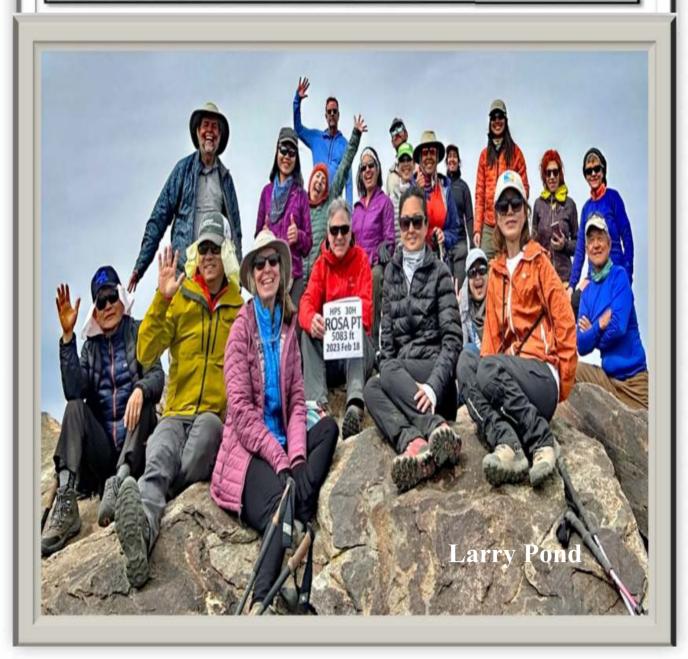


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IF YOU WISH TO BECOME A MEMBER, PLEASE SEND A LIST OF 25 PEAKS YOU HAVE HIKED

THAT ARE ON THE HPS LIST, with the month and year of the peak completion. (See the HPS Website, for a list of the 275 or so HPS peaks.)

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Letter From the Chair

Hello Hikers!

"Well, quite the weather we have been having!" I hope you've been getting out between storms.

A couple of thing you should be aware of:

- To attract new members, especially students of the Wilderness Travel Course, we will be offering a series of "HPS Introductory Hikes" in April and May which are already on the schedule. These are moderate hike to some of the more interesting peaks. Please participate to be a presence in the section and meet new people. If you have friends who are interested in getting into hiking or need a little nudge, consider inviting them too.
- Next, we would like to remind people to send in trip reports of their adventures to publish in the Lookout Newsletter. We are delighted to have them and they are much appreciated.
- The Spring Fling will be the weekend of May 20th, 2023 at Idyllwild Campground.
- The Waterman Rendezvous will be June 24, 2023. Save the dates and we will see you there! Jim Hagar, HPS Chairman

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT		
March/April Lookout Issue, Steve Russell, HPS Membership Chair		
This report covers emblems achieved since the last Lookout and cases where reporting was missed.		
New Emblems		
Paul Maurin, 100 Peaks #1233, Eureka Peak		
Lawrence Lee, 1,000 Peaks #29, Occidental Peak		
May Tang, 1,000 Peaks #30, Little Cahuilla Peak		
New Members		
Juan Carlos Ducca		
James Hoyt		
Maureen Sallwasser		
Keith Schwab		
Reminder to subscribers, if you are a Sierra Club member and have climbed 25 peaks on the official HPS list, then you can apply for membership into the section. Send your list of peaks climbed with dates, and your Sierra Club membership number to: lookout_membership@hundredpeaks.org.		
Membership Stats		
Members: 184		
Life and Honorary Members: 20		
Subscribers: 10		
Total: 214		
There are 27 recently expired memberships and subscriptions.		

2023 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Elected Members:

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Photo of Mount Lowe Incline Railway Grip Wheel. Released by Paul Ayers. Photo 2-26-23 by Eric M. Lorenzen and Jen Lorenzen.





Rabbit - Villager Hike , March 20, 2023. Bill Simpson's 14th summit! Photo: Shurovi M RT.



