



SIERRA CLUB

ANGELES CHAPTER

The Orange Peel Newsletter

Orange County Sierrans Section

MARCH APRIL 2019

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BUSY MONTHS: Daylight Savings, first day of Spring, St Patrick's Day, Easter and Earth Day.....



Keep Hiking! See you on the Trails! (Editors photo)

Leaders: Julie Garner, Houria Hall, Jay Schneider, Bart and Shilo Bartlett

Check out our Schedule of Activities inside this issue:

Conditioning and Local Hikes

Hike for Conservation – Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve

203040s Events, Backpacking, Social & Family Events

Meet and Greet programs, Beach Walks, Camping

Winter GetAways to Mammoth Mountain

Harwood Fall Festival & CUBA!

Check our website for complete Schedule:

<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>



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TRAVEL ADVENTURES

FANTASTIC SNOW YEAR! 48 people were on the January trip
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

HOT TICKET

Friday, November 15 - 23, 2019 Angeles Chapter, OCSS

C/O:: Destination: Heart and Soul of Cuba

Theres nowhere in the world quite like Cuba and no better way to explore its distinct culture than with the Angeles Chapter Travel Adventurers. Our first port of call, aboard the Royal Caribbean, is the Grand Cayman- this beautiful island strikes the perfect balance between glitzy glamour and easygoing island life, followed by three unique Cuban ports. Get up close and personal with Cubas heritage in Havana. Go off the cobblestone path to meet the locals in Santiago de Cuba. Uncover the Pearl of the South in Cienfuegos. Enjoy immersive Cuba-inspired entertainment, cuisine and guest lectures onboard the ship. Cabin pricing from \$889-\$1009 (double occupancy, single supplement 200%). Includes meals onboard, entertainment, exercise opportunities, Port Tax \$215, \$50 onboard credit per cabin with early booking. Not included: Airfare, other taxes/fees \$233, tips, transfers. Valid passport required and Cuba Visa Mandatory \$75. We will assist in matching roommates. We plan to provide AIR+HOTEL suggestions for Miami.Only a limited number of cabins at this price; reserve now for best selection. Cabin recall date begins May 1, 2019. Sign up Early! \$250 deposit due time of booking (\$75 non-refundable) Final payment August 1, 2019 Trip Leader: Sridhar Gullapalli. For itinerary, deposit information, cancellation policy, please contact reservationist and co-leader: Donna Specht. (714) 963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com



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Leader Sridhar Gullapalli (sridhar_gullapalli@yahoo.com)

PROGRAMS, MEET AND GREET AND OUTINGS PLANNING

Tuesday, March 12, 6:45 PM

OCSS

Program: Hiking Safety Skills Class Part II - California Dangers: In our continuing hiking safety skills program we are going to be focusing on managing the hiking dangers that are specific to our geographic region of California. We will discuss heat-related hiking issues including dehydration, heat exhaustion and cramps, heatstroke, high elevation hiking preparedness and altitude sickness, snakes, bears and mountain lions, poison oak, snow related dangers, and other topics. Please join us for this informative visual presentation. Newcomers welcome. Learn all about the Sierra Club and what we do and all we have to offer. Opportunity to join Sierra Club at a highly reduced rate. Meet at 6:45pm at the meeting room at REI Tustin Marketplace, 2962 El Camino Real, Tustin, Hosts: Charles G. Geller (eduright2002@yahoo.com) and Donna Specht (donnaspecht@juno.com)

Saturday, April 6, 5:30 PM

OCSS

Outings Planning Happy Hour and Potluck: Calling all leaders and volunteers, everyone welcome, we love to co sponsor events with other Chapter entities. Come help plan, schedule an event, find a co-leader and coordinate events for the coming months. Bring your ideas. Meet the leaders. Learn how to plan your own event or how to become a leader. Remember you don't have to be a leader to host a social event. Volunteers welcome, lots of opportunities. Bring your laptops, we can sign on the the Chapter website and navigate online scheduling and post your event. How cool is that? Potluck, bring something to share and your favorite beverage. RSVP to Donna Specht 714-963-6345 (donnaspecht@juno.com) Location and directions provided. Hosted by OCSS Management Committee Donna Specht, Jay Schneider, Joel Kenyon, Julie Garner, Karen Belville, Pamela Barton-Erdahl

