WELCOME TO THE 1990’S!

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Stag Brown: New Chairman for the HPS

BLM Bans Future Running of Barstow to Las Vegas Race! Declared major victory for environmentalists!

In a major victory for environmentalists, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management announced on December 11th, that it will no longer permit the running of the Barstow to Las Vegas motorcycle race as well as two other desert races. BLM officials cited increased damage to the desert environs and the threatened desert tortoise and the past failures of race sponsors to follow rules designed to reduce the harmful impact the races have on the desert.

For years, environmentalists have said that off-road racing through the desert harms the desert tortoise by crushing them, collapsing their burrows and destroying the plants they eat. BLM California State Director Ed Hasty made the following statement: "Based on the cumulative environmental impact of these events over the years, the sponsors’ continuing problems in managing the events and the emergency listing of the desert tortoise as an endangered species, we feel strongly that further consideration of these races is inappropriate." (continued on page 10)

Final Notes from the 1990 Chair
By Tom Armbruster

This column concludes my service to the HPS as chair of the management committee. I felt honored when several people suggested I run, and even more honored to have been selected. I've found it enervating, but I'll also enjoy next year, when I hope to have more time for actual climbing. Ever so slowly, I'm getting my second list completion. For this column, I thought I would reach into my heart, and reflect on why I climb mountains. Some reasons are selfish, some altruistic, some for me as an individualist, and some for me as a social animal. Here goes:

Some reasons are common ones I tell anyone who asks. I love the physical challenge, hauling myself uphill, hour in and hour out. It keeps me in good shape (along with running). I love incomparable views from the summits, especially those that combine a sweep from the Mojave Desert around to the coastline.

But there are also reasons I don't usually admit to, and probably (continued on page 9)

New HPS Management Committee for 1990

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"WE WON!"...were the words spoken by Elden Hughes at the November meeting of the Angeles Chapter Conservation Committee.

Elden was talking about the outstanding show of support for the Desert Bill at The U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee held public hearings in Barstow on November 11. Over one thousand desert bill supporters were in Barstow for the hearings, filling more than half of the available seats at the community center auditorium. Wearing bright yellow shirts with a bold "Yes-Celebrate the Great American Desert-H.R.780/S.11" (designed by our own Louis Quiqarte) on the front of the shirt, the supporters of the bill made an overwhelming impression on both the House subcommittee and the "other contingent."

carrying a variety of creative signs, many with drawings to match—"Save The Desert" and "Mohave National Park" were only some. I was wearing my garish gold HPS t-shirt when I noticed a sign bearer "Abolish the Sierra Club!" I countered him with my slogan "Animals Have Rights Too." He, "Go back to Santa Monica where you live." Me, "I don't live there." A genuine redneck! I noticed most of them sat in their lawn chairs in the parking lot in the hot sun listening to the loudspeaker. The pros/yellows were sitting on the grass in the shade; and were most of the ones who walked a mile for lunch (one way).

Finally about noon, I managed to get inside for about two hours. As the testimonies progressed, it became clear who was on what side. Many residents in Inyo and Kern Counties are against it because of their jobs and business interests; also, several Native Americans expressed their opinions about not wanting more government restrictions concerning access to their lands. On the pro side there were the scientists, residents of the Palm Springs area, and of course, the Sierra Club. One particular speaker got right to the point—this bill is about freedom for the desert; freedom from jeeps, freedom from litter, and freedom from business exploitation! Hurrah! Right on! There is one more sub-committee hearing in January in Los Angeles, so if you missed Bishop and Barstow, come out in force in Los Angeles, and WEAR YELLOW! See you there!

SAVE YOUR YELLOW T-SHIRTS!
More Desert Bill Hearings in January!
Additional House Subcommittee Field Hearings will be held in Los Angeles in January. As of yet, no date or location has been set. Save your yellow t-shirts for the hearings. More will be printed for those who missed getting one in Barstow.

SUSPENDED!
The Backroads Explorer Activity Committee of the Angeles Chapter and its presently scheduled outings have been indefinitely suspended by the executive committee. Several of the section's members testified as Sierra Club members and Backroads Explorers members against the California Desert Wilderness Bill (H.R. 780) and the Sierra Club at the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee Public Field Hearings in Bishop.

The Barstow Desert Bill Hearing
by Laura Webb
At 9:30 a.m., on Nov. 11, 1989, about 500 persons were inside the Barstow Community Building to hear testimony (pro and con) on HR 780, the controversial Desert Protection Act. Another 500 were outside listening to the loudspeaker broadcast the testimonies.

While I waited outside waiting for a chance to get in, I observed many things. The "cons" were wearing red clothes and carrying red signs saying "NO need for HR 780," attached to sticks which was against police regulations. The "pros" were wearing yellow and tracks, freedom from tortoise in the Sonoran Desert of southeastern California and western Arizona, providing habitat to 279 of the creatures per square mile (BLM estimate). John Blanchley, chief ranger at the BLM Palm Springs office said that he was informed that the campers were well within the "killing zone" of the bombs but may have been saved because they were behind the path of the bombs.

