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You are cordially invited to the
Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet
- Saturday January 12, 2019 -
The Monrovia Restaurant
534 South Myrtle Avenue - Monrovia, CA. 91016 - 626.359.8364

**Come join us for an informative presentation
from guest speaker Bryan Conant,
the Executive Director of the Los Padres Forest
Association. He will be presenting on last years huge
Thomas Fire with the most recent information on
subsequent debris flows and their plans
for restoration of the Los Padres National
Forest roads, trails, etc.**



Please find Banquet Reservation form on Page 16

Letter From the Chair - November 2018

Greetings! I hope your summer and fall hiking seasons have been productive and enjoyable.

For those of you who receive The LOOKOUT electronically (the vast majority of our membership), by the time you read this letter you should have received an email with a link to our new electronic election system. As it turned out, this was a good election to test an electronic system, as the only item on the ballot is an election for four Management Committee positions. Since we have only four candidates, election is assured for each of the candidates.

Nonetheless, I hope you will take the time to open the email and vote using the system. Two reasons:

First, I'd like to know what you think of the system. Please give me feedback at cobyk@cobyking.com. Second, in lieu of the Annual Banquet Flyer that accompanies the printed ballot, the electronic ballot contains a link to an Eventbrite site where you can sign up for and pay for the 2019 Annual Banquet, which will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at The Monrovia Restaurant in Monrovia. There is also a link to a flyer that you can print, fill out and mail in with your check.

A note about the Annual Banquet. I know that the cost seems high to many of you. Every year your Management Committee looks at alternatives to The Monrovia, and every year (so far, at least), we conclude that the restaurant provides the right balance of service, quality of food, geographic centrality and reasonable cost that our members have come to expect. We try very hard to keep our price down and please understand that the Section seeks only to break even on the event.

Oktoberfest! As most of you know, our Fall Festival became the return of **HPS Oktoberfest** on Saturday, October 6th. Aimee Shocket did an amazing job lining up a selection of delicious local beers for us to sample and arranging for a set of cool Oktoberfest-themed limited edition clothing. I really enjoyed the event at Bandido Campground and I hope we continue this as a tradition.

Finally, just a quick reminder that our next event is the Holiday Hoopla, scheduled for December 15th at the Joshua Tree Lake Resort. Hope to see you there!

This is my last letter for 2018. I wish all of you a joyous and safe holiday season, and of course . . .

Happy Trails!

Coby King

2018 Chair

HPS Management Committee

2108 HPS Elections

'Tis the season for elections and holidays. Not only are there national, state, and local elections, there's also the 2018 HPS elections. Along with your preparations for Thanksgiving, and other holidays, don't forget to cast your vote for HPS Management Committee members; there are no proposals.

This year, 4 spots in the HPS Management Committee are up for election. The candidates are: Aimee Shocket, William Chen, Mark Allen, and Mike Dillenback. Candidate statements are included in this issue of the LOOKOUT. They will also appear in the paper ballot that is being sent to members who do not have an email account. It will be mailed 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 or at (818) 840-8748.

The paper 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. Only ballots received by the December 1 due date will be opened and counted by the Election Committee (Peter and Ignacia Doggett, at date of publication). Thank you to the Nominating Committee, chaired by Tanya Roton, for taking on the task of recruiting this year's candidates.

Finally, a thank you to our candidates. Their willingness to serve and help HPS continue in its service to members and nonmembers is greatly appreciated and essential to the vitality of the Hundred Peaks Section. --

Ignacia Doggett, Election Chair

Milestones



May 20, 2018. Peter Doggett completes 15th List on Black #2. LtoR: Charles Perry, William Chen, Peter Doggett, Jay Dolan, Illwoo Suh, Jackson Ssu, Robert Lee.



Bill Simpson completes ninth List Completion #6 and Fifth Leadership List Completion #4 on Pacifico Mountain on September 29th!



Jane Kim's first HPS Peak, 8-8-18, Wild View Peak.



Eric Chu earned the 200 Peaks Bar #501 on Cuyama Peak (LO) on October 14th!

2018 Hundred Peaks Section Election Candidates

Candidate Statement for Mark S. Allen

Please vote for me to continue serving on the HPS Management Committee. I have been involved with Hundred Peaks Section for many years as I continue the journey toward my 2X List finish. I have served as Secretary to the Management Committee since 2012. I have been Lookout Newsletter Editor since 2016. I have also been Banquet Silent Auctioneer for years. There are great things happening on the Management Committee as we work to increase membership and awareness of safety on the trails. All these tasks are hugely fulfilling. I ask you, the Hundred Peaks Section Membership to allow me to continue this Journey of service.

Candidate Statement for William Chen

I'm running for MCOMM because I believe that a stronger Hundred Peaks Section yields many benefits - HPS provides an outlet for us to explore, enjoy, and protect the planet. We need to build a strong and resilient HPS, one that can continue to last for generations. It is essential that we maintain and develop our many great traditions; the emblems, events, and sharing of mountain information that we all love. It's also important that we find ways to boost membership; I support increasing outreach, modernizing the website, and promoting an increase in the number and variety of outings that our section provides. Having bagged just over 150 peaks on the list, HPS has already provided me so much joy and perspective - and I strive to give back. I've written articles for The Lookout and helped out with the section Elections Committee. I ask humbly for your vote, and I pledge to serve on MCOMM with competence and integrity.

Candidate Statement of Michael Dillenback

Wow, it has been almost 2 years since I was voted into the HPS Management Committee. Time sure flies. I have been the Programs Chair for the duration. With the help of Aimee Shocket, Mat Kelliher and others, I have planned the Spring Fling, Watermans Rendezvous, Fall Festival (now the Oktoberfest), The Holiday Hoopla and the HPS Awards Banquet. Doing this work has been a challenge and also a learning experience. I hope that you have enjoyed these events as much as I have. I have also been leading or co-leading many HPS hikes and am very close to completing the HPS list. Please vote for me! I would like to be on the HPS Board for another two year term. Thanks, Mike Dillenback.

