements for M and E leadership. Checkoffs for M and E rock must be pre-arranged. It is a restricted trip; to participate you must be a member of the Sierra Club and have suitable rock climbing experience. Helmet and climbing gear required. Email or send climbing resume, completed medical from (2 copies - include SC# on form), address and phone to Leader: RON HUDSON Co-Leaders: GREG MASON, DAN RICHTER, PAT McKUSKY

#### Apr 5 Tue Hundred Peaks

I: Black Mountain #4 (6148'): A moderate hike on rough trail for 4 miles round trip with 1200' of gain to a peak near Yucca Valley. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN. MARS BONFIRE

Apr 7 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

# Apr 8 Fri Hundred Peaks I: Lost Horse Mountain (5313'), Ryan Mountain (5457'): Join us for a day in Joshua Tree National Park. Moderately strenuous hike on trail and cross country. 8 miles round trip, 2400' gain. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

# Apr 9 Sat Hundred Peaks I: Iron Mountain #1 (8007'): Iron Mountain in the San Gabriel Mountains is one of the toughest peaks on the HPS List. It involves 16 miles round trip and over 6500' of gain, and is not suitable for beginners. Bring water (lots!), lunch, sturdy boots. Rain cancels. Call or email leaders for meeting info. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, MELODY ANDERSON, TED LUBESHKOFF

#### Apr 9 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Indian Mtn (5790'): Hike to this peak near Idyllwild via a non-standard approach from Pine Cove. The total hike will be about 14 miles round trip with 3200' gain. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leaders for meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Apr 9 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Ken Point (6423'): A moderately strenuous hike on
Pacific Crest Trail, dirt road, and rough trail for 16 miles
round trip with 2600' of gain to a peak above Palm

Desert. Moderate pace. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: CHRIS SPISAK, LILLY FUKUI, KATHY CHEEVER BONFIRE, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 9 Sat Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures I: Snowshoe in the Big Bear area: If conditions are suitable and safe, enjoy the exhilarating experience of navigating a peak or trail on pristine white snow in the San Gabriel or San Bernardino Mountains and then return to the warm dry streets of your SO CA home. Reserve snowshoes early at a local sports store. Stay overnight for another day of snow fun (see below for April 10th write-up). Email leader for details several weeks before the outing. Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: WAYNE VOLLAIRE, BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PAT ARREDONDO, GINNY HERINGER, MISHA ASKREN

Apr 9 Sat Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures I: San Rafael Peak (6666'), Lockwood Peak (6261'): Moderately paced but strenuous hike in the Los Padres Forest west of Frazier Park. San Rafael Peak is 10 miles round trip with 2400' gain. Great views of the Sespe drainage. Time and conditions permitting we will try for Lockwood Peak as well - an easy 5.5 miles round trip with 1200' gain. Bring lunch and 10 essentials. Meet 8 AM at the Sylmar rideshare point. Leaders: HARVEY GANZ, BRENT COSTELLO

PV-South Bay, Hundred Peaks, WTC Apr 9 Sat I: Arctic Point (8336'), Gold Mountain (8235') and Deep Creek Hot Springs (5' deep): 21st semi-annual Spring Deep Creek Hot Springs hike/soak/swim with more peaks. Moderately paced 11 miles with cross country, 3500' gain. Bring lunch, water, rain gear, lugs (swim suit optional). Significant dirt road driving, but high clearance not required. Plan on spending full day - it's near Hesperia via Big Bear. We'll probably be hiking back to the cars in the moonlight (nearly full moon). Possibility of doing Delamar Mountain and/or Bertha Peak, depending on hiking speed and road/participant condition - hot spring is priority. Rain cancels. Send email (preferable) or sase with conditioning and carpool info to Leader: BARRY HOLCHIN Co-Leader: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

Apr 9 Sat Forest Committee, Hundred Peaks, Crescenta Valley Chapter Centennial Outing O: Centennial Trails Restoration in Angeles National Forest: (Location dependent on hillside conditions.) Commemorate Angeles Chapter Centennial by joining the Forest Committee's San Gabriels Trail Crew to help restore and maintain parts of the 500+ mile trail system in the Angeles National Forest. Tools and instructions provided. Boots, gloves, long-sleeved shirts, and pants mandatory. Hiking distances vary. Events typically run 9 AM to 3 PM. Bring lots of water, lunch, safety glasses if you have them, and enthusiasm to work as little or as much as you want. Contact leader (email preferred) week before for destination, meeting time and location. Leader: BOB THOMPSON Assistant: JIM FLEMING

Apr 10 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Butterfly Peak (6240') and Ken Point (6423'): Climb
these two fun peaks on the Desert Divide. The total hike
will be about 12 miles round trip with 3200' gain. Please
Bring: lug soles, water, lunch, jacket, hat & gloves.
Contact the leaders for meeting information. Leaders:
PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Apr 10 Sun Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures I: Snowshoe One or More Peaks in the Big Bear Area: Last in our mid-month series. See April 9th write-up (above) and consider spending the weekend. Reserve snowshoes early at a local sports store. Email leader for details several weeks before the outing. Leader: MARLEN MERTZ Co-Leaders: WAYNE VOLLAIRE, BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PAT ARREDONDO, GINNY HERINGER

Apr 12 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Cross Mountain (5203'), Chuckwalla Mountain (5929'):
A strenuous hike on road and rough trail for 12 miles round trip with 4900' of gain to peaks near Mojave. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 14 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Apr 15 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Little Berdoo (5440'+), Bernard Peak (5430'): Forget about your taxes and join us for a day in Joshua Tree National Park for these two peaks. A moderately strenuous loop hike of 7 miles round trip, 1800' gain. 4WD high clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 15-17 Fri-Sun LTC, Harwood Lodge, WTC

C: Wilderness First Aid Course: Runs from 8 AM Fri to 5:30 PM Sun. Fee includes lodging, meals and practice first aid kit. Proof of CPR within previous 4 years required to enroll. Fee \$210 (full refund through March 11). For application contact (e-mail preferred) Leader: STEVE SCHUSTER

