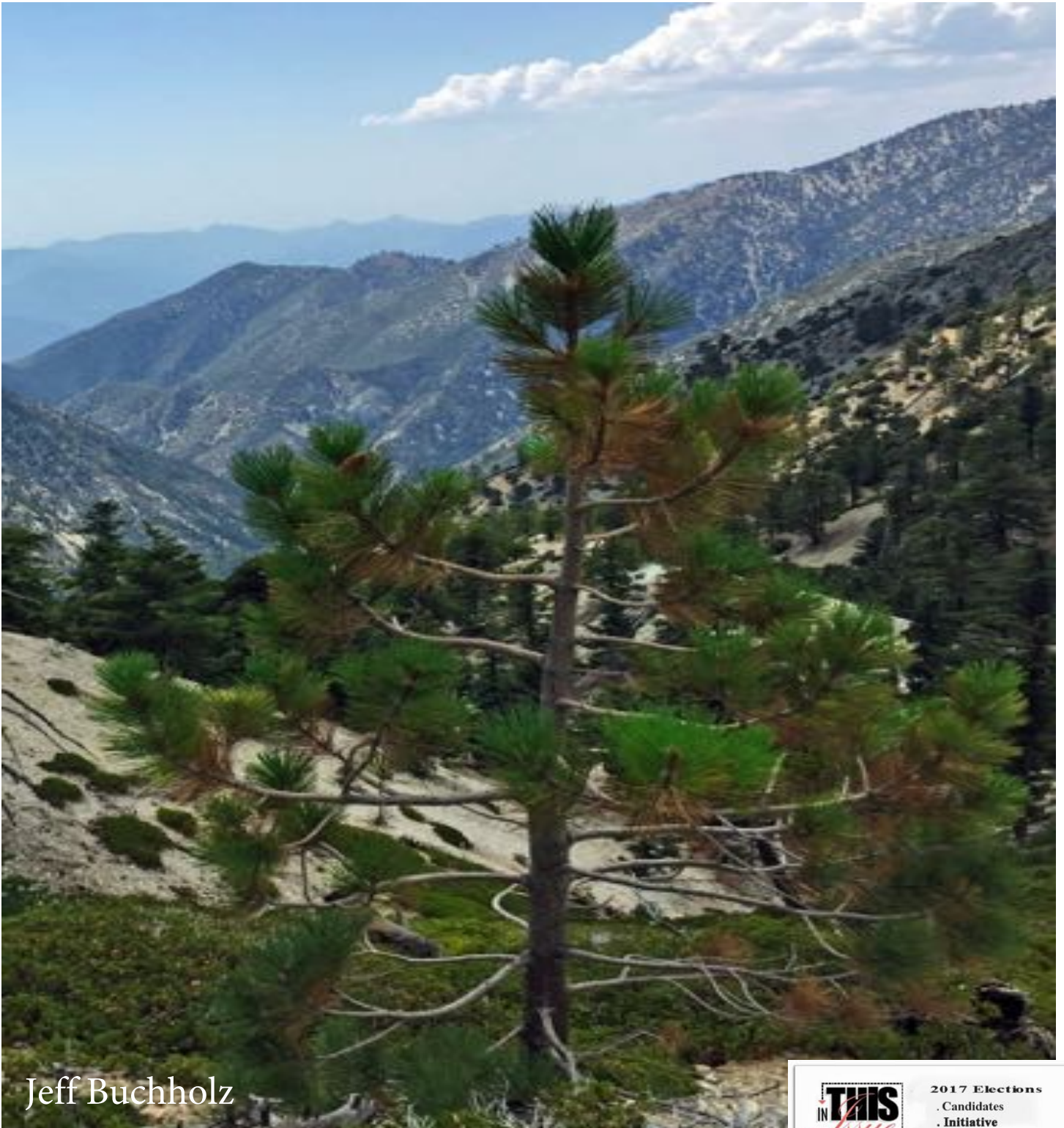


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### 2017 Hundred Peaks Section Election

The holiday season is upon us and so are our preparations to travel, celebrate and give thanks. In the midst of merriment and expressions of gratitude, don't forget to vote in the 2017 HPS Election.

This year, 3 spots in the HPS Management Committee are up for election. The candidates are: George Christiansen, Coby King, and Jim Hagar. Candidate statements, along with one proposal, are in this issue of the LOOKOUT NEWSLETTER. They will also appear in the ballot, which will be mailed to HPS members no later than November 10. If there are any problems with receipt of the ballot, please notify the Election Chair, Ignacia Doggett, at [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) or at (818)840-8748.

The ballot is pre-addressed for return to the Election Chair. After you vote, please be sure to place a stamp on your ballot and return it so that it is **received** no later than December 1, 2017. Only ballots received by the December 1st due date will be opened and counted by the Election Committee.

Thank you to members of this year's Election Committee. While Peter and I will produce and mail the ballot, other members of the Election Committee will be assisting us in opening ballots and counting votes. -- Ignacia M. Doggett

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# **2017 Hundred Peaks Section Election Candidates**

## **Statement of Candidates:**

### **George E. Christiansen**

I am again running for a position on the HPS Management Committee for a second two year term. I have been honored to serve for the past two years and would like to serve once again. I have hiked with the Hundred Peaks Section for the past eight years and I am now familiar with multiple routes to many of our peaks. In this regard, I have served as Mountain Records Chair, as Access Chair for the Section. If honored with your vote, my intent would be to continue in these positions, where I feel that I can best serve the Section.

### **Jim Hagar**

It has been an honor to serve on MComm and Mountain Records this past term. During my time on MComm I made printable maps and GPS routes for all the peaks and placed them on the web site, as well as actively leading outings and participating in day to day management issues. It has been a pleasure to focus on ways to enhance members outdoor activities. If re-elected I'll continue to serve the needs of the membership in day to day functions and in keeping the climbing guides and maps up to date.

### **Coby King**

I'm happy to put myself up for election to a third term on the Management Committee. Even after serving on MCOMM for four years, the Hundred Peaks Section remains one of the glories of my life! I discovered peak-bagging in my late 30s, and while I have had to balance my hiking and traveling with family, work, and my political activities, it remains one of my life's joys. I am asking for your vote for re-election to Management Committee because I want to continue to strengthen HPS, maintain what is attractive to current members, and figure out new ways to increase membership and bring in younger hikers and peakbaggers. For some years I have been the administrator of the Section's Facebook page, and I'm very pleased at its growth and will continue to use social media to expand participation in our outings and to recruit new leaders. I've been happy to serve in the past as vice chair and now in my second term as chair and I hope I've done a good job in performing the duties of those offices.

While I have not completed the list (I can finally claim I'm past 200 peaks!), I actually think that can be an advantage on the Management Committee, where a relative newbie perspective is probably a good thing to add to the Committee. In addition, I have served on numerous boards and commissions over my career, and I believe I'm an effective manager and focused on results for the organizations I serve. Finally, I believe deeply in the mission of the Sierra Club, and I look forward to continuing to use my position to maintain access to our peaks and their routes, and to introduce more people to the glories of our local high places. Thanks for your consideration.

## **2017 Election Proposal**

### **Bylaws Amendment:**

Shall Section 2 of the bylaws be amended to permit voting by electronic means? More specifically, shall the by-laws be amended as follows:

Amend Section 2.6 by adding two new sentences at the end: "Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Management Committee may decide to provide for the option of voting by electronic means. In implementing electronic voting, the Management Committee will ensure ballot security, confidentiality, avoidance of multiple voting by the same member, and preserving the option of a written ballot for those who lack access to email and the Internet."

### **Argument In Favor Of The Amendment:**

The Management Committee of the Hundred Peaks Section is always looking for ways to modernize its operations, adopt more sustainable practices, and reduce unnecessary costs. For instance, the Management Committee recently ended the printing and mailing of The Lookout newsletter (except for those members who do not have access to email and the internet), eliminating the Section's largest annual expense and reducing the Section's environmental footprint. Going to electronic elections is the next logical step. In fact, the Desert Peaks Section and the Sierra Peaks Section have already implemented electronic voting, as have the national Sierra Club and the Angeles Chapter. The Management Committee is already researching options should this proposal be adopted, with the idea to implement electronic voting for the 2018 elections. This Bylaw amendment would preserve Management Committee flexibility and keep the manual voting option for those who lack access to email and the internet.