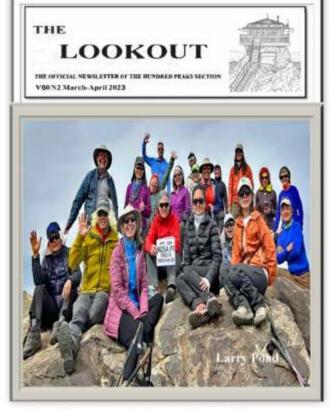
Inspiration Point. March 5, 2023. Photo by Sean Green



Queen Mountain Summit. Alex Chao, Sunny Yi, Jason Park



Lilly Fukui, former Lookout Editor at the Superloom



Cover Photo:: Rosa Point hike Feb 18, 2023



Granite Mtn., Rabbit Ramp-Up Hike 2-4-23. Photo by John Martin



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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Inspiration Point. Teresa Blackmon Spohr ran into Sharon Moore and Louie Rodriquez; Leaders of WTC Group One hike in February.

Advance Schedule of Hundred Peaks Section Activities March - April 2023 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 March 20, 2023. These outings cover the period ranging from Mar 22 through Jun 24, 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-andoutings-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-andoutings-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!!



Queen Mtn Hike March 7th Sunny Yi, Jason Parks



Whale Peak, February 1st

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Mar 22 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Backus Peak (6651') - Join us for a moderate hike to a peak in the high desert north of the town of Mojave. Totals for the day will be about 7.5 miles round trip with around 2900 feet of gain. Option to do Russell, if conditions permit and we have the vehicles to set up a shuttle, which adds an additional 2 miles and about 1100 ft gain. Please bring water, hiking footwear, layers, lunch, snacks, sunblock, sunglasses and hat. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local Outing Medical form to be submitted at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact primary leader Jim Hagar at <u>jhagar1@gmail.com</u> for meeting time and place. *Leader JIM HAGAR, Co-leader LIDIA BARBOSA*

Mar 24 – 26 Fri – Sun Hundred Peaks

O: Trans Catalina Trail -- Join us for two days of hiking the Trans Catalina Trail (TCT) on Catalina Island! We will complete the TCT in two strenuous day hikes, totaling ~45 miles with ~8,700 feet of gain/loss. Our itinerary will include summiting Silver Peak (1,804'), one of the Great Lower Peaks, and time permitting, a side trip to Starlight Beach. Leaders will obtain hiking permits for the group, but participants must make their own arrangements for ferry passage from San Pedro to Catalina Island on Friday evening and back to Long Beach on Sunday evening. Participants also must make overnight arrangements for Friday and Saturday night in Two Harbors, where cabins, tent sites, food and water are available. More information is available from the Leaders. On Saturday, participants will carry daypacks with the usual contents (ten essentials) plus capacity for four liters of water. On Sunday, participants need carry only 1-2 liters of water in their daypacks. Backpacking will be discouraged because a strong pace will be required in order to meet the return boat schedule. Participants should note that the entire weekend includes significant personal expense. The number of participants will be limited, but there will be a waiting list. Because this outing is strenuous, participants will be required to demonstrate an adequate level of fitness by participating in at least one conditioning hike, preferably a hike to be led by Jason Park & Sunny Yi. Weather (i.e., heavy rain and/or high winds) may cancel. Classified a Sierra Club backcountry outing, this weekend outing requires a completed medical form hard copy be presented to the leader prior to the hike. Contact Catherine Rossbach for details: <u>catherinerossbach1@gmail.com</u> Leaders: CATHERINE ROSSBACH, SUNNY YI, JASON PARK