Apr 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Sawtooth Peak (5200+), Burnt Peak (5788'), Liebre
Mountain (5760'+): Rescheduled to July 9. Leader: PAT
ARREDONDO Co-Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU,
PATRICK VAUGHN

Apr 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: McPherson Peak (5794'), Peak Mountain (5843'): Join this moderate hike via trail and road to two great peaks in Northern Santa Barbara County. The total hike will be

14.5 miles round trip with 3500' of gain. Bring: lug soles, water, lunch, snacks, layers, sunscreen & hat. Contact leader for status and details. Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PATRICK VAUGHN

Apr 16 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
O: Caliente Mountain (5106'): Hike to the highest point of
San Luis Obispo County and the Carrizo Plain National
Monument. 17 miles, round trip with 2800' of gain, on dirt
road. Possible wildflowers. Email leader for info. Leader:
TED LUBESHKOFF Co-leader: WAYNE BANNISTER

Apr 16 Sat LTC, WTC

MR: Navigation Workshop on 3rd Class Terrain: This navigation workshop is limited to individuals participating in the Indian Cove Navigation Noodle and is intended to explore special navigation issues that arise on 3rd class terrain. Class 3 rock travel experience required. Restricted to Sierra Club members. Helmets and medical forms required/group size limited. Send email/sase, SC#, class 3 experience, conditioning, contact info to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leader: JACK KIEFFER

Apr 16-17 Sat-Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS

I: Indian Cove Navigation: Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the Basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Sat for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sun checkout. Send email or sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: PHIL WHEELER

Apr 17 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Santa Cruz Peak (5570'), San Rafael Mountain (6593'),
McKinley Mountain (6200'): Hike the BIG Three at a
strong pace in around 13 hours. The total hike will be
about 33 miles round trip with 8600' gain. Please bring:
lug soles, water, lunch, jacket & hat. Contact the leaders
for meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA
DOGGETT

Apr 19 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Russell Peak (6696'), Backus Peak (6651'): A
strenuous hike on rough trail for 8 miles round trip with
3600' of gain to peaks near Mojave. Bring food, water,
and 10 essentials. Slow pace. Suitable only for
experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Apr 20 Wed LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC M/ER: Workshop: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP3) - Basic Safety System: First of 4 climbing workshops open to SC members with prior roped climbing experience. Today's indoor evening workshop of 4 hours reviewing ropes, knots, harnesses, helmets, and basic climbing gear will take place in Pasadena. As space is limited, priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send sase or e-mail with

SC#, resume, phones to Leader: DAN RICHTER Assistant: PAT McKUSKY

Apr 21 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Apr 22 Fri Hundred Peaks
O: Indian Mountain (5790'), Black Mountain #1 (7772'),
Castle Rocks (8600'): Join us for a day hike of these
peaks near Mount San Jacinto. Indian and Black are
drive ups. Castle Rocks is a 4 1/2 mile round trip, 900'
gain. Lots of dirt road driving. 4WD high clearance

drive ups. Castle Rocks is a 4 1/2 mile round trip, 900' gain. Lots of dirt road driving. 4WD high clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 23 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Sheephead Mountain (5896'), Monument Peak #1 (6271'), Garnet Peak (5880'+), Garnet Mountain (5680'+): Hike these four nice high points in San Diego County. The total hike should be about 12 miles round trip with 2200' gain. Please bring: lug soles, water, lunch and jacket. Contact the leaders for meeting information. Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Apr 23 Sat LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC M/ER: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP3) - Belaying: 2nd of 4 climbing workshops open to SC members with prior roped climbing experience. Today at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on belaying and principles of anchor building. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send sase or e-mail with SC#, resume, phones to Leader: DAN RICHTER Assistant: PAT McKUSKY

Apr 23-24 Sat-Sun LTC, SPS, DPS M/ER: Sierra Snow Checkoff/Practice: For M & E candidates wanting to check off leadership ratings or others who wish to practice new techniques. Restricted to SC members with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W phones to Leader: NILE SORENSON Co-Leader: DOUG MANTLE

Apr 26 Tue Hundred Peaks

I: Eagle Crag (5077'): A strenuous hike on road, trail, and rough trail for 18 miles round trip with 4200' of gain to a peak near Temecula. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 26-29 Tue-Fri Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks

O: Pacific Crest Trail Backpack: From Antelope Valley through the Tehachapi Mountains to Hwy 58, west of Mojave. Experience the the California Poppies in bloom.

Moderately paced. 4 days, 48 miles, one-way. Average day will be 12 miles with 2500' gain/loss. No layover days/no beginners. Participants will need to share in expense of a rental van. Send email with H & C phones, city, recent conditioning and backpack experience to Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leader: PAT ARREDONDO

Apr 28 Thu Hundred Peaks
O: Oakzanita Peak (5054'): Join us for a day hike of this peak south of Julian. 8 miles round trip, 1000' gain on road and trail. Possibility of wild flowers if good rain year. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Apr 28 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Apr 30 Sat LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC M/ER: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP3) - Rappelling: 3rd of 4 climbing workshops open to SC members with prior roped climbing experience. Today at Stoney Point in Chatsworth, focus is on rappelling. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send sase or e-mail with SC#, resume, phones to Leader: DAN RICHTER Assistant: PAT McKUSKY

May 5 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

May 7 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Caliente Mountain (5106'): This will either be a 17-mile road and trail hike with 3000' of gain - or it will be a strenuous cross-country hike with 13.5 miles round trip and 3700' of gain to this peak in San Luis Obispo County. Either route will take about the same hiking time. Leaders may decide between Route 1 and Route 2 on the day of the hike. Bring lug soles, water, lunch snacks, layers, sunscreen & hat. Contact leader for status and details. Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, PATRICK VAUGHN

May 7 Sat Hundred Peaks
New Outing, first time published
I: Galena Peak (9324'): Creek bed bouldering and gnarly
scree climb of the "Headwall" brings us to the highest
point on Yucaipa Ridge near Redlands. Exploratory loop
hike, returning on ridge and HPS Route 1 for Little San
Gorgonio Peak (we will not do this peak). Strenuous 10
miles round trip, 3300' gain. Number of participants
limited. Email leader for info. Leader: TED
LUBESHKOFF Co-leaders: WAYNE BANNISTER,
MARKEY NEIGHBORS, GREG de HOOGH