Candidate Statement of Aimee Shocket

Hello everyone, my name is Aimee Shocket and I would love your vote for another amazing term on the HPS Management Committee. I look forward to planning our fun events alongside Mike Dillenback as your Co-Programs chair as well as bringing you new and updated methods of outreach to continue the growth of our section. Thank you so much for your support!

Summits

Photo by Eric Chu



Pacifico Mountain



The Big 3



Naresh Satyan

Ross Mountain



Occidental Peak

2018 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

(Expiration of Term)

Elected Members:

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Hundred Peaks Section
MCOMM Teleconference
July 10, 2018

- Coby King - Chair
 - Aimee Shocket – Vice Chair
 - Mark S. Allen - Secretary
 - George Christiansen - Mountain Records
 - Mike Dilllenback – Programs Chair
 - Meeting Call to order: 6:31pm
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- Outings and Safety, Mat Kelliher: Rate of HPS Hikes going strong with at least four hikes a week in the section. Safety: fortunately no accidents to report.
 - Discussion and approval of May 8, 2018 Teleconference Minutes.
 - May 8, 2018 Teleconference Minutes emailed to Karen Leverich, www.hundredpeaks.org
 - Committee Reports:
 - **Treasurers Report**, Laura Newman. Balance \$13,322 Received and Filed.
 - **Mountain Records**, George Christiansen
 - 1) SUSPENDED PEAKS —
 - Regarding the currently suspended peaks that were closed due to the Thomas Fire:
 - A) Rose Valley Campground remains closed and permits are not being issued for 22W15 to Chief, Hines, and Topatopa, therefore these peaks are still not accessible.
 - B) 5N12 from Romero Saddle to the Upper Santa Ynez River is still closed to vehicles (open to hiking, biking and equestrian). The Campground at the Hot Springs is closed and the Hot Springs are filled with silt. This affects access to Hildreth. The road has no projected opening date as funding for repair has not been approved. I expect one year at least. This road is probably accessible by fire equipment or I think the priority would be higher.
NOW ACCESSIBLE: Old Man and Monte Arido - Mitilaja Road (five miles to the locked gate) is now open as is the trail beyond. The area however is burned over.
 - Considering the above, I recommend the un-suspension of Old Man Mountain and Monte Arido. **George/Coby/Appvd.Third:**
George Christiansen is in the process of updating peak guides that now include gates that have been closed and locked for many years. Hiking (or biking) is now required past those gates, where in years past, driving beyond those gates was allowed".
 - 2) VALLEY FIRE CLOSURE —
All hiking trails accessing the San Gorgonio Wilderness Area are closed.
 - 3) Santa Barbara Canyon
West Dry Canyon access to Lizardhead and Cuyama Lookout is still closed. Per the Mt. Pinos Ranger District, there is no current schedule for repair due to lack of funding. Rancho Nuevo / Tinta Road is also closed.
 - Programs, Michael Dilllenback
 - * Waterman Renezvous a success. Next years date: June 29, 2019 Already posted on Campfire. Apvd.
 - 2018 Spring Fling, Hurkey Creek- This year there were allot of competing Sierra Club events, however, a successful Spring Fling.
 - Spring Fling 2019 date to be set next MCOMM Meeting.
 - Fall Festival / Oktoberfest – Bandido Campground, Oct 6th. Sites #2, #3, and #4 reserved by Coby King.
 - Holiday Hoopla, Joshua Tree Lake Resort 12-15-18. Joshua Tree Lakes Resort.
 - Banquet: Jan 12, 2019, Monrovia Paid \$200 dep., Brian Conant of Los Padres Forest asked to be next Speaker.
 - Letters in support of Silent Auction sent out earlier this year, by Mark S. Allen.
 - Merchandise, Aimee Shocket, proposed Internet Merchandise Shopping Cart. Apvd
 - Outreach, Michael/Aimee/Approved Aimee Shocket planned Oktoberfest with companies to sponsor the event. Returns name of Fall Festival to Oktoberfest
 - Merchandise plans for future include new items and photos.

- Electronic Voting: Subcommittee Report, Coby King, Michael McCarty, William Chen, others set up . Election Runner service "Test" preliminary to putting on ballot before membership. Test was a success with votes returning successfully.
- First Aid and Waiver Requirements, Mat Kelliher. New requirements are that First Aid must be renewed for Leaders every two years, effective January first, 2019.
- Membership Report, Michael McCarty- Received and Filed.

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT
 May-June 2018 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair

New Members
 Robert Williams
 Maureen Conn
 Michael Petrello
 Barry Yoch

DONATIONS:
 Mars Bonfire & Kathleen
 Cheever Bonfire - \$300
 Michael Manchester - \$1

238 Members
 28 Household
15 Subscribers
281 Total Members

New Subscribers
 Jian Hu
 Lawrence Wozniak
 Shawn Sites

100 Peaks Emblem

#1191 - Swee Chin Goh - Sugarpine Mountain - 4/3/2018

200 Peaks Bar

#489 - Robert Luher - Iron Mountain #1 - 4/15/2018

Pathfinder Emblem - 200 Peaks

#20 - Yasuhide Iemori - Palm View Peak - 6/4/2017

Second List Completion

#63 - Diana Neff Estrada - Gobblers Knob - 6/23/2018

#64 - Jorge Estrada - Gobblers Knob - 6/23/2018

Fifteenth List Completion

#2 - Peter Doggett - Black Mountain #2 - 5/20/2018

100 Peaks Leadership

#56 - Larry Pond - Mount Wilson - 6/2/2018

Meeting Adjourned 8:18

The Lookout Subscription Form


Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State and Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Sierra Club membership # (not required for subscribers): _____ New subscriber New member Renewal

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.

