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Letter From the Chair

Happy Holidays everyone!

The HPS banquet was held on November 13 and was a big success. Sixty-four people attended and had a great time. We received an excellent presentation by Bill Burke, a long-time friend of HPS, who gave us an outstanding presentation on his 560-mile trip on the Camino de Santiago.

We gave out certificates for three years' worth of achievements and list finishes, and two years of awards. Congratulations go to the Backus Leadership Awardees Jason Park and Sunny Yi, and the Fink Service Awardees Coby King and Mike Dillenback, who all have made major contributions to the section. In addition, we also honored George Christiansen for maintaining our mountain records for many years, Karen Leverich for building, hosting, and maintaining the website since its inception, and Mark Allen for producing the Lookout.

We also acknowledged two Angeles Chapter awards that were given in May, a Special Service Award to Ignacia Doggett, and a special Citation of Merit to our section which, with 235 outings in the first 10 months of 2022, is the backbone of the Angeles Chapter. Congratulations to everyone! Please see the story and photos in this issue for some of the highlights.

It is now time for the Management Committee elections. Please review the candidate's statements in this issue. Members will be receiving an electronic ballot soon to cast your vote, so keep an eye out for it, and please vote.

Enjoy your holidays, and let's keep getting outdoors!

Jim Hagar, HPS Chairman



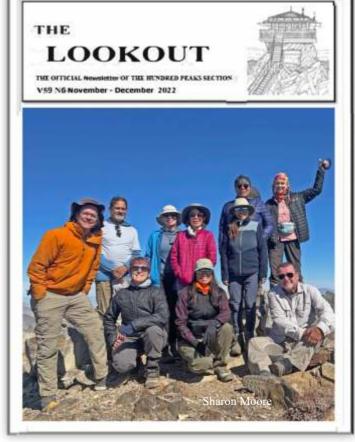
Larry Pond Receives award at banquet



John Martin, Little Cahuilla Summit



Teresa Spohr on San Gabriel



Cover Photo:: Owens Peak. Photo by Sharon Moore Front row: Jim Hagar, Sharon Moore, Marie Macapagal, Al Shipley

Middle row: May Tang. Lidia Barbosa

Back row: Reddy Yetur, Mary Varalyay, Leo Logacho, Miriam Khamis



Monte Arido Summit



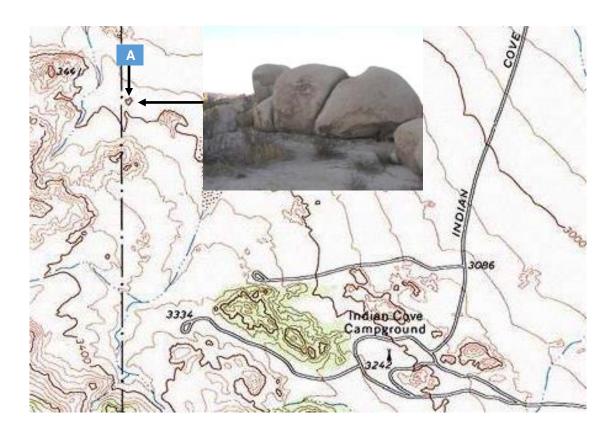
Mark S. Allen receives award at banquet

THE NAVIGATION CORNER: "BUT THE ROCK ISN'T 40 FEET TALL!"

By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

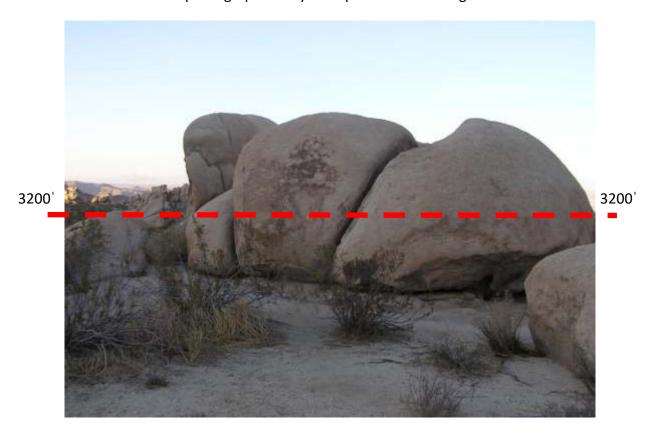
Most of the topographic maps that we use in Southern California have a contour interval of 40 feet. What this means is that contour lines are placed at lines of constant elevation every 40 feet. For example, starting at sea level, contour lines would be 0, 40, 80, 120, 160, 200, etc. Some of our local hiking areas use a different contour interval. The San Jacinto Peak 7.5 minute topographic map has a contour interval of 80 feet, making the terrain on the map look less steep than in actuality. A number of topographic maps in the Santa Monica Mountains use an interval of 20 feet or 25 feet, making the terrain look steeper than in actuality.

