



California Native Plant Society

MARIN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Tiburon Mariposa Lily (Calochortus tiburonensis)

Marin Chapter established 1973

Monday, May 11 Marin Chapter Meeting

Ted Kipping on "Highlights of Cook and Green Pass, Siskiyou Mountains, CA"

Cook and Green Pass Botanical Area is 700 acres located in the Siskiyou Mountains. An area of great geological and botanical diversity, it contains a mosaic of plant communities, and is a biological hotspot full of interesting as well as beautiful plants. Low-elevation plants such as manzanitas and rhododendrons are juxtaposed with such high-elevation plants as mountain hemlock, Jeffrey pine, and Brewer's spruce.

Come join us for an intimate look at this amazing place. The area has a phenomenal concentration of native plant species, with possibly as many as 300 species present. It also contains a large stand of Siskiyou Cypress (*Cupressus bakeri* ssp. *matthewsii*). Rare or sensitive plants present include *Pedicularis howellii*, Siskiyou lewisia (*Lewisia cotyledon*), *Antennaria racemosa*, and *Lilium wigginsii*. Botanists and plant enthusiasts from around the country consider the Cook and Green Pass area significant.

Ted Kipping is a Life Member of CNPS and many other botanical, horticultural, and natural history groups.



Spreading phlox (*Phlox diffusa*) and Siskiyou lewisia (*Lewisia cotyledon*)—Ted Kipping

He studied natural history at Columbia University in NYC, worked at the Botanical Gardens in Golden Gate Park, and started his own arboriculture firm serving the Bay Area (Tree Shapers, LLC) nearly 40 years ago. Ted has travelled all over the western US as well as wild places in many other parts of the world. His photography has been extensively published.



Beargrass (*Xerophyllum tenax*)—Ted Kipping

May meeting:

5:30 p.m. Join friends and meet our speaker for a no-host dinner at Gira Polli of Mill Valley, 590 East Blithedale Ave. at Camino Alto. Please call Gerd or Kristin Jakob at 415.388.1844 at least one day ahead to be assured of a seat with our group.

7:30 p.m. Meet at the Redwoods retirement home, 40 Camino Alto, Mill Valley. Books, posters, and cards will be for sale before as well as after the meeting. Lecture starts at 8 p.m.

Note: This spring, the Redwoods is undergoing remodeling work that will affect our meeting space; we will likely be moved to a smaller room inside the western-most corner of the facility for our May and June meetings while the auditorium is used as a dining room. Please ask for directions at the front desk upon arrival.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There's a new paradigm in the gardening world that has been slowly and steadily gaining momentum; it's all about viewing the garden as a living ecosystem rather than merely outdoor decoration!

I've been gardening to create habitat for more than 15 years now, and can finally see that it's catching on as a more mainstream idea. So when I was contacted by the National Wildlife Federation about helping to create a habitat display garden for the San Francisco Flower and Garden Show, I thought it might be a worthwhile effort. I was part of a team, with April Owens, a young landscape designer from Sonoma County, taking the lead.



"Bring Nature Home" display garden—Saxon Holt

We created a display garden that was 95% California native plants; the only non-natives were fruit trees and a few ornamentals. The design demonstrated the essentials of good habitat (providing food, cover, and water) and used organic, sustainable landscape practices such as leaving the leaf litter in place. California native plants are, of course, essential in a habitat since they are the plants that our wildlife species evolved with, but including compatible Mediterranean climate species helps extend the available resources into other seasons. We showed plants that provide food in the form of nectar, pollen, seeds, and berries. Within the garden design we were able to include larval host plants for more than 18 species of butterflies.

The display garden, titled "Bring Nature Home," won the *Sunset* magazine award, and was very well received by attendees. I talked to lots of people who already had a start with native plant gardens and lots of others who shared comments such as:

"This is a REAL garden, and something I can do myself!"

"This is a gardening style that I can build on year after year."

"This is the kind of garden that gives so much more; I noticed right away how many more creatures visit!"

Traditionally landscaped yards, with over-fertilized mowed lawns and neatly manicured shrubbery, are nothing but "green deserts." Habitat gardens are an oasis in areas otherwise dominated by such landscaping, and they can help to re-establish corridors for wildlife to move between open spaces. Maybe the continuing drought is actually a blessing in disguise for native plant and habitat gardens!

