

Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods

Preservation through Education and Stewardship

Russian River District State Parks

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70 State Parks Slated for Closure

Michele Luna, Executive Director

The dreaded news came on Friday, May 13th when the pending list of park closures was finally released.

For those who work closely with our State Parks, it was another of many blows we've received in the last four years. There are four parks in eastern Sonoma County on the list, including Annadel, Sugarloaf, Jack London and Petaluma Adobe. In western Sonoma County, Austin Creek State Recreation Area is listed for closure. This list however does not include all the service reductions that have been in affect in hundreds of parks since last fall. In the Russian River District five campgrounds, ten day-use areas and Fort Ross has been closed weekdays. Ten camping and day-use areas in Russian River will NOT be reopening this summer. Visit our website for details.

As we know, the economy of Sonoma County depends on tourism to survive. Our State Parks provide a huge incentive to come to this area and enjoy nature, along with art and wine. We hope local business owners will see the advantage of partnering with non-profit organizations to keep our parks open.

It is also important to mention that those of us who have been working to Save our State Park over the past four years, are still keeping the goal of a sustainable funding source for State Parks in the forefront of our minds. After the defeat of Proposition 21 in November, we are re-thinking how best to achieve this long-term goal. It's unfortunate that we now are distracted with coming up with solutions to keeping our parks open in the meantime.

Of immediate concern to Stewards is coming up with a way to protect the magnificent 5700 acres of wilderness in Austin Creek State Recreation Area. This area has already been hit in recent years with five different marijuana-growing operations and the land still hasn't been restored after the devastation that ensued. Fire danger is also of concern and this park is contiguous with the old growth forest in Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve. Stewards is having conversations with park staff about expanding our volunteer patrols, expanded our stewardship efforts and even looking for ways to partially operate this park if AB 42 passes. AB



Mission Statement

Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods (Stewards) works in partnership with California State Parks to protect and interpret the natural and cultural resources of the Russian River District.

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42 (Huffman) is a bill that will provide an avenue for nonprofit organizations to enter into operating agreements with State Parks without having to go through the legislative process. On Thursday, May 19th the bill passed in the Assembly, which was great news. It is now being presented in Senate committees hopefully will make it to the Senate floor by August. There is no way nonprofit park-related organizations can provide all the services that are available when a park is fully open but we can try to assist in some non-traditional ways with the help of this legislation.

Besides Austin Creek SRA, Stewards is looking for more ways to assist at Sonoma Coast State Park. We are currently keeping the Visitor Center and restrooms in Jenner open with community donations. The only way we can expand our services and protect these treasured public lands is with public support. Volunteers are certainly needed but it's going to take funding that Stewards currently does not have to help us increase our efforts.

We encourage you to help Stewards by making donations, attending our events this summer and contacting us about becoming a volunteer. Information is available on Stewards' website www.stewardsofthecoastandredwoods.org

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RECENT GRANT AWARDS

Michele Luna, Stewards Executive Director

The work Stewards does would not be possible without the grant funds we are awarded each year. We are most grateful for the following Foundations who have invested in our success.

California State Parks Foundation: An award in the amount of \$2,700 was awarded for our 2011 Earth Day and Restoration Clean-up in Jenner. This grant was made possible by PG&E and our event was a partnership that included 70 volunteers, including PG&E employees.

The Sebastopol Rotary: A grant in the amount of \$2,000 will support our education programs.

The Medtronic Foundation: Stewards was awarded \$8,000 to support our work providing 6,000 school children opportunities to use our State Parks as their outdoor classroom.

National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF): A \$5,000 grant was awarded for Strategic Planning and Capacity Building. The grant was made possible by Toyota Motor Sales, Inc.

THE POWER OF YOUTH STEWARDSHIP

Bill Bambrick, Board President, Docent and Trail Crew Coordinator

Stewards has had a long relationship with Mountain Shadows Middle School's Expeditionary Learning program. After Mountain Shadows closed, the program was moved to Lawrence E. Jones Middle School. As a docent in the Watershed Education Program, over the last half dozen years I have had the pleasure of working with the 6th graders in this program in the classroom and in the Willow Creek Watershed. Without fail, each year I was impressed with how bright and engaged the students



were and the active support given by their parents. This April, Doug King and I volunteered to work with the 7th grade class on a service project. Most of the students had been out with me the year before as 6th graders collecting benthic macro invertebrates as part of the Watershed Ed Program.