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2017 Annual Business Meeting, (L to R) George Christiansen, Mat Kelliher, Coby King, Michael McCarty, Aimee Shocket, Mark S. Allen, James Hagar, Michael Dillenback.

## THE NAVIGATION CORNER: FREEDOM OF THE HILLS 9<sup>th</sup> EDITION

By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

Modern mountaineers have a broad set of tools to accomplish the two key objectives of navigation: First, they need to know where they are and how to get to their objective and back safely. Second, they need to be able to communicate with emergency responders should the need arise. The modern tools of navigation allow the mountaineer to accomplish both objectives with far more confidence than in the past.  
*Mountaineering: Freedom of the Hills*, 9<sup>th</sup> ed. 2017, p. 90.

The 9<sup>th</sup> edition of *Mountaineering: Freedom of the Hills* was released in October. Its navigation chapter (Chapter 5) is revised and updated with essential information for those venturing into the backcountry. Its coverage ranges from basic information on using a compass and reading a topographic map to advanced topics such as how altimeters aid mountaineers.

Of particular interest is its expanded discussion of GPS devices, including tips for using mobile phones. To highlight the expanded coverage, the below table is a new addition to the book and provides an excellent summary of the workflow for the use of GPS devices.

**TABLE 5-5. NAVIGATION WORKFLOW WITH GPS DEVICES**

Modern navigation tools offer climbers more certainty, but coordinating map, altimeter, compass, and GPS requires careful work. It is helpful to think of this effort as a workflow that begins at home, continues at the trailhead and en route, and then wraps up after the trip.

### AT HOME AND/OR WHILE STILL CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET

1. Research routes from guidebooks and other sources.
2. Purchase relevant topographical maps, if available and time allows. Otherwise, download topographical maps from the internet. Customize them with collected routes, tracks, waypoints, and notes, and then print. Be sure the map includes the data, such as the UTM grid, that you will need.
3. Download helpful maps and satellite images to a GPS device at the appropriate level of detail. Include an area that surrounds the intended travel area in case plans change; the larger map can be at a lower level of detail if storage space is an issue.
4. Research weather trends, road and trail conditions, and avalanche conditions (see Chapters 6, Wilderness Travel, and 17, Avalanche Safety).
5. Confirm that electronics are ready: data downloaded, batteries charged, PLBs registered and the preset ("canned" or user-definable) messages on satellite communicators updated (see "Communication Devices" later in this chapter).
6. Leave the trip itinerary, including trailhead, vehicle description, and license plate, with a responsible person (see "Organizing and Leading a Climb" in Chapter 22, Leadership).

### AT THE TRAILHEAD

1. Confirm the party is at the right place to begin the climb: Orient the map to the surroundings—do they correlate? Confirm using GPS.
2. Set a GPS waypoint at the trailhead.
3. Set the GPS device's datum to match that of the physical map.
4. Have the party calibrate all barometric-based altimeters to the trailhead elevation using a map or GPS device.
5. Note magnetic declination, and adjust compasses as needed. (See "Magnetic Declination," earlier.)
6. Turn off electronics or configure them to extend battery life to last the length of the trip.

### EN ROUTE

1. Actively engage the entire party in navigation, including assessing whether the current position and planned path through the landscape continue to appear safe and can be correlated to the map using multiple navigation tools. (See "The Importance of Maintaining Situational Awareness" sidebar, earlier.)
2. Familiarize the party with the appearance of the return trip.
3. Occasionally recalibrate barometric-based altimeters at known locations shown on map or a GPS device.
4. Gather GPS waypoints and tracks en route if they may be helpful later, especially if the party may need to renegotiate complex terrain.

### AFTER THE TRIP

Gather together and organize all the digital and physical navigation information that will help the party—or the next climbing party—safely navigate the same area on another trip.

*Freedom of the Hills* is the bible for outdoor enthusiasts and a necessary book in any mountaineer's library. For those seeking to develop new navigation skills, it is an essential read. As the navigation chapter concludes:

For the modern alpine traveler, navigation is the key to wandering at will through valleys and meadows, up cliffs and over glaciers, thereby earning the rights of a citizen in a magical land—a mountaineer with the freedom of the hills. (127)

*Freedom of the Hills* is available from a variety of retailers and directly from Mountaineers Books ([www.mountaineersbooks.org](http://www.mountaineersbooks.org)). A portable document format (.pdf) version of the book is available for \$27.95. I have this version on my mobile device for easy reference.

### **2018 Navigation Events**

We have a great lineup of navigation events for 2018. At all of our navigation events, we can work with beginners. No prior navigation experience is required. All are welcome!!!

January 6, 2018	Practice	Indian Cove
January 7, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Indian Cove
February 3, 2018	Practice	Mt. Pinos Navigation on Snowshoes
April 21, 2018	Practice	Mission Creek Preserve
April 22, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Mission Creek Preserve
May 19, 2018	Practice	Beginning Nav. Clinic
June 16, 2018	Practice	Mt. Pinos
June 17, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Mt. Pinos
September 23, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Mt. Pinos
October 20, 2018	Practice	Beginning Nav. Clinic
November 17, 2018	Practice	Warren Point
November 18, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Warren Point
December 9, 2018	Practice/Checkoff	Warren Point

If you have any questions, contact me at [rmmyers@ix.netcom.com](mailto:rmmyers@ix.netcom.com).



# Fall Festival 2017



Fall Festival hikers approach Ken Point, top left. Center Eric Chu takes the wormhole approach to Lilly Rock. Top Right hikers atop Ken Point. Middle and bottom: Hurkey Creek Campground with Michael Dillenback, Programs Chair. Also at camp were Ignacia Doggett, Peter Doggett, Kendra Heinicke , Coby King, HPS Chair, and Wasim Khan. Susan Kang with Gary Bowman.



Above:Twilight dinner in camp. Right: Fire ring conversation Saturday 9-23-17.



## LEADER CONTACT INFO

Following is contact information for Leaders who are offering outings in this edition of The Lookout. When signing up for an outing, follow the instructions given in the trip listing to find out about meeting time and location.

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### Rideshare Points

There are no Rideshare Points mentioned in the Outings in this issue of The Lookout.

Note that new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (OARS) all the time, often only a few days prior to when the trip is scheduled to occur. Rideshare Points that may be mentioned in those Outings posted on OARS, as well as most of the Angeles Chapter rideshare points (complete with directions and maps), can be found here:

[http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/ltc\\_ridesharing](http://angeles2.sierraclub.org/ltc_ridesharing)

Several roads that we frequently use to travel to the trailheads have warnings that headlights must be turned on for daylight use. Penalties for failure to observe this requirement are very expensive. Be Safe!! Don't get a ticket! Turn on your headlights where required!



## Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities

**November 2017 – January 2018**  
**Mat Kelliher, HPS Outings Chair**

The following is a listing of all Hundred Peaks Section (HPS) Outings submitted and posted to the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (OARS) as of October 31, 2017. These outings cover the period ranging from November 1, 2017 through January 13, 2018. Note that **new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (OARS) all the time**, often only a day or two prior to when a trip is scheduled, so if you haven't found what you're looking for in this edition of The Lookout, be sure to check for newly added outings on the HPS online Schedule of Activities (OARS) frequently for last minute additions. Follow this link to the HPS OARS site:

<http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm>

And if you're still looking for something other than what's being offered on any given day on HPS OARS, check out the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (OARS) for a staggering selection of outings options offered by all of the various Groups, Sections, and Committees of the Angeles Chapter. The Angeles Chapter OARS site is located here:

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

HPS outings are open to everyone; you don't need to be a member of either the HPS or the Sierra Club to join us! However, to participate on an outing, you will be required to sign a liability waiver, which you can preview here:

<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/sites/angeles.sierraclub.org/files/docs/SignInWaiver.pdf>

Unless otherwise indicated, contact the leader of the outing(s) you'd like to join for trip status and details. Leader contact information is included in this edition of The Lookout, as are directions to the rideshare points (if any) referenced herein.

