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Announcing: The 2020 HPS Annual Awards Banquet

January 11, 2020

The Monrovia Restaurant

Speaker: David Money Harris

Author, Day and Section Hikes The Pacific Crest Trail

Co-Author, Afoot and Afield: Orange County with Jerry Shad

San Bernardino Mountains with John Robinson

Hello All HPS'ers

Are you aware of how significant an impact HPS has on the Angeles Chapter hiking community? HPS has been leading an average of 260 hikes per year. Wow! Isn't that something! I am sure that this is quite a bit more than any other Section. I appreciate all the HPS primary leaders and co-leaders that make this happen. Thanks very much.

We just had our Oktoberfest weekend. The Friday before, the Forest Service raised the fire danger level to Extremely Hazardous. That meant we could not have campfires or any camp stoves. So we decided to cancel the camping portion of the Oktoberfest. Too bad because we had twice the number of overnight campers coming than last years Oktoberfest. We also missed the opportunity to have the beer tasting contest, but I really appreciate Aimee Shocket's efforts in planning the Oktoberfest. Fortunately we still had the four hikes associated with the Oktoberfest. All were heavily attended and lots of fun.

Our next event is the **Holiday Hoopla**. It is on Friday December 6th thru Sunday December 8th. Of course, our social hour and potluck is 6 pm Saturday night. You can camp overnight on Friday and Saturday nights at the Joshua Tree Lake Resort. This Resort is nearby Joshua Tree National Park. There is plenty of camping and parking space available. Look for more details in this Lookout. And we already have 5 hikes planned and there will be more. This is always a fun event. Hope to see you there.

We also have the **HPS Annual Awards Banquet** coming up. It is Saturday January 11, 2020. It will be at the Monrovia Restaurant. David Harris, Professor at Harvey Mudd College, is our guest speaker. He is author of many Southern California guidebooks. Several are: 101 Hikes in Southern California, San Bernardino Mountain Trails and many more. He has climbed more than half of our HPS peaks. Check out the flyer elsewhere in this Lookout for more details.

All of you that have earned HPS achievement awards, be sure of come to the Banquet to receive them.

Please plan to come to the Holiday Hoopla and the Awards Banquet. Your attendance makes our Section strong.

Happy Hiking,

Mike Dillenback
HPS Chair

You are cordially invited to the
Hundred Peaks Section Annual Awards Banquet
- Saturday January 11, 2020 -

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

**Come join us for an informative presentation
from guest speaker David Harris, Professor at
Harvey Mudd College**

**He is author of numerous Southern
California hiking guidebooks, including 101
Hikes Southern California, San Bernardino
Mountain Trails and many others. David has
climbed more than half our HPS peaks.**



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 11, 2020

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

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____

Enclosed is a check for _____ (\$49 per person, if received by 1/2/20, \$54 thereafter)

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.

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT
September/October 2019 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair

<u>New Members</u>	<u>Donations</u>	
Karen McCartney	Yasuhide Iemori - \$16	19 Life Members
Jae C Kim		205 Members
Tina Bach		22 Household
Ross Doering		<u>16 Subscribers</u>
John Harris		262
Kiyoshi Kodama		

100 Peaks Emblem

- #1207 - Richard Gillock - Shields Peak - 8/14/2019
- #1208 - Chris Feifer - Ten Thousand Foot Ridge - 8/3/2019
- #1209 - Cynthia Tessin - Vetter Mountain (LO) - 4/15/2017
- #1210 - Keith Robinson - Vetter Mountain (LO) - 4/15/2017
- #1211 - Mikey Sullivan - Cleghorn Mountain - 9/6/2015
- #1212 - Shelly Britton - Monument Peak #2 - 9/6/2015

Explorer Emblem - 100 Peaks

- #14 - Yasuhide Iemori - Tahquitz Peak (LO) - 9/21/2019

First List Completion

- #327 - Kendra Heinicke - Pinyon Ridge - 10/19/2019

Eighth List Completion

- #8 - Ignacia Doggett - Lockwood Peak - 10/23/2019

Sixth Leadership List Completion

- #2 - Ignacia Doggett - Lockwood Peak - 10/23/2019

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Maya and Tanya on Antimony - 10/14/19

Hundred Peaks Section MCOMM Teleconference

7-9-19

- Michael Dillenback -Chair
- Coby King – Vice Chair
- Mark S. Allen -Secretary
- George Christiansen - Access and Mountain Records
- Mike Dilllenback – Programs Chair
- Aimee Shocket - Merchandise, Programs Co-Chair
- William Chen - Outreach, Programs Co-Chair
- Jim Hagar - Member At Large
- Meeting Call to order: 6:40pm
- Chair Report, Michael Dillenback
 - Closed discussion; update on HPS Facebook Code of Conduct
 - Closed discussion; update on HPS Awards Policy
- Discussion and approval of 5-14-19 MCOMM Teleconference Minutes, by Mark S. Allen (Apvd and Filed)
 - Approved 5-14-19 Minutes sent to Karen Leverich, for archives posting at: www.hundredpeaks.org
- Discussion and approval July 4,2019 Treasurer’s Report, Michael Dillenback for Laura Newman (Apvd and Filed)

Membership:

HUNDRED PEAKS SECTION MEMBERSHIP REPORT May/June 2019 Michael McCarty, HPS Membership Chair

New Member

Linh Tu
Ken Conklin
David Sharg

New Subscriber

Sergei Petrov
Gina Cogswell
Nahid Shirazi
Fariba Akhiary
Ali Akhiary
Michael Maki

New Life Member

Laura Newman

DONATIONS:

Jane Simpson - \$10
Ali & Kariba Akhiary - \$2
Nahid Shirazi - \$1

19 Life Members

216 Members

26 Household

21 Subscribers

282

Pathfinder Emblem - 200 Peaks

#22 - Lawrence Lee - Mill Peak - 5/15/2019

100 Peaks Emblem

#1200 - Megan Birdsill - Mount Marie Louise - 5/18/2019

#1201 - Justin Barham - Mount Marie Louise - 5/18/2019

#1202 - Teresa Spohr - Mount Lewis - 6/29/2019

One Thousand Peaks

#25 - Jin Oak Chung - Mt Lewis -6/26/2019

- Mountain Records by George Christiansen:
- HILDRETH PEAK - I recommend un-suspension of Hildreth Peak (6M). Coby and others have accessed via the Potrero Seco Road. (Aprvd)
- CHIEF, HINES, TOPATOPA - Camille La Fredo suggested an alternate route to Chief and Topatopa (5/27 /19 to Michael Dillenback).
I attempted to contact her to request that she put this in "Peak Guide" format, but she did not respond. To pin down the specifics, someone will have to hike and track the details to finalize a new route.
The Nordhoff Ridge Road is now open with 20 permits per day issued.
- THORN POINT - The standard trailhead is not accessible currently due to a road washout. The road is blocked at the Cedar Creek trailhead, which adds approximately 1.5 miles round trip to the Thorn Point stats (thank you to Christopher Lord). Road repair beyond Cedar Creek will take an additional few months (November ?)
- SPLIT, BLACK AND SUNDAY - The gate at Greenhorn Summit - SR 155 at 24S15, providing access to Split. Black, and Sunday is now open.