Wednesday, April 10, , 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

OCSS

Program: Meet and Greet Get Outdoors

Is the Sierra Club for you? Come and check out our wide range of activities from beach walks, local hikes, multi day getaways, camping, fitness, social events, events for 20s30s, natural science, peak bagging, leadership training and a whole lot more. Find out about our upcoming events to Harwood Lodge, Cuba (Yes!), Alaska in 2020. Come and meet the leaders, Bring a Friend.



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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 Hosts: Donna Specht donnaspecht@juno.com, Charles Geller eduright2002@yahoo.com, Jay Schneider , Joel Kenyon , Pamela Barton-Erdahl , Julie Garner

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

OCSS, RIO HONDO

O: Fullerton Evening 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 Tue. of each month we have a potluck dinner.

Hike scheduled during daylight savings time, i.e. March through Oct.

Meet at the east end of Laguna Lake in Fullerton (from Harbor Blvd, W on Hermosa Dr, L on Lakeside Dr for block and park on the street). Look for hikers on east side of Lakeside Dr. Wear sturdy boots, bring water, flashlight. Rain cancels. Leaders: Margee Hills (714) 356-4031 margeehills@gmail.com, Joel Lester Ortmann (562) 806-1057 , Martin Kluck (562) 677-4740

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.

For complete up to date listings of Orange County Sierrans events go to:<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>



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We add new events all the time. Go to our website Activities to look for new events.

<http://angeles.sierraclub.org/ocss>

Sign up for Monthly e mail newsletter

ACTIVITIES

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.

Sunday, March 3, 7:45 AM

OCSS

O:Flowing Waterfalls of the Santa Ana Mountains: Moderate 1,571ft loss/gain, 9.1mi loop hike past the spectacular San Juan Falls, down a beautiful canyon and up a forested hillside to the remote and hidden Chiquito falls. Recent heavy rains have made both these waterfalls flow like rarely seen before. There will be one substantial stream crossing.each way. Wear waterproof boots or trail shoes w/extra socks, or bring water shoes for the stream crossing. Poles recommended. No beginners please. Bring ten essentials, min 2qts water, lunch/snacks, weather appropriate layered clothing, headlamp as a precaution. Meet at 7:45am at the South Orange County Rideshare, 31722 Rancho Viejo Rd.San Juan Capistrano, (meet in the northwest section of the parking lot), or 8:15am at the trailhead across from the Ortega Oaks Canyon Store, 34950 Ortega Hwy, Lake Elsinore, CA (meet at the trailhead sign). Heavy rain cancels. Leader: Charles G. Geller (eduright2002@yahoo.com) Coleader: Isa Galan (isabellegalan@msn.com)

Sunday, March 3, 4:05 PM

SAGE, OCSS

O: Signal Hill Sunset Hike: O: Join us on a moderate 4 mile, 750 ft gain loop hike exploring the Signal Hill Trail System. The route makes 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. Afterward those interested can join us for refreshments at Mothers Market Cafe and outdoor patio. Meet at 4:05 PM near the entrance of Mothers Market on Cherry avenue in Signal Hill. Rain cancels. Contact leaders for more information: Karen DeWeese (562) 270-3487 kldeweese@me.com Sylvie Cote

Wednesday, March 6, 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS, SAGE

O: Richard and Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy Hike: 5 mi, 200 gain Children 10 years old with parents welcome. Rain cancels. Donation to DONLC: \$10 adults, \$5 children, to support the work of the Conservancy. Special instructions to come on this hike: Go to the Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejos website, go to the calendar Page: <http://mvreserve.org/calendar/> and scroll down the Sierra Sage Hike of March 6, 2019, fill out the registration form, click the waiver box. The site will send them a confirmation email with links to the waiver form which they should print and bring with them.: We will meet at the South Orange County rideshare point and move as a group, carpooling, to meet with the Reserve Staff as directed. OC Rideshare point is 1 blk east of I-5 in the southeast corner parking area at intersection of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo Rd in front of Ball Park Pizza. NOTE!! If rain cancels, the hike will be changed to Thursday, March 14th. Bring 2 qts/lts of water and hats are recommended. Ldr: Michael Sappingfield (949) 768-3610 mikesapp@cox.net, Linda Ledger