One of the common mistakes made by navigators is the failure to understand contour lines and their relationship to what they see in the field. On a number of occasions, I have asked navigation participants to take me to a single closed contour line on the topo map (Point A). This is a small rock formation about 10 feet in height as shown in the photograph. Often times, participants will walk by the rock formation looking for a feature that is at least 40 feet tall.



In theory a single closed contour line can represent a land form object (i.e., rock formation) anywhere from one foot in height to 79 feet in height. Whether a rock pile will be represented by one or more contours depends on where each contour interval (e.g., 3200' contour interval)

intersects the rock formation. As illustrated below, the 3200' contour interval that represents the rock formation in the photograph is only a couple of feet above ground level.



Contour lines provide us with important information about the terrain. Learning how to read contour lines is an essential skill for navigators. The best way to get better at reading the map is to carry one on your trips and correlate the map to the terrain around you as you hike.

Upcoming Navigation Events

We will be at the Mission Creek Preserve on December 3-4, 2022, and at Warren Point on January 14, 2023. All are welcome!!!

If you have any questions, contact me at mmyers@ix.netcom.com.



2022 Hundred Peaks Section Election Candidates

Statement of Ron Campbell:

I am working toward history's slowest HPS list finish, perhaps sometime in 2023 or 2024, some 45 or so years after climbing Owens Peak. In the meantime, I've served the Sierra Club in a variety of ways, including as Wilderness Travel Committee Chair, Leadership Training Committee Vice-Chair, Safety Committee Chair and, some years back, on HPS Management Committee. If you elect me, I will work to expand our membership and raise awareness of the importance of outings among the Chapter's leadership.

Statement of Lídia Barbosa:

I am very grateful and honored for the opportunity to run for a position on the HPS Management Committee. 18 months ago, I would have never imagined all the adventures I've had this year. I couldn't have dreamed I would be able to point to a meadow or a remote outcropping or a peak with no trail and say, "I am going there" and have the skills to arrive. Through the Angeles Chapter of the Sierra Club's Wilderness Travel Course (WTC), I learned navigation, rock scrambling, snow travel, mountain safety, and backpacking skills. The Hundred Peaks Section is where I have met so many people and have been inspired to take the path less travelled and seek the solitude the mountains and peaks so generously offer. I have fallen in love with signposts and mile markers, leaving the beaten trail for cross country. I strongly believe in the goals and mission of the Sierra Club and HPS. If elected, I hope to bring new people into HPS by promoting access and inclusion, as well as helping young people and families from underrepresented communities in hiking and environmental protection connect to the Sierra Club and HPS. Thank you for your consideration.

Statement of Larry Pond:

I am seeking membership to the Management Committee because I believe I can contribute towards evolving HPS with the current trends in politics and technology. Please select me to represent you on the Management Committee. I joined the Sierra Club in 1989. I liked the conservation and outdoor activities aspects. I thought the Schedule of Activities was a great read. But, at that time, Angeles Chapter Outings requiring paper mail and long lead times were out of reach given my work schedule. Now, that's in the past, I have since retired and it is all electronic. I found HPS and started learning about wilderness hiking. I received my "O" leader rating in November 2017. I did my WTC experience in 2018. I received my "I" leader rating in May 2018, and I did AMP (Advanced Mountaineering Program) in fall 2018. I received the HPS Bill T Russell New Leader Award in 2018. In 2021, I accepted an appointment to the MCOMM Board. I found I really like being in the wilderness leading hikes with my friends. This last, 2021, I was able to keep hiking by using private hikes. So far this year, 2022 I have led and coled over 57 HPS hiking outings and have made over 110 HPS peak ascents. I realize that I have been able to accomplish this because of the structure and processes that have been established by our current and previous HPS leaders. And I believe my best way to pay it forward is to contribute within the Management Committee. Your vote for me will enable me to continue making this contribution.

