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Programs are held at the San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands (California St. exit off I-10 Fwy)

Sierra Club Shapes Riverside Open Space

By Kurt Gunther, Sierra Club Member

In 1979 Riverside residents, helped by hard-working Sierra Club volunteers, collected thousands of signatures to qualify Prop. R for the city ballot and won the campaign decisively.

Finally a law was enacted reflecting overwhelming citizen support for protecting Riverside’s unique natural assets. Scenic hills and arroyo watercourses, the citrus Greenbelt, historic Victoria Avenue, Yucca Valley, and the last undeveloped stretch of the Santa Ana River in La Sierra next to the Hidden Valley Wildlife Preserve are included.

The Riverside City Council, however, soon began undermining the law by granting unwarranted variances to developers. So residents and Sierra Club members circulated petitions again to put Measure C on the 1987 ballot. It passed handily even though the City Council tried to confuse voters by putting a competing measure on the ballot without gathering signatures.

Measure C required that any changes to both laws had to be approved by voters. It also expanded La Sierra’s protections by requiring a specific plan be prepared to protect river open space, trail and the wildlife preserve.

In 1988 development interests brought a lawsuit to overturn R and C. The California Supreme Court rejected their case, upholding these two citizens’ laws. In a 1989 election developers then tried to repeal the laws, but were soundly defeated by 80%. Once more the Sierra Club stood with the residents of Riverside.

In 2005 the Sierra Club was the first organization to support a lawsuit, also joined by Audubon, Rural Residents, and Friends of the Hills, to stop City Hall from giving developers five times the number of houses allowed by R & C on the La Sierra River Ranch. The City even had the gall to consider shifting proposed homes that could not be built on nearby land contaminated with toxic industrial wastes to the protected river area.

With key Sierra Club support, citizens won in court. Thank you, Sierra Club!

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January's Chapter Program Highlights Pacific Crest Trail Firsts

O ur Speaker at the January 5th chapter meeting is Teddi Boston, Volunteer Coordinator for the San Gorgonio Wilderness Association and resident of Landers. In 1976 at the age of 49, Teddi was the first female thru hiker to complete the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). At that time, she completed the PCT north to south, starting at the Canadian border and ending at the Mexican border. She says she did it in reverse to the usual direction because she was told it was impossible.

Last year “just to prove I could do it,” Teddi hiked a 325-mile section of the PCT in Southern California. Teddi’s presentation will include her photographs from the PCT hikes. The meeting starts at 7:30 pm at the San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands.

An article on the Pacific Crest Trail Association web site tells her fascinating story, “In the 1960s, with two daughters in Girl Scouts, Boston ventured on her first backpack into California’s San Bernardino Mountains. ‘It rained like crazy,’ she said. ‘Oh, God. I fell in love with it.’ “Soon she was taking eight girls on a full John Muir Trail hike. And it was there, in 1972, that Boston met her first PCT thru-hiker. That’s all it took. She came home, bought (Eric) Ryback’s PCT book and started to plan her own thru-hike. She made a detailed, day-by-day 11-page itinerary with 16 mail drops. She took a built-up load of sick leave and requested six months off. “On May Day 1976, totting a 65-pound pack, Boston couldn’t have been further removed from twirling ribbons around a sunny May Pole. A blizzard in Washington drove her into her tent for two days. Her local paper, the Orange County Register, recorded her routine for the early weeks: ‘Up at 3:30 a.m. daily, she walked on the frozen crust until about 10 a.m., when the sun, melting the snow, forced her to don her snowshoes. Since all trail markers were buried by the snow, she did the first month by compass and map. When she got far enough south to find her first trail marker was fewer than 10 feet off the trail.”

Calendar of Outings, Meetings, and Other Events

CALL THE LEADER AHEAD TO SIGN-UP.
WHAT TO BRING

Many Outings specify items to be carried by EACH participant. Do not attend Outings without the specified items unless you have first discussed it with the leader. Often the TEN ESSENTIALS are required. They are: 1) map, 2) compass, 3) flashlight, 4) knife, 5) windproof/waterproof matches in waterproof case, 6) first fire starter, 7) first aid kit, 8) extra food & water for emergency use only, 9) extra clothing including rainwear, & 10) sun protection including sunscreen/sunglasses/hat.

ADVENTURE PASS SPECIAL NOTICE
Most outings occurring in the San Bernardino, Angeles, Cleveland, or Los Padres National Forests require a Forest Service permit for each vehicle (Adventure Pass). They are indicated by ** in the calendar. Be sure to contact the leader regarding permits. The permits cost $30 per year or $8 per day; however they may not be obtainable the day of your Outing. If you arrive at the meeting place without making arrangements with the leader & you don’t have a permit or find a ride in a vehicle with a permit, you will not be able to attend the outing. You are expected to share the cost of the daily permits equally among everyone in the vehicle or a suggested $50 contribution from everyone for annual permits (above normal mileage contribution). America the Beautiful Interagency Passes may be used in lieu of Adventure Pass.

CARPOOling POLICY
In the interests of facilitating the logistics of some outings, it is customary that participants make carpooling arrangements. The Sierra Club does not have insurance for carpooling arrangements & assumes no liability for them. Carpooling, ride sharing, or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. Drivers should have adequate insurance coverage & their vehicles should have no safety defects. Drivers of carpools agree to not consume any alcoholic beverages. It is customary for riders to share expenses with the driver. Five cents per mile per person for short trips is suggested while three cents per mile per person over 100 miles is usually reasonable.

LIABILITY WAIVER
In order to participate on one of the Sierra Club’s outings, you will need to sign the following liability waiver

I have read any rules & conditions applicable to the Outing made available to me; I will pay any costs & fees for the Outing; & I acknowledge my participation is at the discretion of the leader.

The Outing begins & ends at the location where the Outing officially commences with leader & participants in attendance, as designated by the Sierra Club (“Trailhead”). The Outing does not include carpooling, transportation, or transit to & from the Trailhead, & I am personally responsible for all risks associated with this travel. This does not apply to transportation provided by the Sierra Club after the commencement & before the end of the Outing.

If I decide to leave early & not to complete the Outing as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave & waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision. Likewise, if the leader has concluded the Outing, & I decide to go forward without the leader, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to go forward & waive all liability against the Sierra Club arising from that decision.

This Agreement is intended to be as broad & inclusive as is permitted by law. If any provision or any part of any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or legally unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby & shall remain valid & fully enforceable.

To the fullest extent allowed by law, I agree to WAIVE, DISCHARGE CLAIMS, & RELEASE FROM LIABILITY, & to INDEMNIFY & HOLD HARMLESS the Sierra Club, its officers, directors, employees,

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agents, & leaders from any & all liability on account of, or in any way resulting from Injuries & Damages, even if caused by negligence of the Sierra Club its officers, directors, employees, agents, & leaders, in any way connected with this Outing. I understand & intend that this assumption of risk & release is binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators & assigns, & includes any minors accompanying me on the Outing.

