

The Beat Track

Registration Edition

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MOUNT DIABLO MARKS 1ST HIKE

Plans for the first hike of the semester to Mount Diablo, scheduled for this coming Sunday, Sept. 21st, are already getting under way. Mount Diablo hiking offers not only a wonderful view of many surrounding counties, but also a number of interesting rock formations to be found in the Garden of the Gods. On the ride up watch for rocks entitled La Ballena (the whale), La Rana (the frog) El Pero (the Dog). The hiking itself will involve a little uphill climbing. As plans stand now, the hike will be centered about the North peak of Diablo and on

down from there. There is a possibility that the day will be hot so you are advised to bring canteens if you have them. Transportation will be by private car with nominal charges made according to the number of people present.

Don't forget---bring a lunch and especially yourself! Sept 21st is the date. Meet at West Gate (the entrance to the campus near the Forestry Bldg.) at 8:00 A.M. sharp.

E.R.

CAMPFIRE SING

Hi! Want to have some fun? Meet new friends or renew old acquaintances? Well then, come out to the Campfire Sing, Tuesday evening, Sept 23, at 7:30 P.M. Eucalyptus Grove will again be the site for the traditional gathering of the Cal Hikers.

Some of the members will relate their hiking adventures of the past summer; others will entertain you with their own spontaneous remarks. New and prospective members are cordially invited to attend and bring their friends.

Singing will be the main attraction of the evening with refreshments and wood provided.

Here's your chance to get acquainted with the Hiking Club in action. Bring your song books, your voices and especially your enthusiasm!

E.R.

GENERAL MEETING

There is to be a General Meeting on Thursday, October 2nd at which slides from this summer's high trip will be shown. This should be very interesting with the remarks from those who went on the trip. Club policies and objectives will also be discussed.

For details as to time and place watch the bulletin board in room C.

HW

REMEMBER !!

MOUNT DIABLO, SUNDAY, SEE YOU THERE



Ah ha - we beat them to the Top!

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Anything
President
old Mor
want
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nce upon a time, not very long
twelve intrepid adventurers be-
helves to the wilderness
little fun and relaxation. Be-
it or not the above mention-
dy band was none other than
HC High Trippers.

he trip started with a big feed
rence Lake---a meal that cert-
should be remembered by all
s very welcome after driving
ad from Eunington Lake to Flo
For the uninitiated, suffice
y its quite a road.

at 6:30 the first morning
oked in record timewe were.
cks were ferried across the
y boat while we walked around
se; a nice way to start, but
n't last long. On event the
and we were off up the canyon
South Fork of the San Joaquin
e camped at Piute Creek the
night and it sure felt good
ash in the sool water after a
hot, dusty day. Actually, the
was cold as ice, butwith a
un on the back, who cares.

he next day carried us far up
d Canyon to treeline where we
in one of thse typically beau-
High Sierra meadows (complete
big swarm of mosquitoes). It
en a long day, but two stout-
members walked another six
by moonlight to see a lake. I
mention any names, but the ini-
are P.E. & R.B.

third day carried us into the
of some of the Sierras finest
y, and also some of the roughest
country talus-hopping to get to
ep Basin, where we base-camped
day. Rest and relaxation was
ed to be the order of the day,
ople ended up hiking and mount-
imbing. Don and Bill Matteson
t to the top of a high, unnam-
k near camp and a certain mem-
of the party known for his de-
e choice of hats, constructed

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University of California Hiking Club
Eshloman Hall, in the interest of
bers and friends.

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ypists and Major Assitant - Lillian
Pissott

need help in the worst way. If any
and eager person wishes to work on
rack please contact the editor, and
ffer will be readily accepted.

"raft".
Then the fun really began! For
the next two days we had no frails
at all and crossed some of the most
rugged and untraveled territory in
the Sierra. The first step was to
cross the Le Conte divide above
Blackcap Basin, which was done by
climbing the steep sides of the
crest. Rope and ice ax came into
play here (Alice Jenson was happy
from then on), followed by a long
scramble thru a jumbled mess which
Lowe appropriately named the Talus
Bowl. Camp was at an unnamed lake
where the fish were hungry enough
so that a course of fish was added
to breakfast.

Another day of the roughest talus
scrambling I have ever encountered
took us down Goddard Creek to Simp-
son Meadow where Alice opened Per-
alta Junior for the limping lot. No
one officially won the contest for
biggest and mostest blisters, but
there were lots of ontoids.

From Simpson it was an easy day
up the Middle Fork of the Kings to
Palisade Creek where we camped.
Campfire singing was loud and long
that night---especially the loud
part, courtesy of Roman Byströff.

Another day to our base camp at
Dusy Basin found us rising almost
3000' in three miles, but the per-
sonal charm of the area madd it
worth while. even if there were
some (u.) Stanford people camped
there.