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, March 9 – 10

OCSS

O-2: Crystal Cove Beginner Backpack: Join us for a beginner backpack at Crystal Cove Lower El Moro Campground. Crystal cove State Park has breathtaking views, on a clear day you can see up to Catalina Island. Well hike 3.25 miles, 500 ft gain and set up camp. After lunch we will hike to a viewpoint (optional), approx 2 miles R/T for a striking view of Crystal Cove Beach. Back at camp we will have a relaxing Happy Hour and weather permitting, enjoy a beautiful ocean view sunset. Sunday morning, we will do a tent tour and talk about backpacking equipment. and hike out 3.25 miles, 500 ft gain. Cumulative weekend Total 6.5 miles with 1000 gain. Moderate pace. Primitive campground has tables and pit toilets. No water available. Please bring at least 5L of water, hiking boots, layers, breakfast, lunch, dinner, happy hour to share, 10 essentials and backpack equipment for overnight. Limit 10 participants. Contact Provisional Leader April Armijo, aprilarmijo@hotmail.com for trip details. Rain cancels. Asst: Fran Penn.

Saturday, March 9, 8:00 AM

OCSS

O: Santa Rosa Plateau Hike: Join us for a 10 mi. RT, aprox. 900' gain hike in the grasslands and oaklands of this beautiful preserve, possibly including vernal pools. Meet 8 am north Orange County rideshare (Park-N-Ride, E side of Tustin Av just S of Lincoln Ave, Orange) or 9 am Santa Rosa Preserve visitor's center (5 mi. west of I-15 on Clinton Keith Rd. Riverside). Bring 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots, 10 essentials. \$s for Conservancy. Rain cancels. Leader: Julie Garner, (714) 335-1579 avtrix@sbcglobal.net, Asst: Karen Belville

Tuesday, March 12, 6:45 PM t

OCSS

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Wednesday, March 13, 9:00 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Bear Canyon Loop Bear Canyon Loop is 7 miles with 1300 feet of gain. We'll hike from the Candy Store through chaparral and wildflowers then up the ridge to 4 Corners and back by Shady Pigeon Springs. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the South Orange County ride share point which is 1 block east of 1-5 at the corner of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo Rd, in the shopping center in front of Ball Park Pizza or 9:00 a.m. at the Candy Store on Ortega Hwy parking lot with a Forest Service Pass. Bring 2 quarts of water, hat, snack/lunch and hiking shoes/lugsoles. Leader: : Kathleen Fisher (714) 377-9495 fisher.k@mac.com, Sharon Kirk

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, March 16,, 9:00 AM

SAGE, OCSS

O: Stoddard Peak (4624'): O: Join our 6 mile, 800' gain/loss out and back hike on a mostly dirt road trail we hope will have beautiful and fragrant flowers on both sides. The short climb to the peak entails hiking up a narrow path through boulders where hands are needed at times. To carpool, meet at 7:30 AM at the Tustin Ride share one block south of I-5. Park in the lot at corner of Redhill and Nisson behind the businesses. Or meet at the trailhead at 9:00 AM. Contact leaders for more information: Linda Ledger (949) 444-1285 linda.ledger@me.com, Sylvia Stevenson

Sunday, March 17, 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, Leaders: Karen Belville, Jay Schneider

Saturday, March 30, , 8:00 AM

Wilderness Adv, OCSS

O: Mt. Zion, Hoegees Trail Camp: Loop hike: 10 miles, 1800' gain, in Big Santa Anita Canyon, similar to Robinson #43. Upper Winter Creek trail to Hoegees Trail Camp, Mount Zion. Meet 8 AM to carpool in REI Arcadia Parking Lot, 214 N. Santa Anita Ave., 91006. Bring lunch, hiking footwear, layers, 10 essentials. A short walk along the road may be needed if parking not available at Chantry Flats parking lot. Rain cancels. Leaders: Dean Wallraff (818) 353-4268 deanraff@arsnova.org, , Mark Mitchell