Please choose a membership/subscription:
 1-yr, \$9 2-yr, \$17 3-yr, \$24 Lifetime, \$500
 Subscription amount: _____

Donations to cover program and election expenses:
 Donor, \$10-49 Major Donor, \$50-99 Benefactor, \$100-299 Patron, \$300 and up
 Donation amount: _____
 These donations are not tax deductible

Make checks payable to HPS, and mail with this form to:
 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair
 28732 Eagleton St,
 Agoura Hills, CA 91301

 Renew quickly using PayPal to the email address below or from the HPS page.
<http://www.hundredpeaks.org/newsletter.htm>

For information, Michael can be reached at lookout_membership@hundredpeaks.org or (818) 653-3305.

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 (Campfire Events) 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 Campfire Events, 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

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!

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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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Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities
Nov 2018 – Jan 2019
Mat Kelliher, HPS Outings Chair

The following is a listing of all HPS Outings submitted and posted to the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities as of November 2, 2018. These outings cover the period ranging from November 3, 2018 through January 13, 2019. Note that **new HPS outings are added to the online schedule of activities (aka "Campfire Events") all the time**, often only a few days 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 frequently for last minute additions. Follow this link to the HPS Schedule of Activities 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 with HPS, check out the Angeles Chapter online Schedule of Activities (Campfire Events) for a staggering selection of outings options offered by all of the various Groups, Sections, and Committees of the Angeles Chapter. The Angeles Chapter Schedule of Activities 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 Sierra Club or the HPS to join us! However, to participate in 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 3 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Walker Pass Workout: Morris Peak (7,215'), Russell Peak (6,696'), Backus Peak (6,651') - An off-trail adventure, tracing the North ridge of Walker Pass... Three HPS peaks, in one day! As day breaks on Indian Wells Canyon, we'll ascend to the PCT and our first summit, Morris Peak. That's where the fun REALLY starts... Leaving the trail behind, we'll continue East along the sharp, rarely-hiked ridge to Russell Peak and Backus Peak. We'll finish the day with an exhilarating, high-speed, "dirt glissade" down the North side of Backus, dropping 2,000 feet in less than a mile. This hike is VERY STRENUOUS and only for highly-conditioned hikers with previous experience on broken, rocky terrain. Total distance 10 miles, total gain 5,000 feet. Contact ryan.b.lynych@gmail.com for trip status and details. *Leader: RYAN B LYNCH, Co-leader: TED LUBESHKOFF*

Nov 4 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Old Man Mtn (5538'), Monte Arido (6010') - Expansive views of the magnificent Pacific Ocean; wild remote canyons and ranges; beautiful pine forests

on steep northern slopes reward the eyes, and prove that one mountain is misnamed, for arid and barren it is not. The other is aptly named. One canyon is rumored to have been the hideout of Joaquin Murietta; another, Old Man Canyon, was named for Jose Ortega, a descendent of a member of the Portola expedition, 1769-1770, the first recorded European land entry and exploration of present-day California. With a little bit of history, but much distance and gain (25 mi & 6658'), this outing is only for the fit experienced hiker. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG*

Nov 7 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Pyramid Pk (7035'), Pine Mtn #2 (7054'), Lion Pk (6868') - Join us for an excursion on the eastern Desert Divide and enjoy a myriad of views, from San Jacinto and Cornell to the northwest, to Martinez and Toro to the southeast. Reaching the crest of this magnificent ridgeline via the Cedar Springs Trail, we'll travel the beautiful Pacific Crest Trail -- leaving it only for the short treks to each peak. Hike totals will be about 11 miles and 2500 gain. Hike-experienced dogs with well-behaved owners welcome. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT; JIN OAK CHUNG*

Nov 7 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Toro West Peak (8316'), Santa Rosa Mountain (8070'), Thomas Mountain (6825') - We will attempt three peaks driving close to the summits. We first drive to the top of Santa Rosa Mountain and then close to Toro Peak West, which will require a 1.0 mile RT hike to the summit with 500 of gain. Next, we drive to the summit of Thomas Peak. If there is enough daylight, we will attempt Rouse Hill (5168'). Rouse Hill requires some driving and then a walk of about 500 on relatively level ground. We will need high-clearance, 4 wheel drive vehicles. Total hiking for the day will be around 1.5 miles and 500 gain. Please Contact Jerry at jerry.grenard@gmail.com for trip details. *Leader: JERRY GREANARD, Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, LARRY POND, REDDY YETUR.*

Nov 10 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Granite Peaks 23B (7527') - Come join us for a unique peak at Big Bear Area. We will cross a floor of cactus and Joshua trees to a steep rocky gully. From this gully, we will work our way to reach to a ridge. The ridge will take us to the summit plateau. Please be prepared for some boulder hopping to the summit. The reward will be an astounding view of Big Bear Lake to the Southwest and Mojave Desert to the Northeast. Total hike will be about 5 miles round trip with 1700' gain. Contact May Tang at hitomitang@hotmail.com for trip status and details. *Leader: May Tang, Co-leader: JIMMY QUAN*

Nov 10 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: SAN GORGONIO Eleven-Peak Extravaganza -- Join us for a major tour of the San Gorgonio Wilderness as we bag eleven peaks that each have over 10,000 feet of elevation, including San Gorgonio Mountain (11,499'), Jepson Peak (11,205'), Anderson Peak (10,840'), Charlton Peak (10,806'), Little Charlton Peak (10,696'),