—Charlotte Torgovitsky



Save native plant habitat at Point Reyes with the...

THIRD THURSDAY WEEDERS

May 21 and June 18, 9:30 a.m.

Once a month, the Third Thursday Weeders help tackle invasive weeds that threaten important plant habitat in the Point Reyes National Seashore. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month, either in the Seashore or at other sites in West Marin.

Over the past three years, we have made great progress on the iceplant and veldt grass infestations at the Outer Point, European beachgrass at Abbotts Lagoon, perennial pepperweed in the Giacomini Wetland, and cape ivy at Pierce Point.



In March, the Weeders got a big assist weeding iceplant from an enthusiastic group from the University of Utah.—NPS photo

To sign up and obtain more information, please contact cklongstreth@gmail.com. Plan to bring plenty of water, lunch and snacks, warm and wind-stopping layers, sturdy shoes, and work clothes. No shorts or open-toed shoes. The Park provides tools and gloves.

Hope to see you there!

—Carolyn Longstreth

SOD BLITZ—CITIZEN SCIENTISTS NEEDED!

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m.

Invasive species represent a major threat to California native flora and fauna. Make a difference by participating in one of our Sudden Oak Death Blitzes! These volunteer-based surveys allow us to map the yearly expansion of the disease, increase our understanding of the spread potential of the pathogen, and identify key trees that allow the pathogen to survive during unfavorable dry spells.

Because the pathogen moves short distances, proximity of oaks to established infestations can alert us to the risk of their contracting the infection. Many trees are too far apart for infection to occur even in counties that are well infested; SOD Blitzes allow for an accurate mapping of infection risk. 2015 promises to be another dry year. These are the perfect conditions to identify key trees in which the pathogen survives; their removal may be extremely beneficial to lowering disease levels. The SOD Blitz consists of four phases:

- 1) A training in which participants are taught what to look for and how to collect it. All collection materials are provided. Participants are encouraged to bring their iPhones or Android-based phones, as they may help with collections by downloading the free SODMAP mobile app.
- 2) Participants collect leaf samples in the 1–3 days following the training, and return them to a pre-established collection point. Most participants spend a couple of hours in the field.
- 3) Samples are processed and analyzed at UC Berkeley.
- 4) In October, results are published on the web at www.sodblitz.org.

The training itself will last approximately 30 minutes; the remaining time will be spent distributing collection packets that include all the materials you need. Even if you attended trainings before, this year we will emphasize how to identify key trees that allow for survival of the pathogen during droughts. Please share this invitation with friends and neighbors. Visit www.sodblitz.org for the full list of 2015 SOD Blitz meetings, and schedule updates.

Location: Joseph R. Fink Science Center, Room 102, Dominican University, San Rafael.

—Matteo Garbelotto and all the researchers at the UC Berkeley Forest Pathology and Mycology Laboratory. For more information, write wolfgang.schweigkofler@dominican.edu or kristinjakob@att.net.

ERNEST CLAYTON WILDFLOWER IMAGES

Botanical Prints from the Mid-20th Century

May 2–August 31, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily except Tuesdays

Ernest Clayton painted a series of nearly 200 watercolors of the California native plants that he saw on his many walks around Marin County in the period from 1938 to 1952. During his botanical outings, his granddaughters, who have organized this exhibit of prints of his artwork, often accompanied him. Presented in a style reminiscent of the arts and crafts tradition of the early 20th century, the paintings go beyond the usual stylized images of that era and present pictures that are vivid and naturalistic combining the observations of a botanist with the aesthetics of a skilled artist.



Location: The Helen Crocker Russell Library of Horticulture in the San Francisco Botanical Garden located in Golden Gate Park. The Library is near the Main Gate on Ninth Avenue. For more information, visit www.sfbotanicalgarden.org/library/art-exhibit-clayton2.html.

On Thursday, May 14 from 5–7 p.m., there will be an artist reception presented by his granddaughters, Eugenia Donnelly Herr and Nancy Donnelly Praetzel.

MARIN CNPS AND OTHER FIELD TRIPS, MAY–JUNE 2015

Make some seedy pals with the Marin chapter of the California Native Plant Society. All hikes are free and open to the public, so please invite your friends. Beginning plant enthusiasts welcome on all hikes.

