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Members: +600

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Snowshoeing to the Minerette with Todd and Sylvie. Page 2!
Photo: D. Specht

Check out our Schedule of Activities inside this issue:
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Check our website for complete Schedule:
<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>

TRAVEL ADVENTURES

Orange County Sierrans (formerly Orange County Sierra Singles) first began ski trips to Mammoth Mountain way back in the 1970's. People keep signing up for these trips so we just keep scheduling. We have fantastic leaders and have a whole lot of fun.

Friday, January 25--27 2019

I: Winter Combo Getaway Bus Trip to Mammoth Lakes

Join OCSS for an awesome weekend adventure! This trip has it all: Learn to cross-country ski in the backcountry with our instructors; enjoy backcountry ski touring and snowshoe touring with leaders; XC ski or snowshoe on your own at Tamarack Nordic Ski Center; Downhill ski or snowboard on Mammoth Mtn. Newcomers and Non skiers Welcome, tons of stuff to do in Mammoth! Stay at Sierra Nevada Resort (2 per rm, 2 beds, priv.bath) close to shopping, night life, free shuttles. Leave O.C. 2 PM with pickup in San Fernando Valley. Return O.C. Sunday 10PM. Includes. bus, lodging, breakfast bagels, happy hour, Sunday dinner, bus refreshments and driver gratuity.

Send email address (or 2 SASE), phone#, \$315 with Sierra Club number or \$330 non-members (check payable OCSS). To Reservationist/Asst Leader: Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646.

Leader: Mark Fleming, Ski Leaders: Homer Tom. Backcountry Ski Instructors: Julie Smith-Meek & Scott Meek. Snowshoe Leaders: Todd Clark and Sylvie Cote.

Friday, March 15 - 17, 2019

I: Winter Combo Getaway Bus Trip to Mammoth Lakes

Ski Downhill or Snowboard on Mammoth Mtn. Daily backcountry ski tours and snowshoe tours with the leaders. XC Ski or Snowshoe on your own at Tamarack Nordic Center. Past Beginner Backcountry ski lesson students, Newcomers & Non skiers Welcome. Tons of stuff to do in Mammoth in Winter. Sierra Nevada Resort Lodging, two per room, 2 beds/private bath, Close to shopping, night life, casual and fine dining, free shuttles. Leave Orange County 2:00 pm, Sylmar pick-up later. Return Orange County Sunday approx 10pm. Includes bus, lodging, breakfast bagels, happy hour, bus refreshments, Sunday dinner.

Send 2 large sase, OR E mail address, phone, cell phone, pick up location (Orange County or San Fernando Valley), \$315 with Sierra Club #or \$330 for non members (check payable to OCSS) to Asst Leader/Reserv: Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646 (donnaspecht@juno.com) Leader: Mark Mitchell. Staff: Mark Fleming, Dave Black, Fran Penn

Just need a ride or a room? Ask the reservationist about Transportation or Lodging only cost.

**REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES
ORANGE COUNTY SIERRANS SECTION
OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2019**

To vote, be sure your Sierra Club membership is current and you are a current subscriber to the OCSS *Orange Peel* newsletter.
Voting by mail: Mark your votes (X) on this ballot.

Vote for no more than six candidates.

Jay Schneider

Karen Belville

Scott Closson

Joel Kenyon

Julie Garner

Donna Specht

Charles Geller returning as Vice Chair
(does not need to be elected)

XX

Write in Candidate

Please mark and detach ballot, fold at the dotted line, tape closed, affix first class stamp and mail early to be received by
November 16, 2018

Or you can deliver your ballot to the FRIDAY November 16,
Meeting at REI Tustin, 2962 El Camino Real, Tustin CA

YOUR VOTE COUNTS! PLEASE VOTE! THANK YOU!

If there are two voting members in your household, you may send in two ballots.