Mt. Waterman Ski Area Expansion
Angeles Chapter Conservation Committee voted to oppose certain aspects of the expansion of the Mt. Waterman Ski Area, primarily the construction of a six acre parking lot next to Buckhorn campground, though the expansion also includes construction of a new lodge, five new chair lifts and the excavation of a 2 million gallon reservoir atop Mt. Waterman to be used for artificial snow making. If you are interested in helping to monitor this issue, contact Terry Sullivan, the Pasadena Group Conservation Chair at 818-798-1985. Copies of the initial proposal should be available soon from Larry Christiansen, Alpine Consultants, 2301 Moulton Pkwy, Suite J12, Laguna Hills, CA 92653. Mr. Christiansen will be drafting the environmental assessment for the project in 1991.

Warplanes Bomb Desert Campground
Riverside County—Navy warplanes accidentally dropped a dozen 500-pound bombs in a desert camping area in the environmentally sensitive Chuckwalla Bench, wounding one camper and terrifying others. The 91,000 acres of the Chuckwalla Bench is considered the highest density area for the desert

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Contact Dorothy Rabinowitz
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What we do to the desert is a reflection of what we do to our planet. We are responsible for both...

It's 2775; They've Put Joshuas in a Tree Museum
by Douglas Vehsey
Quartz Hill

The following conversation was overheard at a service station, here in Lancaster, on August 12, 2775 A.D.:

Son: Mom, what are Joshuas? What did they look like? How big did they get?
Mother: Son, I am not quite sure. You see, son, Joshuas were before my time! Although, I have heard that they were a unique and graceful tree. I believe they were some type of yucca, but I am not sure.

Son: Mom, what happened to our own Joshua trees?
Mother: Son, our Joshua trees were destroyed by man's greed and ignorance. Not all men are alike, son.

Son: Mom, will our Joshua trees ever grow back?
Mother: I am afraid not, son. Our Joshuas are lost for eternity. There's a museum in Washington D.C., that has a "Joshua" encased in plastic and numerous stuffed animals from our Mojave Desert.

What? Joshuas disappeared from the Mojave Desert? Impossible, you say!

Let us consider the once-stately passenger pigeon, which once numbered in the millions. Now, none exist. Let us not forget our Dodo birds, which are also extinct, thanks to man. Will the same fate befall our graceful, unique Joshua trees? I might add that the Joshua grows only in the Mojave Desert, and not in the Holy Land, as was once thought. Will the above scenario become reality?

As a Native American, I have a deep love and respect for this fragile land. We Native Americans think of the land as our mother. It is everyone else's land as well. Yes, we are both responsible for the protection and the preservation of the Mojave Desert. Yes, Indian and non-Indian must shoulder the above responsibility. We are all guardians of this beautiful, unique and fragile land known as the Mojave Desert.

But, apparently, there are those of us who have fallen asleep on the job. Will we close our ears and hearts to the cries for help which echo from our desert land, thereby condemning our Mojave Desert to extinction? God appointed all of us, guardians of this planet we call Earth and our home. Let us all do our job.

A Letter of Interest
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510
August 10, 1988

Dear Ms. Benti,
Many thanks for sharing with me your comments on the California Desert Protection Act, S.7 (HR 780).

As you know, S. 7 (HR 780) designates 82 Bureau of Land Management wilderness areas, adds adjacent lands to

Death Valley and Joshua Tree National Monuments and redesignates them as National Parks, and creates Mojave National Park. These lands are ecologically fragile and subject to destruction by incompatible activities. Protection of these vulnerable areas will allow future generations to experience vast areas of the Old West essentially unaltered by man's activities.

S.7 (HR 780) would protect 9.4 million acres of the California desert, either as National Parks or wilderness areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management. However, some 4.6 million acres of public lands in the California desert would remain available for multiple uses, such as grazing, mining, hunting and motorized recreation.

In drawing the boundaries of wilderness and park lands, I carefully excluded major areas for ORV use. All existing BLM designated open areas including Dumont Dunes, Johnson Valley, Spangler Hills, Imperial Sand Hills, Raker Ranch, El Mirage, Jawbone Canyon-Dove Springs and Glamis Dunes as well as popular riding areas such as Fremont Valley and Rand Mountains would remain available. Also, the existing road network in the Saline Valley would remain open to vehicles and use of the Mojave Road would not be affected.

I appreciate your concern, and realize that feelings are strong on this issue. Please be assured that your comments will be taken into consideration. It is my hope that the final bill will protect the unique resources of the desert for the diverse groups who take pleasure in its many activities.