### **Nov 1                      Wed                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Sugarloaf Peak (6924'), Ontario Peak (8693'), Bighorn Peak (8441')** - Visit these 3 wonderful peaks on a challenging hike in the Cucamonga Wilderness. We will scramble up to Sugarloaf via the very steep and aptly named Falling Rock Canyon then continue to work our way xc up to Ontario. The rest of the trip will be mostly on good trail as we descend back to Icehouse Saddle, with a side trip to Bighorn along the way, and return via the Icehouse Canyon trail. Stats: 9.5 miles round trip with 4800' of gain. Bring liquids lugsoles layers lunch hat and sunblock. For trip details contact: *Leader JIM HAGAR* [jhagar1@gmail.com](mailto:jhagar1@gmail.com), Co-leaders *BILL & VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MAY TANG, JEFF HENSON*

### **Nov 1                      Wed                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Circle Mtn (6875'), Pinyon Ridge (6535') & Mt. Akawie (7283')** - Join us for 1, 2, or all 3 hikes. First, we'll hike Circle, via a steep firebreak, for a total of 2 miles round trip, 800' gain. Then we'll drive near the top of Pinyon Ridge for a short walk to the summit. Finally, we'll hike to Mt. Akawie on a nice trail that is 1.2 mi rt with 400' of gain. Hike-experienced dogs with well-behaved owners welcome.

Please bring liquids, lug soles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG.*

**Nov 4                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**O: Mount Lukens (5074') - CELEBRATE!! PLAN TO STAY AFTER THE HIKE FOR POTLUCK**

**DINNER IN HONOR OF LEADER'S 70TH BIRTHDAY!!** Visit the high point of the City of Los Angeles.

The hike is mostly on trail with some hiking on fire road. We will begin and finish the hike at Deukmejian Wilderness Park, and we will utilize the picnic tables at the park for the post-hike pot luck dinner and celebration. Totals for the day will be about 9 miles round trip and around 3000 feet of elevation gain. Be prepared for spectacular views of the Los Angeles basin and surrounding mountains. For details contact *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, JIMMY QUAN, JEFF BUCHHOLZ, JEFF HENSON*

**Nov 5                      Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Sheephead Mtn (5896'), Monument Pk #1 (6271'), Garnet Pk (5880'), Garnet Mtn (5680') -**

Join us for a hike to 1, 2, 3 or all 4 of these peaks in the Laguna Mountains of eastern San Diego County. Traveling through areas once known for grazing sheep and the mining of gemstones, we'll hike across meadows, below pines, and around manzanita to superb summit views - - ranging from the Pacific Ocean and Mexico in the far distance on clear days, to the old Butterfield Stage Route in a stunning canyon, a striking 3000' drop from the present day PCT. Visit all four peaks for a total of 11.6 miles and 2400' gain. Bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG*

**Nov 8                      Wed                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Lookout Mountain #2 (6812') and Sunset Peak (5796') -** Join us for two great peaks above Claremont. Total distance will be about 8 miles, and total gain will be around 3900 feet. First peak will be Lookout Mountain #2, which is best known for its use, in conjunction with Mount Wilson, in very precisely measuring the speed of light in 1926. Second peak will be Sunset Peak, which provides a vista that includes Lookout Mountain #2, Mount Baldy, Thunder Mountain, Sugarloaf Peak and others as well as a nice view of the setting sun. Bring lugsoles, sunblock, hat, lunch, snacks, layers and beverage. Email leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, MAY TANG, JEFF BUCHHOLZ, JEFF HENSON*

**Nov 10 – 12                      Fri – Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: CAR CAMP, TRAIL MAINTENANCE AND HIKE TO BIG THREE: McKinley Mountain (6200'+),**

**San Rafael Mountain (6593'), Santa Cruz Peak (5570') -** Three-day, two-night car camp in Santa Barbara County. We will mix together two days of hiking with one day of trail maintenance with the assistance of a representative of the Los Padres Forest Association (LPFA), which for 36 years has worked to support the mission of the Los Padres National Forest. Trail maintenance will be done on the San Rafael Mountain Trail. This will be the first time that the HPS has provided trail maintenance for the Big Three under the LPFA's Adopt-a-Trail Program. (Hundred Peaks Section has provided trail maintenance for four-years). Hiking will be mostly on dirt road and use trail, but there will be some steep cross-country as well. High-clearance 4X4 vehicles required. Total hike statistics for the three days: about 17 miles and around 5300' gain. [Note: hike statistics for the Big Three without car camping are 33 miles with 8600' gain]. Contact leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON HPS Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, PAT ARREDONDO, BRUCE CRAIG*

**Nov 12                      Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Martinez Mountain (6560'+)** - Experience the beauty of the Santa Rosa Wilderness and desert terrain as we climb a peak that is on the HPS and DPS lists. We'll follow the Cactus Spring Trail, past Horsethief Creek, and leave it to go cross-country, accompanied by impressive views of Toro, Rabbit, pretty La Quinta Cove, and the expansive Coachella Valley. This strenuous 18 miles, 4300' gain hike is not for beginners. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch, hat and headlamp. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK*

**Nov 14                      Tue                      Hundred Peaks**

**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. All are welcome to join us and opportunities to become involved are available. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm via conference call. To receive access information to join in on the conference call, to have items added to the agenda, or to volunteer, please contact the *HPS Chair: COBY KING*

**Nov 15                      Wed                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Rabbit Peak #1 (5307'), Granite Mountain #1 (6600'), Round Top Mountain (6316') and Iron Mountain #3 (5040')** - Join us for a strenuous but satisfying loop hike up and down the steep ridges of the "Little Four". Total distance 11 miles with 4200' of gain at a moderate pace. Bring lugsoles, layers, liquids, lunch, lid, and sunblock. For trip details contact: *Leader JIM HAGAR Jim Hagar* [jhagar1@gmail.com](mailto:jhagar1@gmail.com) *Co-leaders BILL & VIRGINIA SIMPSON, MIKE DILLENBACK, JEFF BUCHHOLZ, JEFF HENSON*

**Nov 18 – 19                      Sat – Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Rabbit Peak #2 (6640') and Villager Peak (5756')** - Strenuous overnight backpack to one of SoCal's toughest, most remote peaks. Total distance of 22 miles with ~8600' elevation gain (mostly cross-country) over two days. Not suitable for beginners. Basic backpacking gear (tent, sleeping bag, etc) required. Excessive heat or thunderstorm activity cancels. Contact leader for details [ryan.b.lynch@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.b.lynch@gmail.com). *Leader: RYAN B. LYNCH Co-Leader: MIKE DILLENBACK*

**Nov 18                      Sat                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Indian Cove Navigation Noodle:** Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday checkout. Send email/sase, contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS

**Nov 19 Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Santa Cruz Peak (5570')** - Journey into the remote and wild beauty of Santa Barbara County near Lake Cachuma and the Canada de Santa Cruz ("Holy Cross" canyon). Hiking mostly fireroad and good trail, with a cross-country scramble near the summit, we'll be treated to views of the beautiful canyons and mountains surrounding our 27 mile and 7100' gain route (4800' out plus 2300' on return). Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK



**Nov 19                      Sun                      LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks**

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**Dec 9                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**2017 HPS Holiday Hooplah** - Welcome in the Holidays with a fun and festive weekend filled with outstanding peak bagging and an evening of partying in Joshua Tree National Park. Camp at the group campsite (Dry camp, pit toilets) we've reserved at Sheep Pass Campground for Friday and Saturday nights, or stay in one of many motels in nearby towns of Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley, CA. Wherever you stay, everyone is welcome to join us for a hearty Happy Hour and Potluck, along with lots of socializing and serious relaxing around a roaring campfire beneath a waxing gibbous-lit night sky. Check the HPS website, the Lookout, or the Angeles Chapter Outings website for scheduled Holiday Hooplah hikes, and contact hike leaders directly for information on specific hikes. HPS requests a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) per night to help with the campground fees. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, so be sure to email the *HPS Programs Chair MIKE DILLENBACK* at [dillyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:dillyhouse@earthlink.net) early to assure your spot!

