



Hikes are back!

Covid 19 Precautions

Respecting the City of San Diego's precautions with the Covid 19 Virus pandemic, we require any participant to wear a facemask and maintain social distancing of at least 6' unless with members of your immediate family or social grouping. We must limit the number of participants to no more than 10, so RSVP to 858-863-7393 to reserve a spot for the event.

Volunteer Projects

Friend's Restoration Project in Black Mtn. Open Space Park

Sundays, Nov. 15, 29; Dec. 13, 27: 2–4 p.m. No experience needed to weed, water and plant natives to restore habitat for endangered birds and butterflies. RSVP to 858-863-7393 before meeting at Black Mtn. Ranch Community Park, northeast corner, at 14700 Carmel Valley Rd., Rancho Peñasquitos 92129.

November Hikes

Miner's Loop Trail in Black Mtn. Park w Beth Mather

Sat., Nov. 14, 10 a.m. – noon.
Explore the history of the arsenic-gold mine on Black Mtn. of the last century. Learn about the native habitats, plants, and animals. Learn a bit about the history of gliding and hanggliding off the mountain. Bring water and sun protection and sturdy hiking shoes. Meet in the parking lot at the north staging area. The hard to find entrance is off Carmel Valley Rd., on the south side of the road, about 0.7 miles east of its intersection with Black Mtn. Road, Rancho Peñasquitos 92129. Call 858-863-7393 to RSVP for this hike. Hike limited to 10 total due to Covid 19 restrictions.

History & Nature Walk w Mike Kelly

Sat., Nov. 21, 9–11 a.m.
Join naturalist Mike Kelly for this hike on the actual historical juncture of the Old Southern Immigrant Trail, the first Transcontinental Trail, & Kit Carson's ride from the battle of San Pasqual. See acorns on the Coast Live Oaks and learn about other native plants.

Meet at the trailhead at the end of Part Village Rd., in Ranch Peñasquitos 92129. Call 858-863-7393 to RSVP for this hike. Hike limited to 10 total due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Old Lopez Road & Homestead Hike w Will Bowen, PhD

Sun., Nov. 22, 3–5 p.m.

Hike down the Old Lopez Road and visit the Lopez Homestead on the little visited north side w anthropologist Will Bowen. Look at ruins of the barn, milking station, dump and well. Meet at the Cul de Sac at the intersection of Pacific Mesa Blvd., & Pacific Center Blvd. Call 858-863-7393 to RSVP for this hike. Hike limited to 10 total due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Nature Walk w Les Braund from Peñasquitos Creek Crossing Trailhead

Sat., Nov. 28, 3–5 p.m.

Join naturalist Les Braund for an easy walk on flat ground across Peñasquitos Creek. Besides the "usual" plants and animals, learn about lichens, mushrooms, and mosses. Meet at the kiosk near the corner of Park Village Rd. & Camino del Sur. Rd. in Rancho Peñasquitos 92129. Call 858-863-7393 to RSVP for this hike. Hike limited to 10 total due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Visit penasquitos.org to enjoy our newly revamped website and to find the brand new trails map for PQ Canyon, Carmel Mtn. and Del Mar Mesa.