Basecamp activities were varied
but included climbing Mt. Agassiz,
fishing, an attempt at Mt. Sill,
rockclimbing, and of course camera
clicking loudly at all times. Harry
Kruemper was quite an anomaly because
he was always late for meals.

Entertainment was furnished by
these two accomplished musicians,
Paul Hance and Pete Scott (who carr-
ied a uke throughout the whole trip)

The third morning of basecamp we
woke to a couple of inches of snow
on the ground and early risers were
greeted with a chorus singing jingle
bells. Although we waited hopefully
for the storm to break, it grew worse

A change of plans was decided upon
and the froup left the mountains a
bit early to escape the storm. Bish-
op Pass (11889') was crossed in the
midst of falling snow, piling drifts
and hard, cold winds. From the pass
we dropped down the east side of the
Sierra to South Lake. Here twelve
people and thier packs crammed into
thepickup truck of a passer-by, and
were taken to a campsite below snow-
line. These few miles jammed in the

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THE WHEEL SPEAKS?

"Write 250 words," he said to me. "Anything." So I guess that as El Presidente I'll have to keep the old Moose happy. Besides, we don't want our new Bear Track editor to put out a blank edition.

Seriously tho, we should be in for a good semester. Committee Chairmen are appointed and filling out their committees and events.

Plenty is scheduled for this semester and with good turnouts we should all have a lot of fun ahead of us.

In case some of you new members don't know, our main activity is hiking, but we also have rock climbing, folk dancing, parties, cycling, campfire sings, and camping trips.

And speaking of new members brings to mind the most important single thing I wanted to say - its directed at them - and is just one word long - WELCOME!

The UCHC always enjoys new blood and I hope to see the newcomers integrated into the group as quickly as possible.

Well, I guess that's about the 250 words, and I'll see everybody at those first two events; the Mount Diablo hike Sunday, and the Campfire sing Tuesday evening. At the later some of the highlights of the high trip will be recounted. JS

HIKE AND CLIMB?

Come and see one of the wonders of the world; the rock climbing section hiking! On this Marin County hike we have a combination hike and climb.

We start from Mill Valley and hike via the ridge-crest fire breaks to the top (UCHC rarely goes to the top) Camera enthusiasts will go wild here, as opportunities are unlimited; weather permitting of course. Also rock hounds should have a field day.

On the top we will have lunch and then some climbing. The variety of pitches near the summit is very large and there will be extremes from the easiest friction pitch to the roughest climb. And of course instruction for all interested beginners. Non-climbers too will find plenty to do.

After everyone is properly scratched up; we will return to Mill Valley either via the Steep Pole-line trail, or the Mountain Home.

Sign-up sheet will of course be in room C, and it is recommended that you bring lunch, canteen (no water on the top), a windbreaker, camera, and a pair of tennis shoes if you plan to do any rock work. Climbers bring your gear please.

Oh, yes, the date is Sunday Sept 23, the meeting place is West Gate at 7:30. JS

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truck will not be forgotten soon, especially by H.K.

From here the drivers hitch-hiked to Florence Lake to pick up the cars (we had originally planned to end the trip back at the lake), then drove back to pick up the rest of the party. The four people engaged in this little jaunt had quite a time too (just ask them), but special thanks should be given to Ken Turners parents who were extremely nice to us and loaned us a car to get up to Florence Lake from Fresno (to get the other cars). This was truly a Godsend at just the right time.

The UCHCers on the trip were; Roman Eystroff, Tom Colby, Paul Hanco, Alice Jenson, Harry Krueper, Rogor Low, Bill Matteson, Don Matteson, Lillian Pissott, Pete Scott, Jerry Smith, and Herbert Webber.

It was quite a trip - one which every one of us would do over again, and one which took the club into another part of the Sierra in the usual sprit (and in keeping with the club motto of "Stop, Think, ther must be a harder way.")

Another "green pin" on the Map. JS

CAN YOU CANOE?

Its wet, wonderful and downstream (coming back). All you people who want to impress your friends with a sun tan beyond compare should come for those who go are a shade daker than those who merely go to the beach.

This opportunity to explore the more remote regions of the Russian River is planned for the weekend of October 4&5. Everyone will omark from Gourneville and paddle leisurely up the stream stopping to swim at appropriate intervals, sometimes voluntary, sometimes not.

When everyone arrives at the chosen spot the more enthusiastic can return to the water to work up a good appetite for dinner while the coffee simmers gently over the primus. When all are ready, dinner will be served at varying speeds and qualities.

After a deep nights sleep and a hearty breakfast, back to the Water and again the sun has its effect. After a morning of seeing who can float the faster in the current comes the time to bid farewell to this spot and float downstream back to civilization. So be admired, be adventurous, be able to say "Iwent on the canoe trip." PL