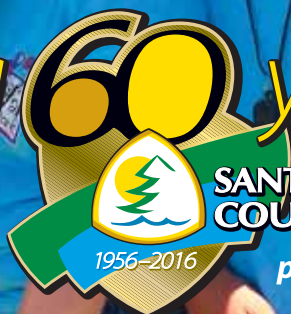


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**In February, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously** to place a local measure on the June ballot that will renew our Park Charter Fund, which provides local funding for parks and open space in Santa Clara County. If approved by over 50% of voters in Santa Clara County, this measure will provide funding for the parks and open space needs of our growing population and provide resources for safety repairs and improvements.

**The Park Charter Fund renewal measure would renew this funding** for 15 years and would provide approximately \$53 million for our parks on an annual basis. This local funding would continue to be a set aside of existing County revenue. This measure would not raise taxes.

**Our community continues to grow** and yet some of our park facilities have not been upgraded in decades. Some of the infrastructure in our parks would benefit from repairs and safety upgrades.

**Some of the proposed expenditures include:**

- **Maintaining water quality by protecting land around rivers, lakes and streams**
- **Keeping restrooms and park facilities clean and safe**
- **Maintaining and preserving local parks**
- **Updating roads, parking lots, restrooms and trailheads**
- **Improving access to hiking and biking trails**
- **Improving access to natural areas and open space**

**The current Park Charter allocates** at least 5% of funding to support park development and rehabilitation and 15% supports acquisition. The upcoming June measure would adjust this so that 10% supports improvement and 10% supports acquisition.

**Over the last four decades, Santa Clara County Parks has** purchased and protected tens of thousands of acres of parks and open space, and more than 10,000 of these acquired acres have not yet been opened to the public. If voters approve the local measure additional funds will be available to construct improvements that support safe public access to many of these areas.

**Our Park Charter fund** was created in 1972 and was extended six times by local voters, most recently in 2006. The Park Charter Fund is currently the only guaranteed source of local funding for our parks. This funding has helped to protect our open space and increase access to parks, trails and nature.

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Due to extreme weather conditions and other unforeseen situations, some scheduled programs may be cancelled or changed. For those with reservations, individuals will be contacted. For non-reservation programs, it is recommended to check the parks website calendar for changes or updates, or call the number listed with questions or concerns.

In accordance with the requirements of title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), Santa Clara County Parks (County Parks) will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities. County Parks will make reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. If you have questions or need assistance with accessibility in County Parks please contact our ADA Coordinator, at [ADACoordinator@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:ADACoordinator@prk.sccgov.org) or call (408) 355-2200. Please contact us at least 72 hours before the scheduled program or event so we have time to assess your request and assist you.

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## Key to symbols



**Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area**  
For information about HPHP partners and events, go to [www.HPHPBayArea.org](http://www.HPHPBayArea.org).



**Healthy Trails**  
**Hike or Walk** (see page 4)



**Reservations required.** See program description for appropriate phone number.



**Online reservation available.**  
Go to [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org)



**Easy Hike:** Flat to gently rolling pathways and trails. Leisurely pace.



**Moderate Hike:** Steeper or more frequent uphill grades. Leisurely to moderate pace.



**Strenuous Hike:** Steep hills or long distances. Moderate to vigorous pace.



Bring a lunch, snack, or dinner as appropriate.



Appropriate for children accompanied by an adult.



All or mostly wheelchair accessible.



**Easy Ride:** Bring a bike in good working condition. Helmets required.



**Strenuous Ride:** Bring a bike in good working condition. Helmets required.



Well-behaved dogs allowed. Must be controlled on a 6' max. leash.



Bring own canoe/kayak, life jackets and 2 glow sticks per person; call for information and restrictions.



\$6 vehicle fee to enter park.



Photography program.



Feature movie shown as part of program. Check [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) for movie dates, locations and titles.



Astronomy program.

Join our outdoor recreation partners on fun adventures in Santa Clara County Parks. Go to the partner links provided to find out more!

# Partners



Refresh your mind, body and spirit with Mother Nature. Join Morning Crane on a Yoga, Hike and Meditation excursion in the beautiful Santa Teresa hills. For dates, times and registration information call **(408) 391-2846** or go to: **[YogaHikeMeditate.com](http://YogaHikeMeditate.com)**



## Sports Basement

Bring your sense of adventure and create memorable overnight backpacking memories in beautiful Joseph D. Grant County Park with expert guides from Sports Basement. For more information call **(415) 349-3896** or go to: **[sportsbasement.com/sb-outdoors](http://sportsbasement.com/sb-outdoors)**.



Provides great rock climbing adventures in Sanborn County Park that range from beginning one-on-one instruction to classes for the more experienced rock climber. For more information go to: **[rei.com/learn](http://rei.com/learn)**



## Horseback Riding in Mt. Madonna and Ed Levin Parks:

**Mt. Madonna Stables** offers trail rides at all levels. Experienced instructors will lead you on a breathtaking ride through legendary Mt. Madonna County Park. Call **(408) 663-1665** for information.

**Chaparral Ranch** provides a great horseback riding experience through the natural wonders of Ed Levin County Park. For more information go to: **[chaparralcorporation.com/trail-rides](http://chaparralcorporation.com/trail-rides)**

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an important role in protecting  
and enhancing parklands.*

# Volunteer



**The Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department** offers a broad range of volunteer opportunities. Go to [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) and follow the "Volunteer" link or call the Parks Volunteer Program Office at **(408) 918-4930** or email [volunteer@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:volunteer@prk.sccgov.org)

## **Volunteer Benefits**

- Meet new friends and learn new skills
- Receive "County Parks Volunteer" newsletter and invitations to upcoming volunteer events, training sessions, and recognition events

## **Monthly Volunteer Projects**

To find out more information about volunteer events go to [parkhere.org](http://parkhere.org) and follow the "Volunteer" link.

## **ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

For more details about any of the following positions, visit [Parkhere.org](http://Parkhere.org) and click on "Volunteer" or contact the Volunteer Program at [volunteer@prk.sccgov.org](mailto:volunteer@prk.sccgov.org) or 408-918-4930.

- **Adopt-a-Trail**
- **Camp & Site Host**
- **Docent**
- **Park Volunteer Lead**
- **Trail Crew Lead Volunteer**
- **Trail Watch**
- **Individual Volunteer Projects**

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**Challenges begin May 1**  
**and end August 15, 2016**

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**[parksforlifechallenge.org](http://parksforlifechallenge.org)**





**Hellyer County Park**  
**985 Hellyer Avenue, San Jose**  
**Saturday, June 4 • 11am-3pm**

**Join us for a day of health and recreation opportunities and multicultural entertainment!**



Participate in CPR and nutrition classes, learn about community resources, and enjoy children's activities and demonstrations. Free admission and parking. Food available for purchase.



## ***Play Like a Miner***

**Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum**  
**21350 Almaden Road, San Jose**  
**Saturday, June 18 • 11am-3pm**

**Join in for a fun day of learning what it was like to be a miner long ago.** There will be games,

demonstrations and crafts as well as an opportunity to try your hand at panning for gold and precious gems. A fun event for the whole family.



## ***Family Fandango***

**Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch**  
**372 Manila Drive, San Jose**  
**Saturday, August 13 • 5pm-8pm**

**Celebrate the history of early California and its ties to the Anza Expedition and the**

Bernal family. The evening's focus is family fun through song, dance, demonstrations, and activities that highlight the many contributions of our early communities.



# May



## EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN MAY (7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 & 29)



### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners.

**Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## SUNDAY, MAY 1



### Wildflowers and Butterflies • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9am-1:30pm

Take a guided 3.6-mile hike to the highest point in the park. Enjoy views of rolling grasslands and secluded forest trails lined with wildflowers adorned with butterflies. Meet at the Coyote Lake Dam parking lot.