Mar 25 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Backus Peak (6651') - Enjoy views of the Sierras, the high desert, and beautiful Indian Wells Valley as we climb the peak named for John Backus, in recognition of his extensive leadership and service. A highly accomplished physicist, musician, and climber who conceived the idea of leading the entire HPS list, he was the first to realize it. Totals for the day will be 7.5 miles with 2900' 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 <u>peterdoggett@aol.com</u> for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Mar 25SatHundred PeaksI: Chuckwalla Mountain (5029') and Cross Mountain (5203') - Visit these fine
peaks in the Southern Sierra. This will be a strenuous hike of about 11 miles round
trip with around 5200 feet of elevation gain. Bring food, beverage, hiking footwear,
layers, headlamp, hat and sunblock. This back country outing requires the
completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Primary Leader
at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact Primary Leader for status and details.
Primary Leader: LIDIA BARBOSA Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, SHARON MOORE

Apr 1 **Hundred Peaks** Sat I: Hawes Peak (6751'), Little Shay Mountain (6635'), Ingham Peak (6355'), Deer Mountain (5536'), Shay Mountain (6714') - Join the Big Bear 5 peak hike. The hike starts from the Little Pine flat area, follows Hawes Ranch Trail, then climbs the Redonda Ridge, then up to Hawes Peak summit, and then follows the Loop Route to get Little Shay Mountain and Ingham Peak then down to meet Muddy Springs trail. Take west on trail, downhill at first and then through a series of ups and downs as the trail contours along the south slopes of Shay Mountain, for about 1 1/2 miles to where the trail reaches the final saddle north of peak 5805'. (This saddle has the first close, expansive view of Deep Creek Canyon to the west.) Leave the trail here and go south along the ridge, up and over "Old Deer Mountain" (5805'). Drop down to the saddle just north of Deer Mountain, then up to the summit. Return to the Loop Route, turn left and follow the ridge north about 3/4 mile to the summit. The peak is the northeast bump on the summit plateau. The total hike will be 14 mi with 4500' gain. We will do it at a moderate pace. Bring 3-4 liters of water, lunch, and other essentials. This is a Sierra Club Backcountry Outing, which requires everyone to submit a completed Medical Form to the Leader at the trailhead. Leader: JASON PARK (jasonpark7100@gmail.com), Co-Leaders: SUNNY YI, CATHERINE ROSSBACH

Apr 8SatHundred Peaks, WTCO: HPS Intro Hike - Smith Mountain (5,111') -- Welcome to WTC students and
others interested in hiking and peakbagging with the Hundred Peaks Section. The
Smith Mountain hike in the San Gabriel Mountain Range is a great way to
experience the natural beauty of Southern California. The trail to the summit is
about 7 miles round trip with 1,800' of gain and takes about 6-7 hours to complete.
The trail starts at an elevation of about 3,280 feet and climbs to the summit of
Smith Mountain, which stands at 5,111 feet. Along the way, we will pass through
several different types of terrain, including forests of pine, oak trees, wildflowers
and the summit offer stunning views of the surrounding mountains and urban view.
We will do it at a moderate pace. Bring 2-3 liters of water, lunch, and other

essentials. This is a Sierra Club Backcountry Outing, which requires everyone to submit a completed Medical Form to the Leader at the trailhead. *Leader: SUNNY YI* (<u>sunnyyi1125@gmail.com</u>), *Co-Leader: JASON PARK*

Apr 8 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Hike to Monte Arido (6,010), and Old Man Mountain (5,538) - Very strenuous, hike to two peaks in the Los Padres National Forest near Ojai, CA. We'll hike about 24 miles round trip and gain around 6,100 feet---mostly on dirt road---with about one mile (round trip) of cross-country terrain. This hike is suitable only for seasoned and well-conditioned hikers. We will start pre-dawn and expect 14 to 15 hours away from the cars. There is no water in route, bring sufficient water, at least 5 plus liters. Bring food, beverage, hiking footwear, layers, headlamp, hat and sunblock. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Primary Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact Primary Leader for status and details. *Primary Leader: LIDIA BARBOSA Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON, RON CAMPBELL*