- CRANSTON FIRE CLOSURE AREA - Closure Order 05-12-55-18-01 is scheduled to expire on July 31, 2019. If not extended or modified, the area west of the PCT on the Desert Divide will hopefully be reopened. I will advise all on August 1.
 - HOLY FIRE CLOSURE AREA - Closure Order 02-18-15 is scheduled to expire on September 14, 2019. It is doubtful that the entire area will reopen at that time.
 - Programs, Michael Dillenback, William Chen, Aimee Shocket
 - 2019 Spring Fling Critique May 4th and 5th 2019 at Keller Ski Hut. by Michael Dillenback
 - 2019 Waterman Rendezvous, 6-29-19 Well attended. Scheduled groups separate due to one ill hiker.
 - 2019 Oktoberfest/ Fall Festival, October 19th and 20th at Bandido Campground. by Aimee Shocket
 - 2020 HPS Awards Banquet, 1-11-20, at The Monrovia Restaurant. Reserved by Michael Dillenback
 - 2020 Banquet Speaker, David Money Harris, reserved by Coby King
 - Holiday Hoopla 12- 7 & 8th Joshua Tree Lake RV & Campground, 2601 Sunfair Road, Joshua Tree, CA 92252
 - Outreach Report, William Chen. Spring Fling a success. LTC Seminar handouts. Creating new flyers.
 - Merchandising Report, Aimee Shocket. Nothing to report.
 - First Aid Course discussion by Coby King. Red Cross interested in sessions for Leaders updating First Aid status.
- Meeting Adjourned 8:15pm

The Lookout Subscription Form


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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: _____

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

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

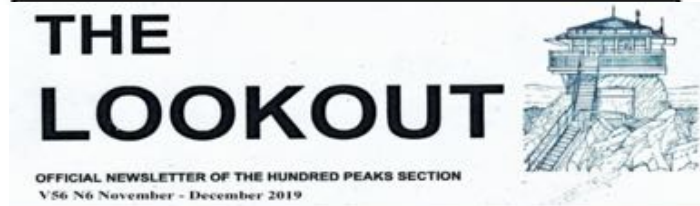
For information, Michael can be reached at lookout_membership@hundredpeaks.org or (818) 653-3305.



In This Issue:

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF SKILLS-BUILDING !
1990-2020

By WTC Chair, Jane Simpson



Cover: Antsell Rock, Jim Hagar, Mike Manning, Jeff Buchholz, Jerry Grenard, May Tang, Bob Stuard, Lawrence Lee, Amie Hung, Jae Kim



Island Fox, (*Urocyon littoralis santacruzae*), of Santa Cruz Island, Photo submitted by George Christiansen



Baden Powell Peak, 10-20-19

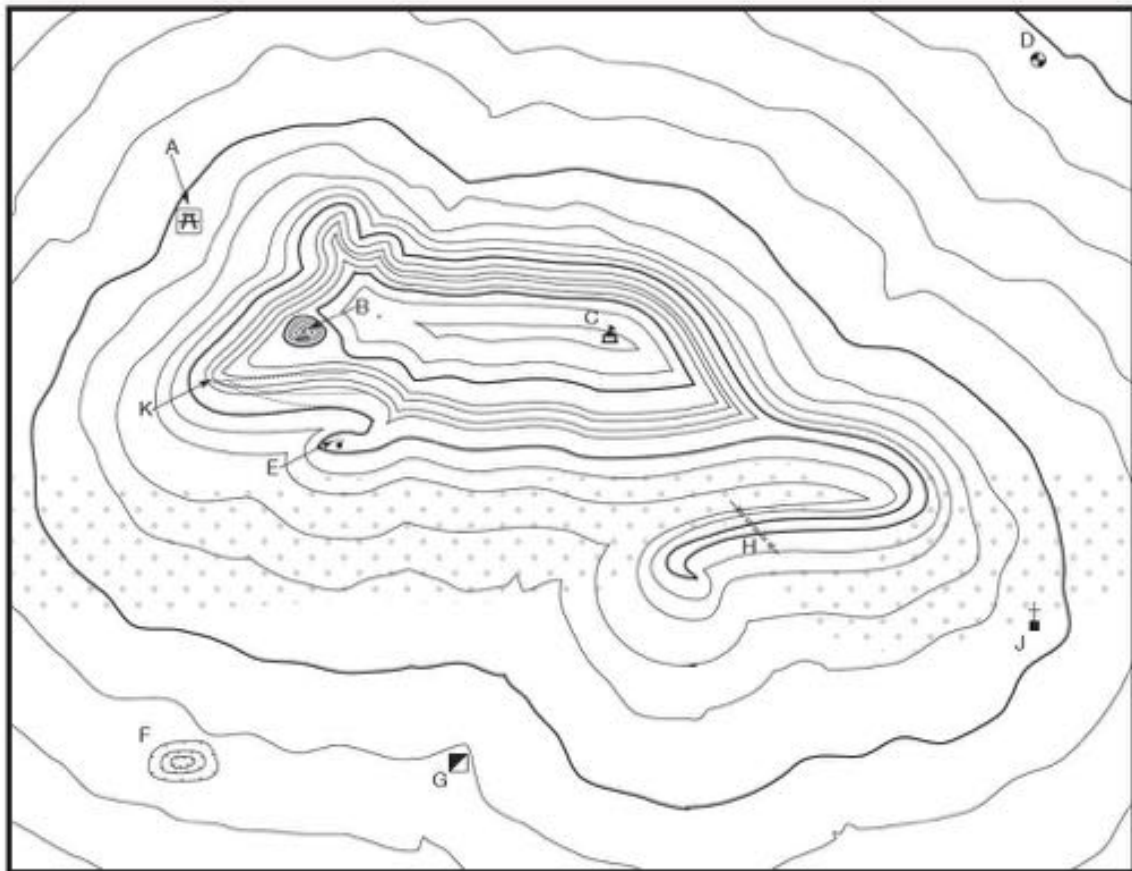
THE NAVIGATION CORNER: MAPS AS ART CONTEST

