

Northern California Chapter of the American Hiking Society  
Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 7, 1981.

In attendance: Bob Chapman                      Jon Hutchinson  
                  Norman Gee                                Tom Ickes  
                  Dean Holzgrafe                              Mike Mc Reynolds  
                  Thena Holzgrafe                           Nancy Williams

The first topic of discussion was obtaining a PO Box in San Francisco. Jon reported that there were boxes available at the main post office at 7th and Mission Streets and that the wait was 2 to 3 weeks. The box would cost about \$30 per year.

After discussion of using a box that Norman Gee has at the post office near the Customs House, it was decided that the main post office would be more convenient. Jon should proceed with filing the application. Two keys should be requested, one for Jon and one for Mike.

The second topic of conversation was a meeting place. Mike checked with Hustus of Class 5, but they do not have space available for meetings. Jack Gilbert of North Face is on sabbatical and no commitment could be obtained. Several other possible sites were proposed:

- REI in Berkeley
- The Persidio (which has free space available)
- Fireman's Fund Auditorium in San Francisco (booked quarterly)
- Fort Mason (charge \$7.50/hour)
- Berkeley Co-op
- Sail Boat House on Lake Merritt in Oakland (\$30/night)
- Meeting rooms of a Savings and Loan (we will need a bank and checking account for the chapter and this could be a way to get a meeting place free)

The group agreed that North Face was still the first choice because of its central location, its meeting space, parking facilities and its proximity to other outdoor equipment stores. Mike will contact Jack Gilbert as soon as he returns.

Mike reported on his sojourn to Long Beach where he was an exhibitor for AHS at an outdoor recreation show for none motorized activities. Mike reported that there were about 40 exhibitors, but only about 500 attendees. Inadequate publicity was blamed for the low attendance. He did make contact with some hiking groups there who are interested in joining AHS and may be persuaded to form a Southern California chapter.

Next Bob Chapman proposed the following goals and objectives for the chapter:

- Promote National AHS policies
- Support National AHS programs and activities
- Promote trail building and maintenance
- Encourage local and state political officials to encourage and endorse building and maintenance of foot trails.
- Encourage and assist in the formation of other local chapters of AHS.
- Plan, develop, promote, and carry out appropriate events, programs and activities of the local chapter.

These goals and objectives were agreed to and further one proposed.

The chapter is to be an umbrella organization for local hiking groups to form a political voice for state and local trail issues.

Mike informed the group that the National has a list of all the hiking and trail clubs in the US. We should be able to get a list of those in Northern California so that we can make contact.

Dean suggested that we put together a pamphlet about AHS, explaining why it can serve as an umbrella organization for hiking and trail club concerns. It was agreed that this would be a good idea, but no further action was taken on it at this meeting.

The agenda for the first open membership meeting was discussed. It was agreed that this meeting should be centered around an activity that was fun and did not demand more commitment from the members and potential members than to show up.

The following general strategy for the next several months emerged from this discussion:

The first membership meeting would include a Hik-a-Nation presentation by Jeannie Harmon. Film or slides of the hike should be procured. Dr. Seaborg would also be invited to speak on Hik-a-State.

Through the summer months June, July and August, the concentration would be on promoting the Hik-a-State activity for the members.

The Board and committees formed from the member meetings would plan fall activities which could include some trail clean up projects, and a Hik-in like the one held by the National in Virginia.

It was agreed that each member would draft a membership letter

for your information  
GTS

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(The Golden State Trail)