Come prepared for any type of weather or conditions, dress in layers, have non-slip footwear, and bring rain/wind protection just in case. Although it may be sunny and warm when you leave home, the weather could be cold and foggy when we reach our destination. Bring lunch and plenty of water, binoculars and/or hand lenses, and your favorite field guides. Contact hike leaders with any questions about individual hikes.

Spring Wildflowers of Abbotts Lagoon

Sunday, May 10, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

The California native coastal prairie and dune wildflowers are always worth seeing at Abbotts Lagoon. We are hoping to find many of the usual species regardless of much-lower-than-average spring rainfall. After all, those plants are survivors of thousands if not millions of years of climate changes. This is a short, mainly level hike on the public trail to the beach and back, about four miles in total.

Meet at the trailhead for Abbotts Lagoon on the northern Pierce Point part of Pt. Reyes National Seashore. The weather can be variable, so dress accordingly and bring lunch if you are staying for the whole trip. The parking lot has restrooms but no water. You can find a comprehensive plant list and an illustrated sheet of 20 species on the Marin Chapter CNPS website.

Leader: Doreen Smith dsmith@lvha.net 415.479.7888



A field filled with flowers at Abbotts Lagoon—Vernon Smith

Old St. Hilary's Preserve in Tiburon

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Join Eva Buxton, botanist and resident of Tiburon, for a hike at this Marin County Parks open space parcel at the southern end of the Tiburon peninsula. The preserve supports one of two populations of Tiburon jewel-flower, a serpentine and geographic endemic that flowers in the late spring. There will be other spring wildflowers in bloom as well. We'll climb to the top of the ridge via a moderately steep trail for fantastic views of the Bay Area. A plant list is available on the CNPS Marin Chapter website.

What to wear and bring: sturdy shoes/boots, hiking poles (if you use them), layered clothing, sun hat, sunblock, plenty of water, and lunch.

Meet at the entrance gate at the end of Vistazo West, reached by taking the Tiburon Blvd. (Hwy. 131) exit from Hwy. 101, going east for 3.5 miles, turning left onto Lyford Dr., continuing 0.3 mile, turning right on Vistazo West, and following it to the end, 0.2 mile.

Leader: Eva Buxton evabuxton@sbcglobal.net
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Ring Mountain

Saturday, June 6, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

This dry spring might hold some surprises, but we hope to find in bloom several of this Marin County Open Space preserve's rare plants, including Tiburon mariposa lily (*Calochortus tiburonensis*), found only at this location, and Marin dwarf flax (*Hesperolinon congestum*). Other lovely flowers we can expect to see include lthuriel's spear (*Triteleia laxa*) and farewell-to-spring (*Clarkia rubicunda*). Participants able to linger until 4 p.m. will be rewarded by the delightful sight of clouds of the whitish starry flowers of soap plant (*Chlorogalum pomeridianum*), which seem to hover over the grasses, of which there are many attractive native species in the preserve. The top of the ridge affords 360-degree views, and serpentine rock outcroppings host an array of interesting plants. A plant list is available on the CNPS Marin Chapter website.

Meet at the top end of Westward Dr., off Paradise Dr. in Corte Madera, a few blocks east of the Paradise Shopping Center (comestibles and restrooms available at Paradise Market). Latecomers should easily find our group higher up the trail that starts at the end of Westward. Bring lunch, plenty of water, and clothes for possibly cold, possibly hot, almost certainly breezy weather. This will be a joint outing with the Northern California Society of Botanical Artists (NCalSBA), so bring your sketching supplies if you are artistically inclined.

Leader: Kristin Jakob kristinjakob@att.net 415.388.1844 (land line).

Field trip information continued on page 5

MARIN COUNTY PARKS NATURALIST WALKS

The walks listed here are for ages 15+. MCP requests that no pets (except service animals) attend. High fire danger cancels. If weather is questionable, call 415.893.9527 after 8 a.m. on the morning of the event to hear a recorded message if cancelled. Questions: Contact David Herlocker at 415.893.9508.

Deer Island

Sunday, May 10, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

No longer a true island, this small preserve is still a wildlife oasis at the edge of urban Novato and the surrounding seasonal wetlands. The forest and grasslands here are home to a variety of birds (including many breeding raptors), reptiles, insects, and wildflowers. Remember to bring binoculars, if you have them.

