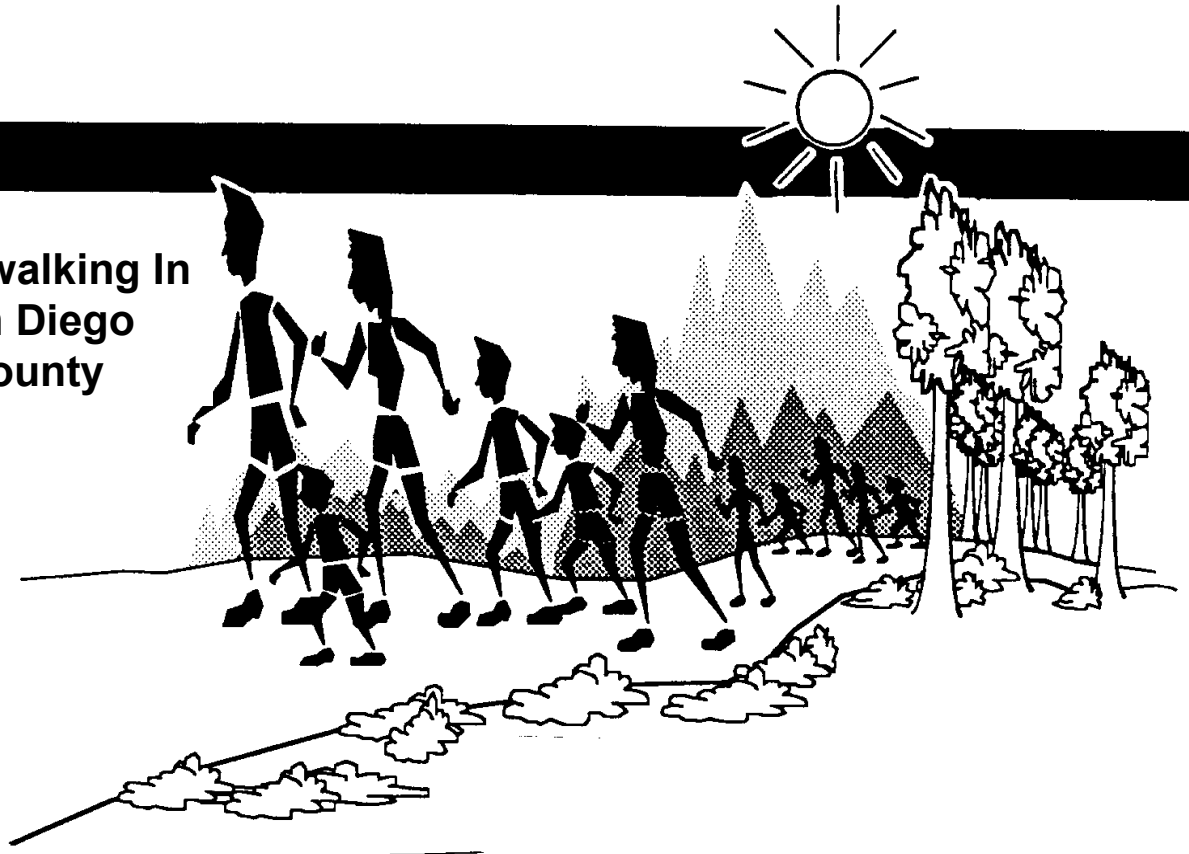


San Diego County Rockhoppers News

June 2004

Volkswalking In
San Diego
County



Imperial Beach

Sandcastle Competition Walk

The next Rockhopper walk will be held on July 11th to coincide with the 24th Annual United States Open Sandcastle Competition.

This is a 100% repeat of our successful 2002 event.

Reminder: This walk will be held on one day only - Sunday July 11th.



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Congratulations

We congratulate the following members for the super achievements.

4500 KM – **Dori Blase**
1000 KM Bike Distance – **Bob Rothrock**
10 Events – **Donna Glover**

New Member

We welcome the following new member to the Rockhopper family. We look forward to seeing and meeting you on an upcoming walk.

Betty Ann Heineman - Carlsbad

Next Rockhoppers Meeting

By: Denyce Kinkead, President

The next Rockhoppers meeting will be held after our summer break on **Monday October 11th, 2004** at:

The Picket Fence Restaurant
945 S. Santa Fe Avenue
Vista, CA 92083
760-945-4367

Rockhopper Club Volunteer Officers

At the June 12th club meeting your Rockhopper Volunteer Officers were voted to another two-year term in office.

At our next walk, consider stopping by the start table to say thanks to everyone for their continuing efforts at making our club successful.

2004 Upcoming Events Calendar

July 11 – Imperial Beach (SDCR)

July 17/18 – Laguna Beach (LTSW)

Aug 14/15 – Costa Mesa (HST)

Aug 28/29 – Dana Point (LTSW)

Sep 11/12 – Wrightwood (GVG)

Sep 25/26 – Long Beach (HST)

Oct 11 – Next Rockhopper Meeting

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GVG – Green Valley Gaiters

HST - Hollywood Star Trekkers

LDR – Low Desert Roadrunners

LTSW – Laguna Turf & Surf Walkers

SDCR – San Diego County Rockhoppers

Electronic Newsletters

The delivery of the May 2004 **Rockhopper Newsletter** via email was successful, although a few members had difficulty with the large .pdf file.