Statement of Mark Allen:

Please vote for me to continue serving on the HPS Management Committee. One of my first peaks was Mt. Whitney, 1973, for which I trained in our local mountains guided by John Robinson's book "Trails of The Angeles." I have been involved with Hundred Peaks Section since 2002. I finished the HPS list in 2008. I have served as Secretary to the HPS Management Committee since 2012 truly working with the Best of Best. I have been Lookout Newsletter Editor since 2016 highlighting our accomplishments. I have also been Banquet Silent Auctioneer for years. During this unusual time in history, depend on your Management Committee as we work to increase hiking safety, trail conditions and section membership. All these tasks are hugely fulfilling. I ask you, the Hundred Peaks Section Membership, to allow me to continue this Journey of service.

2022 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities November - December 2022 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 27, 2022. These outings cover the period ranging from Nov 30, 2022 through Feb 4, 2023. 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 selection of outings options offered by all 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 participation agreement. Additionally, you will be required to complete, print out, and submit to the leader of the outing a Medical Form listing allergies, medications, and general medical information at the trailhead prior to the start of the outing. Your medical form will be kept confidential and will be returned to you at the conclusion of the outing. And if you're feeling unwell, please do not participate on the outing.

You can preview the participation agreement here:

https://www.sierraclub.org/sites/www.sierraclub.org/files/sce/leadership-training-committee-and-outings-management-/Angeles-Outings-Sign-In-Waiver-Oct2019.pdf

And the Medical Form here:

https://www.sierraclub.org/sites/www.sierraclub.org/files/sce/leadership-training-committee-and-outings-management-/Local%20Outings%20Medical%20Form.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.

We hope you'll join us out on the trails soon!!

Wed Nov 30 Hundred Peaks

I: Rattlesnake Peak (5826') - Join us on a challenging loop hike combining HPS Routes I and 2 CCW to tag this peak, named after the fearsome pit viper. Fortunately, they are usually hibernating at this time of year. The hike begins on Shoemaker Road, which was originally intended to be an escape route from the Los Angeles area in case of nuclear attack. It was begun in the early days of the Cold War and soon abandoned as too expensive and an all-around bad idea. But it makes for a great start to our hike. Terrain is steep, loose, and brushy after that, so long pants and long sleeves are a must. Hike is about 10 miles, 4400' gain. Bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, and lunch. This is a backcountry outing; participants need to complete an Outings Medical Form bit.ly/scmedicalform and carry it with them to the trailhead. Email Sharon Moore justsIm@earthlink.net for meeting time and location. LEADERS: SHARON MOORE, JIM HAGAR, and LIDIA BARBOSA

Wed Nov 30 Hundred Peaks

O: Santiago Peak (5687), Modjeska Peak (5496) - Visit these twin peaks whose profile, known as Old Saddleback, is visible from many points in Southern California. Santiago Peak is the high point of the Santa Ana mountain range and the highpoint of Orange County. Modjeska, the second highest point, is named after a popular Polish actress of the late 1800s. Both summits boast an abundance of views, among them the Pacific Ocean, Catalina Island, the San Gabriels, Mt Baldy, the San Bernardinos, San Gorgonio, San Jacinto, Mt Palomar; and the desert environ. The day's totals will be about 8.5 miles round trip with 1750' gain. High clearance vehicles advised. Hike-experienced dogs with well-behaved owners welcome. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. [Classified a Sierra Club backcountry outing, it requires a completed medical form hard copy be presented to leader at trailhead prior to hike.] Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. LEADERS: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT, JINOAK CHUNG

Fri Dec 2 Hundred Peaks

I: Caliente Mountain (5106') - End your week on a high note, the high point of Carrizo Plain National Monument and San Luis Obispo County. WWII lookout ruins top the summit, as one surveys the vast plain below, once home to the Chumash. To the north and east, the San Andreas Fault strikingly traverses the plain as the Temblor Range rises on the eastern edge of the monument. The totals for the day will be 10 miles and 3300' gain. Hike-experienced dogs with well-behaved owners welcome. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. [Classified a Sierra Club backcountry outing, it requires a completed medical form hard copy be presented to leader at trailhead prior to hike.] Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. LEADERS: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT

Sat – Sun Dec 3 – 4 LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, 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. Sunday checkoff or additional practice. Medical form required from all participants. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *LEADER: ROBERT MYERS, ASSISTANT: ANN PEDRESCHI-SHIELDS*