By Bob Myers, LTC Navigation Chair

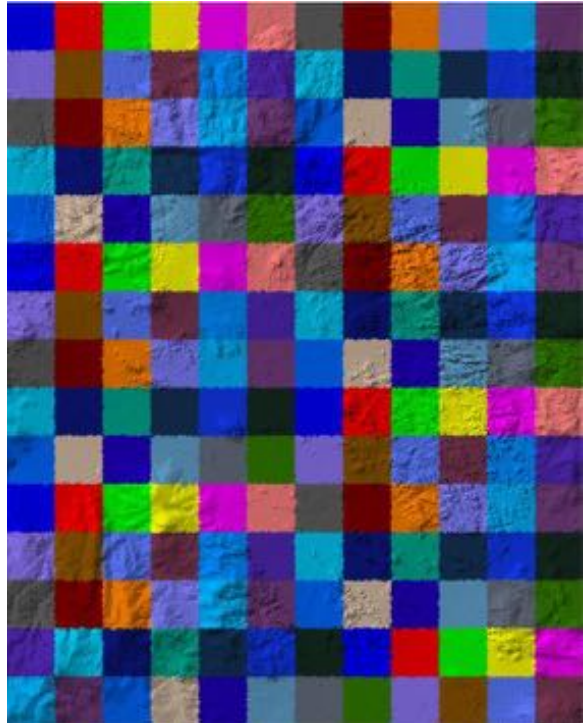
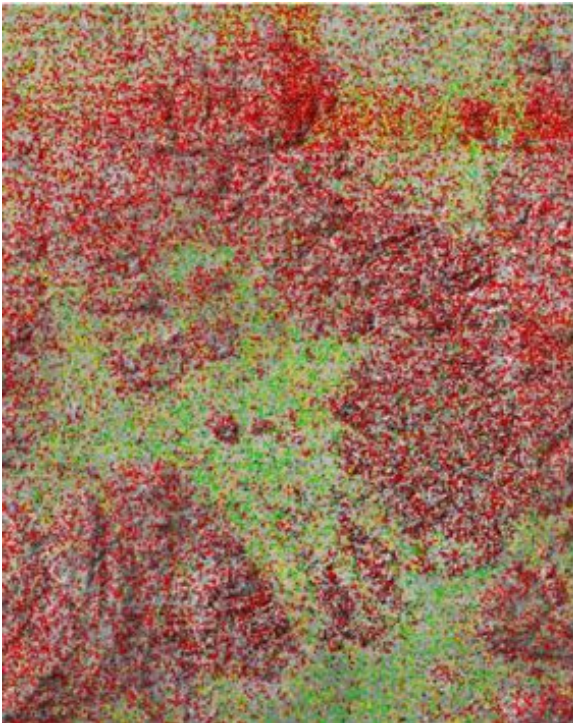
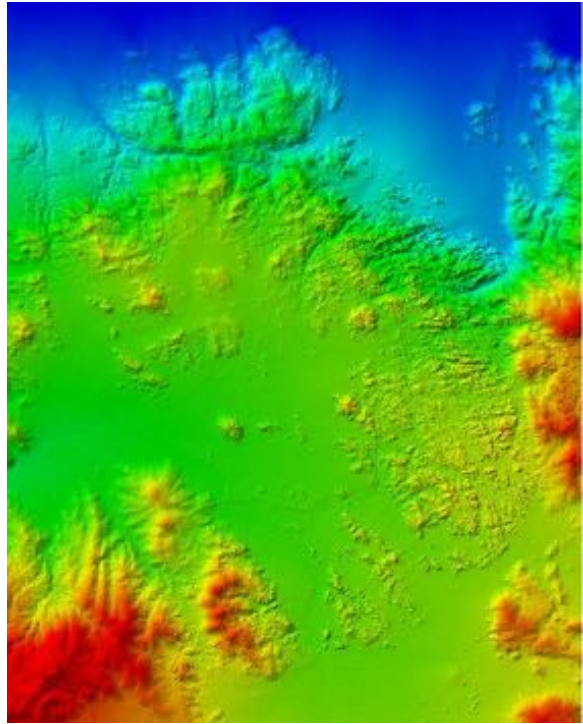
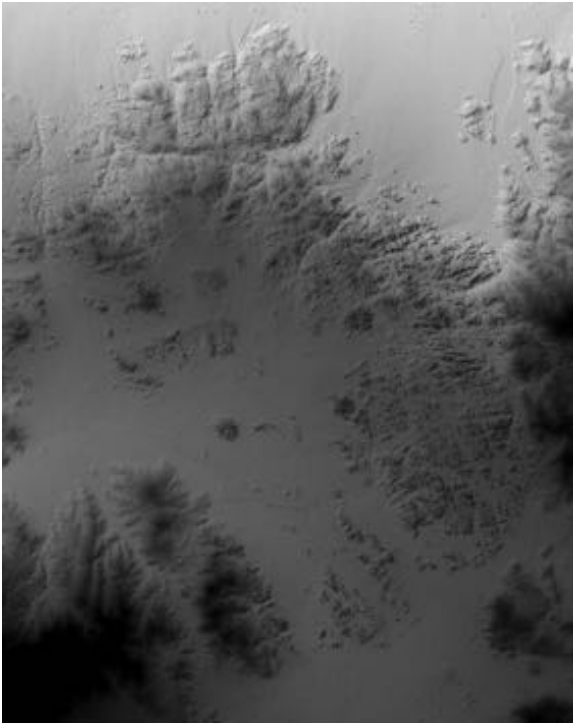
In *The Map as Art: Contemporary Artists Explore Cartography* (2010) by Katharine Harmon and Gayle Clemans, the authors highlight over 300 “map-related artistic visions.” It is one of many books and websites that explore maps as an art form. An extensive collection of over a thousand artistic maps can be found at <https://www.pinterest.com/mathewnegru/maps-as-art/>.

Over the years, we have had a number of navigation contests in *The Navigation Corner*. It is time for a new contest for the best “map as art” submissions by readers of *The Lookout*. Your map art can take any form and range from humorous to serious. The winner will be selected by a panel of navigation examiners and receive a \$50 REI gift card. All submissions should be emailed to me – no more than three submissions per person – by January 15, 2020.

In the event you want to draw your own map, the map below is an example of a humorous map. It was presented to me because of my “dislike” of a song sung by certain WTC groups about a roaring mouse on the barroom floor.



Because I will be ineligible for the contest, I will share some “artistic” maps I created for this article. The canvas for the art was the 2,147,483,648 lidar points that make up the Indian Cove 7.5 map (see May-June 2019 (Volume 56, No. 3) edition of *The Lookout*).



Upcoming Navigation Events



INDIAN COVE NAVIGATION NOODLE

On December 8, 2019, we will hold a one-day navigation noodle at Indian Cove.

We will start the year with a two-day navigation noodle on January 11-12, 2020 at Indian Cove.

At all of our navigation events, we can work with beginners. No prior navigation experience is required. All are welcome!!!

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



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!

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

November 2019 – June 2020
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 5, 2019. These outings cover the period ranging from November 6, 2019 through June 27, 2020. 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 6 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Lizard Head (5250'), Cuyama Peak LO (5878') - A strenuous hike on trail and cross-country for 11 miles round trip with 3900' of gain to a peak west of Maricopa followed by a drive-up to an old (and now falling apart) lookout. Moderate pace. Suitable only for experienced and conditioned hikers. High-clearance vehicle advised. Bring food, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact the leader for details. *Leader: JERRY GREARD* (jerry.grenard@gmail.com) *Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, JEFF BUCHHOLZ, REDDY YETUR*

Nov 6 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Pinyon Peak (6805') - Join us for a climb in Kern County's Kiavah Wilderness, at the south end of Sequoia National Forest. Beginning with the Jackstraw Trail, we'll weave through woodland, creek and meadow; then, gain the great ridge that will lead us to our summit. Totals for the day will be 7 mi round trip with 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 9 – 10 Sat – Sun Desert Peaks, Hundred Peaks

I: Sentinel Peak (9634') - Join us to bag Sentinel Peak (DPS-Listed), exploring a Death Valley ghost town along the way! From Chris Wicht camp, we will hike along Surprise Canyon to explore the ghost town of Panamint City. We will camp overnight at a nearby spring, for a first day of 6mi, 3700 gain. In the morning, we will hike past an abandoned mine to the top of Sentinel Peak to enjoy expansive views of nearby Telescope Peak, the Panamint Range, and Death Valley National Park, and hike out to cars the same day, for a second day total of 12mi, 3300 gain. Weekend round trip totals: 18mi, 7,000 gain. This trip will be strenuous and requires comfort with steep/loose rock. This DPS outing is co-sponsored by HPS. Contact Fiona McGinty at fionalanemcginty@gmail.com for trip status and details. *Leader: FIONA MCGINTY, Co-Leader: MAT KELLIHER*