May 7 Sat Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks, Wilderness Adventures
O: Eagle Peak (3226'): In San Diego County. 5 miles round trip 700' gain. 400' gain on way back. After the hike, we will visit nearby Three Sisters Falls in the Boulder Creek Canyon. View stunning rock cliffs. Peak is located near the headwaters of the San Diego River and has a 360-degree view of the drainages that feed the streams of the watershed. The views into the Boulder Creek Canyon from the top are worth the climb. Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, LAURA FRANCIOSI, WAYNE VOLLAIRE

May 7 Sat LTC, SPS, DPS M/ER: Sierra Snow Checkoff/Practice: For M & E candidates wanting to check off leadership ratings or others who wish to practice new techniques. Restricted to SC members with some prior basic training with the ice axe. Send SC#, climbing resume, email, H&W phones to Leader: TINA BOWMAN Co-Leader: TOM McDONNELL

May 7-8 Sat-Sun LTC, SPS, DPS, WTC M/ER: Advanced Mountaineering Program (AMP3) - Rock Climbing Techniques and Anchors: 4th of 4 climbing workshops open to SC members with prior roped climbing experience. This weekend completes the series of AMP workshops at Joshua Tree National Park and focuses on climbing and anchors. As space is limited priority will be given to participants who commit to all four workshops. Send sase or e-mail with SC#, resume, phones to Leader: DAN RICHTER Assistant: PAT McKUSKY

May 10 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Peak Mountain (5843'), McPherson Peak (5749'): An easy hike on rough trail and a drive-up for 1 mile round trip with 400' of gain to peaks near Maricopa. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 10 Tue Hundred Peaks

Management Committee Meeting: All are welcome to
attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting
to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming
activities. Opportunities to become involved are
available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM via conference
call. To receive conference call information, to have
items added to the agenda or to volunteer, please
contact Chair: PAMELA ROWE

May 12 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

May 13 Fri Hundred Peaks I: Round Mountain (5272'), Luna Mountain (5967'), Rattlesnake Mountain (6131'), White Mountain #1 (7727'): Join us for a day of hiking these 4 peaks southeast of Hesperia. 4 separate hikes. Round is 1 mile round trip, 700' gain, Luna is 3 miles round trip, 800' gain, and Rattlesnake is 1 1/2 miles round trip, 500' gain, all cross country. White is 6 miles round trip, 1000' gain on road and use trail. 4WD high clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

**Hundred Peaks** 

Chapter Centennial Outing
I: Mount Jenkins (7921'): A moderate Angeles Chapter
Centennial Outing on steep and rough trail for 6 miles
round trip with 2500' of gain to a peak named after the
trail builder and hiking writer Jim Jenkins, and located
near Ridgecrest. Suitable only for experienced and
conditioned hikers. High clearance 4WD advised.
Moderate pace. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials.

Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: MARS BONFIRE, KATHY CHEEVER BONFIRE

Sat

May 14

May 14 Sat LTC, WTC, Hundred Peaks I: Beginning Navigation Clinic: Spend the day one-on-one with an instructor, learning/practicing map and compass in our local mountains. Beginners to rusty old-timers welcome and practice is available at all skill levels. Not a checkout, but it will help you prepare. Many expert leaders will attend; many I-rated leaders started here in the past. 4 mi, 500' gain. Send sase, phones, \$25 deposit (Sierra Club, refunded at trailhead) to Leader: DIANE DUNBAR Co-Leader: RICHARD BOARDMAN

May 15 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Bailey Peak (5699'), Mount McDill (5187'):
Approximately 7 miles round trip, 1700' gain. Lots of dirt road driving. Contact leaders for meeting time and place.
Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, VIRGIL POPESCU,
PATRICK VAUGHN

May 17 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Eagle Rest Peak (6005'), Antimony Peak (6848'): A
very strenuous hike on road and rough trail for 16 miles
with 6900' of gain to peaks near Frazier Park. Bring food,
water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance
4WD advised. Suitable only for experienced and
conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and
details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 19 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

May 20 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Butterfly Peak (6228'), Rock Point (5280'+): Join us for a day of hiking these 2 peaks on the Desert Divide, southeast of Idyllwild. A loop hike of 8 miles round trip, 2300' gain. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 20-22 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks, Lower Peaks Chapter Centennial Outing

Spring Fling 2011: Welcome in the spring with a fun and festive weekend in the San Gabriel Mountains. Join us for outstanding peak bagging, at all levels, followed by a potluck dinner Saturday night. The Hundred Peaks Section will host a very fun evening of socializing, music, story telling, reminiscing and meeting old and new friends. Bring your instruments - guitar, fiddle, accordion. Bring your funny and fascinating hiking tales from the present and the past. Check the HPS Website, the Lookout, and the Schedule of activities for weekend Spring Fling hikes. We have reserved the Sierra Club Harwood Lodge near Mt. Baldy for Friday and Saturday night. Located at 6000' elevation and 15 miles above Claremont, Harwood is within easy driving distance. The Lodge has a fully equipped kitchen, dormitory sleeping facilities and restrooms with showers. There are also several historic hotels and cabins located in or near Baldy Village and they can be found on-line. Camping is another option. There is no charge but reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Send sase/esase to Reservationist: DAVE COMERZAN

May 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Pine Mountain #1 (9648'), Dawson Peak (9575'),
Mount San Antonio (10,064'), Mount Harwood (9552'):
Strenuous hike on and around Mt. Baldy as part of the
HPS Spring Fling, 10 miles, 5500' gain and 5500' loss.
We will ride the ski lift up to Baldy Notch, hike over
Harwood, proceed up and down to Pine and Dawson on
the north side of Mt. Baldy, and then climb up Baldy.
Potluck afterwards at Harwood Lodge. Email leader for
info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-Leaders: WAYNE
VOLLAIRE, GREG de HOOGH, GEORGE KENEGOS