Sun Dec 4 Hundred Peaks

O: Mt Mooney (5840+), Vetter Mtn LO (5908) - Louie's List Finish. Join us for easy hiking, splendid views, and celebration as we accompany Louie Rodriguez in his completion of the Hundred Peaks Section list. First, we'll visit the peak that honors Joseph Mooney; a young Forest Service telephone lineman and ranger in the Angeles National Forest who gave his life in World War I. Then, on to list finish and merriment on the mountain named for Victor P. Vetter, a dedicated forest ranger and fire dispatcher. Its historic tower, one of only two remaining lookouts in Angeles National Forest, was destroyed in the 2009 Station Fire, but rebuilt by April 2020. We are honored that Jim Flemming, a longtime volunteer at Vetter LO, will once again man and give tours of the lookout on Louie's list finish day; Louie is a retired firefighter. Totals for the day will be about 5 miles round trip with 1000' gain. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, hat, and food for festivities at the trailhead picnic area. [Classified a Sierra Club backcountry outing, it requires a completed medical form hard copy be presented to leader at trailhead prior to hike.] Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. LEADERS: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT, JIM HAGAR, BILL SIMPSON, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK, LARRY POND

Wed Dec 7 **Hundred Peaks** I: Little 4 - Rabbit Peak #1 (5,307'), Granite Mountain (6,600+'), Round **Top (6.316'), Iron Mountain #3 (5,040+')** -- Join me for a Wednesday hike with four peaks in the area of Pacifico mountain. They are Rabbit #1, Granite #1, Round Top and Iron Mountain #3. We usually call it the "Little Four" at HPS hikes. Total statistics for the day are ~10 miles with ~3800' gain. (It is not a beginner hike.) We will start at Monte Cristo campground and do a clockwise loop. It has a great view of nearby peaks - Condor, Fox, Pacifico, Strawberry Peak, Josephine Peak, Mt Gleason etc. Some areas may have loose rocks, brushy and not much shade. Please bring water, sturdy hiking footwear, snacks, lunch, layers, sunblock and hat. This backcountry outing requires the completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact Leader for details. LEADER: MAY TANG; CO-LEADERS: JIM HAGAR, SHARON MOORE, LARRY POND, LIDIA BARBOSA, TAO ZHANG

Sat Dec 10 Hundred Peaks

I: Hike-Ken Point (64231) -- Join us for an adventure as we hike on a navigationally challenging portion of the Desert Divide in Riverside County to obtain the Ken Point peak. The peak name informally given by the HPS based on a benchmark named "Ken" (1941). In this case "Ken" was almost certainly derived

from the infamous Kenworthy Mine which once existed 2.3 air miles to the northwest. We will be following the HPS Ken Point route 2, but we will bypass the side trip to Butterfly Peak. The navigationally challenging route will be about 9 miles with a total elevation gain around 2600 feet. Please bring water, lunch, hiking footwear, sun block, layers & hat. Contact the leader for details. *LEADER: LARRY POND. CO-LEADERS: BILL SIMPSON, MAY TANG, LIDIA BARBOSA.*

Sat - Sun Dec 17 - 18 **Hundred Peaks** I: Minerva Hoyt (5405') and Quail Mtn (5813') – Join us on an overnight backpacking trip in the beautiful Joshua Tree National Park to the highest point in the Park, Quail Mtn, and its neighbor, Minerva Hoyt. The pace will be moderate to accommodate a wide range of hikers. The hike will be a total of 14.3 miles round trip with 2,300' elevation gain. We will park at Boy Scout Trailhead on Park Blvd and depart around 1:00 pm on Saturday and hike to our campsite to set up tents and have a happy hour party. We will get an early Sunday start (right after daybreak); summit Minerva Hoyt and then Quail before returning to break camp and return to Boy Scout TH. This Sierra Club Backcountry outing requires participants to submit a hard copy printout of their completed Local Outing Medical Form to the Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. The medical form will be returned to each hiker to be carried in their backpack. Please email recent conditioning and hike/backpacking experience to Tao Zhang at tzhang64@gmail.com. LEADER: TAO ZHANG, ASSISTANT LEADER: MAY TANG

Sat Jan 28 Hundred Peaks

O: Josephine Peak (5558') - Join us for a conditioning hike with views of the interior of the San Gabriel Mountains and the Mojave. We'll hike up the fire road from Clear Creek Junction. The hike will be moderately strenuous and about 8 miles round trip with 1900' gain. Bring 2 liters of water and the 10 Essentials. Meet at 7:30 am at La Canada carpool point, 4738 Angeles Crest Hwy., La Canada Flintridge, 2 blocks north of 210 Fwy. This is a Sierra Club Backcountry outing and requires a completed Local Outings Medical Form to be presented in hard copy to the leader at the trailhead prior to the beginning of the hike. Contact mcdonnell0123@sbcglobal.net for trip information. LEADER: STEPHEN MCDONNELL, CO-LEADER: KAT JANKAEW