**Questions? (408) 918-7770**



### See it, Draw it • Vasona • 10am-11:30am

Enjoy sketching the trees and natural scenery of the park. All skill levels welcome. Bring a sketch pad and pencil and meet at the red bridge near the Boat Center.

**To register call (408) 356-2729**

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 4



### Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10am-1pm

Tour the Villa and learn its intriguing history. Then hike the hills above to a breathtaking overlook of the Santa Clara Valley. Park in Lot 4 and meet at the Box Office. Pre-paid reservations (\$10) are a must through the Montalvo Box Office. **To register call (408) 961-5858**

## FRIDAY, MAY 6



### Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky.

Meet at the novice track. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**

## SATURDAY, MAY 7



### Tai Chi Chih – Let the Energy Flow • Martial Cottle • 9am-10am

Join the Open Space Authority and County Parks for gentle tai chi to focus on balance and the circulation of energy. Meet at the visitor center with comfortable clothing. Rain cancels. **Questions? (408) 224-7476 (ask for Teri)**



### The Natural History of Coyote Creek • Anderson Lake • 9am-10:30am

Enjoy a quiet walk as we explore the wonders of Coyote Creek. Discover abundant life under a shady canopy of water-loving trees. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars and sun protection. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Draw from Nature • Vasona • 9am-10:30am

Enjoy sketching the wildlife or natural scenery of Vasona Park. Bring a sketch pad and pencil and meet at the red bridge near the Boat Center.

**To register call (408) 356-2729**



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**





## SATURDAY, MAY 7, continued

### Bike the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10am-1pm

Take a 10-12 mile bike ride around Alviso Marina and the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. Explore the history, wildlife, and restoration of Santa Clara County's gateway to the San Francisco Bay. **To register call (408) 262-6980**



### Outdoor Photography Class and Hike

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10am-2:30pm

Take a 3.7-mile hike on the spectacular Mummy Mountain Trail. Learn outdoor photography techniques and take pictures of the beautiful surroundings. Bring a camera or smartphone, lunch, water and sun protection. Meet at the Mendoza Ranch entrance. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Living History Day • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11am-3pm

Visit Casa Grande, once the magnificent home of New Almaden mine managers. Costumed docents and staff will guide you through Victorian period rooms and museum exhibits. Children may participate in a seasonal craft activity to take home. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



### Mystery Walls Van Tour • Ed Levin • 1pm-4pm

Meet at the park office to view a documentary on the mysterious rock walls of Monument Peak. Travel by van to the top of the peak to enjoy beautiful views and solve the mystery! Cost is \$15 per person plus a vehicle entrance fee. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4'9" tall.



**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### What's In a Ranger's Truck? • Almaden Quicksilver • 5pm-7pm

Have you ever wanted to see the inside of a Park Ranger's patrol truck? This is your chance to interact with the variety of equipment used for search and rescue, firefighting and lifesaving duties. Meet at the Mockingbird Hill entrance. **Questions? (408) 268-5240**



### Star Party • Joseph D. Grant • 8:30pm-1am

Join the Halls Valley Astronomical group for a night of star gazing. You'll have a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and ask questions about the night sky. Meet at Halley Hill (across from campsite #22.) Park entrance gates close at 10pm. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**



## SUNDAY, MAY 8



### Redwood Nature Hike • Villa Montalvo • 9am-11:30am

Enjoy a moderate 3-mile hike to a scenic vista in a young redwood forest. Discover the wide variety of flora and fauna that populate this ecosystem. Meet at parking lot 4 with layered clothing and water.



**To register call (408) 356-2729**



### Wildflowers of the Serpentine Realm

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9am-12:30pm

Discover the colorful world of the serpentine realm. Enjoy a panoply of wildflowers and discover the natural history of this unique habitat. Bring a camera and meet at the Coyote Lake Dam. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**





## SUNDAY, MAY 8, continued



### Cougar Country • Almaden Quicksilver • 10am-11am

Learn about the mountain lions that call County Parks their home. Understand what makes them important to the local environment and how to keep you and your family safe. Meet at the Mockingbird Hill entrance. **Questions? (408) 268-3883**

## MONDAY, MAY 9 thru 13



### Survival 101 • Anderson Lake • 5pm-6:30pm

*This 5-night series is a prerequisite for an overnight campout May 21-22.* Learn basic survival techniques and practice with a ranger-led test of survival and overnight adventure. Dress in layers and bring water. Campout details to be provided at the first class. Meet at the visitor center. **To register call (408) 918-7980**

## FRIDAY, MAY 13



### History Ride • Vasona • 6pm-8pm

Join a park ranger on an 11-mile mountain bike ride through history. Ride the scenic Los Gatos Creek Trail, continue to Lexington Reservoir, and climb St. Joseph's Hill to enjoy the view - a 900 foot climb. Helmets and properly functioning mountain bikes are required. Meet at the Pier Parking Lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## SATURDAY, MAY 14



### Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit [www.zouaves.org](http://www.zouaves.org) to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

Learn the rules of the road and how to properly inspect your bicycle. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend with children ages 8-12. Bring a bike and helmet for each rider (limited number of free helmets available). Meet at the restroom at the center of the park (corner of Jackson and Maybury). **To register call (408) 262-6980**



### Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am

Explore tales and adventures of nature through short stories with a park ranger. Participate in fun activities and a short hike afterwards. Meet at the visitor center. All ages welcome. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Discovery Creek Walk • Hellyer • 10am-12pm

Enjoy a leisurely walk along the paved Coyote Creek Trail. Discover the many different animals that live in or near the creek habitat. Meet live snakes and feel the real animal fur of raccoons, bobcats, foxes, and rabbits. Meet at the visitor center. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**





## **SATURDAY, MAY 14, continued**



### **Birds Have a Job Too • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 12pm-1:30pm**

Who do you think of when you hear farmer, pool cleaner, or groomer? We're not talking about humans, but birds! Take a hike with a ranger and learn about some of the fascinating jobs that birds have. Meet at the ranger station with binoculars.

**Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### **Nature Dogs Hike • Mt. Madonna • 4pm-7pm**

Explore a redwood habitat and get some exercise with your canine friend. Enjoy the shade of oak, madrone and redwood trees along this loop hike. Meet at the ranger office with doggie bags and a leash.

**Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### **Night of the Amphibians**

#### **Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 7:30pm-10:30pm**

Join aquarium experts and herpetologists to learn about local salamanders, frogs, and toads. Pet one if you dare! After the program stay for popcorn, lemonade, and the campy horror classic "Creature from the Black Lagoon."

**To register call (408) 226-5453**



## **SUNDAY, MAY 15**



### **Native Plant Discovery Nature Walk • Calero • 9am-12pm**

Enjoy a leisurely 1.5-mile walk to see spring wildflowers that thrive in the Park's serpentine grasslands. Meet at the park office (south of reservoir), then carpool to the trailhead. This is a guided walk in an area not yet open for public access; group stays together.

**Questions? (408) 918-7770**



### **ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-3pm**

New to ATV's? Take part in a half-day hands-on training session by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Ages 6 and up must provide their own ATV and required safety gear. Pre-registration is required.