May 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Bighorn Peak (8441'): 11 miles round trip 3400' gain.
Strenuous hike at moderate pace via Icehouse Saddle and Kelly's Camp. Contact Pat Arredondo for meeting time/place. Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO, PATRICK VAUGHN

May 21 Sat Hundred Peaks, WTC, Wilderness Adventures, West LA O: Thunder Mountain (8587'), Telegraph Peak (8985'), Timber Mountain (8303'): 10 miles. 2700' gain, 3400' loss. Hike all THREE of the T's and enjoy High T(ea) on the trail (really!!!...an assortment of goodies at tea time!!). A sumptuous pot luck dinner will await you at the Harwood Lodge HPS Centennial Spring Fling. After taking the ski lift to Baldy Notch, you will summit three peaks and enjoy continuous vistas, while walking amongst Pine, Fir and Cedar. Descend Icehouse Canyon for a car shuttle. WTC students, Wilderness Adventures, West LA members (and all others) are extended a hearty welcome to join weekend HPS Spring Fling activities. Contact Marlen Mertz for meeting time and other details. Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, TERRY GINSBERG, DAVID HAAKE, MIKKI SIEGEL, MARK ALLEN, VIRGINIA SIMPSON, BILL SIMPSON

May 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
O: Two of the T's - Thunder Mountain (8587'), Telegraph
Peak (8985'): 9.5 miles (or 5.8 miles if you take the ski lift
up and down) 1600' gain. Hike these two these beautiful
peaks as part of the HPS Centennial Spring Fling
weekend. We will ride the ski lift to Baldy Notch and
descend on the road to Manker Flats parking area.
Option to take chair lift down too. Be among the first to
return to Harwood Lodge and begin celebrating. Contact
either leader for meeting time and other details. Leaders:
WINNETTE BUTLER, JIM FLEMING

May 21 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Harwood (9552'), Mount San Antonio (10,064'):
7 miles round trip, 4300' gain. Do something different
and hike the duo via the steep and beautiful Harwood
(AKA Register) Ridge. Return via Ski Hut. Bring water,
lunch, layered clothing and appropriate footwear. Contact
Laura for meeting time/place. Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH,
JOE YOUNG

May 22 Sun Hundred Peaks, WTC, Wilderness Adventures

O: Ontario Peak (8693'): 12 miles, 3700' gain. Join the weekend festivities at the HPS Spring Fling and hike beautiful, lush Icehouse Canyon to the Saddle, then on to Ontario Peak. Our resident naturalist will teach as we hike, pointing out flowers, trees and more. For those interested, option of climbing Bighorn (8441') adding 1 miles and 900' of gain. Write either leader for meeting time and place. Leaders: MARLEN MERTZ, WAYNE VOLLAIRE Assistant Leader/Naturalist: GINNY HERINGER Co-Leaders: LAURA FRANCIOSI, JIM FLEMING, WINNETTE BUTLER, MARKEY NEIGHBORS, WAYNE BANNISTER

May 22 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Lookout Mountain #2 (6812'): Ten miles round trip,
2800' gain. Moderately strenuous on trail and over steep,
slippery, brushy, cross-country terrain. Bring water,
lunch, layered clothing. Contact Pat Arredondo for
meeting time/place. Leaders: PAT ARREDONDO,
LAURA JOSEPH, PATRICK VAUGHN

May 22 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Crafts Peak (8364'), Butler Peak (8535'): Rescheduled to June 4. Leader: PAT ARREDONDO Co-Leader: LAURA JOSEPH

May 24 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Deer Mountain (5536'): A moderate hike on rough trail and involving a stream crossing for 4 miles round trip with 1800' of gain to a peak near Lake Arrowhead. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 25 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks O: Waterman Mountain (8040'): From the Buckhorn CG exit we'll hike the canyon below Kratka Ridge and take the use trail to the Waterman Trail. After lunch on the

peak, we'll return to the cars through Buckhorn CG. Snow conditions may require a change of peaks. Meet 9AM at La Canada rideshare point. Bring water, lunch, lug soles, layers. Leaders: BROOKES TREIDLER, DORIS DUVAL

May 26 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

May 27 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Tip Top Mountain (7623'), Mineral Mountain (7238'):
Join us for a day of hiking theses 2 peaks just east of Big
Bear City. A loop hike of 4 miles round trip, 1400' gain, all
cross country. 4WD high clearance vehicles advised.
Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10
essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

May 31 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Jenkins (7921'): A moderate hike on rough trail
for 6 miles round trip with 2500' of gain to a peak near
Ridgecrest. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow
pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Jun 1 Wed Hundred Peaks
O: West Big Pine (6490'), Big Pine Mountain (6800'): A
mountain bike ride, with two short walks, for 36 miles
round trip with 5000' of gain on dirt road and rough trail to
peaks near Maricopa. Suitable only for experienced and
conditioned bikers. Moderate pace. High clearance 4WD
advised. Bring food, water, 10 essentials, bike helmet,
spare tube, light, and lock. Contact leaders for status and
details. Leaders: JOHN RADALJ, MARS BONFIRE,
GEORGE CHRISTIANSEN

Jun 2 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Jun 3 Fri Hundred Peaks
O: Rouse Hill (5168'), Thomas Mountain (6825'): Join us
for a day in the mountains just south of Idyllwild. A lot of
dirt road driving with little hiking. Other peaks possible.
4WD high clearance vehicle advised. Pace slow to
moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact
leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 4 Sat Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from May 22
I: Crafts Peak (8364'), Butler Peak (8535'): We'll hike
across the ridge from Crafts to Butler, 10 miles round
trip, 3500' gain including gain on return. No dirt road
driving.Contact leaders for meeting time and place.
Leader: PAT ARREDONDO Co-Leader: LAURA
JOSEPH, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jun 4 Sat LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Heart Bar Peak (8332'): Practice navigation for Sunday's checkoff on this 7 mile round trip, 1400' gain hike. We will take a cross-country route to Heart Bar Peak and practice micro-navigation skills along the way. Send email (preferred) or sase, with contact info & recent conditioning to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Co-Leaders: JANE SIMPSON, ADRIENNE BENEDICT, ANN PEDRESCHI SHIELDS