We selected the rebuilding of the ramp at the bottom of the Marshall Gulch beach trail. This was a stone and sand ramp that had been washed out over the last few winters. It was a project that the volunteer trail crew had in our "job jar", but it kept getting pushed back by higher priorities. We were a little

concerned about how well 26 students would work in the confines of the ramp area. As it turned out, we had no need to be concerned. The kids quickly understood what we planned to do, and as we stepped through the rebuilding process, they organized themselves into working groups. As we progressed, several parents became actively involved to such an extent I was able to break away and weed-whack the overgrown parts of the trail (with a number of students assisting).

The work started with the removal of all but the biggest rocks from what was left of the ramp. Students passed the rocks in bucket brigade style. Once cleared, teams of four students repositioned the biggest rocks to act as the ramp foundation. Then some students searched for and carried progressively smaller stones to other students, who built up the ramp. As the ramp was being built, other students shoveled sand and dirt that was carried in buckets or pulled by four students in a special "fat wheeled" cart over the sand for dumping between the stones. Once the stones and sand/dirt were in place, the students formed a line and tromped up and down the ramp until the surface was firm.



Once again the students and parents of this exceptional program impressed me—this time with how they worked together and the quality of their work.

CAL REPORT

Andrea Mapes, Supervising Ranger, CAL

I will start by saying this is one of the most difficult articles I've written. I prefer to keep things light and positive. However, if I didn't write about park closures following the release of the list of 70 State Parks slated to close, I would be ignoring a rather large elephant. Austin Creek State Recreation means beauty, tranquility, and biodiversity to many; how can we close this gem? This sentiment is being echoed at 69 other State Parks across California. There is also talk of why this park and not that park? No matter what park you choose, someone loves that park, someone works in that park, animals and plants call that park home, and important historical events occurred in that park or are represented there.

Putting a higher value or priority on certain parks over others is ugly work and flies in the face of what our mission tells us and what park employees believe in. Yet it is work our leaders have been faced with in recent years because of our dire financial situation. I assure you that no park employee wants to see any park close and we as employees are nervously asking many of the same questions you are: What will become of California State Parks? What does closing a park mean and how will it be accomplished? Will more parks close? How long will they be closed? The answers are unwritten, leaving employees, our partners and volunteers, and the public in a frustrating state of limbo.

In the midst of this sea of uncertainty, there is still one thing about which I feel confident. In May I attended the CALPA conference and witnessed that every park, no matter its size, visitation, or budget, has champions who care passionately about it. These champions are what gives me confidence. These champions are people who volunteer their time working in parks; people who tell their friends, family and the public about our parks' value; people who donate or raise money for our cooperating associations to support parks; and people who write their representatives or attend public meetings or rallies in support of State Parks. While solutions are desired and being sought on the government level, these people will continue to help State Parks achieve its mission and fight to keep parks open.

If you are one of these people, from the bottom of my heart, thank you. Thank you for continuing your work despite the adversity we face. You give California State Parks strength, hope and a resonating voice.

SAVING AUSTIN CREEK

Austin Creek State Recreation Area is comprised of 5,683 acres of oak woodlands, redwood forest, the headwaters of East Austin Creek, Fife Creek and Gilliam Creek. Elevations within the park range from 150 feet above sea level to almost 1,900 feet on Marble Mine Ridge.

The park includes twenty miles of hiking trails, two backcountry camp sites and Bull Frog Pond campground with twenty-four sites. The area is popular with equestrians, hikers and bicyclists (on service roads). Wildflower displays are incredible during the spring and the area is prolific with a diversity of native plants and wildlife.

In addition, Austin Creek's historic Pond Farm Pottery was the home, workshop, and school of the internationally renowned ceramic artist, Marguerite Wildenhain. There are prehistoric sites that date back 4,000 years.

Without people acting as the eyes and ears in this park it could fall prey to more pot growing operations, threats of fire, and vandalism. Stewards is currently recruiting volunteers to join our Foot Patrol, Mounted Assistance Unit for equestrians, and ride the service roads on bike. Contact stewards@mcn.org if you are willing to help.



WAYS TO HELP SAVE OUR STATE PARKS

Write our legislators and tell them how you feel. The easiest way to send off a message that you can even customize is through the California State Park Foundation's website. www.calparks.org - follow the links to Take Action.

Attend the **Save our State Parks Rally and Expo** on the north steps of the Capital in Sacramento on June 21, 2011. The event will take place from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm.