Meet at the gate on Deer Island Ln. in Novato. From Hwy. 101 in Novato, take the exit for Atherton Ave. east for 1.7 miles. Turn right onto Olive Ave. and left onto Deer Island Ln. The gate is on your right.

Cascade Canyon

Tuesday, May 12, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

We'll take advantage of an early start to enjoy the chorus of breeding birds that make this lovely preserve their home. As we make our way through different habitats we'll keep an eye out for these songsters, as well as for an array of wildflowers that decorate this canyon. Remember to bring binoculars, if you have them.

Meet at the gate at the end of Cascade Dr. From Hwy. 101 in Larkspur, take the exit for Sir Francis Drake Blvd. west to Fairfax 3.4 miles. Turn left onto Pacheco Ave., turn right onto Broadway and make first left onto Bolinas Rd. Go 0.4 miles and make a slight right onto Cascade Dr. (at the stop sign). Continue about 1.5 miles to the gate (dead end). Parking is limited.

Birds and Flowers at Loma Alta

Sunday, May 17, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

The north slope of Loma Alta is always a fantastic destination for both birds and wildflowers. The serpentine habitat near the beginning of the road hosts a few rare plants and there is usually a very diverse and colorful bloom that lasts through late spring. The birds regularly seen here include lazuli buntings, horned larks, and grasshopper sparrows, who should be quite active at this time caring for nearly or newly fledged young. This fire road is a steady climb, but we'll take it very slowly. We'll find a shady place to enjoy lunch, and

then descend before the afternoon heat. Remember to bring binoculars, if you have them.

Meet at the Big Rock trailhead. From Hwy. 101 in San Rafael, take the exit for Lucas Valley Rd. west approximately 5.5 miles. Look for the big rock and roadside parking.

Rare Plants of the Tiburon Peninsula

Wednesday, May 27, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

The late-season bloom on this ridge includes one of the rarest and most unusual plants in the world, the Tiburon mariposa lily. We'll look for this and other flowers as we take in spectacular views of the bay. After lunch, we'll drive over to Old Saint Hilary's Preserve to see the rare and lovely Tiburon jewel-flower as well as a number of other late-blooming beauties.

Meet at the gate at the end of Taylor Rd. in Tiburon. From Hwy. 101 in Corte Madera, take the exit for Tamalpais Dr. east. Go straight onto San Clemente, which merges into Paradise Dr. after 0.4 miles. Follow Paradise Dr. approximately 1.7 miles, turn right onto Taylor Rd., and follow to end (dead end).



PLANT IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOPS AT SFSU!

Second Thursday of each month, 6–7:30 p.m.

The botany graduate students at San Francisco State University will lead these free plant ID workshops. They very much enjoy teaching and do an excellent job. The next workshop will take place on May 14. No reservation is required.

Join us for some fun time keying plants and learning plant terminology in a relaxed atmosphere. Bring the *Jepson Manual* (old or new edition) or *Plants of the San Francisco Bay Region: Mendocino to Monterey* (revised edition), as well as a hand lens. Participants are welcome to bring their copy of the *Marin Flora*. If you have any further questions, please email Mila Stroganoff at milastroganoff@sbcglobal.net.

Location: Hensill Hall at SFSU, 1600 Holloway Ave., Botany Lab, Room 440. Campus map: sfsu.edu/~sfsuemap/.



WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you would like to make a suggestion for a chapter meeting program, field trip, plant identification workshop, outreach program for schoolchildren, or anything else that could help us improve our service to the public, please contact us. You can phone or email your ideas to any of the board members listed on page 8.

PLANT OF THE MONTH

Text and photo by Doreen Smith

The blue dune gilia (*Gilia capitata* ssp. *chamissonis*) isn't doing very well out on Pt. Reyes or, it seems, anywhere else. It grows in bare sand areas in the coastal dunes, where it is increasingly overrun by South African *Carpobrotus* species (iceplants). Additionally, this subspecies of *Gilia capitata* can easily be confused with some of the others.

Records in the online Consortium of California Herbaria (<http://ucjeps.berkeley.edu/consortium/>) for the coastal counties list the same location supposedly having one or more of these other subspecies (such as subspecies *pacifica* and subspecies *tomentosa*) as well as subspecies *chamissonis*. Pictures of the plant on CalPhotos are mostly from Pt. Reyes; if it were easily found elsewhere in the historic locations there would be more.