Jun 4-5 Sat-Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Sunday Peak (8295'), Bohna Peak (6788'), Black
Mountain #5 (7438'), Split Mountain (6835'): Spend an
enjoyable weekend hiking in the Lake Isabella area.
Come for 1 or 2 days. Saturday: Sunday and Bohna as a
continuous hike (easy dirt driving), mostly trail, 9 miles,
3300' gain. Sunday: Strenuous cross-country hike of
Black and Split, 9 miles, 3200' gain (easy dirt driving).
Car camping at primitive site or stay at a motel in
Kernville. Email leader for info. Leader: TED
LUBESHKOFF Co-Leaders: WAYNE VOLLAIRE, GARY
SCHENK

Jun 5 Sun Hundred Peaks Chapter Centennial Outing

O: Mount Akawie (7283'): 1.2 miles round trip and 400' gain. First Sunday in June hike with Stag celebrates HPS legend Richard Akawie, editor of the Schedule of Activities from 1969 - 1989. Easy hike along Angeles Crest suitable for beginners. Bring celebratory items and stories to share on the summit. Bring water, sturdy boots. Meet 9 AM at the La Canada rideshare point for 33 mile drive to trail head. Leader: JOE YOUNG Assistant: STAG BROWN

Jun 5 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS
I: Grinnell Ridge Navigation: Navigation Noodle in San
Bernardino National Forest for either checkout or
practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level
navigation requirements. Send email or sase, contact
info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader
rating, rideshare, to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant:
PHIL WHEELER

Jun 7 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Williamson (8244'), Goodykoontz Peak (7558'):
A very strenuous hike on trail and rough trail for 13 miles round trip with 6700' of gain to peaks near Wrightwood.
Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 9 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Jun 10 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Little Bear Peak (7621'), Delamar Mountain (8398'),
Arctic Point (8336'): Join us for a day of hiking just

northwest of Fawnskin. 3 separate hikes of cross country and use trail. Little Bear is 1 mile round trip, 200' gain. Delamar is 1 mile round trip, 600' gain. Arctic is 3 miles round trip, 800' gain. High clearance vehicles advised. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 12 Sun Hundred Peaks
O: Black Mountain #1 (7772'), Castle Rocks (8600'):
Moderately strenuous hike in San Jacinto Mountains
involves 17 miles round trip and 3800' gain. Bring water,
lunch, sturdy boots. Call or email leaders for meeting
info. Leaders: JOE YOUNG, MELODY ANDERSON

Jun 14 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Lewis (8396'): An easy hike on rough trail for 1 mile round trip with 500' of gain to a peak near
Wrightwood. Might be able to add other easy peaks if
Forest Closure is lifted. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 15 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Cucamonga Peak (8859'): 14 miles round trip, 3900'
gain. A strenuous hike from the Ice House Canyon
parking lot at a slow to moderate pace. Meet 8 AM at
new Mt Baldy rideshare point with ten essentials, lug
soles, appropriate clothing and water. Leaders:
BROOKES TREIDLER, LAURA JOSEPH, DAN
BUTLER, DORIS DUVAL

Jun 16 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Jun 17 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Garnet Mountain (5680'), Garnet Peak (5880'+),
Monument Peak #1 (6271'), Sheephead Mountain
(5896'): Join us for a day of hiking in San Diego County
just southeast of Julian. 4 separate hikes on use trail and
cross country. Sheephead is 3 1/2 miles round trip, 800'
gain. Garnet Mountain is 0.6 miles round trip, 200' gain.
Garnet Peak is 2.5 miles round trip, 500' gain. Monument
is 3 miles round trip, 500' gain. Other routes possible.
Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10
essentials. Contact leaders for status and details.
Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 18 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Burnham (8997'), Mount Baden-Powell (9399'),
Ross Mountain (7402'): Very strenuous walk on PCT and
to Ross on steep and loose cross-country hike for 14
miles round trip with 4800' of gain to peaks in the San
Gabriel Mountains. If time and energy permit, we'll add
Throop (9137') which adds another 1 mile and 400' of
gain. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned
hikers. Moderate pace. Contact leaders for status and
details. Leader: PAT ARREDONDO Co-Leaders: LAURA
JOSEPH, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jun 19 Sun Hundred Peaks, Crescenta Valley, Airport-Marina Chapter Centennial Outing
O: Suicide Rock (7528'): Moderately paced hike in San Jacinto Mountains involves 7 miles round trip and 1900' gain. Years ago HPS legend R. S. "Sam" Fink was given a surprise plaque on this peak in honor of his years of contributions to the HPS. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots and celebratory items to share on the summit. Meet 7 AM at the Fairplex rideshare point. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, STAG BROWN, JOE YOUNG

Jun 21 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Ten Thousand Foot Ridge (10,094'), Lake Peak
(10,161'), Grinnell Mountain (10,284'): A strenuous hike
on trail and rough trail for 16 miles round trip with 3380'
of gain to peaks near Big Bear Lake and Mount San
Gorgonio. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow
pace. High clearance 4WD advised. Suitable only for
experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for
status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS
BONFIRE

Jun 22 Wed Local Hikes, Hundred Peaks
O: Mount Baldy (10,064') from Manker Flats (6180'): 8
miles round trip, 4000' gain. Up the Ski Hut trail to the
highest peak in the San Gabriels. Meet 8 AM at the new
Mount Baldy rideshare point. Snow may shorten this
hike. Bring water, lunch, appropriate clothing, lug soles.
Leaders: BROOKES TREIDLER, DAN BUTLER, LAURA
JOSEPH, DORIS DUVAL

Jun 23 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks
O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Jun 24 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Weldon Peak (6320'): Join us for a day of hiking just southeast of Lake Isabella. 7 miles round trip on road, trail and cross country. Pace slow to moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 25 Sat Hundred Peaks
I: Charlton Peak (10,806'): Hike this wonderful peak at a moderate pace via the South Fork trail. The entire hike will be 15 miles round trip with 4200' of gain. Please bring: water, lunch, lug soles, jacket & a hat. Contact leader for status and details. Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, VIRGINIA SIMPSON