I have read this document in its entirety & I freely & voluntarily assume all risks of such Injuries & Damages & notwithstanding such risks, I agree to participate in the Outing.

Note: If the participant is a minor, the minor’s guardian must sign on the minor’s behalf.

RECURRING MONTHLY MEETINGS
(LOOK IN CALENDAR FOR DATES)

(1ST MON) 6:00 PM SB MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
MEETING Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on Feb 1, Apr 4, May 2, Oct 3, Nov 7. INFO: DAVE BARRIE. (909) 337-0313.

SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

(1ST TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORONJIO CHAPTER MEETING
PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LADD SEEKINS ladd.g.seekins@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911

CHAPTER

(1ST WED) 6:30 PM BIG BAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING
The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com.

BIG BAR GROUP

(1ST TUE) LOS SERRANOS GROUP EXCOM MEETING
Odd-numbered months only (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov). PLACE: For meeting time & place, contact BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianelli@aol.com.

LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(2ND MON) 7:00 PM PSMB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING
MONTHLY program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard’s Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE. (909) 337-0313.

SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

(2ND TUE) 7:00 PM CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate: we need your help! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kmfloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385.

CHAPTER

(2ND WED) 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP MEETING
MONTHLY meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd. on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: SUSAN STUEBER, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com or MOJA VE GROUP

(2ND THU) 6:00 PM SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING
MONTHLY meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauza Road, Temecula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierracrusbsng@gmail.com.

SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

(3RD THU) 7:00 PM LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING
MONTHLY meeting except July & August. PLACE: First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianeli@aol.com.

LOS SERRANOS GROUP

(3RD THU) 6:30 PM BIG BAR GROUP MEETING
MONTHLY meeting except December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site www.sierracclubbigbargroup.org. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 36), Fawnskin. INFO: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com.

BIG BAR GROUP

(4TH TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORONJIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING
Chapter governance meeting. Monthly except for December. PLACE: The San Gorgonio Chapter office, 4079 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside. INFO: MARILYN RUZ, ruizruzmaryann@gmail.com, (909) 815-9379

CHAPTER

WEEKLY RECURRING OUTINGS & FITNESS ACTIVITIES
Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings

MON 6:00 PM RIVERSIDE MT. RUBIDOUX ONE HOUR FITNESS WALK
MEET: Ninth Street entrance to Mt. Rubidoux. INFO: JUDY SMITH. (951) 569-5117.

CHAPTER

WED 7:00 PM MOJAVE GROUP CONDITIONING WALK WALK
Please join us for a three-mile conditioning walk beside the Mojave River in Apple Valley. We leave promptly at 7 PM. MEET: In the Jess Ranch Marketplace parking lot closest to the Mojave River Bed, between the Jess Ranch Cinemark & Bath, Beyond & Beyond Store, address: 18815 Bear Valley Rd., Apple Valley, CA 92308. Light post location is 158. Walks are paced for participants. Enjoy the evening air, river breeze, sunsets, stars & moon on this 3 mile Mojave River walk. BRING: Flashlight & water. WEAR: layered clothing & good hiking shoes.

LEADERS: BILL SPRENG bspren@gte.net (760) 951-4520 & JENNY WILDER (760) 220-0730 jensoasis@aol.com.

MOJA VE GROUP

DECEMBER 28 – JANUARY 3
Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

JAN 1 (FRI) 9:00 AM BONITA VISTA NEW YEARS DAY HIKE
Come and start the New Year right. The Bonita Vista First Day Hikes offer individuals and families an opportunity to rejuvenate and connect with the outdoors by taking a hike on the first day of each month. We will explore the unique natural and cultural treasures in this beautiful area. RATING: Moderate with an uphill at the beginning and downhill at the end. This hike will be approximately 4 miles long. BRING: Water, a snack/lunch, and wear sturdy shoes/boots. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, Apple Valley Rd., Apple Valley at 8:30 AM. LEADER: Susan Stueber 760-900-5330, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com or CO-LEADER: Jenny Wilder jensoasis@aol.com.

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JAN 3 (SUN) 8:00 AM PINE KNOT TRAIL HIKE
One of the most popular trails in Big Bear in spring, summer and fall, Pine Knot trail is under-appreciated as a winter hike. Stands of black oak without leaves will allow for low angle sunlight to play brilliant reflections off the snow cover. With El Nino more likely than not to make something of a dramatic appearance this winter, the trail may be something of a challenge. RATING: Normally moderate, but could be strenuous due to snow, shush and ice. MEET: Sunday January 3rd, Aspen Glenn parking lot. Coming from the west on 18, take a right on Tulip Lane soon after Boulder Bay. Find the parking lot in under a mile on right. Coming from the east on 18, take a left on Mill Creek road across the street from Bear Valley Bikes. Find the parking lot on your left in less than a mile. BRING: The ten essentials including 2 liters of water, layered clothing, a warm winter coat. Snack/lunch, a good pair of hiking boots that are waterproof, trekking poles, crampons for the boots, sunglasses, sunblock, hat, gloves/mittens and scarf. Fresh snow/rain cancels. I will send out a confirmation or cancellation email the day before.

RESERVATIONS: Email hike leader Peter Michelschiner petermichelschner@gmail.com, or call me at 760-333-3103.

BIG BAR GROUP

JANUARY 4 – JANUARY 10
Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings
(Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

JAN 5 (TUE) 8:00 AM FRANKISH PEAK HIKE
This will be a strenuous 9 mile through hike on a steep use trail up the south slope to the top of Frankish Peak (elevation 4198 ft), with 2200 ft. elevation gain. We will hike down the north slope of Frankish Peak into a hidden valley, then gently up to the Barrett/Stoddard saddle, then down Barrett Canyon to Mt. Baldy Road. Great panoramic views in all directions from the peak. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen, treking poles, and layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Contact John St. Clair to confirm and for directions to trailhead. LEADER: John St. Clair at 909-983-8501 or johnstclair@xstream.com.

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MEETING The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com.

BIG BAR GROUP
**JAN 7 (THU) 8:00 AM** SUNSET PEAK HIKE

This will be a moderate 7 mile round trip hike on a fire road up to the top of Sunset Peak (elevation 5796 ft), with 1300 ft. elevation gain. Great panoramic views in all directions from the peak. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure Pass will be required for parking at the trailhead. Contact John St. Clair to confirm and for directions to trailhead and carpooling meeting place. LEADER: John St. Clair at 909-983-8501 or john@stclareusa.com

**JAN 7 (THU) 3:00 PM** OLIVE MTN HIKE

Enjoy the view from Olive Mountain with a moderate to difficult 4-mile round trip hike. Elevation gain of about 1,000 ft. We start promptly at 3:00 p.m. BRING: water, flashlight and sturdy shoes. MEET: from 60fwy in Moreno Valley exit Perris, go north 1 mile, turn right on Kalmia, go ½ mile and turn left on Kitching. Park at the end of the lot on Kitching. Rain cancels. INFO and LEADER: Cristina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmteck@gmail.com.