Apr 15SatHundred Peaks, WTCO: HPS Intro Hike - Liebre Mountain (5760') -- Join us for a trip to one of the
most beautiful peaks in Southern California at the height of the spring bloom. We
should see a great wildflower display, an oak forest and, at the top, commanding
views of the Tehachapi range. Total distance 7 miles, 1850 feet gain. This back
country outing requires a completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be
reviewed by the leader at the trailhead. Contact leader for status and details.
Leader: RON CAMPBELL (campbellr@verizon.net). Co-leader: SHARON MOORE

Apr 22SatHundred PeaksM: ☆ Desert Divide - 12 peaks (☆ Tahquitz Peak (LO), Red Tahquitz,Southwell Peak, ☆ Antsell Rock, Apache Peak, Spitler Peak, Palm ViewPeak, Pyramid Peak, ☆ Antsell Rock, Apache Peak, Spitler Peak, Palm ViewPeak, Pyramid Peak, Pine Mountain #2, Lion Peak, Butterfly Peak, RockPoint) - Join us challenging and exhilarating hiking trails. Hiking in the DesertDivide is an incredible experience that offers breathtaking views of the Forest andDesert view.We will start hiking at South Ridge Trailhead and follow PCT to RockPoint. The total hike will be 28 mi with 9100' gain. Bring 3-5 liters of water, 2meals, and other essentials. Climbing Helmet Required. This is a Sierra ClubBackcountry Outing, which requires everyone to submit a completed Medical Formto the Leader at the trailhead. High clearance vehicles advised. This hike is forexperienced fit hikers, send experience and recent hiking resume tosunnyyi1125@gmail.com. Leader: SUNNY YI, Co-Leader: JASON PARK

Apr 22SatHundred Peaks, WTCO: HPS Intro Hike - Strawberry Pk (6164'), Mt Lawlor (5957') -- Welcome to
the HPS, an intro to the best So Cal hikes. Join us for one of the most popular
hikes in the Angeles National Forest, as we do a T-hike starting from Red Box. Well

head northwest to Strawberry, the tallest peak in the front range of the San Gabriel Mountains, then east to Lawlor. We'll enjoy views of Mt Baldy, the highest peak in the range and in LA county, along with views of Mt Wilson, Mt Lukens, the City of LA, and the shimmering Pacific Ocean. The total hike will be about 6.5 miles rt with 2500' of 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*

Apr 29 Hundred Peaks, WTC Sat O: HPS Intro Hike - Mt. Hawkins (8,850') & Mt. Islip (8,250') -- Hike to Mount Hawkins (8,850') and Mount Islip (8,250'). Beginning at Windy Gap gulch, we will hike 1/4-mile up a steep gully to the junction with the Pacific Crest Trail. We'll then take the PCT most of the way to Mt. Hawkins. We'll reverse direction and go back to the PCT junction and continue from there on the PCT and other good trail to Mt. Islip. We'll reverse direction again, go back to the junction with the gully and head down to the vehicles. Both peaks offer excellent views of the San Gabriel Mountains. The trip totals for the day will be around 8 total miles with about 2,300 feet of elevation gain. Bring food, beverage, hiking footwear, layers, headlamp, hat and sunblock. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Primary Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact Primary Leader for status and details. Primary Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: RON CAMPBELL

Sat **Hundred Peaks** May 6 I: Hike to Shay Mountain (6714), Little Shay Mountain (6635), Ingham Peak (6355), Hawes Peak (6751) - Hike these four peaks NW of Big Bear Lake. This area was once home to the Kaiwiem Serrano Indians. Members of the Serrano tribe are part of the Takic subset of the large Uto-Aztecan group of Native Americans. They were a branch of people who arrived in Southern California around 2,500 years ago. The hike will be mostly on trail and use trail, and expect some very steep and brushy sections. The entire hike should be about 12 miles round trip with around 3500 feet of elevation gain. High-clearance vehicles required. Bring water, lunch, lug soles, layers, sunscreen and hat. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local Outings Medical Form to be reviewed by the Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact the leader for meeting information. Leader: LIDIA BARBOSA (lidia.barbosa3@gmail.com), Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, SHARON MOORE, MAY TANG, LARRY POND