San Bernardino East Peak (10,691'), Shields Peak (10,680'), San Bernardino Peak (10,649'), Alta Diablo (10,563'), Little Dobbs Peak (10,520') and Dobbs Peak (10,459'). Eight of the eleven peaks are on the list of peaks of the Hundred Peaks Section. This outing is for the well-conditioned, experienced hiker. There will be much off-trail hiking. Total distance for the day should be around 22+ miles, and total gain is expected to be between 8,000 feet and 8,500 feet. An extremely early start is planned to set up a vehicle shuttle. Contact Primary Leader for trip status and details. *Primary Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: RYAN B LYNCH*

Nov 12 Mon Hundred Peaks

O: Monrovia Peak (5,409) - Class 1, Strenuous, plus short Class 2 segment: Join us for a hike on dirt road and trail in the front range of the San Gabriel Mountains. Expect about 12 miles (round trip) with around 5,300' of total gain, 4,800' out plus 500' on return. Estimate about 8 hours round trip at slow to moderate pace. The views on a clear day are wonderful overlooking the Los Angeles basin, the San Gabriel River Canyon, San Gorgonio, San Jacinto, Santiago, and possibly to the ocean. Bring hiking footwear, water, lunch, snacks, layers, hat and sunblock. Email Reddy Yetur for status and details. *Leader: SREEDHAR REDDY YETUR Assistant Leader: MICHAEL DILLENBACK*

Nov 13 Tue Hundred Peaks

HPS Management Committee Meeting telephone conference starting at 6:30 pm. Contact HPS Chair, *COBY KING*, for call in details.

Nov 13 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: San Ysidro Mountain (6147) Combs Peak (6193) - Join us as we climb these two peaks within the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park in northern San Diego County. The hike to San Ysidro is 4 miles round trip with 1500 feet of elevation gain. The hike to Combs Peak is 5 miles round trip with 1200 feet of gain. We will drive between trailheads, so you can join us for one or both of the peaks. We will need high-clearance vehicles. Total hiking for the day will be 9 miles round trip with 2700 feet of gain. We will meet very early in the morning to our rideshare so that we can arrive at the San Ysidro trailhead at daybreak because the days are short in December. Please Contact Jerry at jerry.grenard@gmail.com for trip details. *Leaders: JERRY GRECARD, BILL SIMPSON, JIM HAGAR, LARRY POND, REDDY YETUR.*

Nov 17 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mission Creek Preserve Navigation Noodle - Navigation noodle at Mission Creek Preserve 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 18 Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Mission Creek Preserve Navigation Noodle - Navigation noodle at Mission Creek Preserve to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Saturday for practice, skills refresher, altimeter, homework, campfire. Sunday

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Dec 1 – 2 Sat – Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks

M/E-R: Alabama Hill Rock Checkoff & Practice - M & E level rock checkoff and practice for LTC leadership candidates wishing to pursue a rating or practice skills. Also open to Advanced Mountaineering Program students wanting to solidify what they learned in the course. Practice Saturday and optionally checkoff Sunday. Restricted to active Sierra Club members with previous rock climbing experience. Climbing helmets and harnesses required. Email climbing resume to *PATRICK McKUSKY* at pamckusky@att.net to apply.

Dec 9 Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation: Warren Point Navigation Noodle - Navigation noodle at Warren Point 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*

Dec 14 – 16 Fri – Sun Hundred Peaks

2018 HPS Holiday Hooplah - Welcome to the Holidays with a fun and festive weekend filled with outstanding peak bagging and an evening of partying in Joshua Tree Lakes Resort nearby Joshua Tree National Park. JT Lakes Resort has plenty of parking, camping, flush toilets and pay showers. However, you can stay in nearby towns of Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley if you prefer. Wherever you stay, everyone is welcome to join us for a Happy Hour and Potluck. Check the HPS Outings for hikes scheduled for both Saturday and Sunday. Contact the primary hike leaders directly for information on the specific hikes. Camping reservations are to be made with HPS Programs Chair, *MIKE DILLENBACK* at dillyhouse@earthlink.net. Confirm early so that we can confirm with Joshua Tree Lakes Resort the number of participants that will be coming.

*****Note that as of press-time for this edition of the Lookout, no outings had been posted for the Holiday Hooplah, but that will change soon. Be sure to check the HPS Outings website as we get closer to the date to get info on which trips will be offered*****

Jan 8

Tue

Hundred Peaks

HPS Management Committee Meeting telephone conference starting at 6:30 pm. Contact HPS Chair, *COBY KING*, for call in details.

Jan 12 Sat Hundred Peaks

2019 HPS Annual Awards Banquet - To be held at the Monrovia Restaurant in Monrovia, CA. Speaker will be Bryan Conant who will talk to us about the Los Padres National Forest. Look for additional information such as cost and how to register for the event on the Banquet Flyer included elsewhere in this edition of the Lookout, or check back later on the Hundred Peaks website <http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm> Organizers include *MIKE DILLENBACK*

and AIMEE SHOCKETT.

Jan 12 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LTC, Hundred Peaks

M-R: 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.*

Jan 12 Sat LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, LPC, Hundred Peaks

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HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT		
September-October 2018 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair		
New Members	DONATIONS:	223 Members
Jennifer Jones	Winette Butler - \$1	27 Household
Chris Feifer	Junoak Chung - \$100	18 Subscribers
Robert Fenton		268 Total Members
New Subscribers		
Johnathan Slater		
Lewis Hoffman		
100 Peaks Emblem		
#1193 - Alvin Walter - Will Thrall - 11/15/2017		
#1194 - Sreedhar Yetur - Pacifico Mountain - 9/29/2017		
200 Peaks Bar		
#499 Larry Pond - Keller Peak - 9/9/2018		
#500 Jim Hagar - Slide Peak - 9/9/2018		
#501 - Eric Chu - Cuyama Peak (LO) - 10/14/2018		
200 Peaks Leadership Emblem		
#29 Mathew Kelliher - Pinyon Ridge - 9/22/2018		
One Thousand Peaks		
#23 Pat Arredondo - Spitzer Peak - 12/19/2017		
Third List Completion		
#36 Yasuhide Iemori - Topatopa Bluff - 10/21/2018		
Ninth List Completion		
#6 William Simpson - Pacifico Mountain - 9/29/2018		
Fifth Leadership List Completion		
#4 William Simpson - Pacifico Mountain - 9/29/2018		