**Dec 9                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Mt. Mel (3814'), Keys Peak (4483')** - Join us for a day to hike these two Lower Peaks. Located in Joshua Tree National Monument, 6 mi SW of Twentynine Palms, both of these peaks involve some class 2-3 rock scrambling. Hike is mostly trail with some short cross country. Estimate 10 miles round trip, 2000' gain, 6-7 hours of hiking. This LPC Outing is co-sponsored by HPS. After the hike join us for the HPS Holiday Hooplah at the Sheep Pass Campground. Contact Mike Dillenback ([dillyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:dillyhouse@earthlink.net)) for details. Slow to moderate pace. Bring food, water and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details: *DAVE COMERZAN, GINNY HERINGER.*

**Dec 9                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**'HOLIDAY HOOPLA' I: Bernard Peak (5430'), Little Berdoo Peak (5440')** - To begin the HOLIDAY HOOPLA weekend, join us for a favorite hike to Bernard and Little Berdoo in Joshua Tree National Park on day one of this two-day event. Totals for the day will be 6.5 miles round trip with around 1800' of gain. The hike to these two peaks will be entirely off trail. High-clearance vehicles required. Park entry fee. Camp at the group campsite (dry camp, pit toilets) we've reserved at Sheep Pass Campground for Friday and Saturday nights, or stay in one of many motels in nearby towns of Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley. HPS requests a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) per night to help with the campground fees. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, so be sure to email the HPS Programs Chair Mike Dillenback at [dillyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:dillyhouse@earthlink.net) early to assure your spot! Wherever you stay, everyone is welcome to join us Saturday evening for a hearty Happy Hour and Potluck, along with lots of socializing and serious relaxing around a roaring campfire beneath a waxing gibbous-lit night sky. Bring food, water, lugsoles, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON, JEFF HENSON

**Dec 9                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks, Desert Peaks**

**I/M: Twentynine Palms Mtn (4560') and Joshua Mtn (3680')** - These peaks may not be on the HPS list, but they are listed in Andy Zdon's Desert Summits guidebook. Meet in the town of Twentynine Palms. We'll drive to the trailhead for Twentynine Palms Mtn first, combining into 4WD vehicles as needed. Five miles round trip and 2200 feet gain on dirt roads and cross-country terrain. We'll then drive back north several miles to Hwy 62 and park near the base of the Joshua Mtn. Three miles round trip and 1200 feet gain. Expect some rock scrambling, potentially class 3, to gain the summit. Participants will need helmets for Joshua Mtn. *Leaders: DARYN DODGE Daryn Dodge (leader) and KATHY RICH (co-leader).* Contact Daryn Dodge at [daryn.dodge@oeeha.ca.gov](mailto:daryn.dodge@oeeha.ca.gov) for more details.

**Dec 9                      Sat                      Hundred Peaks**

**I: Eureka Peak (5518'), Queen Mountain (5680'+)** - Join us for the first day of the HPS Holiday Hooplah in the beautiful desert marvel of Joshua Tree National Park. Straddling the transition zone from the Colorado Desert to the Mojave Desert, this crossroads creates surreal geologic landscapes with unique fauna and flora, including its namesake; and a variety of beautiful vistas. Taking a drive and short walk to the recently reinstated Eureka Peak, we'll see the profiles of Antsell, Pine, Ken, Toro, Martinez, Big Rabbit and more as our gaze extends east of San Jacinto. Queen, where spiny desert plants line a rocky cross-country route of 6 miles rt and 1200' gain, will offer its own expansive views from an impressive summit block. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK

**Dec 10                      Sun                      Hundred Peaks**

**'HOLIDAY HOOPLA' I: Quail Mountain (5800'+) and Mount Minerva Hoyt**

**(5405')** - Join us on day two of the two-day Holiday Hoopla for a hike to two special peaks in beautiful Joshua Tree National Park. Mt. Minerva Hoyt is named for a woman who was instrumental in making the Park what it is today, and Quail Mountain is the highest point in the Park. Enjoy spectacular desert views and cross-country desert hiking. The total hike will be about 11 miles with around 2,400' of gain. Park entry fee. If you will be joining Saturday too, camp at the group campsite (dry camp, pit toilets) we've reserved at Sheep Pass Campground for Friday and Saturday nights, or stay in one of many motels in nearby towns of Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley. HPS requests a fee of \$5 per person (\$10 per family) per night to help with the campground fees. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis, so be sure to email the HPS Programs Chair Mike Dillenback at [dillyhouse@earthlink.net](mailto:dillyhouse@earthlink.net) early to assure your spot! Wherever you stay, everyone is welcome to join us Saturday evening for a hearty Happy Hour and Potluck, along with lots of socializing and serious relaxing around a roaring campfire beneath a waxing gibbous-lit night sky. Please bring water, lugsoles, layers, lunch, snacks, sunblock and hat. Contact Leader for details. Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leaders: VIRGINIA SIMPSON

**Dec 10 Sun    Hundred Peaks**

**I: Monument Mountain (4834'), Mastodon Peak (3371')** - Join us for a second day of hiking in the Joshua Tree National Park. These are two separate hikes. Monument is all cross country with a steep unavoidable scramble that leads up the rocky cone to the summit. A high clearance vehicle is required to get to the trail head. Estimate 6 miles round trip, 1600' gain, 4-5 hours of hiking. Mastodon is a much more leisurely hike on trail to this popular spot behind the Cottonwood Springs Visitor Center. Splendid views of the southern Joshua Tree Area. This Lower Peaks Committee outing is co-sponsored by HPS. For the hikes, bring food, water, and 10 essentials. Contact leaders for details: DAVE COMERZAN, PAT ARREDONDO

**Dec 10**

**Sun**

**Hundred Peaks**

**O: Meeks Mtn (6277'), Bighorn Mtns (5894')** - Join us for Day 2 of the HPS Holiday Hooplah and experience the sense of exploration as we venture into this seemingly inaccessible and wild remote area. Shouldered by the grand San Bernardino Mountains on one side, and the vast high desert on the other, this was once the realm of large bands of mountain sheep and home to one S.H.Meek, a locally famous 1880's desperado. Two separate hikes, the hike to Meeks is 4 miles rt and 1000' gain; Bighorn Mtns is 6 miles rt and 1100' gain. Group size limited by number of 4x4 vehicles. Hike-experienced dogs with well-behaved owners welcome. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact [peterdoggett@aol.com](mailto:peterdoggett@aol.com) for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK*

**Dec 10**

**Sun**

**LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks**

**I: Navigation: Warren Point Navigation Noodle:** Navigation noodle at Joshua Tree National Park for either checkoff or practice to satisfy the basic (I/M) level or Advanced (E) level navigation requirements. To participate, send email with contact info, navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

**Jan 13**


**Sat**

**Hundred Peaks**

**2018 HPS Awards Banquet** - Mark your Calendars!! This year's Awards Banquet will be held at the Monrovia Family Restaurant in Monrovia, CA. Our Speaker this year will be Shawnte Salabert. Check back soon as more details will be provided.


You are cordially invited to the  
**Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet**  
- Saturday January 13, 2018 -

**The Monrovia Restaurant**  
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 Shawnte Salabert will be presenting:  
**"Four Seasons on the Pacific Crest Trail"**

Outdoor writer Shawnte Salabert spent two years researching, hiking, and photographing the first 942.5 miles of the famed Pacific Crest Trail for her book "Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail: Southern California", released November 2017 via Mountaineers Books. During her explorations, Shawnte experienced (and documented) the trail's changing temperament from season to season, sweating through the waterless San Felipe Hills, blowing around ubiquitous Mojave wind farms, and postholing during early season jaunts in the Sierra.