Nov 9 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: C2C - Cactus to Clouds - San Jacinto Peak (10,804 ft) -- Join us Saturday for one of the biggest, toughest, and most beautiful day hikes in SoCal. We will start before dawn, on the desert floor at Palm Springs. As we climb, the sun will rise to reveal an incredible desert panorama, taking us into the cool alpine wilderness of Long Valley and up to the breathtaking summit of San Jacinto itself. Afterwards, we will ride the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway from Long Valley back down to Palm Springs. This is an extremely strenuous day hike (total distance 22 miles with ~11,000 feet of vertical gain) for fit and experienced participants, only. For trip details, email a current hiking resume to ryan.b.lynch@gmail.com. *Leader: RYAN B. LYNCH Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON*

Nov 10 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Granite Peaks (7527) - Join us for an autumn hike east of Big Bear in the Bighorn Wilderness area. Enjoy the fantastic Desert views from the high point of the Granite Peaks after crossing the Desert and climbing up the Boulders to the top. The day's total will be 6.1 mi round trip and 2057 gain at a moderate pace. Please bring 10 essentials, liquids, lugsoles and trekking poles. Send Email with contact info and recent conditioning to Jason Park (jasonpark7100@gmail.com) for details. *Leader: JASON PARK Co-leader IGNACIA DOGGETT*

Nov 11 Mon Hundred Peaks

I: Ken Point (6423') - Join us for an adventure on a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail on the Desert Divide. The peak name was informally given by the HPS, based on a benchmark named 'Ken'. In this case 'Ken' was almost certainly derived from the infamous Kenworthy Mine which once existed nearby and was one of the great frauds of its age, ruining many of its gullible British backers. Total 14 miles on PCT and a little cross country with 2200 gain. Please bring water, lunch, lug soles, sun block, layers & hat. Contact Jim Hagar at jhagar1@gmail.com for details. *Leader: JIM HAGAR Co-Leader: MAY TANG*

Nov 12 Tue Hundred Peaks

HPS Management Committee Meeting - telephone conference starting at 6:30 pm. Contact *HPS Chair, MIKE DILLENBACK* at dillyhouse@earthlink.net for call in details.

Nov 16 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Pyramid Peak (7035'), Pine Mountain #2 (7035'), Lion Peak (6868') - Climb these fine peaks on the Desert Divide, the major ridge system that stretches south from the San Jacinto mountains. Magnificent views of the Santa Rosa Mountains, the San Jacinto Wilderness and the Coachella Valley. Outing will be a moderately paced 11-mile round trip -- with around 2700' of gain -- mostly on trail and use trail (including a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail). Bring hiking footwear, layers, lunch, snacks, water, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: VIRGINIA SIMPSON*

Nov 16 Sat Hundred Peaks

O: Suicide Rock (7,528') - Join us for a pleasant hike up a peak of historical significance in the development of rock climbing in the US. We will take the Deer Springs and Suicide Rock trails up the gentle back side. The hike affords spectacular views of Tahquitz Rock (Lily Rock on the HPS list) where the Yosemite rating system for rock climbs was first developed in the 1950s. Expect an easy pace covering 6.6 miles and 1,850 feet of elevation gain. Bring lug soles, layers, lunch, hat and sun block. This hike is in the San Jacinto Wilderness so there is a limit of 12 including the leaders. Reservations are required. Please email Steve Russell at srussellyh@yahoo.com with contact information and recent hiking experience. Hike details will be provided by email. *Leader: STEVE RUSSELL. Co leader: MAT KELLIHER*

Nov 16 Sat 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, campfire. Sunday checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Nov 17 Sun 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, campfire. Sunday checkoff or additional practice. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS. Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Nov 17 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: Split Mountain (6835'), Black Mountain #5 (7438') - Join us for a hike in the Sequoia National Forest, northwest of Lake Isabella. To reach our first summit and its distinctive cleft appearance, we'll go from walking a pretty forested trail to

weaving through some brushy terrain; then climb up and around a boulders-manzanita mix to spectacular views of the Kern River Valley and Lake Isabella. After a short drive to our second trailhead, we'll make a relatively short but steep ascent to our second summit, amidst the magnificence of a forest verdant with lush ferns and beautiful trees. Join us for one or both peaks. The first peak is 8 miles rt with 2400' gain. High clearance vehicles advised; 4x4 preferred. The second peak is 3 miles rt with 1200' gain. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT, JIN OAK CHUNG*

Nov 20 Wed Hundred Peaks

O: Cucamonga Peak (8859'), Etiwanda Peak (8662') - Join us for this beautiful fall hike to these classic peaks near Mount Baldy. We will go up beautiful Icehouse Canyon to ascend to Cucamonga, then to Etiwanda on rough trail. Beautiful forest, magnificent views. Strenuous, moderate pace. Total of 17 miles rt, 4700' gain. Early start to get parking at trailhead. Bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch, hat, and sunscreen. Contact Jim Hagar at jhagar1@gmail.com for details. *Leader: JIM HAGAR Co-Leaders: BILL SIMPSON, JERRY GRECARD, JEFF BUCHHOLZ, SREEDHAR (REDDY) YETUR*

Nov 23 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: Scodie Mountain (7294) - (I) PROVISIONAL -- Join us for a fun day hiking to find this great peak just south of Walker Pass. Scodie Mountain is the high point of the Scodie Mountains and in the Kiavah Wilderness at the southeastern end of the Sierra Nevada. According to SummitPost.org, the mountain and the range were named for William Scodie, an early pioneer who settled nearby, and made a living selling provisions to would-be miners and stockmen. The area is covered in sagebrush scrub and Joshua Trees at the lower elevations and with Pinion Pines at higher elevations. The views are great on the summit. We will travel a good portion of the hike cross-country. The totals for the day will be 7 miles round trip with 2400 feet of gain. Contact the leader at syetur@yahoo.com for details. *Leader: SREEDHAR (REDDY) YETUR, Co-leader: BILL SIMPSON*

Dec 2 Mon Hundred Peaks

I: Sheep Mountain (5141') - Join us for this strenuous hike in the Santa Rosa Wilderness desert terrain. Total for round trip to Sheep Mountain will be about 12 miles with around 2,900 feet of elevation gain. Enjoy views of the surrounding mountains, Palm Desert and the Coachella Valley. Pace will be easy going. Bring hiking footwear, water, lunch, snacks, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: BILL SIMPSON Co-Leader: VIRGINIA SIMPSON*

Dec 4 Wed Hundred Peaks

I: Iron Mountain #1 (8,007') - Join us for "BIG IRON", the hardest hike in the San Gabriels and near the top of the entire HPS list. Iron is known for its extreme hiking challenge: the last 2.25 miles to the peak have about 3600' of elevation gain. The overall hike is 14 miles round trip with 7200' of elevation gain. Very early start, we will begin and end in the dark. Moderate but steady pace. Please bring lugsoles, layers, beverages, lunch, snacks, sunblock hat and a stiff upper lip. Fit

and experienced hikers only. Contact Jim Hagar at jhagar1@gmail.com for details.
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Dec 6 – 8 Fri – Sun Hundred Peaks