Blue dune gilia (*Gilia capitata* ssp. *chamissonis*)

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CALLING ALL YOUNG NATURE LOVERS!

The Marin chapter of CNPS will send a gifted young naturalist to a weeklong summer program in the Sierra Nevada.

Do you know a high school student who loves the outdoors and wants to learn more about everything they see in nature? Encourage that person to apply for our scholarship (covering 90% of costs) for the University of California's new Naturalist Youth Immersion Course.

The 2015 program takes place at the Sagehen Field Station outside of Truckee, July 18–24. The deadline for applications is May 21.

Here's how to get started:

1. Check out the Sagehen Field Station website for details on the program: <http://sagehen.ucnrs.org/events.htm#calnat>.
2. Contact Marin CNPS board member Sam Gilbert to learn about applying for the scholarship: 707.781.9243 or srg@uchicago.edu.

California Naturalist is a new program developed by the University of California Cooperative Extension to foster a committed corps of volunteer naturalists and citizen scientists trained and ready to take an active role in natural resource conservation, education, and restoration.



ZEN OF WEEDING

**Habitat Restoration at Samuel P. Taylor St. Park
Second Friday & second Sunday of every month,
1–3 p.m.**

2015 is the fifth year for our Marin CNPS collaboration with Samuel P. Taylor State Park and San Geronimo Valley's SPAWN (Salmon Protection and Watershed Network). Our list of exotic invasives has grown to about 10, although we focus mainly on *Myosotis latifolia* (forget-me-nots).

This is easy, companionable work. Spending time working under the redwoods restores our spirits as well as the habitat. Our goal is an invasive-free park. We want all the campers and visitors to Samuel P. Taylor Park to discover a more pristine native habitat. Bring your friends, neighbors, and families to join in this great project. We guarantee you will have fun and get hooked on weeding the woods.

We meet just before 1 p.m. at the far end of the picnic area. Bring gloves and get a free parking pass when you volunteer. Contact Nancy Hanson at nandean@comcast.net if you want to attend, need more info, or want notice of other work parties at the park.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ✿ **Friday 5/1, 6–9 p.m. (also 6/5)**
Marin Plant ID Workshop
- ✿ **Monday 5/4, 7 p.m.**
Chapter Board Meeting at the MA&GC, Ross
- ✿ **Friday 5/8, 1–3 p.m. (also 5/10, 6/12, 6/14)**
The Zen of Weeding, Samuel P. Taylor State Park, Lagunitas
- ✿ **Sunday 5/10, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.**
Marin County Parks Naturalist Walk: Deer Island
- ✿ **Sunday 5/10, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Abbotts Lagoon, Pt. Reyes
- ✿ **Monday 5/11, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**
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- ✿ **Tuesday 5/12, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.**
Marin County Parks Naturalist Walk: Cascade Canyon
- ✿ **Thursday 5/14, 5–7 p.m.**
Artist reception for Ernest Clayton Wildflower Images exhibit at the Helen Crocker Russell Library of Horticulture in Golden Gate Park
- ✿ **Saturday 5/16, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.**
Sonoma-Marin Eco-friendly Garden Tour
- ✿ **Sunday 5/17, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Marin County Parks Naturalist Walk: Birds and Flowers at Loma Alta
- ✿ **Thursday 5/21, 9:30 a.m. (also 6/18)**
Third Thursday Weeders Workday at Point Reyes
- ✿ **Wednesday 5/27, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.**
Marin County Parks Naturalist Walk: Rare Plants of the Tiburon Peninsula
- ✿ **Saturday 5/30, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Old St. Hilary’s Preserve in Tiburon
- ✿ **Saturday 5/30, 10 a.m.**
SOD Blitz—Citizen scientists needed! Joseph R. Fink Science Center, Rm. 102, Dominican University, San Rafael
- ✿ **Saturday 5/30 10 a.m.–1 p.m. (also 6/27)**
Ring Mountain Drop-in Volunteer Day
- ✿ **Monday 6/1, 7 p.m.**
Chapter Board Meeting at the MA&GC, Ross
- ✿ **Saturday 6/6, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.**
Chapter Field Trip: Ring Mountain
- ✿ **Monday 6/8, 7:30–9:30 p.m.**
Chapter Meeting: Peggy Fiedler on “Father & Son Botanists”

SIGN UP FOR E-BULLETINS TO KEEP UP WITH CNPS MARIN NEWS!