**To register call (408) 226-5223**



### **Hula Hoop! • Martial Cottle • 10:30am-11:30am**

Learn a new way to get some exercise, play, and have FUN! Move with a hoop around your waist, feet and arms. All ages and experience levels welcome. Hoops provided for free or available for purchase. Meet at the visitor center.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **Mountain Lions and Bobcats on the Prowl**

#### **Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm**

Learn about the lifestyles and characteristics of these two magnificent animals. Leave with a better understanding of why it's important to be able to co-exist with these two felines in their natural environment.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **Photography for Children • Anderson Lake • 1pm-4pm**

Learn to use a digital camera to tell a story, record an event, and take photos you'll be proud of. Learn basic composition before taking an easy walk in the park. Meet at the visitor center and bring a digital (not phone) camera.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**





### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18



**History Ride • Vasona • 6pm-8pm**  
(for event description see May 13 on page 9)  
**Questions? (408) 356-2729**

### THURSDAY, MAY 19



**Healthy Trails Hike • Calero • 9am-11am**

Hike through diverse habitats and enjoy breathtaking views of Calero Reservoir on a 3.5-mile hike on the Los Cerritos and Pena Trails. Meet at the park office (south of the reservoir) with water and snacks. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**



**Predators – Bringing Balance to the Land • Anderson Lake • 5pm-7pm**

Discover the difference between a predator and a scavenger and why they are both important to our ecosystem. Take a short hike and learn how you can spot their hidden signs. Meet at the visitor center with water and binoculars.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**



### FRIDAY, MAY 20



**Find Balance: Yoga, Hike, Meditate**

**Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 5:30pm-7:30pm**

Refresh your mind, body, and spirit with Morning Crane docents in the Santa Teresa hills. Begin with gentle yoga, then a 1-mile hike uphill. Finish with yoga and guided meditation at the peak. Suitable for ages 13+ in good physical condition. Meet at the Joice trailhead with comfortable clothes and yoga mat or blanket. **Register online or call (408) 391-2846**



**In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Motorcycle Park • 8:30pm-11pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about the County Park system and a FREE showing of a family-friendly feature film on a giant blow up screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket.

**Questions? (408) 226-5223**



### SATURDAY MAY 21



**Birding for Kids • Anderson Lake • 8:30am-10:30am**

Take a short bird spotting walk along Coyote Creek Parkway. Learn tricks on how to identify the most common birds. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars if you have them. Best for ages 12 and under. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



**History Walk • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-3:30pm**

Enjoy a leisurely walk to see the historic features of the park. Learn about the history of Halls Valley from the Ohlone days to the recent past.

Finish with a tour of the Grant Ranch House. Meet at the Ranch House.

**Questions? (408) 274-6121**



**Safety in the Wilderness Hike • Ed Levin • 7pm-10pm**

Life Insurance, auto insurance...how about hiking insurance? Become knowledgeable and prepared to fully enjoy all your hiking adventures! Meet at the dog park on the Sandy Wool side of the park. Rain cancels.

**To register call (408) 262-6980**







## SATURDAY MAY 21, continued



### In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8pm-11pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about your local County Parks and then watch a FREE family friendly movie on a big screen. Meet at the Cottonwood lawn with flashlights, lawn chairs, and blankets.

**Questions? Call (408) 225-0225**

## SUNDAY, MAY 22



### Native Plant Discovery Nature Walk • Calero • 9am-12pm

Enjoy a leisurely 1.5-mile walk to see spring wildflowers that thrive in the Park's serpentine grasslands. Meet at the park office (south of reservoir), then carpool to the trailhead. This is a guided walk in an area not yet open for public access; group stays together. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



### History Van Tour • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1:30pm

Step back in time and experience what life was like back in the mining heyday. Ride by van to various historic sites and enjoy your brown-bag lunch in the park. \$15 per person. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4'9" tall.

Meet at the Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum with a bag lunch.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### When Nature Bites Back • Hellyer • 10am-12pm

The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Come discover nature while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment provided. Meet at the visitor center. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Nature Foray Hike • Sanborn • 10am-12pm

Explore local plants and animals in this leisurely 1.5-mile hike along park trails. Learn to identify local forest plants and search for banana slugs, newts and signs of other animals. Meet at the ranger station. **Questions? (408) 867-9959**



### Trails & You! • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 1pm-3pm

Stop by this drop-in event at the Harvey Bear Ranch parking area to learn how to safely use the trails in your community while having fun and enjoying all the park has to offer. Gain knowledge on shared trail use and what regulations are in place to protect you, fellow trail users, and the park.

**Questions? (408) 842-7800**

## THURSDAY, MAY 26



### What's Inside a Ranger's Truck?

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 5pm-6:30pm

Get a firsthand look at what's inside a park ranger's patrol truck. Interact with the equipment and tools used and learn about emergency operations, firefighting and the daily patrol duties of a ranger. Meet at the amphitheater in the RV campground. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



## FRIDAY, MAY 27

### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

(for event description see May 14 on page 9)

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



## SATURDAY, MAY 28

### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am**

(for event description see May 14 on page 9)

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



### **Take a Ride with a Ranger • Lexington Reservoir • 10am-1pm**

Learn about proper bike set up, tune up tips, safety gear, basic and intermediate bike handling skills, park rules, trail etiquette, and the history of the Lexington area followed by a ride up the Limekiln trail. Meet at the boat launch parking lot. **Questions? (408) 356-2729**



### **Sunset Tricks and Explorations • Joseph D. Grant • 6pm-8:30pm**

Bring your dog for a sunset adventure and hike. Learn about native canines and how to have a safe and enjoyable time with your dog. Enjoy a sunset hike through Halls Valley afterwards. Meet at the Rose Garden Group Area.

**Questions? (408) 274-6121**



## SUNDAY, MAY 29



### **A Taste of Kayaking • Vasona • 9am or 10:45am**

First-time kayakers are invited to learn all about this challenging yet fun water sport. Cost is \$5 per person (max 17 per class) and all equipment is provided. Must be 12 or older and able to swim. Two classes to choose from:

9-10:30am or 10:45am-12:15pm. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **Introduction to Disc Golf: Just a Walk in the Park! • Hellyer • 10:30am-12pm**

Learn about this fun, easy, and inexpensive sport with members of the Silicon Valley Disc Golf Club. Ages 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Equipment is provided. Meet at the La Raza area off Coyote Rd.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



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**Santa Clara County Parks** has joined a collaborative effort with over 40 other parks, community, and health organizations to help improve the health and well-being of all Bay Area residents through regular use and enjoyment of parks. Join us for guided nature walks and activities with this symbol.

For more information about **Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area** partners and events, go to [www.HPHPBayArea.org](http://www.HPHPBayArea.org).





# June

## EVERY THURSDAY IN JUNE (2, 9, 16, 23 & 30)



### Getting to Know Your Newly Purchased Handgun Field Sports Park • 5pm-6:30pm

Learn how to safely operate your new firearm including handling, loading, shooting, and proper maintenance. Meet at the Pistol Range Office with your handgun, at least 50 rounds of ammunition, and eye and ear protection. \$15 range fee. Adults only. **To register call (408) 463-0652**

## EVERY SATURDAY IN JUNE (4, 11, 18 & 25)



### Vasona Vibrations • Vasona • 5pm-7pm

Join us for the 14th anniversary of this family-favorite outdoor concert series featuring local artists and a variety of acoustic music including jazz, blues, swing and more. Go to [www.southbayfolks.org/vasona](http://www.southbayfolks.org/vasona) for performance schedules. Bring a blanket or low lawn chair. Food available for purchase.

**Questions? (408) 356-2729**

## EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN JUNE (4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 & 26)



### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners.

**Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1



### Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10am-1pm

Tour the Villa and learn its intriguing history. Then hike the hills above to a breathtaking overlook of the Santa Clara Valley. Park in Lot 4 and meet at the Box Office. Pre-paid reservations (\$10) are a must through the Montalvo Box Office. **To register call (408) 961-5858**

## FRIDAY, JUNE 3



### Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky. Meet at the novice track.