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Dec 6 Fri Hundred Peaks

I: HOLIDAY HOOPLA! Queen Mountain (5680 feet) and Mt. Inspiration (5560 feet) - The Sierra Club invites you to experience one or both of these special peaks in Joshua Tree National Park. This is the first of three days of hikes in this National Park for the HPS Holiday Hooplah. Hike all three days!! Stay in campground both nights!! Drive between trailheads. Park entry fee. The Queen Mountain trail is 3 miles round trip with 1100 feet of gain, and the Mount Inspiration trail is 2 miles with 700 feet of gain. Totals for the day will be about 5 miles and around 1800 feet of gain. Please bring water, hiking footwear, layers, lunch, snacks, sunblock and hat. Contact Leader for details. *Leader: JERRY GREARD (jerry.grenard@gmail.com), Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON, JESSE GLICK*

Dec 7 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: HOLIDAY HOOPLA! Bernard Peak (5430 feet), Little Berdoo Peak (5440 feet) - Join us for a great desert hike to Bernard and Little Berdoo. The Sierra Club invites you to experience these two remote special peaks in Joshua Tree National Park. This is the second of three days of hikes in this National Park for the HPS Holiday Hooplah. Hike all three days!! Stay in campground both nights!! Totals for the day will be about 6.5 miles round trip with around 1800' of gain. The hike to these two peaks will be entirely off trail. High-clearance vehicles required. Park entry fee. Bring lunch, snacks, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: JERRY GREARD (jerry.grenard@gmail.com), Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON, JESSE GLICK*

Dec 7 Sat Hundred Peaks

I: HOLIDAY HOOPLAH!! Mineral Mountain (7,238) & Tip Top Mountain (7,623) - Join us on our way out to the 2019 HPS Holiday Hooplah for a trip up into the Bighorn Mountain Wilderness Area east of Big Bear, CA to climb these moderately strenuous HPS peaks at a reasonable pace. We'll drive in from the east on dirt roads as far as we can get and then exit our vehicles to ascend the southern flank of Mineral Mtn to its summit. From Mineral we'll traverse northwest up and along the ridgeline that rises above it to the high point at 7,462; there we'll turn to the northeast for a short descent followed by a steady ascent to the summit of Tip Top. We'll return by descending the southwestern flank of Point 7,462 and then along the dirt road we drove in on. Expect about 6.5 miles with as much as 1,200' of gain over cross country terrain. High Clearance, preferably 4WD vehicles, are required to reach the trailhead. Email Mat Kelliher at mkelliher746@gmail.com with vehicle type and carpool info, along with recent conditioning and experience, for trip status and details. And if you're planning to join us at the Holiday Hooplah after our hike, be sure to make reservations in advance with Mike Dillenback at dillyhouse@earthlink.net *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, MIKE DILLENBACK*

Dec 8 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: HOLIDAY HOOPLA! Warren Point (5103 ft) and Eureka Peak (5518 ft) - A strenuous Sunday stroll through the Little San Bernardino Mountains! The Sierra Club invites you to experience these two special peaks in Joshua Tree National Park. This is the third of three days of hikes in this National Park for the HPS Holiday Hoopla. Hike all three days!! Stay in campground both nights!! Starting from the Black Rock Visitors Center, we'll visit the summit of Warren Point and then head down Black Rock Canyon to the Burnt Hill Trail to reach the summit of Eureka Peak. Afterwards, we'll return via the Eureka Peak Trail to the Black Rock Visitors Center. Total distance is 13 miles, with 3,800' of elevation gain. No park entry fee. Bring lunch, snacks, water, hiking footwear, layers, hat and sunblock. Contact Leader for status and details. *Leader: JERRY GRECARD (jerry.grenard@gmail.com), Co-Leader: BILL SIMPSON, JESSE GLICK*

Dec 8 Sun Hundred Peaks

I: HOLIDAY HOOPLAH!! Black Mtn #4 (6149'), Chaparrosa Peak (5541') - Join us for the 3rd day of the HPS Holiday Hooplah; hike to one or both of these peaks in the desert environs west of Yucca Valley. First, we'll follow a gentle cross-country traverse of ridgeline and canyon to gain Black's summit and enjoy lunch as we savor the surrounding views -- marvelous mesas, broad valleys, and distant mountains of the high desert among them. Then, after driving to Pipes Canyon Preserve, we'll hike via good trail to Chaparrosa and its own outstanding views: southeast, the Sawtooth Mountains and their superbly jagged ridgeline; southwest, the San Bernardino Mountains and tall alpine forests standing in contrast to the shorter yuccas and plants populating the preserve and echoing the peak name. Doing both hikes will add up to a total of 10 miles round trip with 2700' of gain. High clearance vehicles appreciated. Please bring liquids, lugsoles, layers, lunch and hat. Contact peterdoggett@aol.com for trip details. *Leaders: PETER & IGNACIA DOGGETT, JIN OAK CHUNG*

Dec 8 Sun LTC, WTC, SPS, DPS, Hundred Peaks

I: Navigation - Indian Cove Navigation Noodle -- Navigation noodle at Indian Cove to satisfy the basic (I/M) level navigation requirements. Practice skills or checkoff. Send email with contact info (mailing address, telephone numbers), navigation experience/training, any WTC, leader rating, rideshare to *Leader: ROBERT MYERS Assistant: ANN SHIELDS*

Jan 11 Sat Hundred Peaks

2020 HPS Annual Awards Banquet - To be held at the Monrovia Restaurant in Monrovia, CA. The evening will start with a social hour at 5 pm with dinner to follow at 6 pm. The speaker will be David Money Harris who took over the San Bernardino Trails. The highlight of the evening will be the awarding of all the certificates that HPS members have earned throughout the year. Ticket cost and reservation instructions for the Banquet will be provided soon. For pressing questions prior to then, contact *MIKE DILLENBACK* at dillyhouse@earthlink.net or *AIMEE SHOCKET* at aimeehps17@gmail.com.

Jan 18 Sat – Sun Desert Peaks, WTC, Hundred Peaks

I: Smith Mountain (5,913) & Tucki Mountain (6,726) - Join us on our first desert trip of 2020 for a fun weekend in the Mojave Desert at Death Valley National Park for a couple of moderately strenuous climbs of two classic desert peaks. Saturday expect about 6.2 RT miles and 2,100 of gain for Smith, and on Sunday 8.8 RT miles and 2,700 of gain for Tucki. Festive Happy Hour Pot Luck Saturday night under nearly moonless night skies!!! High Clearance, 4WD vehicles are required to reach the trailhead for Tucki Mtn. This DPS outing is co-sponsored by WTC and HPS. Email Mat Kelliher at mkelliher746@gmail.com with contact, vehicle type and carpool info, recent conditioning, and experience for trip status and details. *Leaders: MAT KELLIHER, NEAL ROBBINS*

May 29 – 31 Fri – Sun Hundred Peaks

2020 HPS Annual Spring Fling at Keller Ski Hut - Come join the 2020 Hundred Peaks Section Spring Fling! After spending the day bagging peaks, we'll all meet up Saturday night at the Hut to celebrate with a big potluck Happy Hour at 6 pm. Hang out around a roaring fire with old and new friends! Whether you're staying at the Hut or in town, everyone is welcome. Contact: for *Info/Reservations* - *William Chen* (wchenhps@protonmail.com). Please let us know if you will be staying at the Hut. There is no charge for HPS members or a charge of \$15 for non-members. Please pay at the event. Further details will be provided later. Hope to see a large turnout! As we get closer to the event, HPS outings will be posted. Make sure to check the HPS Website at <http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm> for newly added outings. Once you've found the hike(s) you're interested in attending, contact the respective outing leaders directly for status and specific details.