**JAN 7 (THU) 6:00 PM** SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING

Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: Pam Nelson (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com

**JAN 8 (FRI) 9:00 AM** WALNUT CREEK HIKE

Also known as the MDA or Michael D. Antonovich Trail, is a 3 mile R/T hike with a mere 400’ elevation gain. These numbers make for an easy jaunt through canyon woods with multiple stream crossings, so hiking poles are strongly advised. BRING: water, sturdy boots layered clothing and hiking poles. MEET: Please call to confirm by 7:50 AM. LEADER: Jeff Warren (909) 985-7686 or email jmwandjjw@hotmail.com.

**JAN 8 (FRI) 9:00 AM** S B MTS GREEN VALLEY LAKE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE

We will snowshoe or hike depending on the weather. Green Valley Lake has some of the best snow in our local mountains, so come and join me for a day of fun. No prior snowshoe experience is necessary—it is not difficult to learn—just another form of hiking. You need to provide your own equipment. MEET: in Green Valley Lake across from the post office (33271 Green Valley Lake Rd, Green Valley Lake, CA 92341) at 9 AM. WEAR layered clothing. BRING: No need to bring lunch just a snack and water. LEADER: Sandy Ellis, 990-867-7115, 4seller67@gmail.com

**JAN 9 (SAT) 8:00 AM** NORTH VIEW LOOP TRAIL JTNP

Join me on a lesser-known 8-mile hike in Joshua Tree National Park. We’ll be on sections of three different day hike trails that provide varied views and terrain from boulders to washes. The trailhead lies about 1.7 miles from the West Entrance Station on the north side of the park road. We’ll take the North View Trail for 2.7 miles inside the Wilderness boundary, up and down past some spectacular views, canyon wrens, and giant rock outcrops, pick up the winding Maze Trail for 1.2 miles, take the Window Rock Trail for 1.9 miles for a great view of a thunderbird “window”, and rejoin the Maze Trail for the remaining 1.2 miles back to the parking area. Don’t forget your camera on this one! RATED: Moderate, with some short climbs and descending, but no more than a few hundred feet total elevation gain overall. Some parts of the North View Trail have rough footing. MEET: 7:30 AM at the Joshua Tree Visitor Center parking lot, 6554 Park Boulevard, Joshua Tree CA 92252. Parking at the trailhead is extremely limited (4 cars, or park along the road) so we’ll take as few cars as possible. BRING: Enough water for 4-5 hours hiking snacks, hiking poles, wind/sun protection (umbrella, sun hat, sunscreen, protective clothing), personal first aid supplies, and camera. WEATHER: January in the desert can be warm or cold, so please check the forecast prior to the date. RAIN OR SNOW CANCELS. RESERVATIONS: Email LJ Foster at elajeyff@verizon.net (best) or leave a message (name, contact number) at (951) 845-9440.

**BIG BEAR GROUP**

**JAN 9 (SAT) 9:00 AM** RABBIT RUN HIKE

Join us for a short 4 mile hike in the Juniper Flats Area which begins on the East side of Milpas Highlands. We travel up a small rocky canyon, and then return doing a loop into Arrastre Canyon. There are lovely views of the valley from this hike as well as boulders to explore where rapids nest. We will be looking for owl pellets and cricket tracks. The trail in the canyon is sandy wash, so be sure to wear good hiking boots. RATED: Moderate MEET: East Milpas Highlands trailhead at the corner of Corto and Santa Rosa Roads. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, 2-liters of water. Don’t forget your camera and binoculars! For more details/directions please contact Jenny Wilder JensQuis@aol.com or call 760 220 0730.

**MOJAVE GROUP**

**JANUARY 11 – JANUARY 17**

Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

**JAN 11 (MON) 7:00 PM** SB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING

Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard’s Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: Dave Barrie, (909) 337-0313.

**SB MOUNTAINS GROUP**

**JAN 12 (TUE) 7:00 PM** CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. Please participate: we need your help! INFO: Kim Floyd, Conservation Chair, kimfloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 249-5385.

**CHAPTER**

**JAN 13 (WED) 7:00 PM** MOJAVE GROUP MEETING

Monthly meeting except for July & August. PLACE: Sterling Inn, Regency Room, 17738 Francesca, Victorville. (One block north of Bear Valley Rd on Ridgecrest.) Enter on Ridgecrest side of the building. INFO: susan@stuebel.com, susan@stuebel.com, susan@stuebel.com, susan@stuebel.com, susan@stuebel.com.

**MOJAVE GROUP**

**JAN 14 (THU) 6:00 PM** SANTA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING

Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Temecula Valley Library, 30600 Pauba Road, Temecula. INFO: Pam Nelson (951) 767-2324 sierraclubsmg@gmail.com

**SANTA MARGARITA GROUP**

**JAN 16 (SAT) 8:30 AM** EAGLE ROCK HIKE

Visit the eighth wonder of the world! Eagle Rock is a natural rock formation that appears to be a rock sculpture of the American eagle with its wings fully expanded. This large rock formation can be reached by hiking south of Warner Springs on the Pacific Crest Trail 3.4 miles over a rolling terrain. This is a rare opportunity, don’t miss it! This 6.8 mile round-trip Family Outing (FO) hike. RATED: Moderate in difficulty MEET: Warner Springs southern County Fire Station, CDF Fire Station located at 31049 Highway 79, 92086 on Hwy 79. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, and sun protection, 2-litters of water, and lunch. CALL: For reservations, Ed Caliendo, Hiking Leader at (442) 242-4103 or dogs111@msn.com

**BIG BEAR GROUP**

**JANUARY 18 – JANUARY 24**

Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

**JAN 18 (MON) 9:00 AM** ZANIA PEAK HIKE

5-Mile Loop or out-and-back, moderate to difficult hike with 1100’ elevation gain. Great 360 degree views. BRING: water, a snack, sunscreen, and wear sturdy shoes. MEET: from Interstate 10 exit north/east on Yucaipa Blvd. Proceed 2.9 miles, and then veer left on Oak Glen Rd in 1 mile, turn left into the trailhead parking area opposite Shadow Hills Dr. (by the soccer park). Rain Cancels. Please RSVP by 9 p.m. on Jan. 17. INFO and LEADER: Christina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmteck@gmail.com

**MORENO VALLEY GROUP**

**JAN 19 (TUE) 7:00 PM** LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING

Monthly except July & August. Programs on nature, conservation & travel topics. The public is welcome & refreshments are served. See Los Serranos Group webpage for detailed program information: sangorionio@sieraclub.org/groups/los_serranos PLACE: First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: Brian Elliott, briannel@aol.com