**Questions? (408) 226-5223**

## SATURDAY, JUNE 4



### Festival in the Park • Hellyer • 11am-3pm

Join us for a day of family fun, health and recreation opportunities, and multicultural entertainment! Participate in CPR and nutrition classes, learn about community resources, and enjoy children's activities and demonstrations for all ages. Free admission and parking. Food available for purchase. **Questions? (408) 355-2255**



### 19th Century San Jose in a Bottle

#### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-2:30pm

Almaden author Tobin Gilman provides a view of daily life and commerce in 1800s San Jose, told through the prism of antique bottles. See how San Jose's glass packaging of the nineteenth century is spilling over with fascinating insights about the city's past. Free antique bottle appraisal.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **SATURDAY, JUNE 4, continued**



#### **What's In a Ranger's Truck? • Almaden Quicksilver • 6pm-8pm**

Have you ever wanted to see the inside of a Park Ranger's patrol truck? This is your chance to interact with the variety of equipment used for search and rescue, firefighting and lifesaving duties. Meet at the Mockingbird Hill entrance. **Questions? (408) 268-5240**

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 5**



#### **Fishing 101: Beginner Tips From a Ranger • Stevens Creek • 10am-12pm**

Discover beginning fishing tips that will help make you a more successful angler. This indoor session is for beginners ages 10 and up. Meet at the visitor center to learn about basic equipment, rules and regulations, and local "hot spots". No equipment necessary. **To register call (408) 867-3654**



#### **Take a Ride with a Ranger • Lexington Reservoir • 10am-1pm**

Learn about proper bike set up, tune up tips, safety gear, basic and intermediate bike handling skills, park rules, trail etiquette, and history of the area followed by a ride up the Limekiln trail. Meet at the boat launch parking lot.



**Questions? (408) 356-2729**



#### **Hula Hoop! • Martial Cottle • 10:30am-11:30am**

Learn a new way to get some exercise, play, and have FUN! Move with a hoop around your waist, feet, and arms. All ages and experience levels welcome.



Hoops provided for free or available for purchase. Meet at the visitor center. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 7**



#### **Hike with a Ranger & His Best Friend**

#### **Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 8:30am-11am**

Join a ranger and his best friend on an educational hike. Meet at the Mendoza Ranch entrance with leash, dog waste bags, and snacks and water for you and your dog. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### **FRIDAY, JUNE 10**



#### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Motorcycle Park • 9pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about the County Park system and a FREE showing of a family-friendly feature film on a giant blow up screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket.



**Questions? (408) 226-5223**

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 11**



#### **Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm**

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit [www.zouaves.org](http://www.zouaves.org) to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**







## SATURDAY, JUNE 11, continued



### The Natural History of Coyote Creek • Anderson Lake • 9am-10:30am

Enjoy a quiet walk as we explore the wonders of Coyote Creek. Discover life under a shady canopy of water-loving trees. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars and sun protection. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Cruisin' With a Ranger • Mt. Madonna • 9am-12pm

Take a hike in the Santa Cruz Mountains starting at the bottom of the Sprig Trail. Test your cardio abilities with a 2-mile ascent. Enjoy a beautiful descent along the scenic Ridge Trail back to the starting point. Bring water and meet at the Sprig Recreation Area. **To register call (408) 842-2341**



### Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am

Explore tales and adventures of nature through short stories with a park ranger. Participate in fun activities and a short hike afterwards. Meet at the visitor center. All ages welcome. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Stand Up Paddle Boarding for Teens • Vasona • 11am-12pm

Teenagers - bring your friends and try the fun sport of stand up paddle boarding with the Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation Department. Discover the benefits of building strength through balance and resistance. All equipment is provided. Minimum age 13. Meet at the Boat Center with a parent to sign a waiver. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Mountain Lions and Bobcats on the Prowl

#### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the lifestyles and characteristics of these two magnificent animals. Leave with a better understanding of why it's important to be able to co-exist with these two felines in their natural environment.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



## SUNDAY, JUNE 12



### When Nature Bites Back • Hellyer • 10am-12pm

The wild world of parks has numerous wonders to explore, but in the event of an accident are you prepared? Come discover nature while being trained in hands-only CPR and basic first aid. All practice equipment provided. Meet at the visitor center. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Hawk Walk • Ed Levin • 11:30am-2pm

Search for glimpses of hawks, falcons, and golden eagles that soar the skies above. Find out why they fly like they do and what helps them thrive in this area. Meet at the dog park with binoculars or spotting scope.

**Questions? (408) 262-6980**



### History of Almaden Air Force Station

#### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the history of this fascinating site, see key artifacts, and enjoy a slide show of amazing historic photos of the radar station when it was in operation between 1958 and 1980. Presented by Basim Jaber (Founder of the USAF 682nd Radar Squadron Veterans Association).

**To register call (408) 533-8107 or email [info@almadenafs.org](mailto:info@almadenafs.org)**











## THURSDAY, JUNE 16



### **Predators – Bringing Balance to the Land • Anderson Lake • 5pm-7pm**

Discover the difference between a predator and a scavenger and why both are important to our ecosystem. Take a short hike and learn how you can spot their hidden signs. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**



## FRIDAY, JUNE 17



### **Discovery Creek Walk • Hellyer • 10am-12pm**

Enjoy a leisurely walk along the paved Coyote Creek Trail. Discover the many different animals that live in or near the creek habitat. Meet live snakes and feel the real animal fur of raccoons, bobcats, foxes, and rabbits.

Meet at the visitor center. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-10:30pm**

Meet at the boat launch parking lot to enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about wildlife that can be found in the park and watch a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a big screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



## SATURDAY, JUNE 18



### **Birding for Kids • Anderson Lake • 8:30am-10:30am**

Take a short bird spotting walk along Coyote Creek Parkway. Learn tricks on how to identify the most common birds. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars if you have them. Best for ages 12 and under. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **The Life and Times of Henry Miller • Mt. Madonna • 9am-10am**

Henry Miller's youth and upbringing shaped who he would become as the "Cattle King". Raised by an over-bearing father and a loving mother, he became a controlling owner but remained generous to his workers. Meet at the ranger station. **To register call (408) 842-2341**



### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am**

Learn the rules of the road and how to properly inspect your bicycle. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend with children ages 8-12. Bring a bike and helmet for each rider (limited number of free helmets available). Meet at the restroom at the center of the park (corner of Jackson and Maybury.) **To register call (408) 262-6980**



### **Stand Up Paddle Board-Parent/Child Program • Vasona • 11am-12pm**

Parents bring your child (age 9 and up) and try the fun sport of stand up paddle boarding with the Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation Department. Build strength through balance and resistance. All equipment is provided. Meet at the Boat Center. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **Play like a Miner • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11am-3pm**

Join in for a fun day of learning what it was like to be a miner long ago. There will be games, demonstrations and crafts as well as an opportunity to try your hand at panning for gold and precious gems. A fun event for the whole family. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**





## SATURDAY, JUNE 18, continued



### History Walk • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-3:30pm

Enjoy a leisurely walk to see the historic features of the park. Learn about the history of Halls Valley from the Ohlone days to the recent past. Finish with a tour of the Grant Ranch House. Meet at the Ranch House.