You are cordially invited to the
Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet
- Saturday January 12, 2019 -

The Monrovia Restaurant
534 South Myrtle Avenue - Monrovia, CA. 91016 - 626.359.8364

**Come join us for an informative presentation
from guest speaker Bryan Conant,
the Executive Director of the Los Padres Forest
Association. He will be presenting on last years huge
Thomas Fire with the most recent information on
subsequent debris flows and their plans
for restoration of the Los Padres National
Forest roads, trails, etc.**



Social Hour 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 12, 2019

Guest Name (1) _____ Guest Name (2) _____

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____

Enclosed is a check for _____ (**\$49 per person, if received by 1/2/19, \$54 thereafter**)

For online tickets click the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-hps-annual-awards-banquet-tickets-51994156923>

-or-

Make check payable to **Hundred Peaks Section** and mail to reservationist:

Mike Dillenback
22611 Evalyn Ave.
Torrance, CA 90505

Tickets will be held at the door. Upon receipt of reservation, email confirmation will be sent.

The Big 3
By Catherine Rossbach
9-29-2018



Photo: Catherine Rossbach

With Robert Luher's HPS list-finish achievable by the end of the year (27 peaks to go), Eric Chu and I decided to accompany him on a jaunt to the Big Three. I was eager to overcome my memory of getting sick in front of Jimmy Quan on the long, hot slog from Santa Cruz Peak back to McKinley Saddle a couple years ago. Eric was dreading the long drive from his home in San Diego to these remote Santa Barbara backcountry peaks. Since we were starting out Saturday morning from my house in Ventura, I convinced my companions to try my preferred start-late/end-late method of beginning a hike with a full night's

sleep in a comfy bed. Also, Robert and I practiced lightening our pack load, following our recent 65-mile PCT segment with Ted Lubeshkoff when we analyzed each item that could have been left behind.

We agreed to summit Cachuma Mountain on our backpack to McKinley Springs campsite, knowing we'd be in no mood to do so on our return. About a quarter mile short of the campsite, we dropped our packs and attempted to do a pathfinder up the west side of McKinley Mountain. We knew the ridge above us would be clear, but the 1000+ yards of gully between the dirt road and the ridge—where a trail appears on an outdated Forest Service map—was going to be a challenge. Hot and cranky, our bare legs and arms shredded by buckthorn and live oak, we gave up after thirty minutes of limited progress.



Photo: Eric Chu

We followed multiple bear tracks to the campsite at McKinley Spring and set up our tents. The water pipe was dripping steadily, and we used filters to re-supply our now lighter packs. Next was a quick ascent of McKinley Mountain from the traditional and un-remarkable eastern side, then a fast-paced hike up the beautifully-groomed trail to San Rafael Mountain while the sun set and the air chilled. Back at the campsite, we shared hot miso soup and light suppers before falling asleep.

The Sunday morning walk for three hours out the rolling, visible use trail towards Santa Cruz Peak was fun and gorgeous. We mistakenly climbed to the summit of the bump east of our destination, corrected course, and then began the steep climb through the enchanted oak forest and the zig-zaggy, brushy rock scramble to the summit. The summit of Santa Cruz is a let-down, but the 360-degree view from the edges of the brush are stunning: the Channel Islands, Lake Cachuma, Hurricane Deck, the Big Four. We said a mantra for the group who plan to do the Magnificent Seven soon, and admired Peter Doggett's feat on these peaks twenty years ago. Our return to McKinley Saddle was hot and exhausting, rewarded by the brushless and cool descent for the 7.5 miles through quintessential California golden hillsides and ancient oaks to our car. We raced the daylight, determined not to get out headlamps.

Advice to other hikers:

1. Wear long pants. Your boots fill with stuff, and the buckthorn and live oak leaves are brutal, particularly on the scramble to the Santa Cruz summit.
2. Leave food in a bear canister at McKinley Spring
The well-groomed trail to San Rafael Mountain from McKinley Saddle is a lovely 4-mile out-and-back evening hike, with sunset view of Hurricane Deck. (We plotted a loop course to explore that curious-looking ridge to the northwest.)
3. There are many ducks that lead you up the unintuitive final ascent to Santa Cruz, which itself is a disappointing bushy rock perch with no views.
4. If you have time and patience, bring clippers and clear a path to the peak on the western ridge of McKinley Mountain's benchmark a couple hundred yards west of the HPS peak for the views.



Jesse Glick

Marion Mountain

8-31-18

Jesse Glick



L-R: front, Matthew Lax, Kim La; middle, Ignacia Doggett, William Chen, Peter Doggett, Jesse Glick, Sandy Lara; back,

Dwarfing the Coachella valley with their imposing presence, Mount San Jacinto and its neighboring 10,000'+ peaks are a visual tour de force.

On Saturday, 8-31, a 10 person strong team, including multiple veteran HPS leaders made a successful ascent of both Marion Mountain (10,362") and Mount Saint Ellens (10,160'). Gentle winds and bearable temperatures made for a memorable ascent of these two challenging peaks. Ambitious cross country travel and steep climbs at high altitude tested the group on Saturday, all hikers pushed through and were victorious. Often overlooked by the "San Jacinto summit driven" masses ascending the area each weekend, Marion Mountain and its cousin, Mount Saint Ellens, are still our "little secret".