**LOS SERRANOS GROUP**

**JAN 20 (WED) 8:30 AM** STODDARD PEAK HIKE

This is a moderately strenuous hike up Barrett Canyon to the top of Stoddard Peak (elevation 4624 ft.), 6 miles round trip with 1100 ft. elevation gain. The hike follows a service road past charming cabins to the flats, then the last half mile to the peak is a narrow, steep trail & somerock scramble sections. Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen/hat, & layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Adventure pass is required for parking at trailhead. Contact Kathy Viola to confirm & for directions to trailhead or carpool place in Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola at 990-346-9653 or kviola826@gmail.com

**LOS SERRANOS GROUP**

**JAN 21 (THU) 6:30 PM** BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING

Monthly meeting except December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group web site www.sieraclubbibbigbeargroup.org. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: Ed Caliendo, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com. **BIG BEAR GROUP**
A LOOK AHEAD FOR 2016

A Focus on Conservation Leadership and Membership Growth

In 2016 the National Park Service will celebrate its 100th anniversary. As you know, the Sierra Club has a long history with our national parks. John Muir was one of the earliest advocates of a national park idea and founder of the Sierra Club in 1892. It is this 100-year anniversary of our National Park Service that we will focus on conservation of our natural resources of water, forest, trails, and our environment. In addition, we hope to promote new membership growth by gaining support of these environmental issues.

In support of our focus on membership growth, we have expanded our Outings Program in a manner that should stimulate growth of the Sierra Club.

Outings Activities Expanded to Focus on Families

The Big Bear Group will expand its hiking and backpacking activities to include teenagers and adolescents and their parents so they may jointly experience the great outdoors. Selected hike leaders will lead Family Outings (FOs) of varying difficulty as well as over-night backpacking trips. Our goal is to get your families to learn the proper methods of safe hiking, camping, and the importance of wilderness conservation. All outings will be lead by certified Sierra Club Hike Leaders, all trained in the use of emergency Red Cross First Aid.

Outings Expanded to include Canoes, Kayaks, and Paddle Board Outings

This year we are expanding our Outings Program to include canoeing, kayaking, and paddle board water sports. Excursions will be scheduled on Big Bear Lake, surrounding lakes, and other water ways such as Newport Harbor. These activities are fair weather events, so the summer months will be the busiest. These activities are open to families to participate.

Group safety training will be scheduled for beginners and individual advanced training will be available by certified instructors. The 2016 events will include:

- Discus Watersports introductions on Thursday, May 19th, 6:30 p.m.
- Safety Training – Friday mornings once a month during the summer
- Weekend morning paddle events
- Monthly scheduled outings
- July Paddle Fest Event with 5k, 10k, and 20k events and prizes, and
- Evening Moonlight water activities

Rental equipment will be available through local merchants. Additional information will be forthcoming in the March Palm and Pine newsletter.

Five Peaks of Big Bear Award Program

For the 8th consecutive year, the Big Bear Group promotes health and fitness by issuing a “patch” recognition of those individuals hiking all five peaks of Big Bear. In order to receive the award, you must accompany a Sierra Club Hiking Leader on a scheduled day-hike to each of the five peaks of Big Bear. At the end of the year, you will be invited to a “Patch Party” to receive your award.

In 2015, ninety-seven (97) individuals attempted to complete all five peaks, but only 21 special individuals succeeded in accomplishing all FIVE peaks! Can you do it in 2016?

The five peaks of Big Bear include:

- Gold Mountain (8.0 miles R/T, with 1,640 elevation gain)
- Grey's Peak (8.0 miles R/T, with 1,400 elevation gain)
- Bertha Peak (7.5 miles R/T, with 1,400 elevation gain)
- Delamar Mountain (5.5 miles R/T, with 1,510 elevation gain)
- Sugarloaf Mountain (10.0 miles R/T, with 2,500 elevation gain)

A schedule of PEAK hikes will be published in the March issue of the Palm and Pine. You will have several opportunities during the months of June – November to complete all five peaks.

In conjunction with the issuance of special recognition patches for individual achievements, we will host our annual “Patch Party” on May 21st (Sat) to celebrate the individual achievements, have a barbeque, and hand out patches. This is an annual event the whole family will not want to miss!

A schedule of hikes will be published in the March issue of the Palm and Pine. You will have several opportunities during the months of June – October to complete all five peaks.

Pacific Crest Trail Special Recognition Awards for Section B, C, and D

In the past few years, we have focused on completing one of the Pacific Crest Trail segments in conjunction with the issuance of special recognition patch for individual accomplishment. In 2016, our primary focus will be the completion of Section C which covers 132.7 miles and is separated into 9 individual day-hikes and one 50-mile backpacking trip. A schedule of segments will be published in the March – April Palm and Pine.

In addition, we will schedule makeup segments of Section B and Section D of the Pacific Crest Trail. Those individuals who may have missed prior scheduled segments can selectively complete missing segments.

The good news is that make up segments can be applied to prior completed segments so that over the last three years a hiker can complete all segments of Section B, C, and D and receive a recognition patch at the annual Patch Party in May 2016.

Backpack Training and Excursions to the John Muir and Ansel Adams Wilderness

In early June we will conduct our backpack training. This consists of two full days of wilderness training in the great outdoors. Several months in advance, we will assist the trainees in equipment selection based upon individual goals and financial considerations.

Backpacking can be a natural extension of day-hiking with emphasis on survival and greater extension into the wilderness. Those individuals achieving a successful training experience will be eligible for a five-day backpacking trip into the John Muir and Ansel Adams Wilderness in late July 2016.

Further details will be provided in the March-April Palm and Pine newsletter or by contacting Ed Caliendo, Big Bear Group Outings Chair at dogs111@msn.com.

In Summary, there will be something for everyone. In addition to the above special hiking programs, planned backpacking trips, and water sports, Big Bear Group Leaders will weekly explore areas in Big Bear, Lake Arrowhead, San Gorgonio Wilderness, San Jacinto Wilderness, Mecca Hills, Mohave Desert, Joshua Tree National Park, sections of the Pacific Crest Trail and backpacking trips to the High Sierras! It should be a very exciting year of spectacular trails, special trips, and hiking adventures!

Mojave Group

By Susan Stueber, Group Chair

Congratulations go to Bill Spreng and Carol Wiley for being re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Sierra Club Mojave Group. Bill will continue as a Member at Large and Carol will continue as Vice Chair. We are very grateful to have their guidance and experience.

At our November meeting we got a chance to meet Amanda Sansoucie, our SPRONG candidate. She shared with us her experience at the summer training and also how she has applied some of the things that she learned to her job as Environmental Assistant for the EPA Department of the Chemehuevi Tribe. We are working at setting a date when she can come back in January or February to talk to some of the students at Victor Valley College.