**Questions? (408) 274-6121**



### Dog Nights of Summer • Anderson Lake • 7:30pm-9:30pm

Meet at the top of the dam overflow parking lot for a full moon walk at sunset. Hike up to the Rosendin property and learn about leash laws, basic first aid, trail etiquette, dog behavior, and history of the area.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**



### Moonlight Paddle • Stevens Creek Reservoir • 8pm-10:30pm

Discover the natural and cultural history of the area on a paddle tour of the reservoir. Experienced paddlers only -no instruction or equipment is provided. \$4 inspection fee per vessel. Meet at the launch ramp with your kayak/canoe, life jacket, and 2 glow sticks per person. **To register call (408) 846-5622**



### In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Martial Cottle • 8:30pm-10pm

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### Star Party • Joseph D. Grant • 8:30pm-1am

Join the Halls Valley Astronomical group for a night of star gazing. You'll have a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and ask questions about the night sky. Meet at Halley Hill (across from campsite #22.) Park entrance gates close at 10pm. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**



## SUNDAY, JUNE 19



### Photography for Children • Anderson Lake • 1pm-4pm

Learn to use a digital camera to tell a story, record an event, and take photos you'll be proud of. Learn basic composition before taking an easy walk in the park. Meet at the visitor center and bring a digital (not phone) camera.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**



## MONDAY, JUNE 20



### Moonlight Hike • Anderson Lake • 8pm-10pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike to a nearby pond and back to check out the night sounds and sights. Dress in layers and bring a flashlight with red lens. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**

## TUESDAY, JUNE 21



### Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am

(for event description see June 11 on page 16)

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Introduction to Disc Golf for Families • Hellyer • 10am-12pm

Discover what Disc Golf is all about on a small course in the park. Plenty of hands-on time will be provided in a no-pressure environment. Meet at the visitor center. Practice discs provided.

**Questions? (408) 225-0225**







## THURSDAY, JUNE 23



### **Find Balance: Yoga, Hike, Meditate Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 6pm-8pm**

Refresh your mind, body and spirit with Morning Crane docents in the Santa Teresa hills. Begin with gentle yoga, then a 1-mile hike uphill. Finish with yoga and guided meditation at the peak. Suitable for ages 13+ in good physical condition. Meet at the Joice trailhead with comfortable clothes and yoga mat or blanket. **Register online or call (408) 391-2846**

## FRIDAY, JUNE 24



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Ed Levin • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about County Parks and a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a giant blow-up screen. Meet at the Sandy Wool lawn with a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**

## SATURDAY, JUNE 25



### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am**

(for event description see June 18 on page 19)

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



### **Pawsitive Dog Hike • Mt. Madonna • 7pm-9pm**

Why walk around the same block when you and your dog can explore a redwood forest? Join a ranger with her canine on an evening hike. Meet at the ranger office with a flashlight (no headlamps) leash, water and sturdy footwear. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Santa Teresa • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about your local County Parks and watch a FREE movie on a big screen. Meet at the Corral Parking Lot with flashlights, lawn chairs and blankets. **Questions? Call (408) 225-0225**

## SUNDAY, JUNE 26



### **Dirt Bikes for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-4pm**

New to dirt bikes? Take part in an all-day "Introduction to Dirt" course by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Ages 6 and up must provide their own motorcycle and required safety gear. Pre-registration is required. **To register call (408) 226-5223**



### **Boating Safety 101 • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 1pm-4pm**

Learn about required equipment and how to stay safe while boating on Santa Clara County waterways. A park ranger will be on hand to answer questions and help you have a fun and safe day on the water. This is a drop-in event at the launch ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29



### **A Taste of Water Skiing • Calero Reservoir • 12pm-4pm**

Learn how to water ski with the Santa Clara County Water Ski Club. Cost is \$10 per person. All equipment, lessons and other resources will be provided. It's a great time for ages 8-17! Bring your bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, water and snacks and be prepared to get WET! **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



# July

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## EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN JULY (2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 & 31)



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## EVERY THURSDAY IN JULY (7, 14, 21 & 28)



### Getting to Know Your Newly Purchased Handgun Field Sports Park • 5pm-6:30pm

Learn how to safely operate your new firearm including handling, loading, shooting, and proper maintenance. Meet at the Pistol Range Office with your handgun, at least 50 rounds of ammunition, and eye and ear protection. \$15 range fee. Adults only. **To register call (408) 463-0652**

## FRIDAY, JULY 1



### Superstars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8pm-11pm

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky. Meet at the novice track. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**

## SATURDAY, JULY 2



### Tai Chi Chih – Let the Energy Flow • Martial Cottle • 9am-10am

Join the Open Space Authority and County Parks for gentle tai chi to focus on balance and the circulation of energy. Meet at the visitor center with comfortable clothing. Rain cancels. **Questions? (408) 224-7476 (ask for Teri)**



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

Learn the rules of the road and how to properly inspect your bicycle. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend with children ages 8-12. Bring a bike and helmet for each rider (limited number of free helmets available). Meet at the restroom at the center of the park (corner of Jackson and Maybury). **To register call (408) 262-6980**



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**





## SATURDAY, JULY 2, continued



### **Bike the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10am-1pm**

Take a 10-12 mile bike ride through Alviso Marina and the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. Explore the history, wildlife, and restoration of Santa Clara County's gateway to the San Francisco Bay.

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



### **Living History Day • Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 11am-3pm**

Visit Casa Grande, once the magnificent home of New Almaden mine managers. Costumed docents and staff will guide you through Victorian period rooms and museum exhibits. Children may participate in a seasonal craft activity to take home. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**



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### **Healthy Trails Hike • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1pm**

Challenge yourself on a 5.2-mile strenuous hike through diverse habitats. Enjoy remnants of the historic mining camps of New Almaden. Meet at the Hacienda park entrance with water and a bag lunch. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**



## FRIDAY, JULY 8



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Ed Levin • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about County Parks and family-friendly FREE feature movie on a big screen. Meet at the Sandy Wool lawn with a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**



## SATURDAY, JULY 9



### **Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm**

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit [www.zouaves.org](http://www.zouaves.org) to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**



### **Hike with a Ranger & His Best Friend**

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Join a ranger and his best friend on an educational hike in the hills. Meet at the Mendoza Ranch entrance with a leash, dog waste bags, snacks and water for you and your dog. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### **Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am**

Learn the (for event description see July 2 on page 22)  
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### **SATURDAY, JULY 9, continued**



#### **Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am**

Explore tales and adventures of nature through short stories with a park ranger. Participate in fun activities and a short hike afterwards. Meet at the visitor center. All ages welcome. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



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#### **Night of the Meat-Eating Plants**

#### **Santa Teresa Park's Historic Bernal Ranch • 7:30pm-10pm**

Join carnivorous plant experts to learn about both local and exotic meat-eating plants. Take one home if you win the drawing. Stay afterward for popcorn, lemonade, and the campy horror film "Day of the Triffids."

**To register call (408) 226-5453**



#### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Hellyer • 8pm-11pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about your local County Parks and then watch a FREE family friendly movie on a big screen. Meet at the Cottonwood lawn with flashlights, lawn chairs, and blankets.

**Questions? Call (408) 225-0225**

### **SUNDAY, JULY 10**



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### **THURSDAY, JULY 14**



#### **Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo, 10am-1pm**

Tour the Villa and learn its intriguing history. Then hike the hills above to a breathtaking overlook of the Santa Clara Valley. Park in Lot 4 and meet at the Box Office. Pre-paid reservations (\$10) are a must through the Montalvo Box Office. **To register call (408) 961-5858**

### **FRIDAY, JULY 15**



#### **Discovery Creek Walk • Hellyer • 10am-12pm**

Enjoy a leisurely walk along the paved Coyote Creek Trail and discover the many different animals that live in or near the creek habitat. Meet live snakes and feel the real animal fur of raccoons, bobcats, foxes, and rabbits. Meet at the visitor center. **Questions? (408) 225-0225**





### FRIDAY, JULY 15, continued



#### **Bats over Calero • Calero • 6pm-9:30pm**

Take a ride to the Bat Inn - where you can visit but cannot stay. Discover why these creatures are so important and watch as thousands of bats emerge from a good day's sleep. Meet at the park office with a small chair or blanket, closed-toe shoes, bug spray, layered clothing and flashlight. Cost is \$15 per person. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4' 9" tall.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



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Meet at the boat launch parking lot to enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about wildlife that can be found in the park and watch a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a big screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### SATURDAY, JULY 16



#### **History Van Tour • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1:30pm**

Step back in time and experience what life was like back in the mining heyday. Ride by van to various historic sites and enjoy your brown-bag lunch in the park. \$15 per person. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4' 9" tall. Meet at the Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum with a bag lunch.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **Stand Up Paddle Boarding • Vasona • 11am-12pm**

*(for event description see July 9 on page 24)*

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **Bats over Calero • Calero • 6pm-9:30pm**

*(for event description see July 15 on page 24)*

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **Safety in the Wilderness Hike • Ed Levin • 7pm-10pm**

Life Insurance, auto insurance...how about hiking insurance? Become knowledgeable and prepared to fully enjoy all your hiking adventures!

