

SAN DIEGO PEAKS CLUB

The adventure hiking club for serious hikers
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Well, I did it, got MARRIED!!! Yap. Thank you everyone for wishing Vicki and me well. Gotta tell you about the honeymoon. My dad and stepmother gave us a week in a Flagstaff timeshare. We went to the Grand Canyon, Sedona and visited exciting Indian ruins. Tuesday a pregnant cat that was living beneath the condo started begging for food. Thursday at 9pm she delivered four kittens on our doorstep. We knew they were trapping the cats, so... yes, we brought the cat and kittens home. They are 6 weeks old now and a true treasure. Married one week with a new house, new carpeting and five NONhousetrained cats (plus the dog and cat we already had).

The RAFT trip was the BEST EVER!!!! A full trip of twenty-four adventurers challenged the upper Kern over two class 4 and several class 3 rapids. Robin Tucker did an outstanding job of organizing the event as co-leader. I wanted to reach out to the San Diego Hiking Club (to which Robin is a leader) and several of the participants were from this group. Elden Kidd and his family were our river guides. Elden guided on the Mexican Mayan ruin trip several of us took last August. I will organize a Hoover Dam (Black Canyon) canoe and hot springs soak trip in October. This will be my fourth annual canoe trip and it fills up quickly every time. Let me know if you want to go and I will put you on a preferential list. The trip is scheduled for October 2-3. No prepay at this time, I just would like to know the interest so I can estimate the amount of craft to rent. Please let me know if anyone wants to open the canoe trip to kids (8+ with good swimming skills).

July 11 Get-together!!!! 3-8 pm. Vicki and I want to show off the new house and let the members of the club meet each other. So..... we are having a POTLUCK!

Give me a ring and let me know you are coming. I hope everyone in the club can come (Please, please, please, please, please!!!!!!) 583-0266.

TRIPS

The trips that I will be leading this summer will not be unduly stressful so I expect to see a lot of clubmates on the hikes. Mark these trips on your calendar.

DUES DUE, DUES DUE, DUES DUE We have started the third year of the club. In this time Paul has lead an average of at least two hikes per month, two canoe trips, two raft trips, Carl Johnson's Baja trips, Sierra Club trips that are lead by members, orienteering meets and SO MUCH MORE! If you joined after January and paid \$15, then your membership is good until June 1994. If you paid \$9 before January, then you owe \$9 to be paid up until June 1994!!!! The dues are designed to cover the expenses of mailings. I hope you enjoy the newsletter. Paul Cavataio-Freiman 4868 Austin Dr, SD 92115-3518. (619)692-1367.

Hiker of the Month

MAY: The HOTM goes to Victoria Cavataio-Freiman. Hey, it's the least I could do! She marries me, she gets the HOTM.

JUNE: The HOTM goes to Robin Tucker for her sensational organizational skills on the raft trip AND for falling overboard on EVERY trip she took down the river AND for being the most enthusiastic adventurer of the weekend.

JULY: This weekend (June 19-22) clubmates Mark Adrian, Terry Flood, Fred Bright, Dennis Richards, and Paul and Vicki Freiman (plus 3 nonmembers) are climbing South Guardian Angel to celebrate San Diegoan's Russell Glavis and Suzanne Booker DPS List Finish!!! "Angel" is in Zion and to get to it involves wading through a slot canyon, climbing over a waterfall, and crawling through the 'slime traverse'. Clubmates Dave Jurasevich and Les Hill (AKA the Rock Doctor) are leading what many consider one of the finest hikes in the USA, and yes, THE WORLD!!!!!! Dave, who was the best man at my wedding, is also the editor of the DPS Peaks Guide. He will be the HOTM winner for July for writing the best trip sheet I have ever seen. I have reprinted (in reduced form) the first of four pages on page ~~4~~3 of this newsletter.