You can view the current bylaws on the Orange County Sierrans
Website: angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss

Sierra Club - Angeles Chapter

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Orange County Sierrans Section
22221 Wood Island Lane
Huntington Beach, CA 92646

Jan and Harry Forry
9621 Port Clyde
Huntington Beach, CA 92646



Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Sierra Club Number: _____

Friday, November 16, 7:00 PM
Program: Winter- California Style

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Winter is coming and we have an adventure packed program of activities for all levels. Orange County Sierrans (formerly O C Sierra Singles) has been a Sierra Club leader for 40 years bringing winter activities to the Angeles Chapter. We will introduce our two Mammoth Mountain Getaways, Winter Skills Class, Local Mountain backcountry day ski tours and backpacks. Special presentation of the Wilderness Training Course and our 203040's Committee. For something fun: A night at the Balboa Boat Parade. And to keep in shape--conditioning hikes. Come and meet the leaders and sign up for your adventure! Bring a Friend. Join the Sierra Club Special Offer \$15. Free drawing. Hike on over to the Community Room, REI Tustin Marketplace, 2962 El Camino Real, Tustin, CA 92782. Contacts: Donna Specht, Charles Geller, Dave Black, Dennis Loya Pamela Barton-Erdahl, Sylvie Cote, Todd Clark

Wednesday, November 21, 7:00 PM **OCSS**

OCSS Management Committee Meetings: Open to all Orange County Sierrans or new members. Come and find out all about Volunteer Opportunities, Leader Candidate/outings information. We want to hear your ideas! Welcome! Then stay for general section business. For directions to the meeting, Contact Donna Specht (donnaspecht@juno.com).

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TUE & THU 6:30-8:00 PM **IRVINE CONDITIONING HIKES**

O: Easy/Moderate/Tiger paced hikes, 4-7 mi rt on hilly trails. Bring water, light hiking boots. 405 Fwy, exit S at University/Jeffrey, L on Ridgeline, L on Turtle Rock, pass Sunnyhill, L into parking lot of Turtle Rock Community Park. Ldrs: John La Rue, Fran Penn, Jim Palmer, Donna Specht, Norman Montgomery, Shaune Hand

TUE 6:30 PM FULLERTON CONDITIONING HIKE, OCSS, RIO HONDO

O: Fullerton Conditioning Hike: Hike with our social group on this regular weekly easy conditioning hike of 4-5 miles in the gentle hills of Fullerton. Slow to medium pace is great for beginners. Each week we rotate through numerous trails in the area to provide new experiences. Last Tuesday of each month, we have a potluck dinner. **Hike scheduled during daylight savings time, i.e. March through October.** Meet at the east end of Laguna Lake in Fullerton (from Harbor Blvd, W on Hermosa Dr, L on Lakeside Dr for ½ block and park on the street). Look for hikers on east side of Lakeside Dr. Wear sturdy boots, bring water, flashlight. Leaders: Martin Kluck, Joel Ortmann, Margee Hills, Houria Hall, Alan Daniels, Ed Khatch. Host: Sanford Opperman

WEDNESDAYS 6:30PM **RIO HONDO, OCSS**

O: STEVE FELD Puente Hills Conditioning Hike This weekly Wednesday evening conditioning hike has been going on for more than 20 years, come out and be part of the continuing tradition. Moderately paced 5-6-mile hike in the lush canyons of the Puente/Whittier Hills. Enjoy this Emerald City Hike as the sun sets in the west. You will get a spectacular 360 view of LA and Orange County lights. 700' gain up along switchbacks and trails with varying routes. Wear hiking boots and bring water. Meet at south end of 7th Avenue where street ends and turn right on Orange Grove to park on street. Use 7th Ave. exit off (60 Fwy) Pomona Fwy, go south to Orange Grove. Leaders: Marty Kluck, Sandy Viernes, Jerry Johnson (hiker626@hotmail.com) , Tom Mitchell. Rain cancels.