The group meetings with the Barstow BLM and various volunteer groups, including the Friends of Juniper Flats, have continued the 2nd Tuesday of the month. In October we visited the spots where kiosks will be placed. In November we got a short lesson in monitoring using a paper version of what will eventually be replaced by tablets with software capable of taking a picture and noting the GPS reading. On November 14th we held our first event, which was a “Clean-up” of an area near Grapevine Canyon. There were 27 of us, including several people from the BLM. The area was strewn with shotgun shells and casings. There was also a rusted and dilapidated See-do in the gully below the parking area! Our next meeting is going to involve learning some fence maintaining skills and practice using the tablets.

Our February meeting will be our annual Coalition Meeting. The theme this year is centered on the centennial celebration of the National Parks. David Lamfrom and the National Parks Association will be hosting this year’s event.
The Moreno Valley Group outings leaders have scheduled hikes for January and February. There is an Olive Mountain Hike on Thursday, January 7, 3:00 p.m. and a Terri Peak Hike on Wednesday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m. The complete list of hikes and information can be found on the Chapter’s web site (http://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/node/3), the group web page (http://sangorgonio2.sierraclub.org/group/moreno_valley) and in the Palm and Pine listings. Join us for some fun winter hikes here in Moreno Valley!

Bald eagle counts will take place at 8:00 a.m. at the Lake Perris State Recreation Area (LPSRA) on January 9, February 13, and March 12. Anyone can take part in the count. Participants will meet at Perris Regional Indian Museum for orientation which is located within the LPSRA. You do not have to pay the entrance fee if you are taking part in the count. The count lasts about an hour with the wrap up taking place at the museum. You are then free to spend the rest of the day at LPSRA at no cost. Please call (951) 948-5600 to verify all information.

World Logistics Center (WLC): The city of Moreno Valley approved the project in August. In response to the lawsuits filed over the approval, the developer collected signatures for three initiatives with the goal to allow the city council to directly approve them. On November 24 the city council adopted the initiatives outright by a 5-0 vote. When the council voted to adopt the WLC’s three initiatives, they voided the public’s right to vote on them and also undercut many of our legal issues to challenge the project. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) wrote a very strong letter challenging the legality of two of the developer’s initiatives. The Sierra Club and San Bernardino Valley Audubon Society signed onto a letter written by Earthjustice which also challenged the legality of the initiatives.

Donations Are Still Needed: Your continued donations help us with this and other efforts to challenge the WLC. Any amount is appreciated. Please send your donations to: Sierra Club—Moreno Valley Group, P.O. Box 1325, Moreno Valley, CA  92556-1325

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Los Serranos Group

By Brian Elliott

Please indicate your vote on this ballot, cut out and mail so it is received by Jan 31.

Mail To: Joe Whyte 1404 Albright Ave. Upland, CA 91786

Remember to print your name and address and sign your name on the outside of the envelope so ballot can be verified. If two ballots from a joint membership are enclosed, be sure to print name and address and sign for each ballot.

**LOS SERRANOS GROUP BALLOT**

Please vote for 3 or fewer

- Brian Elliott
- Sue Brown
- Jeff Warhol

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JAN 23 (SAT) 8:30 AM  JTNP BLACK ROCK CANYON/WARREN PEAK Hike  This hike combines generally easy wash walking in pretty Black Rock Canyon with a moderate walk-up ascent of Warren Peak on an abandoned mining road. Follow a wash to Black Rock Canyon. The excellent view from the peak takes in the surrounding valleys, plus San Jacinto and San Gorgonio. Vegetation in the canyon includes Joshua trees, pinyon/juniper, and oak. Total distance for the semi-loop route will depend on how far we go in the canyon, but will be about 7 miles. Starting elevation is 4000 ft., with an 1100 ft. gain to the top of the peak. RATED: Moderate due to steep climb on use trail, plus starting elevation. MEET: Black Rock Ranger Station / Visitor’s Center 9800 Black Rock Canyon Road, Yucca Valley, CA 92284. Most likely an entrance fee will not be required. BRING: ten essentials, trekking pole, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2.5-liters of water. CONTACT: Reservation: Contact Dave Melton, Hike Leader at (760) 408-2456 or dmelton61@yahoo.com.  BIG BEAR GROUP  

JAN 23 (SAT) 9:00 AM  HIKE TO LOST PALMS OASIS JTNP HIKE  This moderate to strenuous hike departs from the Cottonwood Spring Trail Head, on a route that ascends the Cottonwood Drainage through the Panorama Mountains to the Utah trailhead we will head east on a 9.0 mile round trip distance on Lost Palms Oasis. We will hike over to Mastodon Peak and Mastodon Mine which are half a mile off a main off the trail. Climbing Mastodon Peak is optional and requires boulder and rock scramble up and back down. The main trail for Lost Palms takes us across the desert on course sand and through several washes before descending through a canyon to a bluff overlooking the oasis. From the overlook, a steep path descends to the Lost Palms floor. Lost Palms oasis is often rated as Joshua Tree’s nicest. Directions: Heading east on I-10 take Cottonwood Springs Road and head north (If you are going east on I-10 and get to Chuckamack Summit you have gone too far east). Drive 7 miles north to the visitor’s center, where we will meet. This park DOES have a DAY FEE ($20 per car or America the Beautiful Pass) which can be paid at the visitor center. “Rain Cancels” as there are many washes and slot canyons to traverse. You will need to bring plenty of water, wear comfortable hiking shoes, dress in layers and don’t forget the sunscreen. Reservations & info: Leader Gary Marsolane at (858)663-1201 or gmkmy@gmail.com.  SANTA MARGARITA GROUP  

**JAN 24 (SUN) 9:00 AM  COUGAR CREST TRAIL HIKE  This is a moderate to strenuous 4 mile hike leading up to the legendary Pacific Crest Trail. You will see drier forest habitat on this hike. Bring your camera for excellent photographs. This is a very interesting hike with quarry operations, gorgeous canyons, history, & spectacular waterfalls! Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, water, snack, sunscreen/hat, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Parking lot is at the end of Encanto Pkwy. Contact Kathy Viola to confirm & for directions to trailhead or carpool place in Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola at 909-346-9653 or kviola826@gmail.com.  LOS SERRANOS GROUP  

JAN 30 (SAT) 8:00 AM  LOWER DEEP CREEK HIKE  An easy 3 mile hike through this beautiful area with abundant wildlife. Bring sturdy boots and be prepared to get your feet wet depending on the flow of the river. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley. BRING: Water, snacks and a reminder about sturdy shoes. INFO: Norman Bossom, 760-912-3725, coachnorm@yahoo.com  MOJAVE GROUP  