May 13SatHundred Peaks, WTCO: HPS Intro Hike - South Hawkins (7783') & Middle Hawkins (8505') --Welcome to WTC students and others interested in hiking and peakbagging with theHundred Peaks Section. Visit these fine peaks in the Angeles National Forest at a

moderate pace. Most of the hike will be on trail, and a portion of the hike will be on the Pacific Crest Trail. Some of the hike will be cross country on ridges. The entire hike will be about 10.25 miles round trip with around 3363 feet of gain. Bring food, beverage, hiking footwear, layers, headlamp, hat and sunblock. This back country outing requires the completed paper Local Outing Medical Form to be reviewed by the Primary Leader at the trailhead prior to the hike. Contact Primary Leader for status and details. Primary Leader: LIDIA BARBOSA Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON, LARRRY POND

Jun 24 Sat Hundred Peaks

2023 HPS Waterman Rendezvous - Hard to believe it's already upon us, but sure enough, summer is here!! And along with summer come long days, warm nights, high altitude peaks to climb, and maybe best of all, the Annual HPS Waterman Rendezvous!! The idea is to have several hikes scheduled from different starting points converge on the summit of Waterman Mtn (8,038') at about the same time. Once on the summit we'll all spend some quality time enjoying the company of our friends, old and new alike, over a nice festive potluck that we all contribute to and carry up to the summit with us. Be sure to check the online HPS Outings schedule http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm for hikes as we get closer to the date. For general questions, contact *MIKE DILLENBACK*, HPS Program Chair at <u>dillyhouse1@gmail.com</u>



Eureka! We found it! By Ron Campbell

A huge winter storm did the (almost) unthinkable, forcing the cancellation of the Wilderness Travel Course Snow Camp in mid-March.

That left me with a rare open weekend and grim weather almost everywhere. I found what I needed – a way to fill a gap in my List under sunny skies – at Eureka Peak in Joshua Tree National Park. Eureka has an unfortunate reputation in HPS circles. For many years it was a drive-up – a 26-mile drive-up. That led to its delisting in 1971. But eventually some hardy souls blazed a trail from Black Rock Canyon. It was relisted in 2016.





I posted the trip on a Wednesday. The following Saturday, seven of us met on a drizzly morning in Orange County and drove to Joshua Tree and the promise of better weather. If you want wonderful geology, go to Indian Cove or Hidden Valley. But for desert flora at its finest, you can't beat Black Rock Canyon. Everywhere you turn are different plants: pinyon pines, juni-

pers, yuccas, cholla and of course the park's signature plant, perhaps growing taller here than anywhere else.

For the first third of the way, the route follows the California Hiking and Riding Trail. It is quite distinct and impossible to lose. The junction with the Fault Trail is the one point where a hiker might go wrong. A prominent sign marks the start of the Fault Trail but doesn't indicate which of two seemingly parallel paths is which. The CHRT is to the left, and the Fault Trail, which hikers to Eureka must take, is to the right.



After a mile or so one enters a well-defined southward trending gully. From time to time, marked trails intersect it, but the path continues south. When the gully ends, you go up sharply to a ridge, then drop down, rollercoaster like, and up again to the peak. Oh, and right about this point you can see the parking lot for Route 2 – the 26-mile drive-up. But you've arrived by the scenic route. The hilltop commands sweeping views extending toward

Palm Springs and Mount San Jacinto to the south and Yucca Valley and Twentynine Palms to the north.

There are lots of options for the return. We took the first exit from the gully, a 3-mile trail that took us west and north into Black Rock Canyon and back to our cars. The trail was well-marked, and the scenery was definitely worth the detour.