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For complete up to date listings of Orange County Sierrans events go to:<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>
Like us on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ocsierrasingles>

We add new events all the time. Go to our website Activities to look for new events. <http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>

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Sunday, November 4, 9:00 AM

OCSS

O: Colinas Bluffs Trail: Join us for a 6.5 mile hike, about 1300 ft of gain, moderate difficulty. Meet on the Starbucks patio at the corner of Golden Lantern and Marina Hills in Laguna Niguel. We will then hike south along the Colinas Bluffs dirt trail, up and down in roller coaster fashion. At the top of the biggest hill, we have great views overlooking San Juan Capistrano down to the Pacific Ocean. We continue along the ridge with the beautiful homes of Bear Brand on the west side and huge, jaw-dropping mansions on the East side, for a total of 3.25 miles, where we turn around. Bring water, hat, snack, light hiking boots. Well-behaved dogs are okay. Rain cancels. Leaders: Bart and Shilo Bartlett, shilo@shilomail.com, and Harry and Jan Forry.

Wednesday, November 7, 8:45 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Icehouse Canyon Hike: Join us for an 8 mi, 2600 gain hike in the San Gabriel Mtns along an inviting creek, past private cabins and through beautiful forests. Meet 7:15 am in the lot at the corner of Nissan & Redhill behind the businesses south of I-5. Also, some may want to meet in the Icehouse parking lot at 8:45 am. Anyone interested in ride sharing from Huntington Beach please contact Kathy Fisher. Non-aggressive dogs are welcomed on this hike. Bring 2+ liters water, lunch/snacks, hiking boots/lugsoles, poles, rain jacket, non-cotton layers. There are restrooms at the trailhead. Kathleen Fisher (714) 812-5708 fisher.k@mac.com, Linda Ledger.

Saturday, November 10, 3:20 PM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

O: Signal Hill Sunset Hike: Join us on a moderate 4 mile, 750 gain loop hike exploring the Signal Hill Trail System. Our hike will make maximum use of the walking trails inside the private residential areas before they close to the public at Sunset. Enjoy 360-degree views to the ocean, San Pedro, Downtown LA and Long Beach, and learn a little about the history of Signal Hill. After our hike, those interested can join us for refreshments at Mothers Market Cafe and outdoor patio. Leaders: Karen Deweese, kldeweese@me.com, Sylvie Cote, milsylvie@hotmail.com

Sunday, November 11, 2:00 PM

OCSS

O: Urban 2 Parks Afternoon Delight Hike, Costa Mesa: Join us for a lovely easy-to- moderate hike in Costa Mesa parks; note: this is not a stroll with frequent stops. In shape beginners welcome. We will first hike to Fairview Park then across to Canyon Park. Both are lovely parks, especially Canyon Park that is an oasis hidden in the city. Views of the ocean and Santa Ana River. Some not too tough hills to traverse. Those who wish to terminate the hike after Fairview Park can do so; the remaining hikers will proceed onto Canyon Park. Total distance about 5 miles for both parks. Short bathroom and water stop first quarter of hike. Total time for both parks to hike about 2 hours. We are there to burn some calories so there will be no snack breaks! Well behaved dogs welcome. Running or trailrunning shoes OK. Bring water as there is no water or bathrooms in Canyon Park. Park and meet in Chase Bank parking lot on Brookhurst and Hamilton in Huntington Beach. Rain cancels. Leaders: Jan Nemert janmargaret007@gmail.com, Harry Forry, Richard Boothe

Wednesday, November 14, 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Caspers West Ridge Loop: 5 mi, 400' of gain hike up the Dick Loskorn trail to the West Ridge and back down the Star Rise trail and back via the Bell Canyon Trail. Great views into the park from the ridge line. Michael Sappingfield (949) 633-6993 mikesapp@cox.net, Sharon Kirk (714) 376-3197 sl.kirk@sbcglobal.net