JAN 30 (SAT) 8:30 AM  MURRAY CANYON TRAIL HIKE  This 4.5 mile out and back Family Outing (FO) rated hike features mini-waterfalls, hidden pools, and tree-lined streams. We begin in a sandy desert before delving into a lush canyon (the traverse is on land once inhabited by ancestors of the Agua Caliente Cahuilla Indians). The path hugs a palm tree-lined stream with waterfalls and cold, refreshing pools as long as there has been recent rain. Keep a lookout for bighorn sheep, occasionally spotted in the area. RATED: Easy to moderate in difficulty. A gradual uphill grade leads to three-tiered Seven Sisters, a series of stone pools connected by small cascades. Expect possible stream crossings. MEET: At the west end of Von’s Shopping Center parking lot near Hwy 111, 4733 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs on Hwy 111. This hike requires entry to the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation and has a cost involved of $9/adult, $7/ senior, $/children, free for military with ID. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2-liters of water. RESERVATIONS: Contact Darlene Taylor, Hike Leader at 951-385-5706 or dalyhrncrew2@verizon.net.  BIG BEAR GROUP  

JAN 30 (SAT) 8:30 AM  UTAH CANYONS OVERLOOK HIKE  This is an approximate 4.0 mile round-trip hike in the curious and mysterious Mecca Hills. We hike to the top of a ridge overlooking the Agua Caliente Cahuilla Indian Reservation and have a cost involved of $9/adult, $7/senior, $/children, free for military with ID. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2-liters of water. RESERVATIONS: Contact Ed Caliendo, Hike Leader at dogs11@mson.com or call (442) 242-4293.  BIG BEAR GROUP  

FEB 1 – FEBRUARY 7 Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings  (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)  

FEB 1 (MON) 9:00 AM  BONITA VISTA FIRST DAY HIKE  The Bonita Vista First Day Hikes offer individuals and families an opportunity to rejuvenate and connect with the outdoors by taking a hike on the first day of each month. We will explore the unique natural and cultural treasures in this beautiful area. RATING: Moderate with an uphill at the beginning and downhill at the end. This hike will be approximately 4 miles long. BRING: Water, a snack/lunch, and wear sturdy shoes/boots. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, Apple Valley Rd., Apple Valley at 8:30 AM. LEADER: Susan Stueber 760-900-5330, susanquintin.stueber@gmail.com or CO-LEADER: Jenny Wilder jensousa@aol.com  MOJAVE GROUP  

FEB 1 (MON) 6:00 PM  SB MOUNTAINS GROUP EXCOM MEETING  Alpine Conference Room 27236 Blue Jay Mall on Feb 1, Apr 4, May 2, Oct 3, Nov 7. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0313. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP  

FEB 2 (TUE) 7:30 PM  SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING  PROGRAM: See front-page notice. PLACE: San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands. DIRECTIONS: Exit I-10 at California St. INFO: LAID LASKIDN ladd.g.laskidn@gmail.com. (909) 800-3911  

FEB 3 (WED) 6:30 PM  BIG BEAR GROUP EXCOM MEETING  The meeting place rotates. CONTACT: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs11@mson.com.  BIG BEAR GROUP  

FEB 4 (THU) 4:30 PM  OLIVE MTN HIKE  Enjoy the view from Olive Mountain with a moderate to difficult 4-mile round trip hike. Elevation gain of about 1,000 ft. We start promptly at 4:30 PM. BRING: water, flashlight and sturdy shoes. MEET: from 60fwy in Moreno Valley exit south into the woods (gas station signage). Meet in the parking lot under the TA Travel sign. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, hiking boots, trekking poles, sun-protection, and lunch, 2-liters of water, gloves and trekking poles. RESERVATIONS: Contact Ed Caliendo, Hike Leader at dogs11@mson.com or call (442) 242-4293.  BIG BEAR GROUP  

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SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

FEB 6 (SAT) 8:30 AM

WATERCAVE HIKE

This is a popular hike in Arrastre Canyon, just south of Apple Valley. It is about 4-6 miles round trip with great views of the Victor Valley. Huge boulders dot the hills in the Juniper Flats Area. You look at them from the Victor Valley, now come and explore this beautiful area with us! RATED: moderate MEET: Call for meeting time. Victor Valley Museum, 11873 Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308. We will then call to the trailhead which is about 15 miles with 6 miles on dirt road. High clearance vehicle recommended for the dirt roads. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, 2-liters of water and hiking poles are a good addition. Don’t forget you camera and binoculars! For more details/ directions please Contact Jenny Wilder JensOasis@aol.com or call 760 220 0730

MOJAVE GROUP

FEB 6 (SAT) 9:00 AM

SB MTS GREEN VALLEY LAKE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE

Louxie “Letty” French, a legendary Sierra Club leader who passed away a few years ago, inspired us with her passion for environmentalism and her dedication to conservation. She was a strong advocate for protecting public lands and worked tirelessly to ensure that future generations could enjoy the beauty of our natural world. Letty’s spirit lives on through the many initiatives and programs that bear her name. One such initiative is the Letty French Trail, a popular hiking trail in the Sierra Nevada that honors her memory and legacy.

In this issue of the Palm and Pine, we explore the story of Letty French and celebrate her contributions to the Sierra Club and to our community. We also look at the current political climate and how it affects our efforts to protect our natural resources.

Letty’s story is a reminder of the importance of coming together to make a difference. By working together, we can create a better future for all. Letty would be proud of the progress we have made, but there is still so much work to do. We must continue to advocate for conservation and ensure that our natural resources are protected for future generations.

So let us honor Letty French by continuing to fight for the environment and by taking care of the places we love. Letty would be proud of us.
RATING: Moderate, with an elevation gain of 900'. MEET: Take 1-10 to Hwy 62 turn north towards Joshua Tree National Park. After 19 miles, in the town of Yucca Valley, turn left at Pioneertown Road. After 5.6 miles at the Pipes Canyon Road intersection (marked by a Pioneertown Mountains Preserve sign), drive west for 0.6 miles: veer right at the next sign for Pioneertown Mountains Preserve, continue driving 0.4 miles to the entrance gate and have a share your favorite campground cooking in a potluck on Sunday night. Campsite is reserved, $10 per night per participant for site, any extra will go to Los Serranos group. $20 park entrance fee or National Park pass required. Contact leader for more info and to sign up. LEADER: Mary Ann Ruiz 909-815-9179 or ruizmaryann@gmail.com

LOSS SERRANOS GROUP

FEBRUARY 8 – FEBRUARY 14
Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

FEB 8 (MON) 7:00 PM  SB MOUNTAINS GROUP MEETING Monthly program meeting. No meeting in August or December. PLACE: St. Richard’s Episcopal Church, 28708 Highway 18, Sky Forest. INFO: DAVE BARRIE, (909) 337-0131. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

FEB 9 (TUE) 7:00 PM  CHAPTER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING Monthly meeting or conference call. Take part in working on important conservation issues. $5 per month park user number; no need to pay! INFO: KIM FLOYD, Conservation Chair, kimfloyd@fastmail.fm (760) 245-5383. CHAPTER