Sat Feb 4 Hundred Peaks

I: Hike - San Gabriel Peak (6161'), Mount Markham (5742) and Mount Lowe (5603) -- Join us for a nice hike to three of the best peaks in the Angeles National Forest front country. We will start from Eaton Saddle and pass through historical Meuller Tunnel. Shortly after passing through the tunnel, we'll proceed to San Gabriel. We'll double back to get Markham and Lowe. The hike will be moderately strenuous, total distance will be about six miles, and total elevation gain will be around 2,300 feet. Bring water, layers, lunch, snacks, hiking footwear, hat and sunblock. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local

Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact mcdonnell0123@sbcglobal.net for trip information. LEADER: STEPHEN MCDONNELL, CO-LEADER: NIELS QUIST

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HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November/December 2022 Lookout Issue, Steve Russell, HPS Membership Chair

This report covers emblems achieved since the last Lookout.

100 Peaks Emblems:

Tao Zhang #1231, 12/19/2020, Mt Minerva Hoyt

Yoko Ishiguro #1232, 10/13/2022, Goodykoontz Pk

200 Peaks Bar:

Rod Kieffer, #519, 10/27/2022, Pleasant View Ridge

List Finish:

Daryn Dodge, #337, 10/31/2022, Galena Pk

Kathy Rich, #338, 3/22/2020, Allen Pk

List Finish #9:

Ignacia Doggett, #7, 11/4/2022, San Sevaine (LO)

Pathfinder 100:

Jason Park, #61, 2/27/2022, Iron Mtn #2

Sunny Yi, #62, 2/27/2022, Iron Mtn #2

Illwoo Suh, #63, 9/18/2022, Jepson Pk

Catherine Rossbach, #64, 10/28/2021, Occidental Pk

Explorer 100:

Ignacia Doggett, #16, 10/28/2020, Mt Burnham

Peak Leads 100:

Jason Park, #58, 6/4/2022, Madulce Pk

Sunny Yi, #54, 6/4/2022, Madulce Pk

Peak Leads 200:

Sreedhar Yetur, #32, 10/8/2022, Mt Jenkins

Peak Leads List #7:

Ignacia Doggett, #2, 11/6/2022, Beauty Pk

New Members:

Kat Jankaew, Angela While, Alex Chao and Stephany Nguyen.

Hundred Peaks Section 2022 Awards Banquet









The Reef Restaurant, Long Beach was the site for the 2022 HPS Awards Banquet. Before the Awards Program, reaching back three years, sixty-four members were treated to an extraordinary travel log by Bill Burke. Bill has achieved many unique and extraordinary goals as an adventurer climbing the Eight Summits, the highest on every continent. He is the oldest person to achieve such a goal. Accompanying on the Camino where his Children.















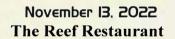














































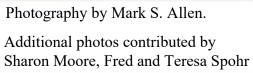
















Cobblestone Clean Out 2022!

By Louie Rodriquez

One of the more difficult and feared HPS hikes is the Cobblestone and White Complex in Ventura County. It is comprised of 7 peaks usually climbed over 2-3 days with car camping.

This year's trip occurred on October 7 thru 9th. It was musical chairs in the hills, as each day changed leaders and participants. About 15 hikers were involved over the 3 days, with no two days having the same hikers.

Friday started off the clean out with the long, nearly 2 hr. winding road drive into the backcountry. The Doggetts first led Alamo and McDonald, with Lidia, Al, Jae, Tao, and Louie. First we climbed Alamo (2 mi. and 450' gain) over uneven terrain. Then we drove to McDonald (1 mile and 200' gain), scrambled up and back. Campout Friday night was a combo of sleep in your car or tent at the parking area, Little Mutua TH.

On Saturday, we got up at Zero Dark Thirty and then drove over to the Buck Creek TH. Joining the hike for Cobblestone and White #2 was Jason, Sunny, and newcomer Alex. Peter stayed back to do some trail maintenance. We got on the trail at 7:15am, wearing bright neon green as we passed a group of hunters camped at the trailhead.