Her slide show presentation will serve as a virtual tour of the Southern and Central California PCT, offering a sneak peek at the history, culture, and aesthetics that make this one of the most famous footpaths in the world. Copies of Her book "Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail: Southern California" will be available for purchase during the event, and Shawnte will offer a book signing. For more information on Shawnte and her writing, visit [shawntesalabert.com](http://shawntesalabert.com).



Social Hour and Author Book Signing Begins at 5:00 pm - Dinner Begins at 6:15 pm  
Silent Auction of Donated Items - HPS Merchandise Available for purchase

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) at the HPS Annual Awards Banquet on January 13, 2018

Guest Name (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name (2) \_\_\_\_\_

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Enclosed is a check for \_\_\_\_\_ (\$49 per person, if received by 1/2/18, \$54 thereafter)

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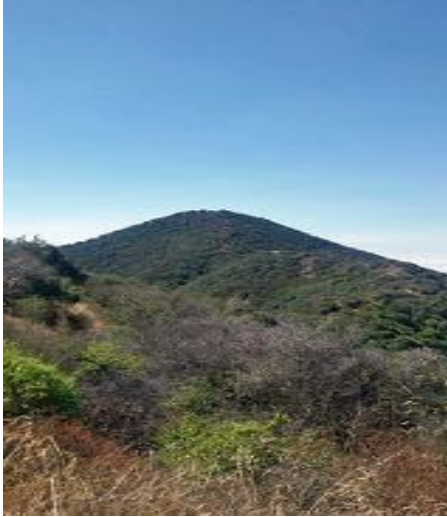


## Lower Peaks Corner

### Montecito Peak 3214'

9-06-2017

By Patrick E. Vaughn



This was a private hike to a lower peak and several peak-bagger bumps in Santa Barbara County. We took the shorter route along the Cold Spring Trail from the East which starts at Cold Spring Saddle off of Camino Cielo Road. Joining me on this hike were Bruce Craig and Eduardo Rodriquez. My primary goal was Montecito Peak and finish the Lower Peaks, LPC List. My first Lower Peak had been Mission Point on 9-29-2004. Way back then I set out to complete this list and 13 years later, mission accomplished. However, on this day, I had no feelings of adulation. Just like when I completed my 3rd HPS List last year, I was numb and felt nothing upon finishing this list. Just glad it was over. Maybe because it was a long hard haul or I have burned-out chasing lists.

Driving Instruction from Lower Peaks Guide:

"Exit US 101 at Mission in Santa Barbara. Turn right and go north towards the mountains 0.8 mile. Turn left on Laguna toward Santa Barbara Mission and right on Los Olivos around the Mission (0.2 miles). Turn right on Mountain Drive. Follow Mountain Drive 1.3 miles to a stop sign at the big white covered reservoir. Turn left on Mountain Dr. 0.2 mile and quickly right on Gibraltar Road. Note the big wooden sign at the intersection pointing up Gibraltar. Follow narrow, winding Gibraltar Road steeply uphill 6.3 miles nearly to the crest of the mountains. Turn right on Camino Cielo (5N12; large sign pointing toward the "Divide Peak OHV") and drive 3.5 miles along the crest to a wide parking area with a water tank where Cold Spring Trail crosses Camino Cielo. There is plenty of parking. Turning left (W) at the Gibraltar Road intersection the paved ridge road continues to San Marcos pass, Hwy. 154".

After summiting and returning to the truck we picked up several peak-bagger bumps including La Cumbre Peak, peak 3861 and Gibraltar Rock before heading back to Los Angeles. I have met a lot of wonderful folks along the way and look forward to more hikes with many of them to peaks in Southern California.



### Monument Hill

9-23-17

Mark S. Allen



In October, I attended the Lower Peaks Committee Meeting to witness the addition of Monument Hill to the Lower Peaks, LPC List. Famous for its Vernal Pools and wild flowers, The Santa Rosa Plateau is a Riverside County Park, posted no dogs, and a fee of \$4 is charged at the Visitors' Center. I literally stopped by for this hike on the way to the HPS Fall Festival at Hurkey Creek, also a Riverside County Park.

Hiking instructions on this day were provided at the Visitors Center. Walking over trails of the original Vail Ranch, first settlers to the area, I found this a good little training hike after years of computer lethargy. It was a 2.5 mile (one way) hike to the peak with negligible gain. I did not find a register can but notice the marker labeled "Vail." Behind the Preserve is the El Toro Marine Air Station with a Vintage Air Show in the air on this day. This was a pleasurable hike offering great views all around.

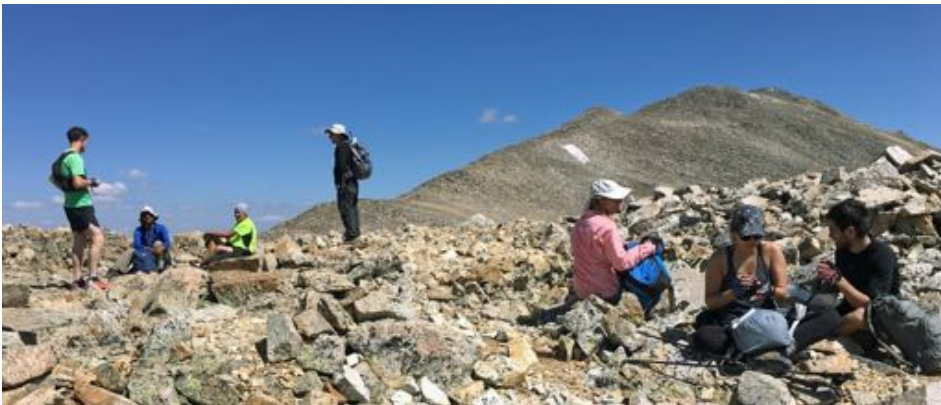
# Milestones



**Half Dome, 9-27-17.** Bill and Virginia Simpson relaxing on the summit.



**Tahquitz Peak Lookout 9-4-17.** Coby King, HPS Chair, 200th Hundred Peaks Section summit.



**9-2-17** On La Plata Peak, Colorado's 5th highest 14er, resting before taking on the heavily talused summit, L-R, are a trail-runner and Naresh Satyan, Peter Doggett, Gary Rice, Miriam Khamis, Miriam's daughter Nadia and her boyfriend. (by Ignacia Doggett)



**Telescope Peak, Death Valley 10-16-17.** Justin Bruno, Stephen Byrne, Susan Kang, Peter and Ignacia Doggett, Jinoak Chung, Naresh Salyan, David Feilder, Andrew Manao, Ted Lubeshkoff Ryan B. Lynch, Mike Manning.



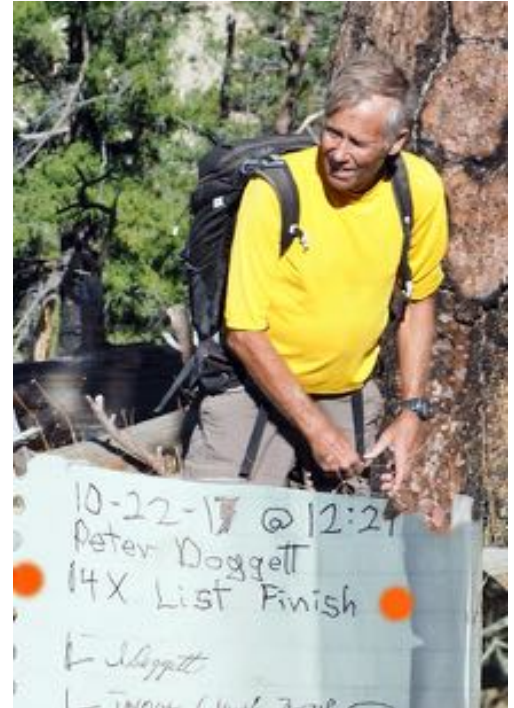
**Cuyamaca 100K Endurance Run, 10-7-17.** Jesse Glick, pictured above at mile 23rd in the course.