Jun 27 Sat Hundred Peaks

2020 Annual HPS Waterman Rendezvous - Hard to believe its 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!! This year we're holding the Rendezvous Saturday June 27, 2020. 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 1:00 pm pot-luck that we all contribute to and carry up to the summit with us. For general questions, contact *MIKE DILLENBACK*, HPS Program Chair at dillyhouse@earthlink.net or *AIMEE SHOCKET* at aimeehps17@gmail.com.

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Hundred Peaks Section
MCOMM Ranger House Meeting
9-17-19



- Michael Dillenback -Chair
- Coby King - Vice Chair
- Mark S. Allen -Secretary
- Mike Dillenback - Programs Chair
- Aimee Shocket - Merchandise, Programs Co-Chair
- Jim Hagar - Member At Large
- John Skidmore, Rex Link, Guests



Mark S. Allen

2019 HPS Elections

The busy holiday season is upon us. Take a moment from your preparations for Thanksgiving, and other holidays, and cast your vote for HPS Management Committee members; there are no proposals this year.

Three spots are up for election for the HPS Management Committee. The candidates for those spots are: George Christiansen, Jim Hagar, Coby King, Reddy Yetur, and Sunny YI. Their candidate statements are included in this issue of the LOOKOUT. The statements 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

Candidate Statements

Statement of George Christiansen

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

Statement of Jim Hagar

Starting with WTC in 2009, the Sierra Club introduced me to the outdoors for the first time and changed my whole outlook on life. As I've progressively involved myself with HPS I've come to deeply respect its rich history and historic accomplishments over the decades. I'm proud to be affiliated with HPS. I have been an active I leader for the section and have helped new leaders with their provisional outings. I made and keep updated the maps and GPS tracks you find on our web site. I have served on the Management Committee for several years. I've also been involved at the chapter level as a Safety Committee reviewer. I am interested in helping the section stay relevant and attract new and active members. Developing new leaders is equally important, preserving and encouraging a culture of mentorship and streamlining the process for potential new leaders. Let's keep bringing the joy of the outdoors as enthusiastically to future generations as we have in the past.

Statement of Coby King

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

My time on the Management Committee has been marked by great progress. In part (but ONLY in part) due to my leadership, we've transitioned to full electronic delivery of THE LOOKOUT and conversion of our elections to the Inter-net, both of which have substantially reduced our Section's expenses and carbon footprint. Our financial status is very strong, events continue to be successful, and a new generation of leaders and participants are joining us. Our success in nominating our members for Angeles Chapter awards is a testament to the respect in which people hold our Section.

While I have not completed the list (although as of this writing I only have 10 peaks to go!), I actually think that can be an advantage on the Management Committee. In addition, I have served on numerous boards and commissions over my career, and I believe I'm an effective manager and focused on results for the organizations I serve. Finally, I believe deeply in the mission of the Sierra Club, and I look forward to continuing to use my position to maintain access to our peaks and their routes, and to introduce more people to the glories of our local high places. We have much work to do and I hope to be able to work on your behalf for two more years. Thanks for your consideration.

Statement of Sreedhar "Reddy" Yetur

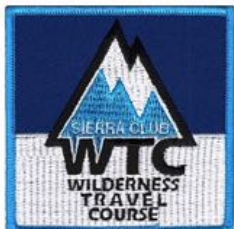
I have been hiking with HPS for about two years and became a member a little over a year and a half. While hiking with HPS, I have bagged 231 peaks with 186 of those counting towards the list. I managed to become an "O" rated leader a little over a year ago and had the privilege of leading and /or co-leading to 135 peaks. While hiking and leading with HPS, I met several dedicated leaders, who were instrumental in teaching me about hiking, safety, route planning, route finding and leadership. Now, I am a provisional "I" leader. None of this would be possible without the leadership and management of HPS, which created the frame work for others to learn, grow and show the community at large to preserve and protect the wilderness and have fun in the process. As a committee member, I will work with the committee and jump in with both feet to preserve and promote the ideals of HPS.

Statement of Sunny Yi

Hello, my name is Sunny Yi. I finished the HPS List three years ago and I am now hiking Sierra Peak Section, Desert Peak Section and Hundred Peak Section peaks every weekend. In 2018, I graduated from WTC. I helped me in my aim to advance my knowledge, skills and ability to safely lead hiking friends in a wide range of hikes, and in becoming an I-rated Sierra Club leader. I would like to continue to help others by serving as a member of the HPS Management Committee.

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF SKILLS-BUILDING! 1990-2020

By WTC Chair, Jane Simpson



WTC's coveted student Patch given at graduation

Another acronym that we hear all over our Angeles Chapter outings programs is "WTC." Shorthand for the popular Wilderness Travel Course, WTC also stands for its sponsor, the Wilderness Training Committee. Yes, it takes a strong and dedicated management team to oversee the course each year in four Southern California geographic areas: Long Beach-South Bay, Orange County, San Gabriel Valley and West Los Angeles. And yes, these areas have their own acronyms: LBSB, OC, SGV and WLA. Attention to detail – curriculum, registration, budgets, equip-ment, staff training and publicity – never stops even after the course ends. In fact, that's when every-thing gears up for the following year. And 2020 is special because it marks WTC's official 30th year of operation.

First, let's step back in time. Before WTC, there was "BMTC" – the legendary Basic Mountaineering Training Course, a more advanced course that kicked off officially with its first chair, Robin Ives, at the helm in 1963 (a few classes were held in the two years prior by a Training Committee for a small group of Club members). Over many decades, BMTC introduced thousands of Southern California aspiring climbers to technical challenges on rock and snow, along with navigation and basic outdoors skills. At its peak, BMTC was conducted in five southland locations. It lasted until the late 1980s when a few incidents brought an end to that higher level of training for students, mostly beginners. As the Moun-taineering Committee mulled its options, a few leaders saw an opportunity to continue to take students outdoors and so, WTC -

– a course less focused on tech-nical gear – was born in 1989. Several WTC leaders began their leadership careers with BMTC.



WTC Orange County Kaweah Group feasting at snow camp 2019. Photo by Matt Hengst

WTC's curriculum has several things in common with its predecessor: a reverence for arcane terms and acronyms as well as a healthy focus on safety, leadership and love of teaching. People ask why WTC is offered only in winter; the answer is to take advantage of snow for its famed snow camps. Guaranteed to put smiles on faces, snow camp is the culmination of the course as well as a great learning opportunity. WTC leaders know that a summer backpack in the Sierra can quickly become a summer snow camp if weather conditions are just right.