With best wishes,
Alan Cranston

Yucca Baccata on Rabbit Peak in the proposed Sania Rosa Wilderness, adopted in 1989 by the HPS.
FOOTNOTES

Pilot Knob, Payson Peak
October 14-15
Leaders: Alan Coles
& Frank Goodykoontz
By Alan Coles

As expected there was a heavy demand by peak baggers to do Pilot Knob so the leaders were relieved when only 43 souls turned up at 7 am in the familiar Walker Pass campground on Saturday morning. We set off quickly and drove the 13.0 miles west on HWY 178 to the private road that leads to the Stone's residence. We drove about 1/2 mile on this well graded road to a good sized parking area just before the bridge over the South Fork of the Kern River.

I had driven up there only 6 weeks before with some scanty information given to me from Dave Dykeman who led the peak a year ago for the SPS. Fortunately, with what information I had, I was quickly able to find the correct road and drove up to the residence that more or less controls access to the land. Ms. Josephine Stone, a Native American of the Tubatulabal tribe, was quite congenial and gave consent for us to pass over the land. I offered to give her a small donation when we would come through but she seemed very modest about the proposal.

With a large group size, I had everyone carpool in as few vehicles as possible and most everyone keep the noise to a minimum until we were well past the residences. The bridge over the river was in fairly good shape but I would not recommend driving over it in a car. Besides, it is only a short distance (about 100 yards) past the bridge that you come to a gully that leads almost directly to the peaks.

Charleton Shay was with the Dykeman group and described a route which they took. They had crossed the gully shown on the topo that is SE of the peak, ascended half way up the east ridge, then traversed across and over to the south ridge then taking the standard route to the top. With many large and loose rocks, difficult terrain and heavy brush in spots on the slopes, I chose instead to follow the gully as far as possible and try to work our way to the familiar south ridge. This route seemed to work well with the group except for some slippery rocks in the bottom of the gully. We worked our way up and around a non-serious waterfall (dry) at the 4800' level and headed straight up and met the south ridge at the targeted 5500' level. From there the standard route was taken and all 43 made it by 1pm with (pause) Austin Stirtt, Shirley McFall, Mickey Sharpsteen (1st list completer) and Betty Stirtt (2nd list completer) leading the way (with a little guidance on those tricky rocks). Congratulations to them all! (Note: not quite a record as Martin Feather, Mary Brooks and yours truly finished on Pigasah and Frank Goodykoontz finished for the third time).

An hour was spent on top getting everybody (yes, everyone) to the summit and back down safely with the usual celebration of food and drink (the bubbly stuff was served down at the base of the summit block).

At 2pm we set off down the peak and more or less stayed in the same general direction as we had come while finding better routes along the way which made much better progress. Once back in the main gully, the large group was broken into 3 separate groups of varying speeds with the first ones arriving back around 5pm and the last ones around 6:30pm under a rising harvest moon.

Back at Walker Pass, a party was held for those still able to stand with a large community salad. A few hunters drove by looking for a camp site but seeing the army there with virtually every nook and cranny filled with
cars turned them away.

The next day a more manageable group of 16 starting at a relatively late time of 8am met at the same spot for Pinyon.
We drove the short distance to the lodge area and took the standard route (with permission from the owners) to the peak which was reached around 11am. After an early lunch, we retraced our steps back to the cars reaching them at 1pm.

Some important notes:
After returning from Pilot Knob, a little girl from the nearby residence was waiting for me. I gave her a donation equivalent to $1 per person. I asked her if that was OK and she seemed to say "yes" and then ran off back to the house so apparently it will be "wise" to continue giving donations when doing the peak. The Stone's have no telephone, so you will have to write them for permission (Josephine Stone, P.O. Box 376, Onyx, CA 93255). I believe we can maintain a good rapport with them and continue to climb the peak with this route so long as we respect their privacy (i.e. don't make a lot of noise or disturb the other residences on the land) and continue giving them "donations."

Since this is a new route up the peak with little or no evidence of any foot traffic, it would be wise to give the description of what seemed to be the best way to do the peak (our route on the way back). So here it is:

From the cars, cross bridge and proceed about 100 yards to where the SE gully crosses the road (not shown). Stay on the S side of the gully and walk up a gentle wide

grassy slope crossing over a small saddle at the 3000' level and enter the stream bed. Follow up along the side of the stream for about 1/4 mile, then ascend about 30' on the north side to a bench which has several grassy meadows (dry in fall). Follow this bench which works very well for about a mile then descend back into the canyon when it starts to narrow and the bench disappears. Continue up the gully to around the 4800' level (where it begins to bend on the topo) and work your way west up and around the dry waterfall. Head due west to the ridge meeting it at the saddle at elevation 5500'. You can avoid some brush by going slightly to the north of the ravine that heads from the "blue line" gully to the 5500' saddle just below the 5600' on the topo. From there take the standard well ducked route to the summit.