Sunday, November 18, 8:30 AM

OCSS

O: Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve Newcomer Hike: Easy paced, reasonably flat, 5 mile hike, approx 3 hrs. Newcomers Welcome. Enjoy the natural beauty of Bolsa Chica, one of the last remaining wetland ecosystems in Southern California. Meet 8:30 am. From Warner Avenue in Huntington Beach turn south on Bolsa Chica Street to the end of the street and trailhead (Brightwater Road). Park on the street. Bring camera, water, sun protection, hat, light hiking boots, rain does not cancel Leaders: Joel Kenyon, Dorothy Gutierrez, Karen Belville, Donna Specht.

Sunday, November 25, 9:00 AM

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O: Riley Park Hike: 5 mi, 400 gain/loss walking on ridges, through oak groves, and vista points. Meet at Riley Park Parking Lot at 9:00 AM. Directions to Riley Park: exit 1-5 at Oso Parkway east approx. 5 miles. Park entrance is on the right just before entering the gated community of Coto de Caza. Bring hat, 2 quarts/Liters of water, munchies, and \$3 for parking fee.
Leaders: Michael Sappingfield, Linda Ledger.

Wednesday, November 28, 9:00 AM

OCG, OCSS

O- Pectan Reef - Gentle walk: 3 miles 100 foot gain, short easy flat paved walk along the stream to Pectan Reef fossil outcropping. Pectan are scallop shells and these are worth seeing once. Very gentil walk bring an umbrella as lots of sunshine. Sherri Sisson (949) 282-7207 sksisson@gmail.com, Linda Ledger

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Wednesday, November 21, 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Laguna Canyon Big Bend: A Hard Short up and over and down Hike 4 miles 900 foot gain. No shade. We hike to a part of the park we have not hiked. Park at Big Bend parking lot (\$3) Bring sturdy Boots, Hiking Poles 2 liter of Water, snack. Start the hike walking south along Stagecoach, Up Laguna Ridge past Mountain Mahogany and a burn area then flat along Bommer Ridge and down Big Bend. Great ocean views and lots of sun bring an umbrella even. (there is nothing more dorky than an umbrella on a hike). Sherri Sisson (949) 282-7207 sksisson@gmail.com, Linda Ledger

Saturday, December 1, 8:30 AM

Wilderness Adventures, OCSS

O: Chilao down to Devils Canyon; Hike down into rugged Devils Canyon at the edge of the San Gabriel Wilderness. Hike is about 7 miles and 1,500 feet loss/gain, and will go at a moderate pace. The up-hill on this hike is on the return to the trailhead. Wear sturdy shoes or lug-sole boots and bring the usuals for a day hike, including lunch and at least two quarts of water. Leader: Mark Mitchell, Co-Ldrs: Dean Wallraff, David Cuddy, Diana Gonzalez. Meet by 8:30 AM at La Canada Ride Share - Angeles Crest Highway (Hwy 2), Just N of Foothill Fwy (I-210). Cars parked in Angeles National Forest will need to display Adventure Passes.

Saturday, December 1- 2, 8:00 AM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

I/O: Lost Horse Mine Loop backpack - Joshua Tree NP: Come join us on this epic 10 miles 1000' gain/loss backpacking trip, back in time to the days of the 1890s' gold miners. On day one, we will backpack and camp amongst the Joshua trees and pinyon pines and then explore some mining sites. The next day, we will break camp and hike up to the Lost Horse mine for possible spectacular views and then return to the trailhead. Total distance for the weekend will be around 10 miles (5 miles per day) and 1000' gain. Must have backpacking experience. This is a moderately difficult trip. Participants must be self-sufficient and are expected to carry their own food, water, and camping equipment. For consideration, interested participants should submit a hiking resume to the leaders or must have leaders' approval to participate. Trip letter to follow, once approved by the leaders. Space limited by permit. For more information, please contact the leaders. Todd Clark (714) 803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com, Sylvie Cote (949) 547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com.