Another key ingredient for both courses is navigation. Learning how to stay found by knowing where you are and how to return to a trailhead safely is built on solid map & compass skills before you reach for that GPS. With The Mountaineers' indispensable "**Freedom of the Hills**" as the prime text, along with WTC's own Student Handbook, students gain solid book-knowledge to use and refer to later, on topics ranging from Leave No Trace to trip planning and nutrition to First Aid, footwear, fabrics and gear. But it is the attention of group leaders and instructors in classrooms and field work that truly makes the lessons resonate. Learn by doing some rock scrambling and

climbing a desert peak; learn by testing yourself and your gear. In all kinds of weather, too. WTC course outings go rain or shine within safe margins, of course. One of the more valuable lessons to learn is whether your gear – or you – can stand up to the elements.

WTC accepts 300+ students annually with group sizes approximately 18-22 students, led by two group leaders and 8-10+ instructors. The course runs for ten weeks from January to late March.

All this includes four field trips (two one day and two weekend outings). Attendance at classes and completion of two cross-country backpacking trips leads to Graduation as well as bragging rights and something to note on your hiking resume. Registration is only available on the website and on the site there is a way to direct questions to WTC. So, take a look at the website and see if this is for you and get ready to go beyond roads and trails with new friends – and HPS folks! – that share your interest in the outdoors.

For more information, visit www.wildernesstravelcourse.org

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Photo: Dmitri Medvedev

Students and leaders on Florence Peak, August 19, 2018. Back Row: Jonathan Fargeas, Marisa Rodriguez, Leaders Sarah Quist and Megan Birdsill; Front row: Jackie Sly, Andrew Bergman, Iona Broke and Rebecca Butler.



Proto Jane Simpson

These leaders collectively represent over 70 years of WTC involvement. at WTC 2019 graduation at Joshua Tree Lake October 26, 2018. George Faeustle on left: SGV group 4 group leader. Georgette Rieck, center: WLA group 1 instructor and past group leader, founding WTC leader. Ron Campbell, on right: OC group leader and Chapter Safety

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Joshua Tree Lake Campground nearby JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK



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Onyx Peak, 10-16-19. Hikers: Bill Simpson, Jim Hager, Jeff Buchholz, Jin Oak Chung, Mary Varalyay, Louie Rodriquez, Reddy Yetur, Ella.P. Pennington. Photo by Jin Oak Chung.



Barley Flats, 10-20-19, Participants: Andrea Ehrgott, Bill Simpson, Linh Tu, Mat Kelliher, Mike Dillenback, Tanya Roton, Teresa Spohr, Wade Stuckwisch, Jeff Buchholz, Catherine Tirr, David Cuddy



BW2T Kendra Heinecke's lamp pierces the desert darkness, illuminating a loose rocky road surface. Behind her, Ignacia Doggett yearns for the end of these first 9 miles, preferring the steep but firm climb out of Hanaupah Canyon.



Bald Eagle Peak, 10-20-19



Descending from Onyx Peak. Photo Jeff Jeff Buchholz

Dragons Head Peak and Bighorn Mountain

Sept 20th, 2019

By Larry Edmonds

On Thursday, September 19th, Jim Wick and I headed up the Vivian Creek Trail for High Creek Camp where we would spend the night. My favorite part of the trail is the section starting at the Vivian Creek Camp and extending to Halfway Camp. It's a beautiful area of scattered meadows in a forest of incense cedars and ponderosa pines, some of which are very old (large) specimens that have stood there for several hundred years. We were pleased to see water flowing at the crossing of Vivian Creek just below Halfway Camp. A year ago we camped at Halfway on a trip to climb Dobbs Peak and

to our surprise the creek was dry. Fortunately there was water at High Creek; otherwise we would have had to abort our climb of Dobbs. After reaching High Creek and setting up camp we got into our sleeping bags early because when the sun went down it cooled quickly. We awoke at first light to a cold morning. Had to be in the mid 30s because by the time I finished stuffing my sleeping bag, pillow and sleeping pad my fingers were numb making the opening of the bear canister to retrieve breakfast difficult. Now with light day packs we proceeded up the many switch backs of the Vivian Creek Trail to the top of the ridge west of Dragons Head. After following the trail a short ways on the ridge we proceeded off trail pretty much maintaining our altitude to the drainage coming down north of Dragons Head and followed this rocky gulley to the saddle north of Dragons Head. This was fairly easy cross country travel. From there we went up the ridge to the summit. On top was an old register dating back to October of 1973 that was placed by a local Boy Scout troop.



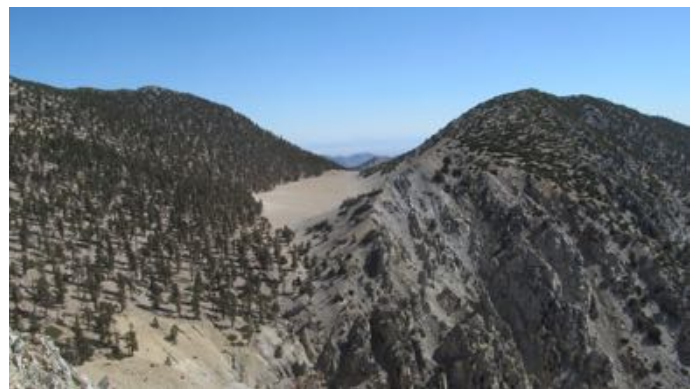
Dragons Head Register

Apparently at the time the USFS called the peak South Peak. After sitting and enjoying the spectacular view from Dragons Head we followed the ridge back down to the saddle and headed to the tarn NW of Big Horn. As we approached the tarn a use trail was visible heading up Big Horn so we simply

followed the use trail to the summit. As you ascend this use trail it branches into several different routes but I think anyone will do as the terrain is easy to navigate. We were again rewarded with great views and signed the register placed by the Doggetts in September of 2017. We had considered climbing north from here and picking up the trail just below San Geronio for our return but Jim had been suffering an altitude headache so instead we returned the way we came, packed up our camp and headed on down the trail. This was another fun adventure to the 3rd and 4th highest points in Southern California.



San Jacinto Viewed from Dragons Head



The tarn & Big Horn Mountain from Dragons Head

Milestones



Jason Park's I-Provisional backpack, Eagle Mtns in Joshua Tree over Sat Oct 12 - Sun Oct 13. Hiked Mastodon Peak, Eagle Mtns HP. Participants: Antonia Warner, Melissa Zecher, Jason Park, Sunny Yi, Kendra Heinicke, Mat Kelliher, Todd Turner, Illwoo Suh, Roger Lim, Wasim Khan, Alex Muro, and Andrew Manalo. Photos by Andrew Manalo.