L-R: front, Nancy Jones, Kim La; middle, Ignacia & Peter Doggett, Sandy Lara; back, Javier DeLeon, Jesse Glick, William Chen



Peter and Ignacia Doggett with Peak Register

The 3 T's
August 5th, 2018
By William Chen



This hike was led by Peter Doggett, Ignacia Doggett, and Jin Oak Chung. It was organized as a shuttle. Some cars were left at the Icehouse Canyon trailhead, while others were left at the Mt. Baldy Ski Resort parking lot, where we began the hike. Some of the participants on this hike decided not to start the hike there; instead they would take the Mt. Baldy Ski Lift up to Baldy Notch, where they would join the rest of the group.



Starting at 7AM from the Mt. Baldy Ski Resort parking lot at the end of Mount Baldy Road, our group headed up a service road. This was the steepest part of the whole hike. Soon, we reached another dirt road, where we turned right to head up to the top of the Mt. Baldy Ski Lift at Baldy Notch. Along the way, we got a close view of the chairlift, which seemed so close that one could almost touch it. After about an hour or so of hiking, we reached Baldy Notch, where we met our compatriots who had decided to take the ski lift up.

After a break, we proceeded on to **Thunder Mountain** (8,587 ft, 2,617 m). This was a fairly short jaunt, although the last quarter mile or so before the summit was fairly steep. From the top of Thunder, there were great views of Mount Harwood, Mount San Antonio (Mount Baldy); and **Telegraph Peak** (8,985 ft, 2,739 m), our next destination. Following a short break and a few pictures, we were off again to tackle yet another mountain.

From Thunder, we descended slightly and reached the start of the Three Tee's Trail and the Cucamonga Wilderness. At the wilderness boundary, there was an informative sign detailing wilderness regulations and suggestions for environmentally-conscious hikers. Mary Varalay pointed out one peculiar suggestion on that sign: that hikers should "wear colors that blend with the landscape".

From the wilderness boundary, we descended for a short distance before making a switchbacking climb up to a saddle near the top of Telegraph Peak. Here there was short use trail that we took, which brought us to the summit area. There were magnificent, 360 degree views here.

Soon, we were back on the trail, keen to get the final peak of the day, **Timber Mountain** (8,303 ft, 2,531 m). The next part was the most involved stretch of the whole hike. A long switchbacking descent took us to a saddle below 7,800 ft (2,377 m), from we climbed up to a forest promontory where there was a very large

use trail that turned towards the summit of Timber. We followed this branching path for a short while, and before long, we were on top of Timber Mountain. On top of Timber, we took our lunch break among shady pines. After Timber, we were to go down to Icehouse Saddle, and exit at the Icehouse Canyon trailhead.



There were still surprises for us yet, however. Just as we got off the use trail from the top of Timber Mountain, we saw several bighorn sheep who were no more than a few dozen feet from us. It was fascinating seeing these wonderful creatures up close! We listened intently as Patrick Vaughn provided some insights about the behavior of these mountain sheep.



After the sheep encounter, we quickly got to Icehouse Saddle. We didn't take much of a break here, and without delay, we were soon down at Columbine Spring, where we took another short break and some of us refilled water bottles. Below Columbine Spring, the trail flattens out, which made the last part of the hike fairly straightforward.

Back at the Icehouse Canyon trailhead, we took our return shuttles to the ski resort parking lot and said our goodbyes, eager for the next Hundred Peaks Section outing. The Mount Baldy area is one of the most visited hiking areas in Southern California, and I can see why. The hikes in that region have the perfect combination of high elevation, great views, and moderate difficulty. Certainly the "Three T's" that are Thunder, Telegraph, and Timber exemplify all of these qualities.



Photo by Mat Kelliher



Idyllwild Sunset by Jimmy Quan

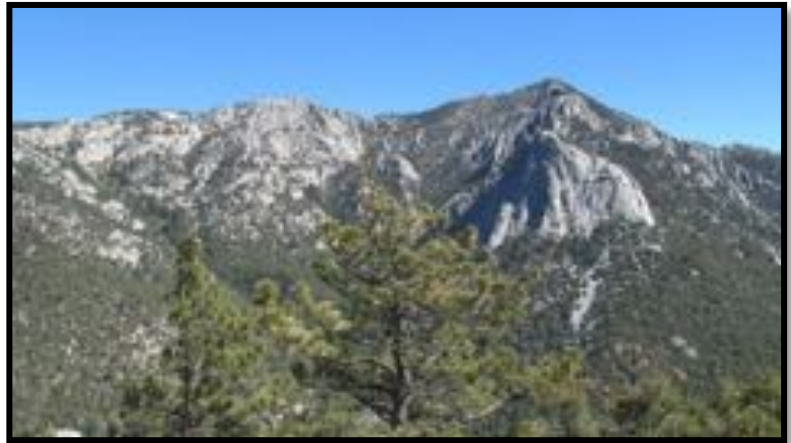


Upper Strawberry Valley Loop By Larry Edmonds

Sunday, September 16th was the date of my September “Hike of the Month”. But this time the date just didn’t work out for anyone else and it ended up being a solo hike. Fortunately I enjoy solo hikes as much as I do hikes with good friends.

The hike began by climbing the Devils Slide Trail out of Humbar Park and as usual on a weekend I was accompanied by other hikers. At Saddle Junction I picked up the PCT headed north and left the trail at a saddle just south of a peak identified as Cienaga Peak in Peakbagger.com. I had ascended Cienaga on a previous trip in the area but that time approached it from the north. The south approach had large rocks with brush but I was able to make my way up over class 3 rock with some minimal bushwhacking. The north approach from the PCT is definitely the easier of the two.

After signing the register and enjoying the view from the peak I descended the north ridge and again picked up the PCT headed north. I was now alone on the trail as most hikers were headed up to Welman’s Divide and San Jacinto Peak. Did not see another hiker until I reached Strawberry junction where I headed down the Deer Springs Trail. I was once again accompanied by other hikers as they were descending from Little Round Valley or San Jacinto Peak etc. I made a left onto the Suicide Rock Trail and followed it up to Suicide Rock.