Tuesday, December 4, 7:00 PM

Sierra Sage, OCSS, OCG

Winter Skills Class: Come join us for this evening class in which Sierra Club leaders will discuss the subject of winter sports (hiking and camping in the snow). Topics will include sleeping systems, sleeping bags, ground pads, four-season tents, apparel (layering), insulated boots, stoves/cooking, training for winter hiking, and more. This class is an introduction and will impart some of the knowledge to be prepared to participate in several upcoming Sierra Club winter outings, and to make good decisions about what gear to rent, to buy, and to bring. This one time class will be held at the Norman P. Murray Center at 24932 Veterans Way in Mission Viejo 92692. From 5 freeway in Mission Viejo, exit La Paz, head northeast on La Paz for 2 miles, pass Marguerite Parkway, turn left on Veterans Way. The center is at the end of the street.

Leaders: Todd Clark (clarkta@hotmail.com), Sylvie Cote (mlsylvie@hotmail.com). Other guest speakers to be announced. Todd Clark (714) 803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com, Sylvie Cote (949) 547-2998 mlsylvie@hotmail.com.

Wednesday, December 5, , 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Stagecoach Loop: 7.5 mile, 1000+ ft of gain. The hike begins at the Nix Visitor Center, west of the Laguna Canyon Hwy (CA-133) at 8:30 am. Loop begins with taking the North Stagecoach Trail north to the West Canyon, then up to the Serrano Ridge Trail, then turn south and west until the Camerillo trail, then down it to the South Stagecoach Trail to return to the Nix Center. Michael Sappingfield (949) 633-6993 mikesapp@cox.net, Linda Ledger

Thank you so much for your Sierra Club membership and especially your Orange County Sierrans membership Not a member? Go to our website for the membership form. If you would just like to receive the monthly e newsletter, just let us know. Reduced membership rate, but you still get to vote for OCSS Management Committee.

JAY SAYS EVENT IS FULL, WAITLIST ONLY

Friday, December 7 - 9,

Natural Science, OCSS

O: Red Rock Canyon State Park Car Camp: Join us in exploring the magnificent Red Rock Canyon north of Mojave in the high desert. The Natural Science Section and the Orange County Sierra Section are sponsoring a car camping and day hiking extravaganza to Red Rock Canyon State Park, which features the spectacular red cliffs, spires, and canyons of the Ricardo Formation, made of volcanic and sedimentary rocks deposited between approximately 19 and 6 million years ago. We will camp beneath these cliffs in the Ricardo Campground and hike through the amazing Nightmare Gulch, a canyon so unearthly it has been used to film horror movies. The hike is 9 miles with a 500-foot elevation gain. Well be

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hiking through dry, rocky washes. California Professional Geologist Jay Schneider will describe the processes that made this canyon so incredible. Short hikes and a tour through the parks visitor center on Sunday morning. If you need Environmental Awareness credits for your advanced leadership rating, this trip will qualify. Space is limited to 24 participants including the co-leaders so RSVP required. Camping overnight with the group is required; you cannot leave the group to stay in a hotel (nothings really close, anyway) and rejoin the group the next day. Carpool with one of the leaders early on Friday or form carpools to arrive later on Friday. Friday evening we will have an orientation talk and happy hour. Saturday is our all-day hike through Nightmare Gulch, followed by a potluck dinner Saturday night. Finally, on Sunday morning, we will visit the park nature center, and have two short but informative hikes. Well even see the famous Turks Turban!

Rain date: January 25-27, 2019.

Cost: Cost of trip is \$35 per person for Sierra Club members, \$40 per person for non-members. payable to Sierra Club Natural Science Section. Contact Leader Jay Schneider (nttnj@aol.com) for registration information. AsstLeaders: James Hagar, Sharon Moore.