# Milestones



On the second day of the Fall Festival, Robert Luher reached his 100th HPS peak on Ken Point. L-R, standing, are Susan Kang, Gary Bowen, Kendra Heinecke, Coby King, Robert Luher, Illwoo Suh and William Chen; sitting, are Jackson Hsu, Peter & Ignacia Doggett, Becky Mandich (photo by Jinoak Chung)



Congratulations to Peter Doggett who earned the Fourteenth List Completion #2 on White Mtn. #2 on October 22nd! (Quote: Michael McCarty)





# HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Sept-Oct 2017 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair

## New Members

Kate Ledesma  
Lisa Lee  
Allan Shipley

## DONATIONS:

Suzy Hermann - \$1  
Gloria Miladin - \$10

234 Members  
30 Household  
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**282 Total Members**

## New Subscribers

Jeffrey Henson

## 200 Peaks Emblems

#494 - Coby King - Tahquitz Peak - 9/4/2017  
#495 - Ken Rose - San Emigdio Mountain - 6/14/2012

## First Leadership List Completion

#22 - Jimmy Quan - Waterman Mountain - 7/29/2017

## First List Completion

#320 - Ken Rose - Cobblestone Mountain - 10/22/2017

## Fourth List Completion

#22 - Bruce Craig - San Rafael Mountain - 9/22/2017

## Fourteenth List Completion

#2 - Peter Doggett - White Mountain #2 - 10/22/2017

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If you wish to become a member, please include a list of 25 peaks from the HPS List that you have hiked, with the month and year of each peak completion. There are no prerequisites to become a subscriber. No extra charge for additional members at the same address.

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Photo by Eric Chu



**Mt. Baldy 9-21-17,** Above: Bill Simpson, Virginia Simpson, Larry Pond . Pictured right with: Sidhar Hello. Photos: Sidhar Hello.



**2. Mt San Jacinto with Jeff, Ron, Larry, Stef, Ross, Rich Gillock, and Amy.** As the sun set, it got very cold in camp (low 30's dropping to 25 F overnight). Happy Hour was abbreviated with most people soon taking shelter in their tents from the light wind.



**Iron Mountain, 10-22-17.** Bill Simpson and Virginia Simpson, Jimmy Quan, Jerry Grenard, Mike Dillenback and Jeff Henson. Participants: Larry Pond, Marie Standing, Amy Huang, Stephen McDonnell, Tay Lee, Gwyn Frost, Shana Rapaport, Nahid Shirazi, Matthew Lax, Karen McCartney, Andrew Manalo, Kimi Chang, Minwon Wan, Jingjing Cheng, Swee Chin, Mary Varalyay, Rob Williams, Mike Petrella



**Galena's summit,** after a perilous headwall ascent, standing L-R: Jorge Estrada, Sunny Yi, Jay Dolan, Gwyn, Kendra Heinecke, Stephen Bryne, Shelby, Diana Estrada, Younghwan Lee, John Radalj; sitting, Ignacia & Peter Doggett, Eric Chu, Eliza, Illwoo Suh, Jason Park (photo by Jinoak Chung 9-17-17)



# Summits

Photo by Eric Chu



Cobblestone, Jin Oak Chung, Ignacia Doggett, Naresh Satyan; Rich Gillock, Paul Suh.



Tehachapi Mountain - Sunday 10/22/2017: Mat Kelliher Lead Back row; Mat Kelliher, Amy Huang, Young Lee, George White, Tim Rosnick, William Chen Front row: David Han, Bruce Craig (with Piquita), Susan Kang, Tanya Roton, Patrick Vaughn, Jeff Buchholz



Coby King on Fox Mtn.#1, 0-29-17. Photo: Mihai Giurgulescu.



Celebrating Cactus to Clouds success. On the summit boulder, L-R, Naresh Satyan, Sunny Yi, Kendra Heinecke, Fiona McGinty & Ryan Lynch; surrounding the sign, clockwise, Ignacia Doggett, Mike Manning, Andrew Manalo, Charles Corbett, Casey Sakamoto and James Pike.





## Wright Mountain 9-18-17

By Jesse Glick



I needed reinforcements for the next summit attempt. I had just missed the summit by a few feet, I simply could not find the register! Upset and defeated I decided to call it a day, and descended the Acorn Trail without my peak, Wright Mountain 8505'. On the way down the majestic tree lined canyon trail towards Wrightwood I looked up and said a-loud "I'll be back Wright Mountain!!!", The line had been drawn... I would not accept defeat.

There was one person I knew who could help in this navigation dilemma, HPS Member William Chen. He was eager to make the peak as well so we decided to give it a go one sunny Sunday September Morning. Although I enjoy the solitude and peace of hiking alone; hiking with someone else is often advantageous when it comes to problem solving. In this case navigation was better with two heads than with just one. William is an expert hiker with patience and persistence, two qualities we would need to make the peak.

The hike began with a steep 2000' climb to the PCT from Wrightwood. (This is also the first leg of the notoriously challenging AC100 Endurance Run that commences each August. At last, after the tough climb we were at the top of the ridge, on the PCT - where William took over leading us the final stretch to the summit. I don't know what map or route he was following on his beautiful GPS device... but we made it to the summit register, in one piece.

The lesson from hiking Wright Mountain is that the Peak is just the bonus, I am really happy that I got a second chance to get out on the Acorn Trail. You never know when you'll be able to get back out there again, so it is always important to just enjoy the little moments, with or without peaks.



New Moon over Fall Festival Campfire, 9-23-17

## Tahquitz Loop Hike

9-23-2017

By Larry Edmonds

It all started in 2003 when Ed Legerton retired from BAE Systems. He had been leading the "Hike Of The Month" for the BAE Adventure club. He asked me to take over; I accepted and have never regretted it.

Hikers are just good people and I have made many good friends. Two of those friends, John Strauch and Terry Flood introduced me to the HPS, DPS, SPS and etc. lists. Thanks to them I'm now a peakaholic. The September Hike of the Month was a loop hike over Tahquitz Peak. Joining me on this adventure was Neal Matthys, Mark Sutton, Leslie Williams and Shelley Rogers.

We met at the trail head at 8:00 AM to temperatures in the mid-thirties and it never got over the mid-sixties throughout the day. We hiked up the South Ridge Trail to Tahquitz Peak. After enjoying the views and having lunch we descended via the PCT to Saddle Junction where we picked up the Devils Slide Trail down to Humber Park. There were more hikers on the Devils Slide Trail than I have ever encountered.

From Humber Park we took the Ernie Maxwell trail back to our vehicles. This is my favorite way to visit Tahquitz. It is a very nice loop of about 12 miles with about 3300 ft. of elevation gain. On the way up the South Ridge Trail Shelley and I left the trail at the first major switch back to visit South Ridge Peak while the others continued on up to Tahquitz where we would meet them. South Ridge is a point listed on Peakbagger.com. It involved a very fun class-3 scramble to get atop the impressive summit block. Some might call it class 4 due to the exposure. South Ridge Peak adds about ½ mile and two hundred feet to the loop.

This was a very fun day with good friends.



Neal, Mark and Leslie at Tahquitz Peak



## Anderson and Shields Peaks 9-16-17 By William Chen



San Gorgonio Mountain, the highest peak in Southern California, is the high point of a massive series of high ridges. One of these ridges is the sprawling massif of San Bernardino Mountain. One may guess that the highest point of this mountain is San Bernardino Peak, but in fact the summit is that of Anderson Peak. Just below Anderson Peak is the rocky and slightly shorter Shields Peak.