Distance and gain: 6 miles, 3400' gain, strenuous.

Many thanks to all participants (too numerous to list, sorry) and many thanks to Frank "I never met a peak I didn't like" Goodykoontz for a highly successful trip.

asked her to lead the non-hikers up. I replied, "Yes!" After having breakfast at Lloyd's with the leaders, Bobcat and Joe Young, and others, and upon leaving Lloyd's, it looked even worse outside. Reaching the carpool point, people even had their umbrellas out at this time. We all signed in, 41 of us. A friend of mine had a ham radio with him and stated that it was clear above 4000 feet. And low and behold, he was right.

The hike went great with Bobcat leading us on our 1 and 1/2 mile and 500 feet of gain. Even the non-hikers made it, but I had to push my sister up the hill, when Bobcat took a short-cut. Bobcat let Karen and me lead up to the peak; so after 3 1/2 years, I had made the magic number of 270.

After the sign in, we all gathered around the table and toasted the bride and groom, as this was also a wedding hike, the fourth one this year, as far as I know. Then, a toast to finishing the list. I thought it was only right to thank the people who made this day possible: Minor White, John Southworth and Charlie Knape, for all their private hikes. Then I present Stag Brown with a tee-shirt that read, "Voted the Most Unique Leader," as he is indeed just that. He presented me with the list completion certificate. I next presented Bobcat, Joe Young and Mike Baldwin with tee-shirts that read, "32 Peaks in 24 Hours," thanking them for the great trips we've been on. Karen then presented me with a tee-shirt written in old English that read, "List Finisher on Pacifico, 270." Charlie Knape presented me with my list completion pin. Since this was also a wedding hike, my daughters, Jeanni and Jennifer, read a few verses from Corinthians 13.

Looking back over the last 3 1/2 years, the H.P.S. has meant so much to me—the great people I have had the privilege to hike with, the fun car camps, the hard backpacks, but most of all, meeting the woman of my dreams. I thank all of you for the great adventure.

Canell Pt., Lightner
August 19-20
Leaders: Luella Martin, Kay MacNar & Erich Pickle
By Luella Martin

Sixteen met by 7AM at the Walker Pass Campground. It took us until after 10 to get 6 cars around to the Canell Roadhead. We left 4 more at Big Meadow.

About this time, I was considering ways to encourage more carpooling. Erich Pickle with whom I was riding did an excellent job of convoy control. This was much appreciated by me. We had a nice scramble up Canell Pt. On the way up I did a "modified stationary panic" when I stepped over a rattlesnake. Wayne Norman, who was right behind me saw the snake, told me to freeze, and put it out of harms way with his ski pole. I was mistaking small branches as snakes, the rest of the weekend. Both Wayne and Erich thought, for a girl, I didn't do a very good panic. I didn't look scared enough. Reason, by the time I realized the problem, Wayne was already taking care of it. So really all I did was jump once and yell, a mere reflex action to the word "Rattlesnake." We were on the summit by noon. Lucy Woodward said she couldn't see why...
they had put it on the list until she got to the summit. The view is very good of the Isabella Area and the summit block has something for everybody class 1 to 3+. By the time we were back to Big Meadow it was 2:30. I wasn’t very fast and knew that the people going my speed would have trouble getting Sierraeta before dark. So we signed out the speedy persons and the rest of us went on the Lightner trailhead. Several went to do Sierraeta and then go home for the Akawie funeral. Kay did this. I appreciated her help Saturday with the asst. as Gordon Lindberg was visiting his sons in Northern California. Micky Sharpsteen and Lucy Woodward followed the Lightner Group out of the dirt roads and went home Saturday. Tom Neely did Sierraeta and then joined us at the Lightner Roadhead sometime late, as nobody heard him drive in.

Eight climbed Lightner Sunday morning. It had been a cool windy night in the saddle where we camped. But once on the trail, it was warm. I was glad that we were able to have an early start. We were back at the cars by 10:30. All decided for an early home, except the leaders. Erich and I decided that I was feeling better and needed a hike. So we did Scodie. We were back to the Walker Pass campground by 6:55.

We had frost on the inside and outside of all the vehicles. This caused much scraping in the morning. After defrosting the vehicles, we convoyed to the trailhead for Heald. The climber’s guide states that the road is driveable by 4X4 to the mine. We hiked the road, since we didn’t have a large number of 4X4’s but I doubt the wisdom of attempting the drive to the mine since there is a small washout near the mine and a very muddy area near the spring.

We soon sorted out into three speed groups. I’m grateful to Donica Wood for standing on high points to help guide the rear guard. She made the day a lot easier for me. It’s not so much a matter of navigation as keeping the groups together. I also appreciated Erich Fickle’s efforts to encourage one slow hiker up the snow covered rocks on the side of Heald while I kept within voice/sight range of Donica. Everybody made Heald, but the faster group really wanted to get Nichols and go home to a warm bed. So six signed out, under the leadership of Minor White and did Nichols Saturday afternoon. The rest of us returned back to the cars after doing Heald.

