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Monterey Bay Chapter

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July/August 2014

Monterey Bay Chapter CNPS Potluck Picnic!

Join CNPS members and guests Saturday, July 19, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm for our Monterey Bay Chapter CNPS potluck picnic! It will be at the Indian Village Picnic Grounds in Pebble Beach where you can enjoy good food, good company, and guided wildflower walks (coastal dunes and the Monterey pine forest).

Please bring an appetizer, salad, bread, fruit or a yummy dessert—Linda Smith has offered to make turkey chili. Bring your own beverages if you choose. Be prepared for either sun or fog; dress in layers. If it's a chilly day we might use the large fire pit to warm up!

For a map and directions to the Indian Village, go to: www.delmonteforestconservancy.org/indian_village.html and click on 'View Map.' The gate next to the Gingerbread House will be open so that you may park at the picnic area—it is handicapped accessible.

If you will be attending, please RSVP to Linda Smith by July 15 so that we can plan accordingly. Call her at (410) 562-4813 or email lindasmith411@comcast.net with your name and the number in your party. We will need to limit the number of picnickers this year, so please contact her as early as you can.

You will be given free entrance into Pebble Beach by informing the gate attendant at any entrance gate that you are attending the CNPS picnic at the Indian Village.

Monterey Bay CNPS Picnic Saturday, July 19

From 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Indian Village Picnic Grounds in Pebble Beach



CALENDAR of FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

Saturdays, July 5 & August 2, 1pm to 4pm Stewardship
Broom Bash, East Side of Point Lobos State Reserve

Join us on these First Saturdays of the month in the beautiful Monterey pine forest of East Point Lobos. We'll use

several techniques to remove French broom and help restore this area that wants to thrive with native plants. Meet in Carmel at the Rio Road Park and Ride. All supplies provided. Bring a friend, water and a snack. Contact Bruce Delgado at bdelgado62@gmail.com or 277-7690 for more information.



Andy Werner, enjoying a beautiful poppy field on his recent Mount Madonna field trip. Photo by Mary Conway

Friday, July 11, 10am

Field Trip

Williams Canyon Leopard Lily Walk

Chris Hauser, Santa Lucia Conservancy's botanist, will join us on this easy walk of about 2-1/2 miles. The trail winds along Williams Creek through a serene redwood forest with very little elevation gain. We'll see a nice variety of ferns and flowers and possibly spectacular Leopard Lilies. Bring water and a snack. Meet at the Santa Lucia Conservancy office parking area, 26700 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel by 10:00am. Call co-leader Lynn Bomberger at 375-7777 for a reservation.

Sundays, July 20 & August 17, 11am to 2pm

Stewardship

Soberanes Creek Cape Ivy Bash

Here Soberanes Creek falls into the ocean and needs our help continuing to remove various invasive weeds, primarily Cape ivy. On these Third Sundays, meet in Carmel at the Rio Road Park and Ride. All supplies provided.

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Bring a friend, water, and a snack. Contact Bruce Delgado at 277-7690 or bdelgdo62@gmail.com for details.

August 15-17, 2014

Excursion

Channel Islands Naturalist Excursion

Join retired Point Lobos Park Ranger Jerry Loomis on this three-day hiking excursion on the Channel Islands off the coast of Santa Barbara. When hiking, you'll see many interesting plants endemic to the area and will be accompanied by a National Park naturalist. Snorkeling and/or kayaking will also be options in the afternoons. Travelers will stay on the liveboard dive boat 'The Conception' owned by Truth Aquatics. For more information, please go to truthaquatics.com and contact Jerry at 419-1051 or loomis15885@gmail.com.



Participants on Lynn Bomberger's recent Garzas Creek field trip enjoying Garzas Creek and lunch. Photo by an anonymous runner using Gloria William's camera

CNPS Santa Cruz Area

Field Trips

Check online at cruzcnps.org for details on listed Santa Cruz area field trips.

CONSERVATION REPORT

CLEAR CREEK BILL HAS CONGRESSIONAL HEARING: May 20, the US House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands held a legislative hearing on Representative Sam Farr's HR 1776, the Clear Creek National Recreation Area and Conservation Act. This bill, if enacted, will undo the recent BLM decision to restrict use of the sensitive serpentine area to very limited highway vehicle touring and passive walking recreation. A return to the intensive motorized recreational usage will likely worsen protection of the sensitive habitats at Clear Creek. The elements of HR 1776 are:

- 1) Immediately reopen 270 miles of designated routes and open play areas to Off Highway Vehicle usage as defined by the preceding 2005 management plan, AND require a new management plan to be completed in two years. Local County and State input and management would be encouraged.