Saturday, March 30,, 6:00 AM

SAGE, OCSS

O: Indian Potrero: The hike will be 10 miles round trip with lots of up and down each way. Cumulative gain is 1900 ft. Rain or critical fire danger will cancel. Bring lunch, water, and good hiking boots, Attendance is limited; contact Leader John Kaiser (jkai39@gmail.com) to register and to receive details of meeting time & place. Leaders: John Kaiser (714) 968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com
Linda Ledger (949) 496-8029 linda.ledger@me.com

Wednesday, April 3, 8:00 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Santa Rosa Plateau: 6.5 mi, 300 gain. Enjoy the glorious springtime in this ecological preserve, and a leisurely hike along streams, through rolling grasslands and 100-year-old Englemann oak woodlands. \$4 entrance fee supports reserve upkeep. Meet 8:00 am at the South Orange County rideshare point 1 blk east of I-5 at the corner of Ortega Hwy and Rancho Viejo Rd in front of Ball Park Pizza, or 9:00 am at the Preserve on Clinton Keith Rd, 2 miles west of I-15 near Rancho Murietta. Bring hat, water, lunch/snack, camera, hiking boots, binocs, field guides. Newcomers welcome. Rain cancels. Leaders: Michael Sappingfield, , Kathleen Fisher

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, April 6, 8:00 AM

OCSS

O: Aliso Wood Canyon Wilderness Park: 7 mi. RT, aprox. 900' gain jaunt to Dripping Springs Cave, hideout of stagecoach thieves and on to Woods Cyn. Meet 8 am North Orange County rideshare pt (Park-N-Ride, E side of Tustin Av just S of Lincoln Ave, Orange) or 8:45 am trailhead, Aliso Water Management Rd near Aliso Park entrance. Bring 2 qts water, lunch, hiking boots, 10 essentials, \$ for parking. Rain within 2 days cancels. Leaders: Leader: Julie Garner (714) 335-1579 avtrix@sbcglobal.net, Jay Schneider, Karen Belville

Saturday, April 6, 5:30 PM

OCSS

Outings Planning Happy Hour and Potluck: SEE PAGE 3

Wednesday, April 10, 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: San Mateo Peak (3591)' 6 mi rt, 950' gain/loss. Join us for a loop hike to this rocky peak, the highest in the San Mateo Wilderness, and enjoy outstanding views of the wilderness and, on a clear day, distant peaks. After reaching the peak, we will descend on the Rancho Cap trail through upper Wild Horse Canyon, Rancho Capistrano, and along the headwaters of Morrill Creek on our return to the trailhead. Sections of the trail are steep - wear good hiking boots. Meet 8:30 am at the South Orange County rideshare point or 9:15 at the Morgan trailhead on S Main Divide Rd. Bring water, hiking boots, lunch, rain jacket, optional poles. Contact the leader if you are planning to meet at the trailhead - directions are available if needed. Rain or critical fire level will cancel. Leaders: Sharon Kirk 714-376-3197 sl.kirk@sbcglobal.net, John Kaiser 714-968-4677 jkai39@gmail.com

LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR

DARE TO LEAD

Saturday, April 13, 2019, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Location: Stoneview Nature Center. 5950 Stoneview Dr, Culver City 90232,

Offered just twice a year. Come learn all about the best leadership practices of our outings program. This all-day event covers group management, our ratings system, rules of conduct, safety and much more, from presentations, breakout groups and scenarios. The Sierra Club Angeles Chapter's many groups, sections and committees sponsor thousands of trips ranging from easy hikes to backpacks to world wide travel and mountaineering expeditions. From experienced volunteer leaders you will learn how to plan a trip, handle problems on the trail and make sure that everyone has a great time. You'll gain knowledge about good conservation and safety practices, along with tips for getting your leadership rating quickly and then, if you choose, pursuing more advanced ratings. Applications and \$25 payment (PayPal or check) are due March 30, 2019.