- Saturday, June 6. 10 am, Polo Field, Golden Gate Park.  
Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Land's End, Golden Gate Promenade, The Embarcadero. 3A (11 miles)
- Sunday, June 7. 9 am, Aquatic Park (Dwight Way, Berkeley).  
Dwight Way, Strawberry Canyon Trail, Tilden Park (Lake Anza area). 2B (7 miles)
- Saturday, June 13. 9 am, Tilden Park (Lake Anza Area).  
Inspiration Point, Briones Reservoir, Briones Park (Bear Creek Road entrance area). 3B (12 miles)
- Sunday, June 14. 9 am, Briones Park (Bear Creek Road entrance area).  
Lafayette Ridge across Walnut Creek, Indian Valley School (Walnut Creek). 3A (11 miles)
- Saturday, June 20. 9 am, Indian Valley School (Walnut Creek).  
Shell Ridge Open Space, Diablo Foothills Regional Park, Live Oak Campground. 2C (7 miles)
- Sunday June 21. 9 am, Live Oak Campground.  
Summit Trail, Top of Mt. Diablo, Donner Canyon, Clayton (corner of Clayton and Marsh Creek Roads). 2B (8 miles)
- Saturday, June 27. 9 am, Clayton (corner Clayton and Marsh Creek Roads).  
Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve (Campground at old Somersville). 2B (7 miles)
- Sunday, June 28. 9:30 am, Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve (Campground at Old Somersville).  
Contra Loma Park, Antioch (Nejedly) Bridge (entrance at Wilbur Avenue). 2A (10 miles)
- Saturday, July 11. 9:30 am, Antioch (Nejedly) Bridge (entrance at Wilbur Avenue).  
Cross Antioch Bridge, Brannon Island State Recreation Area. 2A (7 miles)
- Sunday, July 12. 9:30 am, Brannon Island State Recreation Area.  
KoKet Resort (on Sacramento River opposite Ryde). 3A (15 miles)
- Saturday, July 18. 9:30 a.m. KoKet Resort (on Sacramento River opposite Ryde).  
Clarksburg Fishing Access (on Sacramento River). 3A (16 miles)
- Sunday, July 19. 9:30 am, Clarksburg Fishing Access (on Sacramento River).  
Discovery Park (Sacramento). 3A (16 miles)



- Saturday, July 25. 9:30 am, Discovery Park (Sacramento).  
Jedediah Smith National Recreation Trail, C.M. Goethe Park  
(Rancho Cordova). 3A (14 miles)
- Sunday, July 26. 9:30 am, C.M. Goethe Park (Rancho Cordova).  
Jedediah Smith National Recreation Trail, Folsom Lake  
State Recreation Area, Negro Bar Park (Folsom). 3A (15 miles)
- Saturday, August 1. 10 am, Negro Bar Park (Folsom).  
Green Valley Road, Pleasant Grove House (Rescue). 2A (10 miles)
- Sunday, August 2. 10 am, Pleasant Grove House (Rescue).  
Green Valley Road, City Park (Placerville). 3B (13 miles)
- Saturday, August 8. 10 am, City Park (Placerville).  
Carson Road, Pony Express Trail Road, Mt. Dana her Ranger  
Station (Camino). 2B (10 miles)
- Sunday, August 9. 10 am, Mt. Dana her Ranger Station (Camino).  
Pollack Pines, Fresh Pond, Pacific House (on Highway 50).  
2A (10 miles)
- Monday, August 10. 10 am, Pacific House (on Highway 50).  
Brockliss Toll Road, Riverton, El Dorado National Forest  
Recreation Center (On Ice House Road). 2A (7 miles)
- Tuesday, August 11. 10 am, El Dorado National Forest Recreation  
Center (on Ice House Road).  
Webber Mill Road, Kyburz (on Highway 50). 2A (9 miles)
- Wednesday, August 12. 10 am, Kyburz (on Highway 50).  
Pony Express Trail, Strawberry Lodge (on Highway 50).  
2C (10 miles)
- Thursday, August 13. 10 am, Strawberry Lodge (on Highway 50).  
Pony Express Trail, Camp Sacramento, Pow Wow, Little Norway  
(on Highway 50). 2B (8 miles)
- Friday, August 14. 10 am, Little Norway (on Highway 50).  
Hawley Grade, parallel to Highway 89, Sorensen's Resort  
(on Highway 88). 3B (12 miles)
- Saturday, August 15. 10 am, Sorensen's Resort (on Highway 88). Parallel  
to Highway 88, Ace Hereford Ranch (Carson River Road)  
2A (9 miles)
- Sunday, August 16. 10 am, Ace Hereford Ranch (Carson River Road).  
Dressler Path, Dressler Ranch, Washoe Reservation Campground,  
Nevada (on Highway 395). 2A (9 miles)