- 2) Designate a 21,000 acre Joaquin Rocks Wilderness Area. Our chapter has had several field trips to this scenic area.

- 3) Designate about 30 miles of five creek segments as Wild and Scenic Rivers.

Protection of the wild and scenic rivers could enhance protection of the endangered San Benito Evening Primrose and other serpentine flora. Likewise, the wilderness designation will potentially provide for more secure habitat protections. However, reopening the area to OHV usage, without adequate patrol and enforcement, will likely lead to resumed degradation of the overall habitats through increased erosion and disturbance from off trail OHV usage. It is particularly disturbing that yet another round of planning for Clear Creek is mandated and that the BLM may share management with county and state government agencies that may not have similar focuses on environmental protections.

ARTICLES, ETC.

CORKY MATTHEWS, A FELLOW OF THE CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

After many years of service to CNPS, Corky has decided it is time to step aside. Now the rest of us are beginning to see just how much work she's done for us over the years. Not only has she been our chapter president and conservation chair, she worked on the state organization's Forestry Committee as well, often working 25 hours a week on CNPS issues. She joined the Monterey Bay Chapter a few years after it was formed in 1966 and has worked hard ever since. I know I couldn't have done my job as chapter president without her.

We haven't seen Corky at our meetings lately because she has decided it is time to stop driving at night, but she remains a great resource for the committee, which is trying desperately to fill her conservation shoes. We need your help. If there is an issue you are particularly interested in, please contact Bob Hale or Rosemary Foster. We would be very pleased to have your input ~ Rosemary Foster

THANK YOU, CATH!!

Cath Tandler-Valencia has volunteered to be the official proofreader for our Wallflower! She has been helping frequently for a few years, but now she will be proofing for all of the issues. We are lucky to have her...she is an amazing proof reader! ~ Lynn Bomberger

CENTRAL COAST RARE PLANT TREASURE HUNTS 2014

Join CNPS for rare plant hunting on the Ventana Double Cone backpack trip and other Monterey County outings! To learn more about rare plant hunting adventures, go to: <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/rareplants/treasurehunt/calendar.php> for details and to check the calendar.

A CALL FOR NATIVE PLANT PHOTOGRAPHS

Hear ye, Horticulturists of the California flora. Have you had some planting success with plants purchased from a CNPS sale? Have you taken photos of these plants that you are proud of? I am interested in developing a photo database of the native species and cultivars that we typically sell at our sale in order to better educate potential buyers and gardeners on what to expect from their little one-gallon beauties. If you have photographs of native plants that we usually sell, please contact me. The photographs may be close-ups of flowers or plants in landscape settings. If you are willing to share, please contact Patrick Regan at patrick@reganbhc.com

LET'S PROMOTE OUR OWN LOCALS

I firmly believe we should be spending more attention to and growing and promoting plants that are really native here! If you have a particularly nice selection of a Monterey or San Benito County species that you have grown, or a hybrid that occurred in your yard or the wild that shows horticultural promise, please share it. Perhaps you would

be willing to either grow some for the sale or let me get cuttings or divisions or seeds that I could grow out for this coming or a future sale. I would be happy to help promote your local color! Please contact Patrick Regan at patrick@reganbhc.com

WANTED

Do you have natural history field guides you no longer use—local guides to: birds, reptiles, flowers, trees, butterflies, mammals, mushrooms, geology? The local Boy Scout Camp is trying to put together a Nature Library and would welcome any books that you would care to donate. Bring them to the next CNPS meeting or give me a call at 394-4234 and I will pick them up. ~ Beth Benoit.

WALLFLOWER DEADLINE DATE CHANGE

If you contribute to our newsletter, please notice that the future Wallflower deadlines will be on the 14th of the month instead of always on a Tuesday. Future changes might be needed if this method doesn't work smoothly. The deadline for the next newsletter is always posted on the current newsletter's back page.





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Publication Schedule of the Next Wallflower

Newsletter	Deadline
September/October	Thurs, August 14

Articles received after the deadline cannot be published.

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