In our effort to deliver the newsletter in the most optimum way for each member, some additional changes and improvements are being implemented. Each month, the newsletter will be available in three (3) formats.

Email – The graphics will be stripped from the newsletter, so that the news can be delivered in the body of an email, and not have to be a large file attachment.

This text format delivery will start with this issue, the June 2004 edition of the newsletter.

Download – The full-graphics newsletter will be available as a download from our Rockhoppers web site.

You can then download and print the newsletter on your own computer.

This service, as well as our new upgraded web site will be able in July.

Print Newsletter – The newsletter will continue to be delivered via U.S. Mail for those who can not, or do not want to take advantage of the electronic formats.

It is hoped that the majority of our members will take advantage of the electronic delivery of the newsletter so that we can reduce the number of printed copies, so that we can continue to keep our costs under control.

If you would like to try out the new electronic delivery please send your editor an email – sdadolf@san.rr.com

Your feedback is always desired, and appreciated. If you have comments, suggestions, or complaints, please do not hesitate to send them as well.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Grateful thanks to our members who helped at the San Pasqual Ag Walk.

Allan Clark, Josh Escher, and Brandy Escher helped at the start point.

Jan Owen, Ertha Johnson, Susan Fisher, Denyce Kinkead, Philomena Stein, Jo Anne Beeson all helped at the check point.

We thank you all – it was a good walk and good weather.

See you at our next walk – Sandcastle Competition Walk in Imperial Beach.

Tom and Marilyn Escher

Rockhopper T-Shirts

T-Shirts with our new updated club logo are available in many different colors.



Plan to buy a shirt when you stop at the start table before our next walk.

Blue Sky Ecological Reserve

Espola Road, Poway
858.679.5469

Blue Sky Ecological Reserve is a 700-acre, oak-lined canyon flanked by coastal sage scrub and chaparral-covered hills in Poway on Espola Rd., approximately one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. The Reserve is home to a wide variety of flora and fauna.

The trails are open to the public free of charge. The California Department of Fish and Game, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation, and the City of Poway manage the Reserve with the support of the nonprofit Friends of Blue Sky Canyon.

Nature Hikes: For up-to-date information on dates and times of docent led nature walks, please call the number above. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes, a hat, and

carry your own water. Binoculars are recommended. Walks are free.

Every First Saturday and Third Sunday, 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., Discovery Table.

Skins, skulls, mammal tracks, and other artifacts are among the many things you can look at and touch. Staff and docents will be available to answer your questions about the plants and animals found in the Reserve.

Saturday, June 26, 6:30 - 9 p.m., Special Program - Hooting with the Owls. Enjoy an evening of wildlife, hot cocoa, cookies, and a sing-along in a woodland setting. Bring a jacket and flashlight plus a blanket to sit on or cozy up with.

Meet at the trailhead for the docent-led hike (an easy 1/5 mile each way) to the Lake Poway Campground.

Reservations requested. \$1 per person donation.

Call for special program information.

Wild Fire 2003 Update

San Diego County Parks and Recreation lost more than 15,000 acres of parkland in the local wildfires last fall, and many of our parks were closed to the public.

Since that time, all of our campgrounds have reopened, and we are taking reservations in day use and picnic areas. For up-to-date information on park reopenings, please visit our web site at www.sdparks.org.



San Diego County Rockhoppers

Membership Application and Renewal Form

Benefits:

- A patch for new members
- A membership card
- A subscription to the club newsletter
- Pre-registration rate for walks even if you don't pre-register
- The club contributes one-half of the cost for the Christmas (Holiday) Dinner

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number () _____ Email Address _____

New Application Renewal

Individual Membership (\$6.00 per person)

Family Membership (\$12 per family)

Total amount enclosed \$ _____ Makes checks to **The San Diego County Rockhoppers**

I am interested in helping the club put on events. Please consider me for:

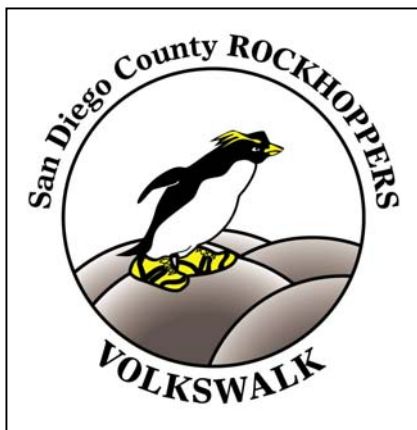
- Helping at the start table at a walk
- Helping at a walk check point
- Helping to prepare event brochures
- Helping to distribute event brochures
- Helping to design event awards
- Helping to lay out a walking route
- Other _____

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