Wednesday, December 12, 8:30 AM

OCG, Sierra Sage

O: Ancesters Trail: 5.5 mile, 450 loss/gain walk with some downhill at the beginning with the climb back in the middle and then mostly level coming back to the trailhead. This is in the back county side of San Onofre State beach and is adjacent to Camp Pendelton. Leaders: Michael Sappingfield, John Kaiser

Saturday, December 15, 8:00 AM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

O:San Mateo Peak (3591'): Join us for a loop hike to the highest peak in the San Mateo Canyon Wilderness. 6 miles & 1000 ft gain. Excellent views from the peak, weather permitting. The trail is steep in places and good boots are recommended. The peak is reached early in the hike; we will continue past the peak along a ridge, descend on an old ranch road, pass through Rancho Capistrano, and then loop back to the trail head along the headwaters of Morrell Creek. Leader: John Kaiser (jkai39@gmail.com); Assistant Leader: Sylvie Cote

Sunday, December 16, 8:30 AM

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Wednesday, December 19, 9:00 AM

OCG, OCSS

O- Aliso and Wood Canyons Regional Park Hike: 5 mi, 900 gain/loss. Join us for a hike up Valido Trail and then along the ridge for beautiful views of the ocean. On the way back, we will have lunch at Aliso Peak. Meet 9:00 am. with water, lunch, hiking boots/lugsoles, hat, sunblock. Valido Trail is steep, so you may want to bring hiking poles. Directions to trailhead: Going south on PCH, turn L onto West Street, then L onto Valido Rd. Trail will be on the L. Parking is available on Valido Rd and Paseo del Sur. No restrooms at the trailhead, but there are some at Aliso Beach parking lot just N of West ST on PCH. Kathleen Fisher , Linda Ledger

Saturday, December 22, 6:00 PM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

O: Newport Beach Boat Parade Walk: Don your holiday apparel and join us for an evening of fun as we walk to Balboa Island (5 miles round trip, 300' gain), watch the Boat Parade, and view the decorated houses on Balboa Island, followed by dinner (optional) at Fashion Island. Meet at 5:45 PM at the bells tower in Fashion Island (near Macy's). Bring money for dinner/refreshments, sturdy/comfortable walking shoes, jacket, and hat. Inclement weather does not cancel. Contact leaders for more information. Todd Clark , clarkta@hotmail.com, Karen Deweese, Russ Brown, Sylvie Cote

Saturday, December 29, 8:30 AM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

O: Caspers Park East Ridge: 6 mi, 600' gain/loss. Hike along the east ridge with excellent views of Bell Canyon and San Juan Creek and surrounding countryside. Meet at 8:00 AM in front of Ball Park Pizza in Ortega Plaza, corner of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo Road in San Juan Capistrano. Leaders: Michael Sappingfield, Linda Ledger.

Sunday, January 6, 8:30 PM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

I/O: Day Snowshoe Hike: Come join us for a day hike in the San Jacinto Wilderness. Hike may be done on snowshoes, depending on snow conditions. From the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, we will take the tram and ascent to the mountain station at 8600' where we will hike up to 6 miles and up to 1000' of gain/loss, depending on conditions and on the group. We

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will stop for lunch half way. In the afternoon, we will return to the mountain station. Cost to participate is \$25 for tram round trip ticket. AAA discount available. Must have prior experience snowshoeing or leaders' approval. Number of participants limited by permit. Contact leaders to register or for more information. Leaders: Sylvie Cote, Todd Clark

Saturday, January 12, 8:00 AM Wilderness Adventures, OCSS

I: Mt. Pinos Backcountry Ski Tour: Moderately strenuous 4+ mile, 500ft gain to panoramic vista. Ski from end of Mt Pinos Highway to summit at Condor Point. Possible side trips to Inspiration Point, other destinations, or just playing may add a few miles + a few 100 feet elevation loss & gain. May ski lower on mountain if conditions warrant. Part of route may be in pre-existing tracks, but recent snowfall, rutted trail, or aesthetics may require breaking new trail. Intermediate X-C skills required & metal-edged, backcountry skis & backcountry boots highly recommended. Bring winter clothing, water, lunch. No snow or likely blizzard cancel trip. Send e-mail or phone leader w/ experience level/conditioning for trip details in the 2 weeks before trip. Leader: Mark Alan Mitchell (818) 753-9328 markamitchell@att.net, Mark Fleming (626) 359-4157 mflemin@earthlink.net