Contact Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods for ways to assist in Austin Creek State Recreation Area and on Sonoma Coast State Park. www.stewardsofthecoastandredwoods.org

Contact the Fort Ross Interpretive Association (FRIA) for ways to help restore services at the Fort. <http://fortrossinterpretive.org/>

For Annadel, Sugarloaf, and Jack London you can contact the Valley of the Moon Natural History Association. www.jacklondonpark.com Also contact Landpaths for ways they are working with other organizations to support these parks. www.landpaths.org

SEMINARS AND ORIENTATIONS - 2011 REPORT

Ruby Herrick, Programs Manager

This spring brought forth new growth, new volunteers and wild weather!

Whale Watch started with 12 new volunteers and many loyal returning docents. Bea Brunn, Whale Watch Coordinator, has successfully led the program through another season, with assistance from Norma Jellison.

All three **“New Volunteer Orientations”** took place in the Volunteer Center at Armstrong this year. Supervising Ranger, Andrea Mapes, (also our Cooperating Association Liaison) gave presentations about the “Volunteers In Parks” program at each one. Rich Lawton, Stewards Board member and retired State Parks Ranger, did essential presentations on the basics of interpretation.

Local historians and authors, John Schubert, Doris Dickenson and Carmen Finley, gave lively and informative talks at the **“The History of Armstrong Redwoods and Austin Creek”** seminar, held January 8th. John, who is the author of *The Russian River, Then and Now*, explored the history of the Guerneville area. Doris and Carmen discussed their latest historical book, *Parson Jones*, and talked about Colonel Armstrong’s important role in preserving Armstrong Redwoods.

“The Principles of Interpretation” and **“Interpretation with Children”** seminars on January 15th had excellent speakers who combined slide presentations, activities and walks in Armstrong. SRJC Environmental Ed teacher, Kasey Wade, gave a presentation on the history and principles of interpretation and Catherine Preddy talked about “Interpretation with Children.”

The **“Armstrong Tour Guides Logistics”** seminar followed. Gary and Melanie Lathan, retired State Parks staff and now docents, gave comprehensive talks on the logistics of leading school groups. Rich Lawton, completed the seminar with a presentation on interpretation, and then took the lucky group on an instructional walk in Armstrong.

The seminar **“Redwood Ecology,”** held January 22nd, was led by State Parks’ Environmental Scientist, Brendan O’Neil. His exceptional talk on the redwood environment included the much loved DVD, National Geographic’s *Redwood Giants*. Following the DVD, he led a popular walk in Armstrong and the weather cooperated!

“Tidepool Education and Roving Orientation” was held at the Jenner Visitor Center (JVC) where 10 new and several returning volunteers were treated to the slide presentation of “World Between the Tides.” Hollis Bewley, Program Coordinator, Board Member and tidepool docent, did a beautiful job of narrating the presentation until the projector bulb blew out! This unexpected event provided more time to discuss the program and get to know each other before the afternoon seminar. Those who attended the seminar, **“Exploring the Intertidal,”** enjoyed tidepooling at Shell Beach and were treated to the substantial knowledge of our speaker Karl Menard, Aquatic Resources Manager at Bodega Marine Lab.



Presentations on **“Pinnipeds and Coastal Birds,”** and the **“Seal Watch Orientation”** took place on Feb. 19th. Sara Allen gave an informative talk on marine mammals and recent studies in that field. Veteran Seal Watch docent, Mary Follis, followed with a presentation on coastal birds, with skulls, bird calls, and illustrations to pass around. Seal Watch Program Coordinator and Board Member, Bob Caricato, introduced new volunteers to the logistics of Seal Watch. Veteran Seal Watch Monthly Coordinators, Mary Follis, Bill Ruppert, Patricia Petzar, Bob Caricato, Bill Bambrick and Joyce Carlson, have dedicated their time to help organize volunteers on a monthly basis and continue to be vitally important to the program. Their work has paid off, with 14 new volunteers this year.

The **“Birding In Willow Creek Watershed”** seminar was moved to February 26th, because of weather. Peter Leveque, retired SRJC Instructor, gave a fantastic and exuberant talk on birds, much of it outside on the deck. Despite the forecast, blue skies, calm waters and the usual breeze made for a beautiful day at the estuary.