Friday night had been so cold most wanted to go home, so only four remained for the Sunday attempt of Nichols. Molly Beatie, Erich Fickle, Carleton Shay, and myself. Carleton made the excellent suggestion that we ignore the time change. So we started hiking at 8 AM PDT. We were on the summit in 3 1/4 hours. It was very windy, but not as cold as the day before. After a short breezy lunch we returned to the cars. All decided that we had enough. Erich Fickle got his 200 on Nichols.

My thanks to Carleton for his leadership and to Donica and Erich with their help in keeping the group together.

Mount San Antonio
October 7, 1986
Leaders: Patty Kline & Frank Goodykoontz
By Patty Kline
This was my 3rd annual lead for the Oktoberfest hike of “Baldy from the Village.” We had 11 people, some of whom went on to Oktoberfest afterwards. Frank led us down the “fast” route on the scree of Baldy Bowl to the ski hut, after lunch on the top at 10,064 feet. With 6000 feet of gain in 7 miles, this is my favorite local hike. October 7th was my 19th time for that route up. The trip participants were Ron Jones, Louise Hagihara, Bill Gray, Jack Haddad, Jim Evans, Hal Rice, George Schroeder, Bill Heubach and Matt McBride.

(Congratulations continued on next page)

Heald, Nichols
October 28-29
Leaders: Carleton Shay & Luella Martin
By Luella Martin

Twelve hearty souls braved the cold a Walker Pass Campground Friday night. Jack Haddad had the good sense to drive up Saturday morning.

Twin Peaks and Waterman Mtn
November 18, 1986
Leaders: Patty Kline & Bob Hartunian
By Patty Kline

It was a perfect day for the hike with blue skies and no threat of rain. I think we are still in our long drought.

A group of 17 people met at 7am to carpool up to the roads up the Angeles Crest Highway.

We did Twin first, taking an hour lunch on top. I found out one of our hikers, Larry Minasian, graduated from the same high school I did, John Muir High in Pasadena.

Next we did Waterman. Waterman was the first HPS peak I ever hiked, and always has been a special place for me. Maybe this is because I did it so long ago in elementary school.

We were all back to the cars at 3:45pm in this 10 mile, 3900 foot gain hike. My sweep, Bob Hartunian, did a great job.

(Trip Write-ups continued next page)

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**LIST COMPLETION**

Judy Ware #144
Mickey Sharpsteen #145
Shirley McFall #146
Austin Stirratt #147

**2ND LIST COMPLETION**

Betty Stirratt #18
Mike Fredette #19

**100 PEAKS BAR**

Terry Astle #263

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Richard Clement #808
Linda Avila #809
Robert Wright Jr. #810
Tal Kanigher #811

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Linda Avila
William M. Brockman
Peter Kinman
Leslie Metcalfe
Rosina Mueller
George Schroeader
Claire E. McQuillian
One of the most unfortunate and unforgettable results of the litigious 1980's was the impact that lawsuits had on the climbing community.

As the years progressed, pending lawsuits made it more difficult for the Sierra Club to find reasonable insurance coverage to support approximately 300 scheduled outings that used either ropes or ice axes just in the Angeles Chapter alone. The Sierra Club was not the only group to feel the tightening grip of a legal system seemingly out of control. Toward the end of last year, Chouinard Equipment Company, the industry leader and innovator in the manufacture of high performance climbing gear filed for bankruptcy. Pending lawsuits and the rising cost of liability insurance prompted company founder Yvon Chouinard's decision to file for protection under Chapter 11 U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Four lawsuits blamed Chouinard Equipment for injuries allegedly caused by inadequate instructions and warnings on climbing harnesses and equipment. None of the suits were filed by experienced climbers. This, in addition to the suits filed against the Sierra Club and other outdoor-activity oriented organizations (including whitewater, skiing, and skydiving) spelled grim times ahead for the climbing industry.

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Angels Chapter Leadership Training Chair Randy Danta demonstrates safe climbing without ropes. Photo: Patty Kline

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night. It was almost full, so we really couldn't have the party we wanted because we were so spread out. Our group had to take any empty spot we could find.

Sunday morning, another perfect day weatherwise, we met at 7:30 am at the entrance to Laguna Campground. 29 people showed up for Sunday. Cuyapaipio was done first with 2 1/2 miles and 600 feet of gain. There were no access problems. The property has been sold so no one needed to be contacted for our outing for permission.