Jun 26 Sun Hundred Peaks, 20s & 30s Singles Chapter Centennial Outing
O: Mount Pinos (8831'), Sawmill Mountain (8818'),
Grouse Mountain (8650'): Re-enactment of Weldon
Heald's 100th peak involves 9 miles round trip and 1500'
gain mostly on trail. Hike in Los Padres mountains will be
moderately paced. Bring water, lunch, sturdy boots,
celebratory items to share on the summit of Grouse.
Meet 7 AM at the Sylmar rideshare point. Leaders: JOE

YOUNG, BOB THOMPSON, STAG BROWN, MELODY ANDERSON, KAREN LEVERICH, PAMELA ROWE, DAVE COMERZAN, MARK ALLEN, PETER DOGGETT, IGNACIA DOGGETT, MARLEN MERTZ, PATRICK VAUGHN

Jun 28 Tue Hundred Peaks
I: Charlton Peak (10,806'), Jepson Peak (11,205'): A very strenuous hike on trail and rough trail for 17 miles round trip with 5050' of gain to peaks near Big Bear Lake and Mount San Gorgonio. Bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Slow pace. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. Contact leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jun 29 Wed Lower Peaks, Hundred Peaks
O: Middle Hawkins (8505') from Windy Gap Trail: Scenic
7 miles round trip, 1800' gain hike with high mountain
views. Meet 9 AM La Canada rideshare point with water,
lunch, good footwear, suitable clothing layers. Leaders:
ROSEMARY CAMPBELL, SARAH KORDA

Jun 30 Thu Pasadena Group, Wilderness Adventures, Hundred Peaks O: Henninger Flats Conditioning Hike: See Mar 3 for details.

Jul 1 Fri Hundred Peaks
I: Pyramid Peak (7035'), Pine Mountain #2 (7054'), Lion
Peak (6868'): Join us for a day of hiking on the Desert
Divide southeast of Idyllwild. A loop hike of 11 miles
round trip, 3200' gain on trail and use trail. Pace slow to
moderate. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact
leaders for status and details. Leaders: DAVE
COMERZAN, MARS BONFIRE

Jul 9 Sat Hundred Peaks
Rescheduled from April 16
I: Sawtooth Peak (5200+), Burnt Peak (5788'), Liebre
Mountain (5760'+): Enjoy the Liebre Range in far
northwest Los Angeles County. Moderately strenuous, 10
miles round trip, 2600' gain on firebreaks and roads.
Much dirt road driving; high clearance vehicles
recommended. For details contact Leader: PAT
ARREDONDO Co-Leaders: VIRGIL POPESCU,
PATRICK VAUGHN, TED LUBESHKOFF

Jul 12 Tue Hundred Peaks
Management Committee Meeting: All are welcome to
attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting
to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming
activities. Opportunities to become involved are
available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM via conference
call. To receive conference call information, to have
items added to the agenda or to volunteer, please
contact Chair: PAMELA ROWE

#### Jul 16 Sat Angeles Chapter

Chapter Centennial Celebration Picnic: Save the date! It will be at Malibu Nature Preserve, 33905 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu, CA 90265. More detailed information to follow. Contact: PETER IRELAND

#### Jul 30 Sat Hundred Peaks

Waterman Rendezvous: The Annual Great Waterman Mountain Rendezvous is back. You are invited to this the 17th in 18 years annual event. The informal pot luck will be held on the top of Waterman Mountain, following some great hiking in the area. 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 (or fires) cancels. See this Activity Schedule or the HPS Website for hikes scheduled on this day. Contact the leaders of the hike you plan on joining.

Aug 7 Sun LTC, WTC, HPS, DPS, SPS I: Mt. Pinos Navigation: Navigation noodle in Los Padres National Forest for either checkout or practice to satisfy Basic (I/M) or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare, to Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: KIM HOMAN

Sep 11 Sun Hundred Peaks
I: Mount Pinos (8832'), Sawmill Mountain (8818'), Grouse
Mountain (8582'), Cerro Noroeste (8280'): Enjoy a mostly
ridge-and-trail hike to four peaks near Frazier Park
through a nice forest with grand views in the Los Padres
National Forest. Moderately paced 10 miles round trip,
3000' gain. For details, contact Leader: PAT
ARREDONDO Co-Leaders: LAURA JOSEPH, PATRICK
VAUGHN

#### Sep 13 Tue Hundred Peaks

HPS Annual Business Meeting and Monthly Management Committee Meeting: All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. Opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM at Ranger House, at Griffith Park. To have items added to the agenda or to volunteer, please contact Chair: PAMELA ROWE

Directions: The Ranger House is located south of Los Feliz Blvd on the east side of Riverside Drive. It shares a large parking lot with Friendship Auditorium. From Los Feliz Blvd head south on Riverside Drive, past the soccer fields on your left to Friendship Auditorium. (Friendship Auditorium is white and the side facing Riverside Drive is a series of arches.) The entrance immediately in front of Friendship Auditorium may be the only entrance open to the parking lot. Enter here and proceed to the north end of the parking lot. The Ranger House is a smaller facility located in the extreme north end of the parking lot. The

parking lot may be quite busy. Friendship Auditorium is heavily used by large groups. Do not despair: Sufficient parking spaces have been set aside for our use. But to be safe please arrive by 6:30 PM. Do not confuse the Ranger House with the Ranger Station Visitor Center commonly used by the Sierra Club for various functions.