At the **“History of Willow Creek”** seminar on March 5th, speakers covered our fascinating cultural history on the coast with slide presentations, books, paintings and pelts. Robin Joy and Hank Birnbaum, State Parks Interpretive Specialists from Fort Ross, gave an exceptional presentation on the history of different cultural groups who lived in the Fort Ross area and along the coast. Marianne Hurley, State Parks Historical Specialist, presented slides of historic structures in Willow Creek and along the coast, which gave us a look into past human endeavors in our community. She led an afternoon interpretive walk of historic farm buildings in Willow Creek.

Our presenter for **“Geology of Sonoma Coast”** on March 12th was Rebecca Perlroth, SRJC Geology Instructor. We were again treated to an entertaining seminar that revealed the fascinating and ongoing geologic story of our dynamic coast. Among the more amazing slides was an illustration of the underwater mountain ranges that are present in seas and oceans around the globe.

The **“Plants and Wildflowers of Armstrong/Austin Creek”** seminar was moved to April 2nd for better floral displays and—no surprise—we had bad weather. Docents Joyce Bacci, Norman Hill and Keith Nelson lead the yearly walk, which started in Armstrong and went uphill for a bit of sun in Austin Creek. A good walk with many wildflowers was reported by novice and experienced plant lovers.

Ranger Ellen Brem gave an educational and energetic slide presentation for the **“Wildlife of Western Sonoma County”** seminar on April 9th, with pelts and skulls to enhance the talk. There was a quiz at the end of the seminar and all who took it aced it!

The **“Armstrong Visitor Center Orientation”** followed, with docent Doris Dickenson sharing her volunteer experience in the Armstrong Visitor Center with five new volunteers. An important (and often overlooked) part of volunteering at the Visitor Center was brought up by Doris—reading the Armstrong map upside down to show park features to the visitors on the other side of the counter.

The **“Environmental Living Program”** (ELP) and **“Watershed” orientations** were combined. Andrea Mapes gave a short talk on interpretation with children, bringing along a hat covered with felt leaves and vines, which she made to help kids identify trees. Suzanne Abrams, ELP Coordinator went over ELP logistics in the morning, and Bill Bambrick covered “Watershed” logistics in the afternoon at Willow Creek. Suzanne, Bill, Doug and Audrey King, and Sukey Robb-Wilder, veteran ELP/Watershed Ed docents, did an excellent job demonstrating the learning stations for new volunteers.

The **Jenner Visitor Center (JVC) orientation** was moved to April 23rd and was again successfully led by Linda Fisher, JVC Program Coordinator, who introduced the program to eight new volunteers. Included in the orientation was a talk on birds in and around the JVC, by Leah Norwood, birder and contributor to *Sonoma County Breeding Bird Atlas*. Bill Ruppert, gave an important talk on using the two-way radios at the JVC, the lifeline to Seal Watch docents on the beach at Goat Rock.

The **“Plants and Wildflowers of Sonoma Coast”** seminar was held on April 30th, led by Michelle Cooper of Bodega Marine Reserve, who provided excellent plant ID handouts. The hike from Shell Beach up the Pomo Trail presented a beautiful display of mostly native annuals, bulbs and grasses. The wind did not pick up until the end of this educational walk, making for a beautiful morning.

In May, the **“Archeology of Sonoma Coast”** seminar was led by Tom Origer, SRJC teacher and professional archeologist with his staff, Vicki Beard, Janine Loyd, Eric Strother and Eilene Barrow. Oral history, legality, bones and obsidian were discussed, with skulls and obsidian pieces to illustrate. Tom gave the concluding presentation on artifacts and how weapon points were made, while everyone examined obsidian flakes which were passed around. A site visit to Gleason’s Landing followed.

The **“Pond Farm and the Legacy of Marguerite Wildenhain”** seminar took place June 4th with a video of Marguerite at Pond Farm on the screen to greet people as they arrived. Laura Parent, State Park Maintenance staff in Armstrong, spoke of Marguerite and Pond Farm, complementing her informative talk with a photo presentation of the artists work, books, one of Marguerite’s pots and two sculptures. A visit to Pond Farm completed the morning.

A second Seal Watch orientation and training took place on June 4th at the Jenner Visitor Center, with Mary Follis. The **“Seal Watch Estuary Viewing by Kayak,”** was rescheduled to Sunday June 12th because of rough waters and storms in the estuary. Docent Suki Waters led kayakers in the estuary while teaching water safety and how to respectfully view the harbor seals at Goat Rock.