Sheephead is now a grudge peak for many because we were turned back. Two weeks before the San Diego group found a route not on private property and brushed it out. As we tried to walk on the dirt road, the rancher who was in charge of the property wouldn't let us pass. Frank Goodykoontz is almost positive we could have stayed to the right of the road and have been legal, but the rancher absolutely wouldn't let us go beyond his truck parked in the middle of the road. The problems of this peak are being looked into by Al Holden from the San Diego Chapter. We had lunch at our cars after missing Sheephead.

The next 3 peaks were easy. Monument was 3 1/2 miles round trip and 500 feet of gain. I loved the view on top of Rabbit, Villager, Rosa Point and Whale. We could see as far north as San Gorgonio.

The 2 Garnets were last. Frank Goodykoontz was along on Garnet Mountain for John Backus' 6th list completion in December of 1987. There were reporters interviewing everyone on the hike because they ran an article and picture in the L.A. Times. Many of you may have seen this. Farewell to another great weekend with the HPS. 7 out of 8 peaks is fine.

Split Mtn, Black Mtn, Sunday Peak, Bohna Peak, Cannel Point
October 21-22, 1988
Leaders: Patty Kline & Frank Goodykoontz
By Patty Kline
A crowd of 21 people showed up at the Tillie Creek Campground near Lake Isabella on Saturday morning. The male to female ratio was quite unusual with Pat Russell, Ruth Boyer and myself being the only women. Triplicate list finisher Duane McRuer was along. Duane used to lead a lot with John Backus. Bob Hicks was also along, and anyone who is a leader in the Angeles Chapter knows Bob.

The day was somewhat overcast which was nice. I was afraid it could have been very warm had we been having a heat wave. It rained in L.A. early in the morning on Saturday, but we had no precipitation.

There was a carpool up to Black Mountain Saddle from the meeting place. Split and Black were done in a 12 mile trip with 4400 feet of gain. Fortunately most of the brush had been pruned back on the cross country to Split. We had lunch on the rocky summit of Split. Black was done on the return trip, making it an energizing, but long day.

Back in camp we all gathered at one campsite for a community happy hour with munchies, beer and Scotch. Fred Johnson brought the Scotch. He drove down from his home in Berkeley. Fred has one of the original "100 Peakers" in 1941 who helped start what eventually became a section. I enjoyed talking with Fred about his good times.

After the community salad and a nice dinner we said goodnight.

Sunday morning we met at 8am at the campground. We had a slightly different group of 21 people for Sunday at Bohna. Sunday was a nice walk up a thickly forested trail to see a beautiful view of the High Sierra for 3 1/2 miles round trip and 1000 feet of gain. We then drove around to the Bohna road head where hunting season was even more evident than on Sunday. In the 2 1/2 mile round trip and 1500 feet of gain I was hoping that the hunters wouldn't miss a deer. We had lunch on Bohna and most of us climbed on the rocky high point of Bohna where the register is not kept.

Then 14 of us drove for 2 hours above Kernville late Sunday afternoon in preparation for Cannel Point the next day. Frank Goodykoontz and I were the last to drive up. Frank found out from the ranger station that there was a storm due in that night that was to drop snow as deep as 2-3 feet down to 5000 feet. We decided to drive up to warn the others. The storm wasn't happening by 10pm after dinner. At Phil Weinreich's request an impromptu ascent of Cannel Point was led on that moonless night in case the snow came and the Monday trip would have to be aborted. It was a little slower at night with a white out on the rocky summit. The group got back at lam. 12 people climbed or re-climbed Cannel Point on Monday. It was a beautiful day and the storm had totally missed us.

Of all the 32 HPS geographic areas I think area #1, in which these 5 peaks are located, is my favorite. Cannel Point is the farthest drive on our list, and only 2 1/2 miles and 900 feet of gain, but certainly worth it for the scenery. I will never forget the dense conifer forests, the rocky summits and the majestic views of the High Sierra Peaks.
Trail Updates: Cuypatleppe Mtn. (32K)
by Allen Holden

The property we were crossing has been sold and the permission information in the Peak Guide no longer applies. The new owner is violently opposed to hikers, by one report. The good news is we now have our own access trail that stays off the private property.
Proceed as usual, and when you come to the second gate, the wire one with all the No-No signs, look to your left and pick up the trail, clipped, ducked and flagged all the way to the point in the streambed where we used to go under the fence, and then go on as usual. I urge all members to use this trail exclusively, and not take any chances trespassing, even if no one seems to be around.

For a neat little alternate route, continue on S-I less than a mile West to Morris Ranch Road, opposite Wooded Hill Road. Go Left, South, about 3/10ths to the Star Party Trail parking area. Park here and hike up that trail about 3/10ths mile until the San Diego State Observatory structures come into view. Look for a duck on your left and go due East on an obvious cross-country route through gentle woodland for about 1/2 mile and you will come out at the point where the Pacific Crest Trail crosses the road we drive in. This is an all-year access route: no need to slog on the road when you find the gate locked. In fact, I would like some feedback on making this the primary route and using the road as an alternate for those in a hurry. This pleasant little diversion can’t add more than 20 minutes to the total time, and will save vehicle wear and tear.