Looking for a hike in the local mountains, I chanced upon an official Sierra Club Hundred Peaks Section outing for these two peaks and signed up. This trip was led by Mat Kelliher, Bill Simpson, and Mike Dillenback. Wasting no time, I met Bill Simpson and some others at the Pomona Fairplex Park-and-Ride (more on this park-and-ride later) before dawn and proceeded to the Mill Creek Visitor Center, where we met some more participants. We then proceeded to the Forsee Creek Trailhead, and then head up the trail. The trail was beautiful, full of enchanting pines and stunning views of Bar-ton Flats and the upper Santa Ana River Valley. Some of the granite walls we could see peeking through the pines re-sembled a scene out of Yosemite.

We gained elevation quickly, eventually hitting the turn off to Jackstraw Camp, where we took a long break. After the break we continued for a short distance to a section where we had to hop over a log. Unfortunately one of the other participants, Lisa, twisted her ankle while negotiating this log. Our leaders evaluated Lisa's situation and it was decided that the whole group would head down, giving Lisa support along the way. We head down about 0.25 mile before Lisa started feeling better and took some bigger steps. After some more discussion, several people (including leaders Bill Simpson and Jeff Buchholz) decided to go down with Lisa while the rest of the group would go up and get the summits. Our appreciation for the compassion of those who safely brought Lisa down to the trailhead cannot be overstated.

From Jackstraw Camp, the group continued on the trail up to Anderson Flat. Here is a junction with the San Bernardino Peak Divide Trail, a lengthy trail that spans the length of the ridge that is San Bernardino Mountain. From Anderson Flat, we proceeded cross-country to Anderson Peak (10,840 ft). This was apparently a very popular peak as we were one of three groups on the summit, one of the others being a pair of hikers who were involved with the Desert Peaks Section. We spent some time on this chilly summit eating our lunch and chatting.

Soon we were off the summit and on the trail again. We followed the Divide Trail for a short distance, before we scram-bled up to Shields Peak. This is a very unique peak, with scenery and hiking not unfamiliar to those who spend a lot of time in the High Sierra. After finding our way through piles of talus, we were on top of Shields Peak. This peak had argu-ably the best views of the entire hike. To the north, clockwise from the west, we could see the symmetrical pyramid that is Anderson Peak, the long valley of the Santa Ana River, Big Bear Lake, Sugarloaf Mountain, and finally San Gorgo-nio Mountain. The views to the south were somewhat obscured by clouds, but we did catch a glimpse of Little San Gor-gonio Mountain.

After a short time at the summit, we headed down towards the trailhead. By this time, it was getting late and we anticipated coming down in the dark. We were soon at Anderson Flat again, and from there (to quote Mat Kelliher) we "dropped like a rock". All the participants were back at the trailhead by 7:00, so we were able to beat dusk. Along the way, we saw that the log that took down Lisa had been demolished by a trail crew; if only they had showed up earlier...

As Bill Simpson had helped take Lisa down earlier, Mat drove me and another participant, George White, back to Pomona. At the park-and-ride, we came upon a concerning scene. It appeared that a truck parked near our vehicles had been broken into. There was broken glass strewn near the base of the truck and some of the contents of the truck had been thrown out. Some of these items had been thrown to near George's minivan. Luckily, as far as I know, none of our cars had been subjected to a break-in. It is my opinion that this park-and-ride is not safe for anyone leaving their cars there; I've heard other stories of incidents happening at this lot. Hopefully an alternative rideshare location can be found nearby.

I can't complaint about the hike though, and I doubt anyone else could either. It was a great day in our beautiful mountains, who could ask for anything more? Thank you to leaders Mat, Bill, and Mike for leading this wonderful experience.



## Lily Rock and Tahquitz Peak

9-23-17

By William Chen



Dry prickly chaparral, dusty trail on crumbling granite - these are the scenes we have become so used to when hiking in Southern California. We go into higher elevations to escape this monotonous landscape and the torrid summer heat that comes with it. There is perhaps no better place to experience this escape than the high San Jacinto Mountains. Anchored by Mount San Jacinto - the most topographically prominent peak in Southern California - this range boasts lush creeks, idyllic forests, and stunning granite slabs. Boasting all of these features, Lily Rock is the undisputed crown princess of the San Jacintos. Its west face, borne from pure granite, towers above Humber Park. It's a scene unrivaled except, perhaps, by the granite guardians of Yosemite Valley. With our trusty friends Peter and Ignacia Doggett leading the way, our group of a dozen or so hikers set out to uncover the secrets of this magnificent monolith. Along the way, we would discover a unique and magnificent landmark - the Worm Hole.

This moderate-to-strenuous hike begins at Humber Park. It's not easy to find this trailhead, as it's tucked away in the tiny community of Fern Valley above Idyllwild. We started up the mountain immediately, following an unnamed fork of Strawberry Creek, initially heading in a northeasterly direction (HPS Route 3). The little brook was still flowing, no doubt a consequence of the great snowfall that prevailed during the previous winter. We were surrounded by an exuberance of pines, oaks, and sycamores.

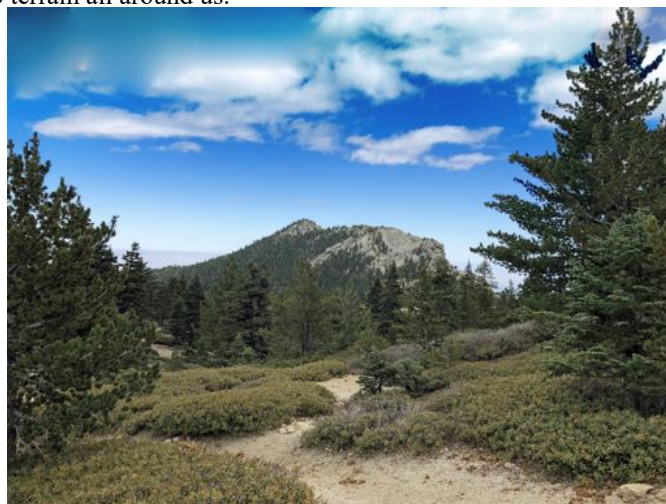
After this delightful section, we started climbing - and climb we did. Staying on solid class 2 terrain at all times, we scrambled up some of the steepest gullies imaginable. A grand pine forest provided the perfect setting to our adventure. Jeffery Pines, Incense-Cedars, and Lodgepole Pines kept watch over us as we negotiated the steep slopes.

Eventually, we popped up onto a saddle, the key col between Lily Rock and Tahquitz Peak. Here we took a short break before making our final strides towards the summit. The last stretch to the top of Lily Rock was short and rocky. Eventually we reached the technical crux of the whole hike; a bouldery section which some people may have difficulty with. I wouldn't say there's anything more than class 2, but there is some minor exposure involved that made some of us nervous. Some of this scrambling can be avoided by going through a hidden treat - the Worm Hole.

The Worm Hole, which caught the attention of Peter Doggett some years ago, is a narrow squeeze chimney; basically a small cave with a narrow opening on top. While the surrounding rocks provide routes with 5-6 feet of exposure, the Worm Hole is only 6-7 feet tall and has only 1-2 feet of exposure - hardly dangerous or nerve-racking. The catch is that you have to cram your body out of a 9 inch wide hole. One-by-one, we popped out of this little cave like a jack-in-the-box. Once everyone was through, we ran up to the top and put Lily Rock in the bag. The summit area was flat and broad, very different from the steep terrain all around us.



Susan Chang looks down from atop the Lily Rock Worm Hole.





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## HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION

# ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOOPLAH

DECEMBER 9TH & 10TH 2017

SHEEP'S PASS CAMPGROUND

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ANGELES CHAPTER

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**I: Five 10K Peaks; San Jacinto (10,804), Folly (10,480), Jean (10,420), Newton Drury (10,160), and Marion (10,362)**

**Leader: Rich Gillock  
Asst Leader: Ron Campbell  
9-23-24, 2017**

This was an I-Provisional backpack outing from Marion Mountain Campground to Little Round Valley Campground in the San Jacinto Wilderness area. We spent Friday night at the Marion Mountain Campground after most of us went into Idyllwild for dinner and Karaoke at The Lumber Mill Restaurant. It was already getting too cold to hang out in camp.