FEB 10 (WED) 8:00 AM  PALMS TO PINES HIKE This is a moderate/strenuous hike out of Palm Springs on the famous tram to the top. We will, however, be doing a lower part of the trail 10 miles up and back with about 2000 foot gain on another occasion so you can do the upper part of the trail from the tram. If interested contact or email the leader. Joe Whyne 909-949-0415 whynejoe@gmail.com

LOSS SERRANOS GROUP

FEB 11 (THU) 8:00 AM  MT. WILSON HIKE This is a very strenuous all day hike to the top of Mt. Wilson at 5005 ft elevation. We will start in Sierra Madre to hike up 8 miles of a tough 4700 ft gain to the peak and then return the same way making it a 16 mile round trip. NOT for beginners! Even strong hikers will find this challenging! Rain cancels. BRING: sturdy boots, plenty of water, snacks & lunch, sun screen/hat, layer clothing appropriate for the weather. Contact Kathy Viola to confirm & for meeting place. Kathy Viola 909-356-0009 or carolplac@gmail.com in Upland. LEADER: Kathy Viola. SB MTS GREEN VALLEY LAKE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE

MOAJE GROUP

FEB 11 (THU) 4:30 PM  BOX SPRINGS PARK MEETING Moderate 4 mile round trip hike to the towers via the Spring trail. Approx. 400 ft elevation gain. We start promptly at 4:30 p.m. BRING: water, flashlight and sturdy shoes. MEET: from 69fwy in Moreno Valley go north on Pigeon Pass about 4 miles where road veers left and turns into Box Springs Mountain Road (mostly dirt road). In 1.2 miles you reach the parking area on the right. Parking fee $5. Rain cancels. INFO and LEADER: Christina Torres (951) 318-7503 or cmt.teck@gmail.com MORENO VALLEY GROUP

FEB 11 (THU) 6:00 PM  SANITA MARGARITA GROUP MEETING Monthly meeting except July & August. The public is welcome. PLACE: Tencemeula Valley Library, 30600 Pauma Road, Tencemeula. INFO: PAM NELSON (951) 767-2324 sierrachabong@gmail.com

SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

FEB 13 (SAT) 7:30 AM  HOT PALM OASIS TRAIL SOUTHERN JTP HIKE This is a repeat hike in case you missed it in December. The largest grove of California fan palms in all of Joshua Tree National Park lies at the end of this very nice, but dry, 4-mile trail each way, making 8 miles total crossing rocks and washes, and along ridges. Once arriving at the trail’s end, a steep descent takes you down to the shade under the palms at the bottom of a ravine. The area is designated for day use only, to protect the resilience of the plant. The trail is marked by pinyon/juniper and oak trees. Total distance is 2800 foot gain. On another occasion you can do the upper part of the trail from the tram. If interested contact or email the leader. Joe Whyne 909-949-0415 whynejoe@gmail.com

LOSS SERRANOS GROUP

FEB 13 (SAT) 8:00 AM  SB MTS LAKE GREYSON WINTER BIRD WALK MEET: North Shore parking lot, Across from Goodwin’s (2409 Lake Gregory Drive, Crestline 92325). Pay $8.00 parking fee or park on free street. See wintering birds as we walk around the lake (2.5 miles). Optional breakfast after: LEADER: Bill Engn, 909-338-1910, billings@yahoo.com

SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

FEB 13 (SAT) 9:00 AM  MAIDENHAI FALLS HIKE Join me on a 5.5-6 mile moderately difficult hike with 900' of elevation gain. From the entrance area you will hike through a shaded bowl and down sunken wash to get to Maidenhalls Falls a true oasis in the desert. At the falls there is a shallow pool surrounded by layers of Maidenhall fern along with mosses, well worth the effort to get there. Hikers will have to climb over or around some large boulders and thinned out cacti abondon. Hikers should bring 3 liters of water, lunch and snacks. Please wear comfortable hiking shoes with soles that don’t slip. Dress in layers, wear a hat, long pants are a good idea and do not forget the sunscreen. Directions: From Temecula take 79 south (Temecula Pkwy) to Warner Springs. Turn left onto San Filipe Rd/S2. Travel about 4.5 miles then turn left on S22 (Montezuma Valley Rd.) heading to Borrego Springs. Continue on S22 for about 17 miles. The trail head is on the left. 7 miles from the stop sign at Palm Canyon Rd. If you missed the trail head turn around at the stop sign. The trail head is on the right. 7 miles up the hill. To register or if you have questions contact Bob Audhé 909-302-5518 or bobtakeshik@gmail.com or (951) 302-1059, rain cancels. No passes or permits are required. SANTA MARGARITA GROUP

FEBRUARY 15 – FEBRUARY 21 Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities)

FEB 16 (TUE) 7:00 PM  LOS SERRANOS GROUP MEETING Monthly except July & August. Programs on nature, conservation & travel topics. The public is welcome & receptions are served. See Los Serranos webpage for detailed program information: sanegrosonio.sierrachab.org/Green/los_serranos PLACE First Presbyterian Church, 869 N. Euclid Ave, Upland CA (educational building, entrance in rear). INFO: BRIAN ELLIOTT, brianeli@aol.com

LOS SERRANOS GROUP

FEB 18 (THU) 4:30 PM  HIDDEN SPRINGS HIKE Moderate 4-mile loop hike on the Hidden Springs trail where wild burros are usually seen. Trail has some ups and downs but basically follows the base of the hills. We start promptly at 4:30 p.m. BRING: flashlight, water and sturdy shoes. MEET: Hidden Springs Scout, 9601 Hidden Springs Dr, Moreno Valley. Rain cancels. INFO and LEADER: Christina (951) 318-7503 or cm.teck@gmail.com MORENO VALLEY GROUP

FEB 18 (THU) 6:30 PM  BIG BEAR GROUP MEETING Monthly meeting except December. INFO: For current program information, please visit the Group website www.sieracalclubbigbeargroup.org. PLACE: Big Bear Discovery Center, 40971 North Shore Dr. (Hwy. 38), Fawnskin. INFO: ED CALIENDO, (442) 242-4103, dogs111@msn.com

BIG BEAR GROUP

FEB 19 (FRI) 9:00 AM  SB MTS GREEN VALLEY LAKE SNOWSHOE OR HIKE We will snowshoe to lake depending on the weather. Green Valley Lake has some of the best snow in our local mountains, so come and join me for a day of fun. No prior snowshoe experience is necessary—it is not difficult to learn—just another form of hiking. You need to provide your own equipment. MEET: in Green Valley Lake across from the post office (3271 Green Valley Lake Blvd, Green Valley Lake, CA 92341) at 9 AM. BRING: layered clothing, BRING: No need to bring lunch just a snack and water. LEADER: Sandy Ellis,909-867-7115, <felli676@gmail.com> Please CALL to check on weather conditions. If no snow, we will hike. SB MOUNTAINS GROUP