First step was to get to Sewart following an on and off route on an old road. From there we continued until we hit the "obscure road on the right." This drop off took us through some bushwhacking until we hit the bottom of the first saddle, where we stashed some water. At this point Ignacia and Al separated from the group so Al could get to White Mtn. Jason and Sunny took over the leading. We planned to rendezvous at the White/Cobblestone route junction after the peaks.

At 10:30, the main group reached the ridge junction (5840') and took a nice break. It was sunny and starting to warm up, just as we started the down to the last saddle. We followed the use trail and sporadic ducks up the long climb up the north ridge, passing the described buttress. Eventually, we gained the open ridge and hit the Cobblestone summit at 11:44.

The summit view was amazing and the register box was a work of art. After the customary photos and lunch, we headed down. We got back to the ridge junction and sure enough, we met Ignacia and Al, who had just come back from White. It was 1:25pm



and it was getting hot. Jason, concerned about the heat, took a water survey to make sure everyone had at least two quarts to get to White, and back down to our water stash. We all did, barely. Ignacia graciously offered some of her water to even things out for the group.

We then made a dash to White. The trail was in decent shape on the ridge going out. At 2:49 we summited White, passing a little snake on the trail. It was borderline hot with a slight breeze and passing clouds to encourage us on the way back to the junction. Ironically, we also felt a few rain drops!

We left the ridge junction at 4:15 to head back. A column of smoke appeared in the distance to the west. A fire had broken out! Fortunately, it was a ways off. After a while, firefighting planes and helicopters broke the mountain silence. At 5:30, we reached the first/last saddle and our water stash. Not a moment too soon, as the heat was on during the long open up and down ridges.

Going up the last climb to Sewart, we spread out a bit but enjoyed some cooling as we found some pleasant shadows covering us with sunset approaching. Once at the Sewart trail, it was twilight, and shortly after a marvelous full moon appeared in the west and it followed us all the way back. We put on our headlamps and bright green colors on again as we neared the trailhead. Got to the cars at 7:15 pm., reconnecting with Ignacia, Al, and Peter.

What a long, grueling day of 14 miles, and 5200' gain, and 12 hours...but well worth it! That was still not enough hiking though....

White Mtn.

On Sunday, Al and Louie bailed. However, hikers Heesook, Mary, Jin Oak, Gabriella, and Illwoo joined the existing group to climb Sewart, Snowy and Black #2. Leaders were Peter, Ignacia, Jason, Sunny, and Jinoak for a total of 13.

This hike started about 8:00am at the same Buck Creek TH. They group first climbed Sewart, which is on the way, arriving at 8:30. Then the trails curves south on an old road then passed the Cobblestone turn off.

Then it gradually curves northeast on a series of connecting ridges until hitting Snowy after 2.5 miles at 10:30.

From there it's a wild rollercoaster, going mostly down, then sharply up to Black. The group had to chisel their way through some nasty jungle bush here and there using some loppers, until finally reaching the summit at about 1pm.

Then it was a repeat rollercoaster, but mostly up, back to Snowy and Sewart. The day started mild but warmed up considerably on the mostly exposed ridges. Some clouds came in on the way back from Black to help cool things down. At sunset, the headlamps came on, but another full moon gave nice lighting on the final stretch.



After about 9.5 miles, 3500' gain, and 10 hours, with lots of false summits, the group made it back to the trailhead. Hydration breaks were key to the end of a long successful day.

Milestones

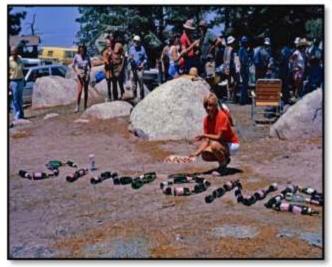
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Some photos from Simone deMiguel's list finish on Mt Pacifico on 6/21/81. There were a total of 92 participants on top of Mt. Pacifico, about half who were led up the peak by Simone and myself, Bobcat Thompson. In the photos are HPS legends (4 of which we have named Hundred Peaks for) John Backus, Dick Akawie, Frank Goodykoontz, Fran Smith, Sam Fink, Priscilla Libby and many others, all list finishers and HPS Leaders in the 60's, 70's and 80's. Maybe our long-time members can identify some of the others in the summit photo.

Also in the photos are Herb Dotzauer, Joe Young, Stag Brown, Bobcat, Tom Armbruster, Jack Bascom, How Bailey, Ron Young, Vera Solomons. About half of the group hiked up the PCT from Mill Creek Summit. Photos taken by my brother, George Thompson.





Hiking Photography

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