## Sep 30-Oct 2 Fri-Sun Hundred Peaks New Event, first time published

Fall Festival in the Big Bear Area: Lots of hiking and climbing followed by an evening potluck party. Bag scenic peaks in the Big Bear area. We will be staying at the Sierra Club Keller Ski Hut. Built in 1938, this cozy rustic hut is located at an elevation of 6800' on Hwy 18 between Running Springs and Big Bear in the San Bernardino Mtns., across from Snow Valley Ski Area. See HPS website for scheduled hikes http://angeles.sierraclub.org/hps/outings.htm. Contact hike leaders for information on a specific hike. If you wish to spend the night at the hut, contact Program Chair: WAYNE VOLLAIRE

#### Oct 1 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Granite Peaks (7527'), Mineral Mountain (7238'), Tip Top Mountain (7623'): Strenuous hike to these peaks northeast of Big Bear Lake as part of the HPS Fall Festival. 13 miles round trip, 3200' gain. Potluck afterwards at Keller Ski Hut. Steep terrain and boulder scrambling. Lots of dirt road driving. Email leader for info. Leader: TED LUBESHKOFF Co-leaders: GREG de HOOGH, BILL SIMPSON

#### Nov 8 Tue Hundred Peaks

Management Committee Meeting: All are welcome to attend our bi-monthly management committee meeting to discuss the business side of the section and upcoming activities. Opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM via conference call. To receive conference call information, to have items added to the agenda or to volunteer, please contact Chair: PAMELA ROWE

Dec 13 Tue Hundred Peaks
Monthly HPS Management Committee Meeting: All are
welcome to attend our bi-monthly management
committee meeting to discuss the business side of the
section and upcoming activities. Opportunities to become
involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM at
Ranger House, at Griffith Park. To have items added to
the agenda or to volunteer, please contact Chair:
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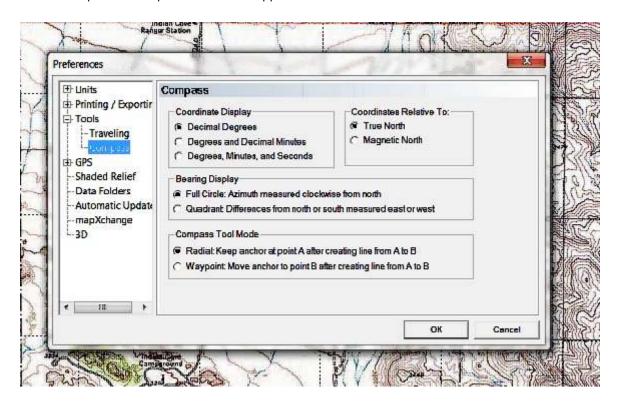
Directions: See September 13 meeting at same location.

## THE NAVIGATION CORNER: GETTING THE MOST OUT OF TOPO! – PART 2

By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

As I indicated in the last edition, 2011 will be devoted to exploring the features of the National Geographic TOPO! software. This column will explore the "Compass" Tool.

TOPO! can display direction relative to True North or to Magnetic North. Since most of the maps we use are oriented to True North, this is the setting most commonly selected. To access the compass setup, select View from the menu bar and then Preferences/Tools/Compass. An options menu will appear as follows:

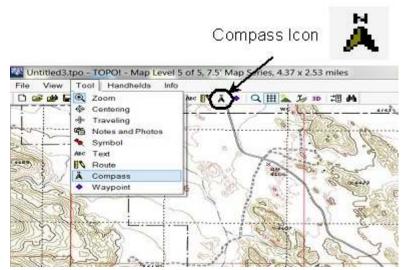


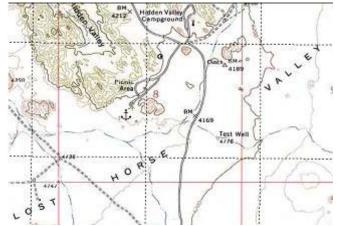
In addition to options for selecting "True North" or "Magnetic North," there are Coordinate Display, Bearing Display, and Compass Tool Mode Display choices. Unless you have special applications, use the first choice for Coordinate and Bearing Display. Both Compass Tool Modes can be useful. The "Radial" mode keeps the anchor point fixed, allowing you to take bearings from one location to multiple locations. The "Waypoint" mode allows you to move the anchor point from waypoint to waypoint, taking bearings from one to the next.

### **Accessing the Compass Tool**

Select "Tool" from the top menu and then "Compass." Alternatively, select the **Compass Icon** from the tool bar.

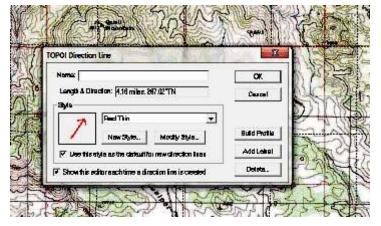
Once Compass is selected, an "anchor" symbol will appear. The anchor is placed bearing will be taken. For purposes of example, a bearing will be taken from the Hidden Valley Picnic Area in Joshua Tree National Park to Quail Mountain. After moving the anchor to the Picnic Area, click the mouse and the anchor will be locked on the location. (For clarity, the anchor is west of the Picnic Area road.)





This pop-up menu gives both information and options. Next to "Length & Direction" is the distance from the anchor point to Quail Mountain and the bearing. In the example, Quail Mt. is 4.18 miles from the Picnic Area at a bearing of 267 degrees.

After placing the anchor, move the mouse pointer to Quail Mountain and click the mouse. A pop-up menu will be launched as indicated below:

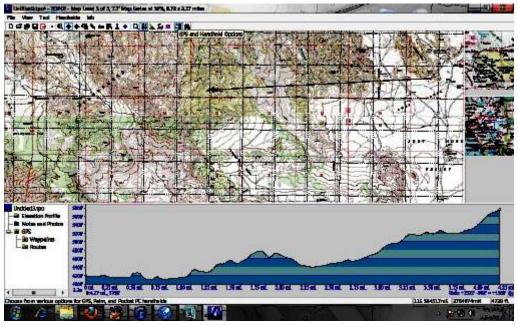


Several options are available from this menu:

- Select "OK" and the menu will disappear and line will connect the anchor point to Quail Mt. (7 color choices are available by right clicking on the line and selecting "Modify Style.") Placing the mouse pointer on the line will display the distance and bearing.
- Select "Add Label" and the bearing line will appear along with a label indicating the distance and bearing.
- Select "Build Profile" and the bearing line will appear along with an elevation profile.