Participants were Carey Beck, Eric and Jenny Gardelle, Amy Peng and Xinping Wu. Thanks to Bindu Rao for the great assist

If you need Eureka for your List, here's my advice: Skip the drive-up. Take the hike.



Old Man and Monte Arido By Mike Macki

If you are up for a long day hike on a dirt road these are the peaks for you. Aside from the fact almost all of this hike is on a road there are some very nice features along the way in addition to some great views. We started out at the limited parking and busy Matilija Canyon Trailhead about 5 miles up from Hwy 33. There were about a dozen cars parked when we arrived.

We started up the road passing the few occupied buildings quickly crossing

Matilija Creek. We could have taken the trail up Murrietta Canyon past Murietta Camp but chose to stay on the road, mostly because we did not see the junction for the trail! The hike up Murietta Canyon is a gentle one. Very comfortable grade for the first couple of miles. The last half of the canyon is a bit steeper, but not much. Lots of regrowth after the Thomas Fire of oaks and sycamores make the hike in this canyon a pleasant one. The small stream about half way up was flowing well.

Once at Murietta Divide the terrain changes and the road becomes less travelled. As you climb, albeit at a comfortable to moderate grade, the coast, the Channel Islands, and Jameson Lake come into view. You



also pass what I assume to be an old stock pond labeled Murietta Pond on the USFS topo. Fantastic sandstone boulder outcroppings dominate your hike as you approach Old Man Mountain.

On Old Man we took in the view and could see Monte Arido off to the north. The route down Old Man is obscured in some places and has few carines. It's about a quarter mile down the ridge and through a gully to get back on the road to Arido. A bit of care was needed to avoid poodle dog brush.

Back on the road it is again a gentle grade over to Arido. The summit of Arido is wide and flat, it does of-fer some great views all around. It was now time for the long haul back.

Nice views of the coast and Channel Islands are offered up along the way back, in addition to views of

Divide Peak. There are a couple of little bumps on the way back that require some uphill but for the most part



it's a downhill walk. .

Here, I did see where the trail to Murietta camp came out on the road but it was getting dark by the time we got there so we stuck to the road for the hike out. We had a half moon which was enough light to get us back without headlamps. We did not see another person after the first mile for the entire day and we were the last car to leave the trailhead. 24.5 miles, 11 hours and over 6000ft elevation gain.

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Rabbit and Villager Peaks hike, March 18, 2023 (Photo Paul Maurin) submitted by





Feb 22, 23: George White summits Iron Mountain, Poway, CA



Black Mountain #4 3-12-23 By Isa Galan

We didn't know how the day would turn out and if we would be able to make it to

Black Mountain. The weather forecast had flip-flopped several times during the week including the night before. We drove in the rain and it just stopped as we were getting close to our starting point. Gusts of wind got a bit crazy at the summit but the rain held until we got back to Pioneertown. I got



a free car wash on the drive home too! All evidence of our crazy adventure was gone in no time. What a fantastic hike! Getting closer to 100 HPS peaks, 85 and counting!



Isa Galan hiking Black Mountain #4 with Julio Pete Garcia and Marsh Jackson





Rabbit Ramp-Up Hike #2 Granite Mountain 2-4-23 By John Martin



Bill Simpson led another 21 people on a trip to the summit. Lots of steep slopes

and Class 2 scrambling. About 3300' of gain for a 7 mile



round trip, with the first mile being pretty

flat...that tells you it's gonna' be steep.

Weather was sunny and clear. mostly 40's



- 50's with very slight breeze - basically perfect.