Wednesday, January 16, 8:30 AM

OCG, Sierra Sage, OCSS

Morgan Trail Hike: 10 mi, 1550 gain/loss. We'll start from the Candy Store and follow the Bear Canyon Trail to its junction with the Morgan Trail which will take us up to the South Main Divide Rd through a mix of chaparral and woodland. Return by the same route. Leaders: John Kaiser (714) 968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com
Linda Ledger .

Saturday, February 16- 17 8:30 AM

Sierra Sage, OCSS

I/O: San Jacinto winter backpack: Join us as we celebrate Presidents' Day weekend in the San Jacinto Wilderness. This moderately difficult overnight backpacking trip will start on Saturday at the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway station in Palm Springs, ascending to the mountain station at 8600' where we will snowshoe (or hike) with full packs for 3 miles to Round Valley (9100') to set up camp. In the afternoon we will explore Round Valley and Tamarack Valley for approximately 3 miles, followed by Happy Hour. On Sunday, we will return same way. Participants must have either snow camping experience or have the approval of leaders to participate. The cost to participate is as follows: (1) round-trip ticket up the Palm Springs tramway is approximately \$25 per person; they offer AAA discount. (2) A \$5 camping fee per person is charged by San Jacinto State Park. The \$5 is to be prepaid to leaders by February 1st, 2019; it is refundable if spot is resold. Participation is limited by permit. Contact leaders to register or for more information. Trip letter to follow upon acceptance to the outing. Leaders: Todd Clark (714) 803-0195 clarkta@hotmail.com, Sylvie Cote

I wanted to add a photo, but haven't figured that out yet. Taking applications for Orange Peel Editor at any time. The sooner the better. Happy Trails, DS

DIRECTORY

A Note on Phone Etiquette...

When Calling a Team member, leader or host, please call between 9 AM and 9 PM only, **unless the write-up states otherwise**. Remember E-mail, the silent call! Very Much appreciated by all! Thanks to our active OCSS leaders and hosts

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Botan, Steve	O	714-321-1296
Bouchard, Joe	O	714-505-4502
Bradford, Stephen	O	310-993-5501
Cadez, Ana	O	626-836-2235
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Dodson, Phyllis	O	714-529-2440
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Geller, Charles	O	714-292-2352
Graham, Sandy	O	714-282-5661
Graham, Scott	O	714-282-5661
Hall, Houria	O	714-767-5327
Hills, Margee	O	714-356-4031
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Meek, Scott	IW	909-393-0630
Mitchell, Mark	IW	818-753-9328
Montgomery, Norm	O	714-557-0794
Nemmert, Jan	O	714-962-4136
Opperman, Sanford	H	714 993-0651
Palmer, Jim	O	949-551-8912
Penn, Fran	I	714-747-1019
Puraty, Sharry	O	714-761-8761
Schneider, Jay	O	626-841-2667
Schneider, Kirk	O	714-337-7188
Sharp, Gwen	IW	714-672-9525
Smith-Meek, Julie	IW	909-393-0630
Specht, Donna	IW	714-963-6345
Talbott, Virgil	EW	714-871-7900
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Orange Peel Deadlines

Write ups Due	ISSUE
Feb 1	Mar/Apr
Apr 1	May/June
June 1	July/Aug
Aug 1	Sept/Oct
Oct 1	Nov/Dec
Dec 1	Jan/Feb

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<http://www.meetup.com/Orange-County-Sierra-Singles-20s-30s-40s/>
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