Crossed my first water of the day as I crossed Marion Creek, was good to see at least one creek still flowing. I was surprised when I reached Suicide Rock not to see the huge duck pond that used to be there. Just one duck remaining, and by duck I mean a cairn. There used to be a large number of cairns referred to as the duck pond. I sat and enjoyed the view from Suicide Rock as I ate a late lunch. After enjoying my lunch and the views I descended the climbers trail, or trails, back to Humber Park. There were several paths to choose from and it would have been difficult in the dark. Fortunately I had gotten an early start. A very enjoyable day with great views and some scattered California Fuchsia, one of the few flowering plants this late in the year. The hike was approximately 12 miles with 3500 ft. of total elevation gain.



Summits

Photo by Eric Chu



Photos by Swee

Pacifico Mountain List Finish. It was indeed a great day of hiking (12 miles with great views and weather) and partying (52 hikers, two hours at the peak, an overabundance of great food, fifteen bottles of champagne, many bottles of cider and sparkling cider, and four nice raffle prizes). Be sure to check out the photos from Swee Chin.

Leaders: William Simpson, Virginia Simpson, Reddy Yetur, Mikki Siegel, May Tang, Ron Campbell, Stella Cheung, Ginny Heringer, Dave Taylor, Don Croley, Laura Joseph, Marlen Mertz, Wayne Vollaire, Mat Kelliher, Jeff Buchholz, Patrick Vaughn, Bruce Craig, Jimmy Quan, Brookes Treidler

Participants: Swee Chin, Bruce Calkins, Diana Neff Estrada, Jorge Estrada, Cindy Tang, Fariba Akhiany, Ali Akhiany, Bernadette Kim, Anh Nguyen, Marco Onofri, Christine Soskins, Alanna Ow, Mari Sakai, Susan Kang, David Han, Mary Varalyay, Robert Williams, Mike Petrello, Theresa Haley, Tanya Roton, Amy Munger, Mark Munger, David Needelman, Kat Jankaew, Wasim Khan, Melody Wu, Gary Bowen, Tom Connery, Wade Stuckwisch, George White, Mary Patterson, Dan Butler

PARTY ON PACIFICO MOUNTAIN (7,124')

September 29, 2018

by Virginia Simpson

My husband, Bill Simpson, finished leading the list of Hundred Peaks Section peaks for the fifth time and finished his ninth HPS list on Pacifico Mountain on Saturday, September 29. At the same time, Reddy Yetur finished his 100th HPS peak, making it a two-person celebration. Bill is not only an avid hiker, but he is an avid celebrant as anyone who knows him can attest. Over the years he has lugged scores of refreshments (along with extra water for participants who run out) to peaks for a variety of celebrations. If he knows a hiker is about to get their 100th peak, 200th peak or finish their list, he'll be there with his trusty beverages and, frequently, strawberries (which are my job to prepare). For example, he packed beverages and strawberries to Rattlesnake Peak on a very warm day because there would be two hikers reaching their 100th peak and a group size of around twenty.

So, when it comes time for his list finishes, he doubles down. Bill enjoys getting people together who may not otherwise see each other for hiking. He likes to create events where diverse people can get together with friends and fellow hikers. For Pacifico Mountain on September 29, Bill was expecting a large turnout, including people from HPS, Local Hikes, the San Geronio Chapter, the Pasadena Group and WTC. Thus, he wanted to get a head start for the celebratory party on top by taking provisions, including sparkling cider, to a location just short of the peak (he had to save his peak visit for his Saturday list finishes). Our friend John Cederberg and I helped him with this task on the Monday before the outing. He would be bringing more on Saturday, of course.

Bill's party plans were in progress in early September while he and I were in England to hike England Coast to Coast with a group of fifteen Americans on a hiking tour with National Geographic. During that period he became aware that Reddy, one of his newer co-leaders, needed only three additional peaks to reach 99 HPS peaks before September 29. Bill believes the only thing better than a big party is a bigger party. Knowing Reddy would be a co-leader on his double-list-finish event, Bill contacted Reddy upon his return from England and set up a date for three HPS peaks. I went with Reddy and Bill for these three peaks. Completing and celebrating his 100th peak on September 29 also meant that Reddy achieved a major personal goal he had set for himself. Reddy had participated in his very first HPS outing, with Bill as a leader, on October 4, 2017. Thus, he got his 100th peak within his first year of hiking -- a commendable accomplishment!

On the morning of the hike, 51 hikers (19 of whom were leaders) showed up at Mill Creek Summit to hike to Pacifico Mountain. This is no small hike. It is 12 miles with over 2,000 feet of elevation gain. The group included three hikers in their eighties, and there was also one in her early 20s. The introductions lasted a considerable time as each person recounted when they first met Bill (for many, it was that same day). While Ginny Heringer was in front of the group most of the way to the peak, Bill led the group up the short, steep climb to the peak at the end. Upon everyone's arrival, the party began. In all, there was an incredible mountain of food for the potluck feast, including treats galore, as well as beverages provided by the big group of participants and leaders.

A week before the event, Bill decided to ramp up the party atmosphere by having a raffle at the peak. I was asked to find a place that sold raffle tickets, and Bill pulled together four nice gifts. Included were two solar-powered battery chargers that would be handy to have on backpacking or car camping trips. I have to admit the raffle was a nice touch to the celebration. Although many people signed out at the peak due to personal time constraints before Bill thought it was time to head down the mountain, there were 33 people who stayed for the entire two-hour celebration. Bill informed me after the hike down to the vehicles that it was the longest HPS peak celebration on a hike that he attended. No surprise to those who know him well: He had a smile on his face throughout the entire day and well into the evening!