Eureka Peak Summit, Photo: Sunny Yi



Alez Chao, Sunny Yi and Jason Park on Queen Mountain Summit







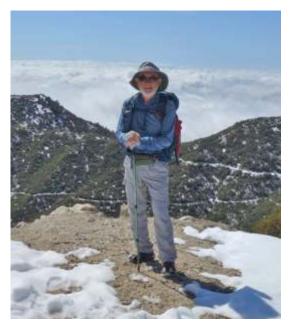
We did a private hike yesterday to Mt. Lowe from Lake Avenue/Cobb Estate. It was about 13 miles and 4,000' gain. It was a really nice day. Trail

Mount Lowe March 12, 2023 Teresa Blackmon Spohr



remained clear up to Inspiration Point, but the snow started shortly above Inspiration Point, so we wore microspikes. There was at least a couple of feet of snow at the summit.

It was an excellent day!





Hundred Peaks Section

MCOMM Teleconference

January 26, 2023

- James Hagar Chair
- Sharon Moore Vice Chair
- Mark S. Allen Secretary
- George Christiansen Access and Mountain Records
- Mat Kelliher, Outings and Safety, discussed hikes going well, but future need for "Easy Hikes."
- Chairs Report: Lidia Barbosa and Ron Campbell elected to MCOMM. Ron Campbell to serve as MCOMM Outreach Chair
- Mike Dillenback appointed to Programs (Apvd)
- Proposed programs and dates for 2023:
 - Spring Fling Weekend of May 20, 2023, Possibly at Idyllwild Campground again.
 - Waterman Rendezvous Saturday June 24, 2023
 - o Holiday Hoopla Weekend of December 2, 2023 Plan to have at Joshua Tree Lake Resort
 - Annual Awards Banquet Sunday January 21, 2024
- Discussion and approval of Minutes: November 8, 2022. Teleconference (Apvd)
- Treasurers Report, Laura Newman filed on Google Drive Mountain Records, George Christiansen and Larry Pond

MOUNTAIN RECORDS REPORT

January 26, 2023

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CURRENT PEAK SUSPENSIONS

At the present time, two peaks remain suspended. They are Hines Peak (7Q), and Heald Peak (2M), due to HPS safety concerns.

FAIRVIEW FIRE

The FAIRVIEW FIRE in the South Fork of the San Jacinto Wilderness Area (near Hemet), affected the Cahuilla's and Thomas Mountain areas. A Forest Closure Order was in effect (Order 05-12-55-22-12), with Rouse Hill (5168', Peak 29A) inside the closure area. This closure was in effect through January 24, 2023.

The closure order has now expired, but today, January 25, 2023, the San Bernardino NF indicates that the closure will be extended. Since that is not a done deal, we should consider that Rouse Hill is still closed, and wait for the details in any revised orders.

LOS PADRES CLOSURE

A sixty day closure was put into effect for the Los Padres National Forest on January 13, 2023 due to road, trail, and infrastructure damage from the recent storms. This closure extends through March, 14. Details and revisions are continuing to develop.

PISGAH PEAK - 5488*

Pisgah Peak - 5488', in the Oak Glen area, was previously on the HPS List (25H) and de-listed in 1988 due to private property issues. This peak has recently been acquired by the Wildlands Conservancy and is now open to the public.

• GRANITE MTN #2 - Route 1 (2023 01 21)

The Route 1 drive to the Granite Mtn #2 Trailhead has been severely damaged by the rain runoff from the recent tainy weather. An attempt to access the Route 1 Trailhead via high clearance 4WD was not successful. The Route 3 drive to Granite Mtn#2 Trailhead was easily driven with HCV without the use of 4WD. As of (2023-01-21)

MONROVIAPBAR Roads

The access to Marrovia Redovia nuice 3 is blocked by a Marrovia City docure order. The obsure order is necessary iorquinestersive niny woither damage of Carryon . Park-Park response to hike is is expected in a few works. More details can be obtained by contacting the Monrovia Community Center at (20) 255-8246. Superving Monrovia Peak is not anticipated because access should be resolved within weeks (as of 2023 01-21).

ADDITIONAL DECONICAL/TOWARYNOTE

Also note that the western Mknicovia Peak Route 1. "Class Shell route" is blocked by the remaining Bobost National Forest closure of the state of

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