UPCOMING HPS MEETINGS

March 8
Recycling in the Golden State
Tonight’s program features status of recycling in California with a presentation by Gary Peterson.

April 12
Conserving Water
Hear about water conservation in the southland with a presentation by a representative of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

May 10
Ending Hunger
A representative of the Hunger Project discusses prospects for ending hunger in the world.

June 14
Exploring the British Isles on Foot
Daphne Sturrock presents “Exploring the British Isles on Foot.” See quaint country villages, rugged coastlines, gently rolling hills, but no

Meet second Thursdays at 7:30pm Griffith Park Ranger Station
4730 Crystal Springs Drive • Refreshments served

(Notes from the Chair continued from page 1)

some I don’t admit to myself either. For example, I love it when people who don’t climb ask me about it; then I get to sound like an expert. When I stand on a peak, it’s like I’ve taken possession of it. Having completed the list, I can look at the San Gabriels from my second floor office at McDonnell Douglas in Santa Ana, and feel like I own the whole range! And I’m hooked on little tokens of accomplishment; it’s as if the HPS emblem was created with my ego in mind.

I like being among pine trees, going somewhere off the beaten track. I feel like I did as an exploring five-year-old, when the whole world was new.

I also climb to overcome fear. Most of the time at the start of an outing, I’m a little apprehensive about not being in good enough shape, or about getting lost, or about being hurt. When that fear passes, I’ve won a skirmish with myself.

I climb because I adore being associated with the Sierra Club, and our collective efforts to preserve the wilderness. I get a kick out of maybe leaving something for the people who will be born after I die: the spiritual enablement from the wilderness experience. That thought leads me to the social bonding. When I climb with a group, the peak experience links the group together, long after we’re back at the cars.

I suppose climbing brings out the best in me. Sometimes I handle relationships well, and sometimes I really mess up. But I usually do OK with people when we’re all headed up a mountain together. Climbing gives me a lot to look back on fondly.

So that’s my free-associating for now. I can get a lot of good from peak-bagging, doing it on my own, but for the complete experience, I need contact with members of the Hundred Peaks Section. Thanks for your presence in my life!
REGISTER BOX
by Jim Adler

Registers Needed:
Nicolls Peak/2C: deficient
Mayan Peak/21: missing
McKinley Mtn/6F: missing
Roundtop/10H: missing
San Ysidro Mtn/31I: missing
Josephine Peak/11A: decrepit
Barley Flats/11D: decrepit
Kratka Ridge/14K: missing
San Sevaine/17H: decrepit
Delamar Mtn/21E: decrepit

If you are climbing any of the above peaks, please consider bringing a new register and book. If you discover a peak which needs a new register, please let me know by mail addressed to Jim Adler, 10726 Woodbine Street #3, Los Angeles, CA 90034, or by phone at (213) 838-0524. Also, please advise if you have replaced any of the missing or deficient registers or discover that any of the above reports are erroneous or out of date. (Since register books and pencils are so easy to carry all the time, peaks where only books or pencils are needed will not be listed.)

Daniel Jensen reports that he has replaced the register on Cuyamaca. He also reports that I remove Stonewall from the missing register list. There are no new missing reports. A reasonable suggestion: its removed. Rob Langsdorf reports that the register on San Ysidro is missing again. He suggests that the register should be “cemented” to the mountain. An interesting thought... Anybody want to haul a sack of concrete on their next hike? Do you need permission? Is an environmental impact statement?
MAY 4-6, FRI-SUN Salsa & Sangria Celebration! at Harwood. Send $25, shirt size, sase to Reserve: JULIE RUSH, or call Leaders: LOUIS & BETTY QUIRARTE. Overseer: MONALISA WARD.

MAY 5, SAT Sugarloaf Pk (6924'), Leader: JOE YOUNG. Asst: BOB THOMPSON.

MAY 5, SAT Thunder Mtn (8587'), Pico Telegrafo (8985'), Timber Mtn (8308') Leaders: JUAN SHELDON, RUTH FELDON.

MAY 5-6, SAT-SUN Lightner Pk (6430'), Bald Eagle Pk (6181'), Bohna Pk (6888') Leader: FRANK DOBOS. Asst: BARBARA COHEN.

MAY 12, SAT Josephine Pk (5558') Leaders: GORDON LINDBERG, DARLENE KURTZWEIL.

MAY 12, SAT Iron #1 via Baldy: The 18th Annual Routebaggers Adventure! Leaders: BILL T RUSSELL, CARLETON SHAY.

MAY 12-13, SAT-SUN Tehachapi Mtn (7960+'), Double Mtn (7981'), Black Mtn #3 (5686') Leader: MARTIN FEATHER. Co-Leader: ALAN COLES.