Meet at the dog park on the Sandy Wool side of the park. Rain cancels.

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



#### **Moonlight Paddle • Coyote Lake • 8pm-10:30pm**

Discover the natural and cultural history of the local area on a paddle tour of the reservoir. Experienced paddlers only -no instruction or equipment is provided. \$4 inspection fee per vessel. Meet at the launch ramp with your kayak/canoe, life jackets and 2 glow sticks per person. **To register call (408) 846-5622**



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## SATURDAY, JULY 17



### Here Kitty Kitty! • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10am-11am

Discover how mountain lions, one of California's largest predators, survive in today's changing environment. Enjoy a quick slide show and an actual mountain lion (stuffed of course). You'll walk like a lion and play a "Prey & Predator" game. Meet at the campfire center. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



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### Full Moon Hike • Joseph D. Grant • 8pm-10pm

Take an easy hike in Halls Valley where we will seek out nature's nighttime creatures. You will also be able to enjoy views of Lick Observatory and the moon as it crests Mt. Hamilton. Please leave dogs at home. Meet at the Stockman's Group Area. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**



## MONDAY, JULY 18



### Moonlight Hike • Anderson Lake • 8pm-10pm

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike to a nearby pond and back to check out the night sounds and sights. Dress in layers and bring a flashlight with red lens. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



## TUESDAY, JULY 19



### Sunset/Moonlight Hike • Lexington Reservoir • 7:30pm-9:30pm

Enjoy a strenuous 4-mile sunset and moonlit adventure to explore the nocturnal adaptations of our wildlife neighbors. Meet at the boat launch parking lot. Bring sturdy hiking shoes, layered clothing, water and a flashlight.



**To register call (408) 356-2729**

## THURSDAY, JULY 21



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Refresh your mind, body and spirit with Morning Crane docents in the Santa Teresa hills. Begin with gentle yoga, then a 1-mile hike uphill. Finish with yoga and guided meditation at the peak. Suitable for ages 13+ in good physical condition. Meet at the Joice trailhead with comfortable clothes and yoga mat or blanket. **Register online or call (408) 391-2846**







## FRIDAY, JULY 22



### Healthy Trails Hike • Calero • 9am-11am

Hike through diverse habitats and enjoy breathtaking views of Calero Reservoir on a 3.5-mile hike on the Los Cerritos and Pena Trails. Meet at the park office (south of the reservoir) with water and snacks. **Questions? (408) 918-7772**



### In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Motorcycle Park • 9pm-11:30pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about the County Park system and a FREE showing of a family-friendly feature film on a giant blow up screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**



## SATURDAY, JULY 23



### Bike Safety for Young Riders • Penitencia Creek • 9am-10am

(for event description see July 2 on page 22)

**To register call (408) 262-6980**



### The Natural History of Coyote Creek • Anderson Lake • 9am-10:30am

Enjoy a quiet walk as we explore the wonders of Coyote Creek. Discover abundant life under a shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars and sun protection. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### History Van Tour • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1:30pm

(for event description see July 16 on page 25)

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Legends & Myths of the Prairie Wolf

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 10am-11am

Have you ever wanted to be a wildlife detective? Learn about clues that animals leave behind. Identify various types of scat and tracks. Explore the natural wonders on a brief hike to use your new detective skills. Meet at the RV campground overflow lot. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### Introduction to Disc Golf: Just a Walk in the Park! • Hellyer • 10:30am-12pm

Learn about this fun, easy, and inexpensive sport with members of the Silicon Valley Disc Golf Club. Ages 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Equipment is provided. Meet at the La Raza area off Coyote Rd. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### Nature Has its Own Pharmacy

#### Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 12pm-1:30pm

What leaf can un-stuff your nose? What tree can you catch fish with? Commonly found plants were very useful to our local Native Americans – some are still used today. Discover some amazingly useful plants on this leisurely hike. Meet at the visitor center. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### History Walk • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-3:30pm

Enjoy a leisurely walk to see the historic features of the park. Learn about the history of Halls Valley from the Ohlone days to the recent past. Finish with a tour of the Grant Ranch House. Meet at the Ranch House. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**





### **SATURDAY, JULY 23, continued**



#### **Calling Coyotes Night Hike • Santa Teresa • 7:30pm-9:30pm**

The odds are high that you will hear and maybe even see coyotes that live in the area! You will get a chance to call them out and see if they respond. Meet at the Corral Lot with warm clothes and sturdy shoes.

**Questions? (408) 225-0225**



### **SATURDAY, JULY 30**



#### **Birding for Kids • Anderson Lake • 8:30am-10:30am**

Take a short bird spotting walk along Coyote Creek Parkway. Learn tricks on how to identify the most common birds. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars if you have them. Best for ages 12 and under. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



#### **Hula Hoop! • Martial Cottle • 10:30am-11:30am**

Learn a new way to get some exercise, play, and have FUN! Move with a hoop around your waist, feet and arms. All ages and experience levels welcome. Hoops provided for free or available for purchase. Meet at the visitor center.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **Mystery Walls Van Tour • Ed Levin • 1pm-4pm**

Meet at the park office to view a documentary on the mysterious rock walls of Monument Peak. Travel by van to the top of the peak while you enjoy beautiful views and solve the mystery! Cost is \$15 per person plus a vehicle entrance fee. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4' 9" tall.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **What's Inside A Ranger's Truck?**

#### **Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 5pm-6:30pm**

Get a firsthand look at what's inside a park ranger's patrol truck. Interact with the equipment and tools used and learn about emergency operations, firefighting and the daily patrol duties of a ranger. Meet at the amphitheater in the RV campground. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**



### **SUNDAY, JULY 31**



#### **A Taste of Archery • Santa Teresa • 8:30am & 10:30am**

Join the Black Mountain Bowmen to learn how to shoot a compound or recurve bow, fletch arrows and make a bow string. Ages 6 and up with parent. A mandatory safety class and equipment are provided by Predator's Archery. Meet at the archery range on Avenida Espana. Choose from the 8:30-10am or 10:30-12pm class. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **ATVs for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-3pm**

New to ATV's? Take part in a half-day hands-on training session by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Ages 6 and up must provide their own ATV and required safety gear. Pre-registration is required.

