

Newsletter corrected with Echo Mountain and Alpine Tavern Day Hike removed. That trip was completed before Newsletter was sent.



Day Trip to the U.S.S. Iowa, February 6, 2016

Note: Overnight trips usually fill up early. We recommend that if you are interested, request and submit the registration form and payment as soon as possible due to expected high demand. Some trips are not firm at this time, because some site reservations have not yet opened. For those events, contact the trip leader, and he will notify you as soon as you can register.

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Our Next Chapter Meeting

Bike Ride at the Beach

Sunday, March 6, 2016



Our journey will start at Alfredo's Beach Club in Belmont Shores and take us to the historic Queen Mary and back. We will have the chance to see why



Come Join Us on
March 1, 2016

Our Monthly Meeting is at Marie Callender's, 16390 Beach Blvd., Westminster, CA 92683 Phone: 714-847-6600

Come and Join Us on the first Tuesday of the month from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

We have a social hour at 7 PM, and dinner service will begin at about 7:30 PM. Each person is responsible for their own food and beverage bill. We have a \$50 minimum for our group. During the Social Hour, the Core Group will be meeting briefly. You are welcome to attend the Core Group Meeting and give input. Only Core Group Members can vote. The general meeting will start at 8:00 PM.

Outdoors Experinece
Phase One is March 12-13
Phase Two is April 9-10

No trip notes are available at this time.

If interested in attending, monitor our website at:

<http://www.greatoutdoors.org/oclb>
for more information.

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people love to ride this bike path. Along the way riders will pass by the pier, Shoreline Village, Rainbow Lagoon, the marina, lighthouse, and much more.

Our ride will be approximately 10.5 to 11 miles and be done at a leisurely pace set by the group, which should take around 1 ½ to 2 hours. This is the perfect opportunity to dust off that beach cruiser, hybrid, or bring the road bike you love to ride and have a blast. From wicker baskets to compression gear, all types of riders are welcome to enjoy in the fun!

Your trip leader for this event is an experienced cyclist with thousands of miles in the saddle. Daryl will share his experience with cycling by starting this trip with a brief bicycle inspection, basic maintenance and safety presentation, followed by pointing out some of the joys of riding the beach path along the way.

[Click here for more information](#)

Kayaking Around Naples

Saturday, March 19, 2016



Let's go kayaking around Naples Island! Long Beach's Alamitos Bay, between Belmont Shore and Naples Island, is beautiful and very user friendly. The water is almost always flat and calm and there is very little boat traffic.

Kayak Rentals.Net (Kayaks on the Water) provides a full service kayak rental opportunity, including safety briefing and life vests at an individual hourly rate.

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Other Chapter Events (Click on Chapter Name for Website)

[Los Angeles Chapter](#)
Zion National Park
March 10-13

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March 25-27

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Agua Caliente
March 4-6

[Bike San Diego Bay](#)
March 27

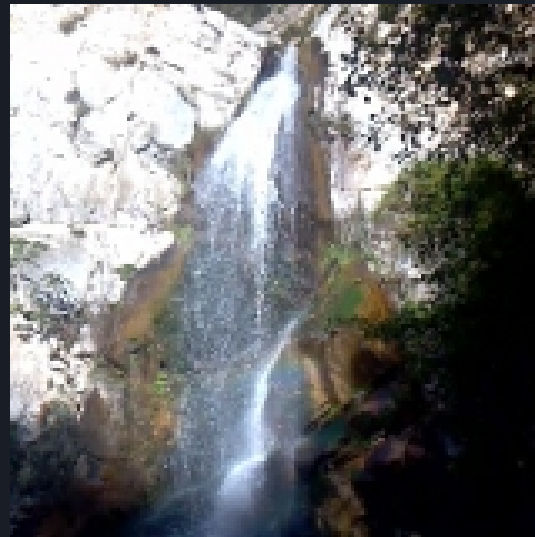
[Santa Barbara/Ventura County Chapter](#)
Matilija Canyon Beginner Backpack
March 4-6

We plan to explore the Naples inner canal, and depending on time and group interest, the west channel toward Marina Pacifica to look for jellyfish swarms (if in season) and other wildlife!

[Click here for more information](#)

Mount Zion Loop Day Hike

March 27, 2016



Did you know that there are fresh water streams and waterfalls less than an hour from Orange County/Long Beach? Come with us on the Mount Zion Loop. This trail starts with a steep descent to the bottom of Santa Anita Canyon, and then an easy walk up the canyon. An optional one mile side trip will take us to the bottom of Sturtevant Falls.

We will then continue up the river, passing above the Falls, and following the river as it tumbles through a rocky gorge as it heads for the Falls. Eventually, we will come to Sturtevant Camp, the oldest remaining camp in the Santa Anita watershed. It was built in 1892.

From there we will continue upward until we reach Spruce Grove Trail Camp, where we can rest and have lunch. We leave the water at Spruce Grove, and head on up until we reach the summit of Mount Zion with views of the Los Angeles Basin.

From there we head down, reaching Hoegge's Camp ruins. We return to water here, and follow the

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stream back to the bottom of Santa Anita Canyon, from where we will hike back up to the parking lot at Chantry Flat.

[Click here for more information](#)

Whiting Ranch/Red Rocks Day Hike

April 10, 2016



Limestone Canyon and Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park encompasses about 4,300 acres of riparian and oak woodland canyons, rolling grassland hills, and steep slopes of coastal sage scrub and chaparral. The park is highlighted by scenic rock formations, including the beautiful Red Rock Canyon, our destination.

Our hike will go up Borrego Canyon, through old growth forest. At 2 miles out, we will arrive at Red Rock Canyon. We will spend time there to enjoy the sights and a snack. On our way back, we will take a detour uphill to a view of central Orange County. The total hike will be about 4.5 miles and take about 2.5 hours. The last portion of trail into the Red Rocks is sandy and rocky so boots or sturdy walking shoes are recommended. Afterwards, those who wish can gather for lunch at a nearby food court.

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Saturday, February 6, 2016

Indoor Skydiving, Jan. 30, 2016



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Did you know that members do not have to pay the \$5.00 outing fee for day events, and save \$10.00 or more on every overnight outing with any of the five chapters that make up the Great Outdoors? Members also enjoy a wonderful holiday party at the end of the year with lots of fun, food, fellowship and excitement absolutely free!

Why not start or renew your membership today, start your savings, and join us as we explore the wonderful things to do in the outdoors?

Membership is only \$25.00 per year and Orange County / Long Beach members save money on any and all Great Outdoors events with every chapter all over Southern California! Get yours today and start saving! Contact the OC/LB Membership Representative Dennis Vinopal at membership@greatoutdoors-oclb.org.

[Or click on this link to complete the application.](#)

When you join, you can pay your membership dues using the Pay Pal Button on the bottom of the page at http://www.greatoutdoors.org/oclb/public_html/index.html or you can send a check with your application.

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