Kendra Heinicke celebrated her HPS list finish on Pinyon Ridge, 10-19-19" -- Submitted by Ignacia Doggett



Black #4



Sam Fink Peak 11-2-19 - Jeff's "I" Provisional. May Tang, Tanya Roton, Amy Huang, Matt Liao, Mary Varalayay, Kiyoshi Kodama, Steve Russell, Jae Kim, Mike Manning, Mari-Chous, Lawrence Lee, Jeff Buchholz, Bill Simpson, Teresa Smith



Split Mountain

Black #4 and Split Mtn. 9-18-19

Telescope Peak

11-2-19

By Ignacia Doggett Photos
by Andrew Manalo



Leaders: Ignacia Doggett, Sunny Yi, Jason Park, Participants:
Kendra Heinecke, Larry Wozniak, Andrew Manalo, Alex Muro,
Roger Lim, Reid Bengard, John Iwanaga



Mt. Conness

By Mike Maki

Mt Conness (12590') is the highest Sierra peak north of Tioga Pass and most prominent in Tuolumne County (2630'). Besides the HPS and LPC lists, Mary and I are also hiking the California County Prominence Peaks. I've really enjoyed these peaks, more so than many of the county high points. There is a reason we like prominence peaks! We first tried to hike this peak in August. At that time we were warned by some hikers the evening before our hike that snow still presented an obstacle without cram-pons. We scratched it that day and headed to the Inyo Mountains and hiked Waucoba Mountain. (Quick note on Waucoba Mountain, it's the only place I've been able see Badwater and Mt Whitney in the same directional view!)



Returning to attempt Mt Conness in mid September, we camped the night before at Saddlebag Campground arriving on a Thursday night in hopes of beating the weekend crowd to a site. Several sites were available. There we also sites available at the Sawmill walk in campground at the trailhead. We had a beautiful full moon that night..

In the morning we drove to the Sawmill Campground trailhead and started our hike. The first two miles is along the heavily used trail up the canyon bottom through the Harvey Monroe Hall Natural Area and past the dilapidated Carnegie Institute's shed. At this point the route climbs the mostly open SE facing slope below Alpine Lake. Some use trails were found here and there but for the most part it's open country. We did some very minor bushwacking. At the crest of the slope you arrive at Alpine Lake. Here we rounded the NE shore and headed up the open gently sloping slabs to the East Ridge. We encountered a few patches of snow but nothing that required any kind of traction. This section of the ridge is a class 2 scramble that follows lots of use trails until you top out on the gentle western slope. At this point you can see the summit and the remaining narrower ridge to cross. I was impressed that this section of the ridge had some constructed trail from existing rock. I'm guessing it may date back to the early CCC days building trails in the Sierra. There are a few places that require some care but for the most part it is a very fun and easy class 3 scramble to the top. And as with most prominence peaks the view is fantastic in all directions in addition to the shrinking Conness Glacier below. We followed the same route back and had time to drive to the Tuolumne Meadows Store for an ice cream cone and soda. Total for the hike was 8.4 miles with 2873' elevation gain.



San Rafael Peak

10-23-19

By Jim Hagar



Jim Hagar

Wonderful hike to San Ra-fael Peak and San Guillermo Mountain.

Fifteen hikers braved a deep stream crossing in their vehicles to climb San Rafael with amazing views and a register going back to 1974 with many well known HPSers register signins including Zobeida Arauz's 100th peak in 2001. Next we went up San Guillermo and said

goodbye to Diana and Jorge Estrada, HPS regulars for many years, with champagne, then returned to the cars for strawberry shortcake.

Great day. Wishing you well Diana and Jorge in your new home in Reno!



Jim Hagar



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May Tang



Jim Hagar

**The Big Four and Trail Maintenance: Samon Peak (6227'),
 Madulce Peak (6536'),
 Big Pine Mountain (6800'+) and West Big Pine (6490')
 October 25-27, 2019**



Big Pine Mountain

Big Pine Peak, Leaders William Simpson, Jerry Grenard, Jeff Buch, Sreedhar Yetur. Participants include: Ali Akhiary, Fariba Akhiary, Mark Allen, Mike Manning, Louie Rodriguez, Thomas Sakowych, Michael Sallwasser, Teresa Smith, George White,



How many hikers can you fit into the biggest tent at the Big Four weekend? Teresa's tent was the source of lots of laughter! Photo by Louie Rodriguez.



Malduce Mountain



Louie Rodriguez



Louie Rodriguez



Samon Peak



HPS HOLIDAY HOOPLAH!!! DECEMBER 6-7, 2019
Joshua Tree Lake Campground nearby JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK



This year the Hundred Peaks Section will be holding its 2019 Holiday Hooplah over the weekend of December 6-7. We've reserved a group campsite for both Friday and Saturday nights (Dec 6 and 7) 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. Make sure to check the HPS Website at <http://www.hundredpeaks.org/outings.htm> for newly added outings. Once you've found the hike(s) you're interested in attending, contact the respective outing leaders directly for status and specific details.

Hiking Photography

By Jin Oak Chung



Photo: Mary Varalyay



Not from the lens of Jin Oak, but Accompanying Ignacia Doggett to Lockwood Peak, for Ignacia's 6th Lead List and 8th personal list completions on October 23, was Spott. Her human Brian Richardsson reports that Lockwood was Spott's 56th peak, Frazier her 57th. Spott also has 10 Colorado 14ers.



Devil's Chair

By Keith Winston

Devil's Punchbowl is a Los Angeles County Park north of the San Gabriel Mountains that can be reached from Highway 138. It is hard to believe that LA County extends into the high desert. The park itself has plenty of free parking, restrooms, and a visitor center. The rock formations were created by the San Andreas fault and other faults. It features massive slab uplifts like the more famous Vasquez Rocks. There are two trails from the parking lot. One trail does a mile loop through the slabs, and the other heads into the mountains to the Devil's Chair, a white ramp that juts out over the formation.



On this trip, I started late in the day, not a great idea in the summer. The trail heads south rising gently into the foothills. At 0.9 miles, the Burkhart Trail comes in sharply from the right. If you were inclined, the trip to Burkhart Saddle from there is 6.2 miles. I stayed on the Devil's Chair trail, meeting parties on their way down. When the trail turned east, I was in pleasant pine forest with a fair amount of shade and my concerns about roasting in the sun eased. Phantasmagoric geology was on display the rest of the way. Rocks and clay were varied in colors and formations in dark green, red, pink, tan, and white. While the trail undulated between 5200' and 5300', it felt mostly flat until the 400' drop at the end to the Chair. A fence is built around it on both sides to keep people from falling off.

The views were worth the effort. I sat on the Chair about 10 minutes enjoying the views and wind gusts.

There were still some stragglers on the trail on the way back and even a few very late starters. I did see two large bear scats on the trail. I didn't expect that.

There's plenty of bear food at this elevation. The round trip for Devil's Chair trail was 7.6 miles.



I couldn't leave the Punchbowl without a quick scramble on some of the slabs. I headed for the highest slab in the park, which meant leaving the loop trail and taking one of the many criss-cross use trails down to the rocks. The slabs appear to be mainly sandstone conglomerate with small rocks sticking out of the surface. Think cookie dough ice cream hardened to rock. I started up the main crack facing the road which was a mix of class 1 and 2 terrain. Half way up the crack, there was a landing where I dropped my pack. There was a bush in the crack near the top. The way up there was tough class 3 and required trusting your weight to one or two inch holds on the rocks sticking out of the surface. The first 10' above the bush was the crux. I tested the first couple of rocks and they held, then I worked my way up to the top. The big slab was about 150' high. It was tricky coming down and I ended up sliding the last five feet of the crux section back to the main crack. It was a fun way to end the hike.

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