**To register call (408) 226-5223**



#### **Vasona Boat Center Celebration • Vasona • 11am-2pm**

Celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Vasona Boat Center with fun games, entertainment and roll-back prices. Fun for all ages! Presented by Los Gatos-Saratoga Recreation Department in partnership with Santa Clara County Parks. **Questions? (408) 355-2201**





# August



## EVERY THURSDAY IN AUGUST (4, 11, 18 & 25)



### Getting to Know Your Newly Purchased Handgun Field Sports Park • 5pm-6:30pm

Learn how to safely operate your new firearm including handling, loading, shooting, and proper maintenance. Meet at the Pistol Range Office with your handgun, at least 50 rounds of ammunition, and eye and ear protection. \$15 range fee. Adults only. **To register call (408) 463-0652**

## EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY IN AUGUST (6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 & 28)



### The Martial Cottle Park Experience • Martial Cottle • 2:30pm-3:30pm

Explore our agricultural history at Santa Clara County's newest park. Meet at the visitor center to see items used on the farm in the 1890s, then take a short walk to learn about the park's current farming practices and partners. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 2



### Hula Hoop! • Martial Cottle • 7pm-8pm

Learn a new way to get some exercise, play, and have FUN! Move with a hoop around your waist, feet and arms. All ages and experience levels welcome. Hoops provided for free or available for purchase. Meet at the visitor center. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3



### A Taste of Water Skiing • Calero Reservoir • 12pm-4pm

Learn how to water ski with the Santa Clara County Water Ski Club! Cost is \$10 per person. All equipment, lessons and other resources will be provided. It's a great time for ages 8-17! Bring your bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, water and snacks. Be prepared to get WET! **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 5



### In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Ed Levin • 8pm-11pm

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about County Parks and a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a giant screen. Meet at the Sandy Wool lawn with a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 262-6980**

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6



### Tai Chi Chih – Let the Energy Flow • Martial Cottle • 9am-10am

Join the Open Space Authority and County Parks for gentle tai chi to focus on balance and the circulation of energy. Meet at the visitor center with comfortable clothing. Rain cancels. **Questions? (408) 224-7476 (ask for Teri)**



### The Natural History of Coyote Creek • Anderson Lake • 9am-10:30am

Enjoy a quiet walk as we explore the wonders of Coyote Creek. Discover abundant life under a shady canopy of water-loving trees. Topics range from Native American presence to early cultivation of vineyards and orchards. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars and sun protection. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, continued



### Nature Walk by the Bay • Alviso Marina • 9am-11am

Take a gentle walk around the Marina's flat dirt trails and enjoy the local weather and bayside wildlife. We'll keep the pace slow for all ages and abilities. Meet in the parking lot near the restroom. **Questions? (408) 355-2240**



### A Hike to the Summit • Uvas Canyon • 9am-12pm

Challenge yourself with a strenuous hike on Knibbs Knob Trail. Ascend 2 miles to Summit Road where we will enjoy a break and discuss local lore. The descent will be a knee-screamer with snacks and beverages waiting at the end.

**To register call (408) 842-2341**



### Smartphone Safety in the Outdoors • Anderson Lake • 10am-12pm

Bring your smartphone to learn from an experienced ranger which apps can help you have a safe outdoor experience. Discover many free apps that can make your outdoor experience more pleasurable and take a short hike afterwards to test them out. Meet at the visitor center. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### Bike the Bay • Alviso Marina • 10am-1pm

Take a 10-12-mile bike ride through Alviso Marina and the Don Edwards National Wildlife Refuge. Explore the history, wildlife, and restoration of Santa Clara County's gateway to the San Francisco Bay. **To register call (408) 262-6980**



### Star Party • Joseph D. Grant • 8pm-1am

Join the Halls Valley Astronomical group for a night of star gazing. You'll have a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and ask questions about the night sky. Meet at Halley Hill (across from campsite #22.) Park entrance gates close at 10pm. **Questions? (408) 274-6121**



## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 thru 7



### Movie, Night Hike, and Campout • Santa Teresa • 8pm-8am

Enjoy a sunset hike, outdoor movie and overnight campout in the park! Bring your own tents or recreational vehicle. Cost is \$15/camping family and \$6/vehicle. Restrooms available but no electricity or showers provided. Limited space available. **To register call (408) 225-0225**



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

### History of Almaden Air Force Station

### Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum • 1pm-3pm

Learn about the history of this fascinating site, see key artifacts, and enjoy a slide show of amazing historic photos of the radar station when it was in operation between 1958 and 1980. Presented by Basim Jaber (Founder of the USAF 682nd Radar Squadron Veterans Association).

**To register call (408) 533-8107 or email [info@almadenafs.org](mailto:info@almadenafs.org)**

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 11



### Find Balance: Yoga, Hike, Meditate

### Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 6pm-8pm

Refresh your mind, body and spirit with Morning Crane docents in the Santa Teresa hills. Begin with gentle yoga, then a 1-mile hike uphill. Finish with yoga and guided meditation at the peak. Suitable for ages 13+ in good physical condition. Meet at the Joice trailhead with comfortable clothes and yoga mat or blanket. **Register online or call (408) 391-2846**





### FRIDAY, AUGUST 12



#### **Tour the Mansion, Hike the Hills • Villa Montalvo • 10am-1pm**

Tour the Villa and learn its intriguing history. Then hike the hills above to a breathtaking overlook of the Santa Clara Valley. Park in Lot 4 and meet at the Box Office. Pre-paid reservations (\$10) are a must through the Montalvo Box Office. **To register call (408) 961-5858**



#### **Fallen Stars of Metcalf • Motorcycle Park • 8:30pm-11:30pm**

Knowledgeable volunteers provide a chance to look through a variety of telescopes and answer questions about the night sky.



Meet at the novice track. **Questions? (408) 226-5223**

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13



#### **Junior Shooting Program • Field Sports Park • 8am-12pm**

Junior shooters age 10-18 will get first-hand experience shooting a variety of firearms under the direct supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Must have parent or guardian present. Meet at the 200 yd. rifle range. Sponsored by the San Jose Zouaves Rifle Club. Visit [www.zouaves.org](http://www.zouaves.org) to download a waiver form. **Questions? (408) 463-0652**



#### **Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am**

Explore tales and adventures of nature through short stories with a park ranger. Participate in fun activities and a short hike afterwards. Meet at the visitor center. All ages welcome. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**



#### **Raptors in our Parks • Rancho San Antonio • 12pm-2pm**

Take an easy 2-mile hike to look for winged hunters in the sky. Learn about a raptor's role in the environment and how you can become involved in the study of hawks, falcons, and eagles. Field guides and binoculars recommended. Meet at the equestrian parking lot. **Questions? (408) 867-9959**



#### **Family Fandango • Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 5pm-8pm**

Celebrate the history of early California and its ties to the Anza Expedition and the Bernal family. The evening's focus is family fun through song, dance, demonstrations, and activities that highlight the many contributions of our early communities. Location is Camino Verde at Manila Drive. Food available for purchase. **Questions? (408) 918-7770**

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 thru 14



#### **The Perseid Meteors Are Coming!**

#### **Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 11:30pm-2am**

See one of the brightest meteor shows of the year! The Perseid meteor shower can produce up to 100 meteors per hour. Learn what a meteor is and see planets & stars up-close. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot with warm clothes, binoculars/telescope, and snacks. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**





## SUNDAY, AUGUST 14



### **Fishing 101: Beginner Tips From a Ranger • Stevens Creek • 10am-12pm**

Discover some beginning fishing tips that will help make you a more successful angler. This indoor session is for beginner anglers ages 10 and up. Meet at the visitor center to learn about basic equipment, rules and regulations, and local "hot spots". No equipment necessary. **To register call (408) 867-3654**



### **Hawk Walk • Ed Levin • 11:30am-2pm**

Search for glimpses of hawks, falcons, and golden eagles that soar the skies above. Find out why they fly like they do and what helps them thrive in this area. Meet at the dog park with binoculars or spotting scope.