Periodic e-bulletins are sent out to members and others who wish to be reminded of upcoming events and activities or notified of schedule changes. To sign up, please write to Jim Desser at jdesser@gmail.com.

ECO-FRIENDLY GARDEN TOUR

Saturday, May 16, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Sponsored by the Sonoma-Marin Water Saving Partnership, the Eco-friendly Garden Tour is a public outreach and educational program that promotes sustainable landscaping practices by showcasing inspiring home gardens throughout Sonoma County and North Marin.

The self-guided tour highlights Russian River-friendly and Bay-friendly landscaping best practices and supports QWEL (Qualified Water Efficient Landscaper)-certified professionals by featuring their personal or client’s gardens.

There are four gardens on tour in Novato, including Charlotte Torgovitsky’s habitat garden, where there will be a sheet-mulching demo and a special salvia tour! Charlotte loves salvias; more than three dozen salvias, including most of the California native salvias, are included in the garden.



Eastern redbud (*Cercis canadensis*), *Salvia leucophylla* “Pt. Sal,” monkeyflower “Butter Yellow” hybrid, apricot mallow, (*Sphaeralcea ambigua*), and rosemary in Charlotte’s yard—Charlotte Torgovitsky

Each individual planning to attend must register at www.savingwaterpartnership.org/eco-friendlygarden-tour.

Questions? Contact Gregory Plumb at 707.547.1933 or gregory.plumb@scwa.ca.gov.

MARIN PLANT ID WORKSHOPS

Would you like to join other people interested in a closer look at Marin plants? Then come to the monthly Plant ID Workshops at the College of Marin. Upcoming workshops will be on the first Friday of each month (May 1 and June 5), from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Room SMN 112 on the Kentfield campus. Bring curiosity, as well as plants and a copy of the *Marin Flora* if you have them. For more information, contact Paul da Silva at pdasilva@marin.edu.

RING MOUNTAIN GRASSLAND RESTORATION PROJECT

Saturday, May 30, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Come to Ring Mountain to help restore habitat on this special volunteer day. We'll protect the endangered Tiburon mariposa lily by finding and removing invasive tocolote and yellow star thistles. Thriving populations of these invasive plants once posed a serious threat, but annual removal efforts are yielding positive results. We have not found yellow star thistle in several years and tocolote star thistle is now on the decline. We'll finish the day with storytelling and activities for kids! Join us to become part of this habitat restoration success story.

Drop-in days are held on the last Saturday of every month (except November and December). All skill levels are welcome and no previous experience is necessary. All ages are welcome; anyone under the

age of 18 must be accompanied by a supervising adult. Dress in layers you can get dirty, wear sturdy shoes, and bring water. Snacks, lunch, and extra water will be provided. In the event of heavy rain and/or high winds call 415.473.3778 to find out about event status. In the event of cancellation, program will be rescheduled.

RSVP's are appreciated but not required. Questions or to RSVP: Contact Volunteer Coordinator Greg Reza at 415.473.3778. Check the Marin County Parks website events calendar (www.marincountyparks.org/depts/pk/calendar) for the latest information about meeting times, locations, and activities.

Location: End of Taylor Road, Tiburon. From Hwy. 101 in Corte Madera, take the exit for Tamalpais Dr. east. Go straight onto San Clemente, which merges into Paradise Dr. after 0.4 miles. Follow Paradise Dr. approximately 1.7 miles, turn right onto Taylor Rd., and follow to end (dead end).

MARIN CNPS CONTACTS

Position	Name
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Membership benefits include informative publications, field trips, monthly programs, and discounts on books and posters. Also included are *Fremontia* (a journal with articles on all aspects of native plants published three times/year), the *Bulletin* (a quarterly statewide report of activities and schedules), and the chapter newsletter. Please call the membership chairperson, Charlotte Torgovitsky, for more information.

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New Member Renewal

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www.cnps.org (state) The state CNPS site offers a wealth of materials, including promotional materials such as banners and posters.

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