FEB 20 (SAT) 8:00 AM  HIGHWAY 173 HIKE This is a moderate 5 mile round trip, with a steady initial climb, along a Highway closed to traffic. The views across the Mojave River Basin and Deep Creek are wonderful. BRING: Water, Snacks, a camera and wear sturdy shoes. MEET: Victor Valley Museum, Apple Valley Road, Apple Valley, INFO: Norman Bossom. 760-912-3725. coach.norm@yahoo.com

MOAJE GROUP

FEB 20 (SAT) 8:30 AM  SB MTS GORCEY TRAIL HIKE This is a one-way shuttle or key-exchange hike from Indian Cove to Park Blvd, in the northwest area of the park. The higher southern portion of the hike runs along the Wonderland of Rocks wildlife area with pinyon/juniper and oak trees. Total distance is 8 miles. Elevation gain is 2000 ft. to 4200 ft with a 1400 ft. gain or loss. RATED: Moderate: MTTE: Joshua Tree Visitor’s Center, 6554 Park Boulevard, Joshua Tree, CA 92252. Entrance fee is $20 (306 for a Joshua Tree Annual Pass). All driving is on paved roads. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, sun protection, lunch, and 2.5-liters of water RESERVATIONS: Contact Dave Melton, Hike Leader at (760) 408-2455 or dmtmelton1@yahoo.com

BIG BEAR GROUP

FEB 20 (SAT) 7:30 AM  PACIFIC SLOPE COUNTRY ROAD ADULT WALK This make-up hike is 9.7 miles and completes Section D of the Pacific Crest Trail. This hike gets high marks because the last 1.5 miles pass through the spectacular Vasquez Rocks County Park. After leaving Soledad Canyon road, we quickly find the Santa Clara
River (2,205') and cross Southern Pacific railroad tracks (2243') before reaching a trio of power lines and Young Canyon road (2960'). The PCT turns NW for 4.9 miles to a tunnel under Antelope Valley Highway 14 (2370') in Escondido Canyon (2510'). Only one more mile to reach Agua Dulce post office and general store, where Section D ends. Those individuals completing all 13 segments of Section D will be eligible to receive a recognition patch signifying the accomplishment and completion of 110.2 miles. RATED: Moderate, RAIN OR BAD WEATHER CANCELS. MEET: U.S. Post Office in Russ, CA located off of Hwy 14 and Solatedad Canyon Road, in the parking lot at 7:30 AM. BRING: ten essentials, layered clothing, trekking poles, sun protection, energy snacks, lunch, and 2-liters of water. 

FEBRUARY 22 – 28 Please read “LIABILITY WAIVER” preceding these listings (Also refer to Weekly reoccurring Outings & Activities) 

FEB 23 (TUE) 7:00 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER EXCOM MEETING 

FEB 24 (WED) 4:30 PM OLIVE MTN HIKE 

FEB 26 (FRI) 9:00 AM THE CLAREMONT TRIANGLE HIKE 

FEB 27 (SAT) 8:00 AM ARRASTRE FALLS HIKE 

FEB 28 (SUN) 8:30 AM MURRAY HIKE 

Mar 1 (TUE) 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING 

Mar 2 (WED) 9:00 AM ANZA BORREGO STATE PARK SPRING CAR CAMP/HIKES

Castilla Canyon is known for the outstanding scenery and riparian habitat. We will camp at the campground and hike into the canyon on both days to see the interesting sites. Hikes are rated moderate. For those who wish to get there early, camping will be available on Friday night also. Leader: Carol Wildey desertlily1@verizon.net or 760-245-8734. MOJAVE GROUP

Mar 5-6 (SAT-SUN) EXPLORE AFTON CANYON CARMAL/PHIKE 

Afton Canyon Natural Area is 37 miles N/E of Barstow off the I-15. This is an area where the 76 East - West route was paved and the Mojave Road goes through. Afton Canyon is known for the outstanding scenery and riparian habitat. We will camp at the campground and hike into the canyon on both days to see the interesting sites. Hikes are rated moderate. For those who wish to get there early, camping will be available on Friday night also. Leader: Carol Wildey desertlily1@verizon.net or 760-245-8734. MOJAVE GROUP

COMING UP 

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Mar 10-12 (TUE-SAT) DEATH VALLEY WILDERNESS RESTORATION 

Mar 18-21 (FRI-MON) HIKE AND TOUR IN MOJA VE PRESERVE HIKES 

Mar 25-27 (FRI-SUN) CALIFORNIA DESERT WILDERNESS SERVICE 

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Mar 26 (SAT) 9:15 AM STODDARD PEAK HIKE 

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NON-SIERRA CLUB ACTIVITIES

March 1 – March 7 

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Mar (1) TUE 7:30 PM SAN GORGONIO CHAPTER MEETING 

Mar 2 (WED-SUN) ANZA BORREGO STATE PARK SPRING CAR CAMP/HIKES

This visiting California desert state park east of San Diego is known for its temperatures and flowers. Our space in a developed group campground is reserved from 2pm Wed. to noon on Sunday. Arrive anytime on Wednesday and explore the park on your own. An optional half-day off-road adventure with a commercial outfitter $(315) on Thur. or Fri. Day hikes may require walking over rocky trails and some areas of rock scrambling off trail. Deposit required by February 1st to confirm participation. Limit of 18 people. For more information contact leader: Rich Jurich, rich.sierrabc@pacbell.net, 916-492-2181 CNRCC DESERT COMMITTEE
A 2,400-Mile Solo Kayak Odyssey – Join adventure traveler Bryan Brown to relive his remarkable story about successfully completing the first-ever solo, unsupported descent of the entire 2,400-mile Colorado River watershed September-November 2013, as a tribute to his brother. The meeting starts at 7:30 pm, Tuesday February 2, 2016, at the San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane, Redlands.

Consisting of the Green River and the Upper and Lower Colorado Rivers, the historic Green/Colorado watershed features some of the most fabled and remote whitewater passages on earth: Dinosaur National Monument, Delolation Canyon, Cataract Canyon, Grand Canyon, and Westwater Canyon. This is the journey renowned explorer John Wesley Powell originally intended to take.

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Join us for international folk dancing. This is the same group that used to meet at UCR. Meetings are twice monthly: on the 1st & 3rd Fridays. COST: $3 donation to help pay for the room. PLACE: Highgrove United Methodist Church, 938 W. Center St., Highgrove. DIRECTIONS: Take the Center St. exit from Interstate 215. The church is one half mile east of the freeway on the right. INFO: GAIL SEEKINS (909) 825-4427 lgseekins@sbcglobal.net or LARRY POWELL (909) 864-2309

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