Summits

Photo by Eric Chu





Ghost Mountain

Terry Shaw

May 3, 2017



Mark S. Allen and I headed for Ghost Mountain out of Blair Valley in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, each for our own but ultimately compatible reasons. It was on Mark's "peak bagger" list and on my must see desert rat historical site list going clear back to when I read about it in Desert Magazine as a teen. Marshall and Tanya South made a home here with their three children for approximately seventeen years in the 1930's and 40's. Marshall supported them primarily by writing for various magazines, including Desert. There was no road to their home; you got there as you do now, walking. There were no wells, water was collected in cisterns. It was a rugged life. Eventually Tanya grew tired of the "experiment" as it was referred to and left with the children. Marshall died not long after. As you can see from the pictures, there is not much left, so it's fortunate I finally made it when I did, neither it nor I will last another 40 plus years. ...



HPS HOLIDAY HOOPLA!!!
DECEMBER 14-15, 2018
Joshua Tree Lake Campground
nearby JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK



This year the Hundred Peaks Section will be holding its 2018 Holiday Hoopla over the weekend of December 15-16. We've reserved a group campsite for both Friday and Saturday nights (Dec 14 and 15) at Joshua Tree Lake, RV and Campground located nearby Joshua Tree National Park. The campground has plenty of parking and has toilets and pay showers. It also has picnic tables and fire rings. For those who prefer not to camp out, there are numerous lodging choices in the nearby communities of Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley.

After spending the day bagging peaks on one of the several outings that will be available, Saturday night we'll all meet up at the Campground to celebrate the Holiday Season HPS style with a big Potluck Happy Hour about 6 pm. There will be ample opportunity to socialize and hang out around a roaring campfire with old and new friends. Whether you're camping out or staying in town, everyone is welcome and all are encouraged to attend.

Advance reservations are required since we will have to make arrangements with the Campground for the number of people attending. There is no fee for HPS Members. Non-members are requested to pay a fee of \$8 per person (\$15 per family) for each night you'll be camping out. For questions, campground information, driving directions, potluck suggestions and campground reservations, contact the HPS Programs Reservationist, Mike Dillenback, at dillyhouse@earthlink.net

As we get closer to the event, HPS outings will be posted. Check the HPS Website for newly added outing

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

Once you've found the hikes you're interested in attending, contact the respective outing leaders directly for status and specific details.

Hiking Photography

By Jin Oak Chung



Photo: Mary Varalay



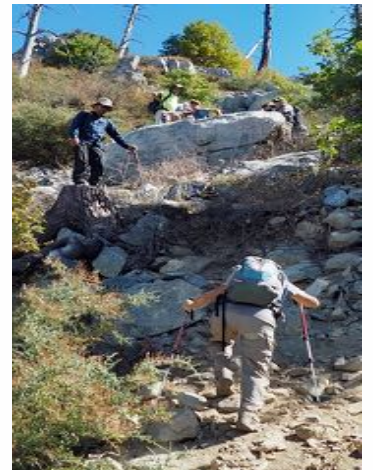
San Sevaine Lookout



Monrovia Peak



Lizard Head



Buck Point



HELMETS REQUIRED FOR FIVE FINGERS (5,174')

Saturday, October 13

By Bill Simpson

This recent trip to Five Fingers was led by Mike Dillenback and co-leaders Virginia Simpson, Stephen McDonnell, Jeff Buchholz, Reddy Yetur and me. Our six participants brought the total number of hikers to 12. Just a few days prior to the outing we were informed that a new rule, implemented about a year ago, required us to utilize climbing helmets on the Class 3 climb to the summit. In fact, the Angeles Chapter Safety Committee now requires climbing helmets for all of the M-rated routes to HPS peaks, including Ant-sell Rock, Lily Rock and Strawberry Peak from the west in addition to Five Fingers. Mike and Stephen al-ready had helmets, and Virginia and I made a quick trip to REI to get helmets for ourselves. And Mike did a heroic job of gathering helmets for use by the many other hikers who did not have helmets.

We did the hike via Proposed Route 2 to Five Fingers, which is shorter and has less gain than Route 1. Virginia led the group from the vehicles to the rocky third-class ridge, where we put on our climbing helmets. Then Mike led us up to the peak. His background in climbing was a real plus for our group. After some nice photos at the summit, we returned to our vehicles and drove to the trailhead for Pinyon Peak, which we hiked before returning home. Below is Proposed Route 2 to Five Fingers:

Five Fingers

ROUTE 2 (Proposed)

Distance: 1.3 miles round trip

Gain: 800 feet

Time: 1.5-2.5 hours

Rating: Class 3, moderate -- Climbing helmets required

Original: Bill Simpson & Virginia Simpson, October 2018

DRIVING ROUTE 2

- Take SR 14 to Mojave.
- Continue north on SR 14 to the intersection with SR 178 (Freeman Junction).
- Continue north on SR 14 another 5.3 miles to a dirt road (SE 152) on the left. Turn left. This is 0.2 mile past Indian Wells, with a lodge and brewery. Note your odometer and go as follows:
- At 1.4 miles turn right onto SE 147.
- After about 100 feet, turn left onto SE 183.
- At 2.0 miles, fork. Keep straight.

At 2.5 miles, park in a parking area at trailhead (near peak 4475).

HIKING ROUTE 2

- From the parking area (4340'), the peak is visible as the right-most of several points. Hike initially down but mostly up the slope to a spiny ridge coming down to the right from the summit.

Continue to the summit as per Route 1.

NOTE: 4wd vehicles may be necessary for drive up SE 183 to the trailhead.

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Our newsletter, The Lookout, is published six times a year.

Final dates for receipt of material have changed to accommodate our membership: They are January 2nd for the January-February issue, March 2nd, for the March-April issue, May 2nd, for the May-June issue, July 2nd, for the July-August issue, September 2nd, for September-October issue, and November 2nd for the November-December issue.

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