MAY 12-13, SAT-SUN Mothers Day Peakbag: San Guillermo Mtn (6602'), Lockwood Pk (6275'), Thorn Pk (6935'), Tecuya (7155') Leaders: PAT JUMP, EDNA ERSPAMER.

MAY 13, SUN Mt Wilson (5720') Leaders: EVOR NILLSON, RON YOUNG.


MAY 19, SAT Mt Gleason (6520'), Bobcat Pk (5279') Leaders: BOB C THOMPSON, NAMI T BROWN.

MAY 19, SAT Winston Pk (7502'), Winston Ridge (7003') Leaders: RUTH LEE DOBOS. Asst: DOTTY RABINOWITZ.

MAY 20, SUN Mt Lowe (5603') Leaders: STAG & NAMI BROWN.

JUN 2, SAT Thorn Pk (6935'), San Guillermo Mtn (6602') Leaders: ERICH & LUELLA FICKLE.

JUN 2, SAT Middle Pk (5883'), Cuyamaca Pk (6512') Leader: JOE YOUNG. Asst: NAMI BROWN.

JUN 2-3, SAT-SUN Lightner Pk (6430'), Bald Eagle Pk (6181'), Piute LO (8326'), Sorell Pk (7704'), Skinner Pk (7120') Leader: CHARLIE Knapke. Asst: FRANK GOODYKOONTZ.

JUN 3, SUN Oakzanita Pk (5054'), Stonewall Pk (5730') Leader: JOE YOUNG. Asst: STAG BROWN.

JUN 9, SAT HUNDRED PEAKS—BICYCLE TOURING: Bike & Hike Mt Vetter, Mt Hillyer, Mt Mooney: via scenic 15 mi loop. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, ARTHUR SCHAIN.

JUN 9-10, SAT-SUN Pilot Knob (6200'+), Owens Pk (8453') Leader: BARBARA COHEN. Co-Leader: FRANK GOODYKOONTZ.

JUN 9-10, SAT-SUN 11th Annual HPS Hike-a-Thon. Leaders: BOB THOMPSON, STAG BROWN.

JUN 9-10, SAT-SUN Antimony (6848'), Eagle Rest Pk (5958') Leader: CHARLIE Knapke. Asst: FRANK GOODYKOONTZ.

JUN 10, SUN Mt San Antonio (10,064'), Thunder Mtn (8587'), Telegraph Pk (8985'), Timber Mtn (8303') Leader: ASHER WAXMAN. Asst: JOHN MCKEAN.

JUN 22-24, FRI-SUN Family Carcamp at Idyllwild. Leader: GENE PINEL. Asst: JEAN HERMANSEN.

JUN 23, SAT Charlton (10,806'), Constance (6645') Leader: CHARLIE Knapke. Asst: PATTY KLINE.

JUN 23-24, SAT-SUN Tahquitz Pk (8828'), Red Tahquitz (8738'), Suicide Rock (7528'), Indian Mtn (5790') Leader: TOM ARMBRUSTER. Asst: DAVE EISENBERG.

Dealing with Global Warming:
The Legacy We Leave Our Children
During the final superpower summit meeting of the eighties, George Bush proposed that the United States host an interna-
tional conference in the fall of 1990 to begin writing a treaty to control global warming.
For the past two years, global warming has been handled by three interna-
tional panels studying the issue.

It is the belief of many scientists that the warming process will significantly disrupt world agriculture and raise sea levels across the globe.

Intensive study of the scientific evidence surrounding global warming as well as international political context has convinced the Bush administration that the global warming issue must be put on faster track.
Global warming is widely believed to be a result of the burning of coal, oil and other fossil fuels as well as the de-
struction of the tropical rain forests. It is the belief of many scientists that the warming process will significantly disrupt world agriculture and raise sea levels across the globe. Because the causes of warming are so widespread, reversing it could require major changes in the world economy.
Outgoing HPS chairman Tom Armbruster gives a congratulatory welcome to the new chair for 1990, Stag Brown at the recent management committee meeting.

Ron Jones, HPS Vice-Chair for 1990 at meeting.

Ruth and Frank Dobos help Terry Askle celebrate her 200th peak.

Left: Supporters of the Desert Bill camped out in the parking lot of the Barstow Community Center the night before the hearings.

Below: Many members of the HPS were on hand for the hearings, wearing the bold yellow T-shirt designed by Louis Quirarte. Louis, Betty Snodgrass and Laura Webb were enjoying the warm desert sun outside the hearings.

Inside the Barstow hearings, Desert Bill supporters made an excellent showing, far out-numbering opponents.
ORDERS

Bob Thompson: P.O. Box 633, Montrose, CA 91021 Please send me the following HPS Peak Guides:

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To order cite peak number from the HPS Official Peaks List.

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