**Questions? (408) 262-6980**



### **Boating Safety 101 • Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 1pm-4pm**

Learn about required equipment and how to stay safe while boating on Santa Clara County waterways. A park ranger will be on hand to answer questions and to help you have a fun and safe day on the water. This is a drop-in event at the Coyote Lake launch ramp parking lot. **Questions? (408) 842-7800**

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 16



### **Story Time with a Ranger • Anderson Lake • 10am-11:30am**

*(for event description see August 13 on page 31)*

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **Moonlight Paddle • Calero Reservoir • 7:30pm-10pm**

Discover the natural and cultural history of the local area on a paddle tour of the reservoir. Experienced paddlers only -no instruction or equipment is provided. \$4 inspection fee per vessel. Meet at the launch ramp with your kayak/canoe, life jackets and 2 glow sticks per person. **To register call (408) 846-5622**

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18



### **Predators - Bringing Balance to the Land • Anderson Lake • 5pm-7pm**

Discover the difference between a predator and a scavenger and why both are important to our ecosystem. Take a short hike and learn how you can spot their hidden signs. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**



### **Moonlight Hike • Anderson Lake • 8pm-10pm**

Adventure out on a short moonlight hike to a nearby pond and back to check out the night sounds and sights. Dress in layers and bring a flashlight with red lens. Meet at the launch ramp parking lot.

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 19



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Anderson Lake • 8:30pm-10:30pm**

Meet at the boat launch parking lot to enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about wildlife that can be found in the park and watch a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a big screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 918-7980**





## SATURDAY, AUGUST 20



### **Birding for Kids • Anderson Lake • 8:30am-10:30am**

Take a short bird spotting walk along Coyote Creek Parkway. Learn tricks on how to identify the most common birds. Meet at the visitor center with binoculars if you have them. Best for ages 12 and under.

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**



### **Monarch Butterfly Migrations**

#### **Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch • 9am-11:30am**

Learn about the Monarch butterfly and its extraordinary journey from Canada to Mexico while you take a short walk through the park. Meet at the Harvey Bear Ranch parking lot. **Questions? (408) 846-5892**



### **Old Fashioned Games and Wash Days**

#### **Santa Teresa's Historic Bernal Ranch • 12pm-3pm**

Play old-fashioned games from the past. Learn how clothes were washed with scrub boards and lye soap. Try your hand at roping a saw-horse and making an animation wheel from 100 years ago. The ranch is located at the corner of Camino Verde and Manila Dr. in San Jose.

**Questions? (408) 226-5453**



### **Survive in a Knapsack • Mt. Madonna • 1pm-3pm**

Ever wondered what to do if you get lost in the woods? Take an easy 1-mile hike to learn how to be prepared and what to bring along to help find your way. Meet at the park office. Wear comfortable hiking gear and bring water and snacks. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**



### **History Walk • Joseph D. Grant • 1:30pm-3:30pm**

Enjoy a leisurely walk to see the historic features of the park. Learn about the history of Halls Valley from the Ohlone days to the recent past. Finish with a tour of the Grant Ranch House. Meet at the Ranch House.

**Questions? (408) 274-6121**



### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Martial Cottle • 8pm-9:30pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Come early to learn about the park's past and present, then watch a family-friendly FREE feature movie on a giant screen. Meet at the parking lot A lawn and bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket. **Questions? (408) 535-4060**



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 21



### **History Van Tour • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1:30pm**

Step back in time and experience what life was like back in the mining heyday. Ride by van to various historic sites and enjoy your brown-bag lunch in the park. \$15 per person. Children must be at least 8 years old and 4'9" tall. Meet at the Casa Grande/Quicksilver Mining Museum with a bag lunch. **Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



### **Photography for Children • Anderson Lake • 1pm-4pm**

Learn to use a digital camera to tell a story, record an event, and take photos you'll be proud of. Learn basic composition before taking an easy walk in the park. Meet at the visitor center and bring a digital (not phone) camera.

**To register call (408) 918-7980**





### FRIDAY, AUGUST 26



#### **In the Park after Dark Movie Night • Motorcycle Park • 8:30pm-11pm**

Enjoy a night under the stars with family and friends. Watch a short film about the County Park system and a FREE showing of a family-friendly feature film on a giant blow up screen. Bring a flashlight and low lawn chair or blanket.

**Questions? (408) 226-5223**

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 27



#### **The Natural History of Coyote Creek • Anderson Lake • 9am-10:30am**

*(for event description see August 6 on page 29)*

**Questions? (408) 918-7980**



#### **Hellyer Bike Day • Hellyer • 10am-2pm**

Learn how to safely ride on trails and roadways, then take an easy 4-mile ride along the Coyote Creek. Helmets provided for FREE to anyone in need while supplies last. Suitable for ages 12+ with parent supervision. Meet at the playground with water, a working bicycle, and a helmet.

**To register call (408) 225-0225**



#### **Hula Hoop! • Martial Cottle • 10:30am-11:30am**

Learn a new way to get some exercise, play, and have FUN! Move with a hoop around your waist, feet and arms. All ages and experience levels welcome.

Hoops provided for free or available for purchase. Meet at the visitor center.

**Register online or call (408) 355-2201**



#### **The Ever Present Redwood • Mt. Madonna • 12pm-1pm**

Explore a unique and fascinating Pacific Coast redwood forest. Discover how these ancient trees are connected to humans and the environment. Meet at the Giant Twins trailhead. **Questions? (408) 842-2341**

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 28



#### **Dirt Bikes for Beginners • Motorcycle Park • 10am-4pm**

New to dirt bikes? Take part in an all-day "Introduction to Dirt" course by a certified instructor through the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.

Ages 6 and up must provide their own motorcycle and required safety gear.

Pre-registration is required. **To register call (408) 226-5223**

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31



#### **Healthy Trails Hike • Almaden Quicksilver • 9am-1pm**

Challenge yourself on a 5.2-mile strenuous hike through diverse habitats.

Enjoy remnants of the historic mining camps of New Almaden. Meet at the Hacienda park entrance with water and a bag lunch.

**Questions? (408) 918-7772**



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**SANTA CLARA  
COUNTY PARKS**

**Almaden Quicksilver**

21785 Almaden Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Casa Grande/  
New Almaden Quicksilver  
Mining Museum**

21350 Almaden Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Alviso Marina**

Mill St.  
Alviso, CA 95002

**Anderson Lake  
(Park Office)**

19245 Malaguerra Ave.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Anderson Lake**

18390 Cochrane Rd.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Bernal-Gulnac-  
Joice Ranch**

372 Manila Dr.  
San Jose, CA 95119

**Calero**

23205 McKean Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95120

**Chitactac-Adams**

10001 Watsonville Rd.  
Gilroy, CA 95020

**Chesbro Reservoir**

17655 Oak Glen Ave.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Coyote Lake**

**Harvey Bear Ranch**  
10840 Coyote Lake Rd.  
Gilroy, CA 95020

**Ed Levin**

3100 Calaveras Rd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035

**Field Sports Park**

9580 Malech Road  
San Jose, CA 95013

**Hellyer**

985 Hellyer Ave.  
San Jose, CA 95111

**Joseph D. Grant**

18405 Mt. Hamilton Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95140

**Lexington Reservoir**

17770 Alma Bridge Rd.  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

**Los Gatos Creek**

1250 Dell Ave.  
Campbell, CA 95008

**Martial Cottle**

5283 Snell Ave.  
San Jose, CA 95136

**Motorcycle**

300 Metcalf Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95138

**Mt. Madonna**

7850 Pole Line Rd.  
Watsonville, CA 95076

**Penitencia Creek**

Jackson Ave. & Maybury Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95132

**Rancho San Antonio**

22500 Cristo Rey Dr.  
Cupertino, CA 95014

**Sanborn**

16055 Sanborn Rd.  
Saratoga, CA 95070

**Santa Teresa**

260 Bernal Rd.  
San Jose, CA 95119



**Stevens Creek**

11401 Stevens Canyon Rd.  
Cupertino, CA 95014

**Uvas Canyon**

8515 Croy Rd.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Uvas Reservoir**

4200 Uvas Rd.  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

**Vasona**

333 Blossom Hill Rd.  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

**Villa Montalvo**

15400 Montalvo Rd.  
Saratoga, CA 95070

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