Saturday morning we were up at 6 am, packed up, moved the cars to the trailhead, signed in, had our trailhead talk and were underway just after 8 am. We followed the Marion Mountain Trail to the Deer Springs Trail, sharing part of our route with the Pacific Crest Trail. Our trip to Little Round Valley, approximately 4.5 miles, took nearly 5 hours, including a stop about a half mile from camp where we got fresh water.



Pictured above: Ross Doering, Larry Pond, Stef Mahan, Amy Huang, Jeff Sloan, and Ron Campbell.

After lunch in camp we grabbed our summit packs and headed up the Deer Springs Trail to Mt. San Jacinto. The group had slowed down after backpacking up 3400 feet to the campground, so we decided to forego Folly Peak as a goal. After photos at Mt. San Jacinto, we headed back to camp arriving around 5:30 pm. As the sun set, it got very cold in camp (low 30's dropping to 25 F overnight). Happy Hour was abbreviated with most people taking shelter in their tents from the light wind.

Sunday morning we were up at 6 am again and on the trail before 7:30. We ascended Newton Drury in under a half hour and enjoyed both the view and the early sunrise casting some warmth our way.

Clothing layers began to come off as we headed cross country to Marion Mountain. A new peak registry has appeared this summer. Now we headed off for the hard stuff. We crossed the saddle and headed up Shirley Peak (10,388 on the topo map) and lost some time fighting through chinquapin to get there.

At this point, we looked at the time and at Jean Peak we decided to take an un planned route from the saddle back to Little Round Valley.

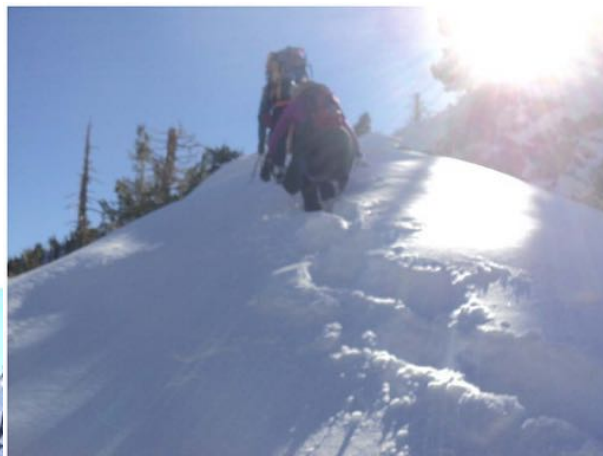
We arrived back at camp around 2 pm, an hour behind our plan. We had lunch, packed up, and hit the trail just after 3 pm. We arrived back at Marion Mountain Campground at 6:30 pm and dropped our packs. The drivers hiked to the cars and came back for everyone. We were on the road down the mountain a little after 7 pm, and rendezvoused at Tacos and Beer in Beaumont. Food was great and we had an excellent post excursion finish.





Galena through the years.....9/29/04 through 11/22/11

Article by Suzy Hermann



Or, how did the following petition get scrapped?

*Thurs. Sept. 15.2011*

*Due to recent storms, an otherwise thoroughly enjoyable hike has become a life-threatening outing. Over the past several years through the natural process of erosion, the Galena headwall has deteriorated to the point of disintegration placing hiker's lives in a perilous situation. Therefore, we the undersigned ask that Galena be suspended until a safer route can be established.*

On Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004 I nearly missed being smashed by a bowling ball sized rock tumbling down the headwall of Galena. But we persevered, as have many hundreds of hikers dodging flying tumbling rocks, and made it to the summit of Galena and back down safely.

On my 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt trying to keep up with a faster group through the boulders of Mill Creek, I found myself exhausted just short of the headwall. I stopped to grab a bite and guzzle some water while the group made enough headway that I would be unable to catch up, so Tom Hill and I took refuge behind some very large boulders to await the return of the group, as we witnessed some of the hikers striking out up through the headwall dislodging many boulders to come careening like balls in a pinball machine downward toward the rest of the hikers below. Definitely not where I wanted to be on that day.

On my 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt I just decided that there was an area on that headwall that I would find problematic on the descent so I opted to pass on Galena that day as well. Thus, came about my plan to have Galena suspended until a safer route could be established. The entire hike of Galena has a marvelous, though dangerous history and is so enjoyable when climbed in an orderly fashion. Thus, the petition did not garner much support, not even from me.

Attempt #4 (Nov 22, 2011) turned out to be the most thoroughly and enjoyably the best hike of Galena ever possible...in the SNOW. Mars Bonfire led us at a very doable pace while breaking trail in the snow. The situation could prove to be an ankle breaker through the snowy, slippery conditions on the rocky and icy Mill Creek if not led carefully and professionally. Kahtoola Micro-Spikes were necessary from the moment we exited the vehicles in the very ICY lower parking lot.

The headwall was wet enough under the snow to enable a safe and secure purchase giving us a nifty scramble without dislodging any rocks. All of the participants made the summit and back to the vehicles by dark. Therefore, the petition took up residence in the shredder. Couldn't have asked for a more congenial group of Leaders and hikers. Leaders: Dave Comerzan and Mars Bonfire. Hikers: Suzy Hermann, Bob Stuard, Janice Boyd. Photos by George Christiansen





Natural Science Leaders, Ginny and Bill, and our two Leadership candidates, Jeff Buchholz and Larry Pond.



Back, L to R: Jeff Buchholz, Ivars Ozolins, Chris Feifer, Larry Pond, Jacques Monier, Ginny Heringer, Bill Simpson. Middle, L to R: Ivana Grahovac, Virginia Simpson, Tanya Roton, Maureen Conn, Mari Sakai, May Tang. Front, L to R: Stella Cheung, Teresa Van

## Natural Science Section

### Tree Hike to Mount Baden-Powell

By Ginny Heringer

On Sunday, October 28, Bill Simpson and I led a hike to Mount Baden-Powell, going up all the forty-one switchbacks to the top. The reason that we took the switchback trail was that we were looking at the trees as we went up, to see which trees grow at what elevation. The hike was planned to give Hundred Peaks Hikers the Environmental Awareness Credit that they need to become I-rated leaders.

John Robinson says, “the trip is a living demonstration of how the forest changes with altitude.” At the Vincent Gap trailhead at 6500 feet elevation, we found live oaks, Jeffrey pines, and white fir. As we ascended, the oaks disappeared, there were fewer Jeffreys, more white firs, and then sugar pines began to appear at about 7000 ft. At 7600 feet, we saw the first Lodgepole pines and also the bush chinquapins, an odd relative of the oaks that has little spiky balls. Inside there are edible nuts, if you have tough enough skin or a tool to pry them out.

At 8900 feet, we reached our goal, the limber pines that grow scattered on the ridge and on the summit, recognizable by their cones that stick out horizontally from the top branches. The oldest ones are estimated to be about 2000 years old.

Thanks to Bill for organizing this hike. We had a beautiful day and a great group of hikers!



# Hiking Photography

By Jin Oak Chung



Kendra Heinecke in route to Ken Point, Fall Festival



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Outdoor writer Shawnté Salabert spent two years researching, hiking, and photographing the first 942.5 miles of the famed Pacific Crest Trail for her book “Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail: Southern California”, released November 2017 via Mountaineers Books. During her explorations, Shawnté experienced (and documented) the trail’s changing temperament from season to season, sweating through the waterless San Felipe Hills, blowing a round ubiquitous Mojave wind farms, and postholing during early season jaunts in the Sierra.

Her slide show presentation will serve as a virtual tour of the Southern and Central California PCT, offering a sneak peek at the history, culture, and aesthetics that make this one of the most famous footpaths in the world. Copies of Her book “Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail: Southern California” will be available for purchase during the event, and Shawnté will offer a book signing. For more information on Shawnté and her writing, visit [shawntesalabert.com](http://shawntesalabert.com).

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