Contact Donna Specht, OCSS Outings Chair

(donnaspecht@juno.com) For registration information.

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, April 20, 8:00 AM

SAGE, OCSS

O: Morgan Trail Hike: 10 miles round trip, 1550' gain/loss. We will 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 Road through a mix of chaparral and woodland to a scenic grove of Oaks. Return by the same route. Bring water, lunch & hiking boots. Rain cancels. Meet 8:00 am at south OC rideshare or 8:35 am at San Juan Loop parking lot on Ortega Hwy. Ldrs: John Kaiser (714) 968-4677 [jkai39@gmail.com](mailto:j kai39@gmail.com) Linda Ledger

Wednesday, May 8, , 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

O: Bedford Peak (3800'): 7 mi, 2200' gain/loss on a steady climb to the peak with rewarding views of the surrounding canyons and peaks. Meet 8:30 am in the small parking lot at the end of Silverado Cyn Rd, off Santiago Cyn Rd. Bring 2 liters water, snacks, lugsoles, non-cotton layers, rain jacket, optional poles. Leaders: Sharon Kirk 714-376-3197 sl.kirk@sbcglobal.net, Linda Ledger 949-444-1285 linda.ledger@me.com

Sunday, May 19, , 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: Karen Belville (562) 421-3037 karen.belville@gmail.com, Donna Specht, Dorothy Gutierrez
Sunday,

Wednesday, May 22,, 8:30 AM

OCG, OCSS

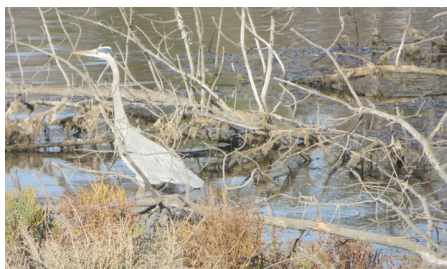
O: Caspers Park East Ridge: 7 mi, 700' gain. Our route starts at the Parking lot just uphill from the main road, on the road to the Nature Center. We will take the East Flats Trail to the East Ridge north, then down the Oso Trail to Cougar Pass then down Bell Canyon to Quail Run, then back up Quail Run to the East Flat Trail, then back to the parking lot. Meet 8:30 am at S OC rideshare point (1 block east of I-5 at the Ortega Plaza off Rancho Viejo Rd). Park near the Ball Park Pizza. Bring 2 qts water, hat, lunch/snack, hiking boots/lugsoles. Ldr: Michael Sappingfield (949) 768-3610 mikesapp@cox.net
Linda Ledger (949) 496-8029 linda.ledger@me.com.

ACTIVITIES

Sunday June 16,, 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: Donna Specht (714) 963-6345 donnaspecht@juno.com, Julie Garner (714) 335-1579 avtrix@sbcglobal.net, Richard Boothe



Bolsa Chica

Photo: D. Specht

Wednesday, June 26, 9:30 AM

OCCG, OCSS

O: End-of-Season Hike/Potluck: Aliso/Wood Canyon Reg. Park: Let's try again, to do our lovely 5-7 mi loop hike on the East Aliso Creek trail with only a bit of gain, or walking to the bridge and looking for the rare Western Pond Turtle. Bring water, hiking shoes for the hike. Then after the walk we will be ready for the potluck. Bring a dish for 6 to share. Show off your personality and bring something special or if you are not into cooking bring something to drink, plus your own plate, cup, utensils. Meet 9:30 am at the Aliso Wood parking lot at 28373 Alicia Parkway (from Alicia Pkwy, S to just past Aliso Creek Rd, turn R going over a bridge by the Mormon Church and park in the parking lot. \$3 parking. Ldr: Sherri Sisson (949) 786-7681 sksisson@gmail.com, Sylvia Stevenson

ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, July 31 to August 4

Mule Pack, OCSS,

O: Shadow Creek Mule Pack: Join us as hired packers carry gear of 45 lbs per person while we hike separately with only our day packs. Wednesday morning hike from Agnew Meadows Pack Station (8335 ft) 6 miles, 1,000 ft gain, to camp on a plateau above Shadow Creek near the fork of the John Muir Trail and Lake Ediza Trail. Fishing along Shadow Creek has been excellent on previous trips. Thursday -Saturday hike, photo, fish, or relax in camp. Enjoy potluck happy hours every night with wine provided followed by a hearty soup dinner prepared by the leaders. The first night will feature a soup and salad dinner. Sunday we hike out. Cost is \$315. Note reserve/cancel policy under the More info link where you can find other information about mule packs. To apply, email with recent altitude and distance conditioning to Leader: Fran Penn. (714) 434-2754 oldhikergirl@yahoo.com John Kaiser jkai39@gmail.com, Karen Belville karen.belville@gmail.com



Saturday, August 17, 8:00 AM

OCSS

O: Back Bay Science Center: Spend a day learning about the wetlands and estuary of Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve at the Back Bay Science Center in Newport Beach. After a brief orientation by the Centers staff, participants will go out on a skiff, take water samples and trawl for plankton samples. We'll learn about the birds and other creatures that call the Back Bay home, and the conservation activities being undertaken by the staff at the Center. Check out the Back Bay Science Centers activities at <http://backbaysciencecenter.org/programs/>. The program starts at 8:00 am and runs until 2:00 pm. Bring hat, lunch, sunscreen, sunglasses, and clothes and footwear that you're willing to get wet. Also bring paper and writing utensils, as well as binoculars. You will need to sign the California Department of Fish & Wildlife waiver as well as the Sierra Club waiver at the beginning of the program. Limited to 15 participants including two Sierra Club leaders. To sign up, send a check \$10 payable OCSS to Jay Schneider, Orange County Sierrans Section, 831 E. Orangewood Ave. Apt. C220, Anaheim, CA 92802. Limit two signups per person. No cancellations after August 10. The Back Bay Science Center is located at 600 Shellmaker Rd. in Newport Beach. Rain cancels. Leader: Jay Schneider (626) 841-2667, rtntnj@aol.com. Assistant Leader: Julie Garner, (714) 335-1579, avtrix@sbcglobal.net.

ACTIVITIES

THIRD ANNUAL HARWOOD FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 21 – 22 OCSS

O: Harwood Lodge Fall Festival: Enjoy clear mountain air, hiking, music, relaxation, blue skies and beautiful mountain views and celebrate the beginning of Fall at Harwood Lodge. Musicians bring your instruments. Newcomers welcome. Includes hikes to the Waterfall and a special Geology hike with Jay Schneider. Includes Saturday and Sunday hikes, Happy Hour, lodge fees, Saturday night dinner. Sunday breakfast, hike, shared chores and check out by 3pm.
http://angeles.sierraclub.org/harwood_lodge

Send 1 self addressed stamped envelope OR e mail address, phones, address, carpool info, \$60 with Sierra Club# or \$75 non-member (check payable OCSS to Reservationist/ Leader:

Donna Specht, 22221 Wood Island Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92646.

Closed weekend. If you are not a participant on this event, but wish to join us just for the Saturday Hike please reserve in advance. Follow the instructions above and send check for \$25.

Co Leaders: Jay Schneider, Karen Belville, Joel Kenyon, Julie Garner

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

Abele, Kathy	O	949-951-0280
Bartlett, Bart	O	714-968-5099
Bartlett, Shilo	O	714-809-5099
Belville, Karen	O	310-486-8583
Botan, Steve	O	714-321-1296
Bouchard, Joe	O	714-505-4502
Bradford, Stephen	O	310-993-5501
Cadez, Ana	O	626-836-2235
Campbell, Ron	M	714-962-8521
Clark, Todd	I	714-803-0195
Clement, Dick		richsea@sbcglobal.net
Closson, Scott	O	714-457-6820
Côté, Sylvie	I	949 547-2998
Creighton, Barbara	O	714-960-3949
Delany, Lori	O	714-458-4511
Dodson, Michael	M	714-529-6020
Dodson, Phyllis	O	714-529-2440
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