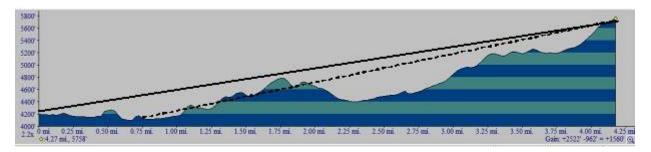
Once a selection has been made, the program allows the user to go back and select additional features. For example, if the first selection ("OK") was made, right click on the bearing line to bring back the menu to select either "Add Label" or "Build Profile."

Set forth below is what is displayed if "Build Profile" is selected. It provides a bearing line along with an elevation profile along the bearing line.



Elevation

profiles can be helpful in knowing what you might be able to see along a route. For example, a hiker might want to know if Quail Mountain can be seen from the Picnic Area and from the 0.75 mile point. As the indicated below, by drawing lines on the profile, the hiker can be aided in answering these questions. Quail Mt. is visible from the Picnic Area but blocked from view at the .75 mile mark.



The Compass Tool can also be used in Waypoint Mode. This will be discussed in a future article covering the topic of waypoints.

#### **Upcoming Navigation Events**

On April 2-3, 2011, we return to historic Mojave National Preserve for our 9th annual "Places We've Saved Navigation Noodle." Principally designed as a practice, checkoffs can be specially arranged.

Our two-day Indian Cove Navigation Noodle on April 16 and 17, 2011, is a great place to learn new navigation skills. Saturday is spent with instruction and field practice. Sunday is for checkoff for those who are ready and an additional practice day for others. We will be car camping starting on Friday afternoon. As part of our Indian Cove Navigation weekend, we are offering a Navigation Workshop on 3rd Class Terrain. This is an M-Restricted outing and is limited to individuals participating in the Indian Cove Navigation Noodle.

Our next Beginning Navigation Clinic is on May 14, 2011. In June, I'm leading a navigation practice to Heart Bar Peak on June 4, 2011, and we have our Grinnell Ridge Navigation Noodle on June 5, 2011

I welcome your navigation questions. Contact me at rmmyers@ix.netcom.com.



Bob Myers holds his plaque signifying his acceptance of the Bill T. Russell New Leader Award

## **Scenes from the Banquet**



Speaker Martin Dumpis





Dorothy Danziger is the only woman to have finished the HPS List six times



Stag Brown has been leading for the HPS since the early 1970's



Mars Bonfire has finished the HPS List 16 times!



Bill Simpson



Ignacia Doggett and Peter Doggett have led the entire HPS List, Ignacia has led





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### **Desert Peaks Section Annual Banquet**

When: Sunday, May 15, 2011

Where: The Proud Bird, 11022 Aviation Blvd., Los Angeles (near junction of 405 & 105)

Banquet tickets: \$35 - Please reserve by May 5. \$40 reserved after May 5.

Time: 5:30 pm - Social Hour/No Host Bar

7:00 pm - Dinner (Includes complimentary wine at each table)

Dinner Choices: Marinated Sirloin Steak Baked Fresh Salmon Vegetarian Wellington

Program: John W. Robinson presents Desert Rats and Mega-crowds on Mexico's Big Picacho: DPS, the Early Years.

John is a native Californian born in Long Beach in 1929. He graduated from the University of Southern California in 1951 with a B.A. degree and CSULB in 1966 with an M.A. degree. He taught school for 35 years in Orange County. A physically active man, he climbed & explored throughout the West, Canada, Alaska, and Mexico. His personal experiences exploring mountains have given him a particularly insightful understanding of the trails and mountain passes used by early travelers. He is a noted author, having written extensively on the history of Southern California and the Sierra Nevada Mountains. His articles have appeared in many publications, including Westways, the Overland Journal, and others. John began hiking with us in 1953, and joined the DPS in 1955. He was Chair of the Section in 1962/63. He climbed the original 7 qualifying peaks on the list, and later the 36 total peaks.

The program will take us back to the early beginnings of the Section, with pioneers Chester Versteeg, Niles and Louise Werner, and others. We will then travel via muscle car (in an era that preceded four wheel drive vehicles) to Mexico, for early climbs of El Picacho Del Diablo, affectionately and respectfully known as Big Picacho, an emblem peak considered the most beautiful climb by many.



**Raffle:** Our tradition of providing fabulous prizes for you to win continues. Tickets are available at five for \$3 if purchased in advance before May 5 or \$1 each on the day of the event. Tickets will be held at the door. Raffle prizes include: REI Certificates, copy of "Desert Summits" by Andy Zdon, framed watercolor print by Elaine Baldwin and much more.

Book Sale: Mary McMannes will offer a Classic Mountaineering and Climbers "Cheap" Book Sale.

For reservations: Please indicate number of banquet tickets: \$35 before May 5<sup>th</sup>, \$40 after May 5<sup>th</sup>. Include your dinner selection/s: Marinated Sirloin Steak, Baked Fresh Salmon or Vegetarian Wellington. Also, please specify number of raffle tickets: 5 for \$3 if purchased in advance before May 5. Tickets will be held at the door. Mail check payable to DPS to Treasurer: Gloria Miladin, 11946 Downey Ave., Downey, CA. 90242. For questions e-mail: Jim Fleming: jimf333@att.net or Gloria: gm500@yahoo.com

#### **Driving Instructions to the Proud Bird:**

Northern Approach: 405-South and take Century LAX exit. Stay in right lane and exit (Century West exit 46). Turn left at the bottom of the ramp onto La Cienega Blvd South. From La Cienega take the 1st right onto Century Blvd heading west. Turn left on 2nd signal onto Aviation Blvd South. The Proud Bird is 0.7 mile on left.

Southern Approach: 405-North, exit Imperial Hwy, left onto Imperial Hwy, right on Aviation. Restaurant is 1 block on right.

Eastern Approach: 105-West to La Cienega/Aviation exit. Left at bottom of ramp onto Imperial Hwy. Right on Aviation. Restaurant is 1 block on right.

Free Parking in Proud Bird parking lot.



Marlen Mertz, Wayne Vollaire, Ginny Herringer



Sandy Sperling Lara, Karen Leverich, Dorothy Danziger, Edith Liu, and Winnette Butler

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