The people mentioned in this article deserve our sincere thanks for volunteering and contributing to the understanding of our natural and cultural community. The seminars and orientations would not have taken place without their help. Our thanks to State Parks staff Andrea Mapes, Ellen Brem, Mike Wisehart, Damien Jones, Lexi Jones; to Stewards office volunteers Michele Sokol, Yvonne Kenner, Roz Hendy, Clara Else, Molly Stanton, granddaughter Megan Stanton and Barbara Hoffmann; and for assistance at the orientations and seminars to JoAnne Ackermann, Hollis Bewley, Bill Bambrick, Rich Lawton, Linda Price and Elizabeth Vega. All of these people, plus those who attended, made this season’s orientations and seminars incredibly rewarding. We hope you will continue to be a part of State Parks volunteer programs and Stewards.

Volunteer Opportunities

Call the Stewards office:
869-9177 x1# or email
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Program Activities

Armstrong Redwoods

Visitor Center Staffing
FAR
Docent Tour Guides
Trail Maintenance
Habitat Restoration Project
Pond Farm Interest Group

Sonoma Coast State Park

Visitor Center Staffing
Seal Watch
Whale Watch
Tidepool Programs
Watershed Program
Environmental Living Prog.
Sonoma Coast Stewardship

Other Projects

Recycling & Firewood
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SUMMER ECOADVENTURES

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Birding Walk at Bodega Head

Hike Leader, Hollis and Jerry Bewley

Saturday, July 16, 2011, 9 am to Noon, \$5 Members, \$15 Non-members, Registration required

See coastal birds on their nests raising their families—devoted Western gulls, surprisingly affectionate cormorants and black oystercatchers. Might see a few others since pigeon guillemots, Northern harriers & peregrines raise their young in the same neighborhood. Easy walking as we'll concentrate on observing, dress in layers & bring your binoculars. The Bewleys will bring a couple of spotting scopes.

Jenner Headlands Coastal Hikes

August 13, 2011 and October 8, 2011, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm - FREE EVENT, registration required

Bring a lunch including water, strenuous hike, must be in good physical condition.



The hike will take place along the coastal headlands of the property. This strenuous 4.0-mile roundtrip hike will ascend more than 800 feet in elevation. Along the way, hikers will be greeted with dazzling views of the Sonoma Coast (on clear days!). Some sections of the route are especially rough with uneven footing so please wear sturdy hiking boots. This hike is not for inexperienced hikers — you must be in good physical condition. Along with the rough terrain comes the varying coastal weather that can bring bright, sunny skies or damp, cold, foggy and windy weather. We highly recommend dressing in layers and including a windbreaker jacket to protect you from the potentially biting coastal winds.



Peregrine Falcon

Russian River Estuary Birding Seminar with Peter Leveque

September 10, 2011, 9:00 am to Noon - \$5 Members, \$15 Non-members, Registration required

Another opportunity to join Peter Leveque for a viewing of the birds found around the Russian River estuary. Not to be missed.

Salt Point Shoreline Walks, with Keith Nelson

Sundays: June 12 & 26, July 10. 10 - Noon FREE EVENT, Registration not necessary

Meet at Salt Point Visitor Center at Gerstle Cove. Walk the bluffs, and explore coastal trails, wildflowers & geology. 1 1/2 miles roundtrip, about two hours.

Contact FRIA at 707-847-3437 for more information.

WHALE WATCH

Bea Brunn, Whale Mother

Another Whale Watch season comes to an end—and first of all I would like to thank all our fantastic volunteers who have joined us out on the Head this year. We had a crew of really enthusiastic volunteers.

We had more cold winds and stormy ocean this season causing us to cancel several of our days at the Head, but again our faithful volunteers showed up regardless.

In spite of some reports of fewer whales and later migration, we feel we had the same numbers and about the same schedule as past years as they passed Bodega Head on the way to Alaska.

The last two weeks we had a parade of mothers/calves in spite of strong winds and whitecaps. On Friday, April 13th, we had several calves breaching for us 4 or 5 times in a row to our delight and also many visitors.

Our last day, April 22, when we usually have our informal picnic/tailgating, we again got blown off the Head, so we had to move ourselves to a calmer place, and this time we moved all the way to the north end of the Harbor where we camped out beside the horsetrainers. As usual lots of talk and story telling while we enjoyed good food with lots of terrific chocolate cakes and cookies. 12 volunteers showed up.

Thanks again to all our volunteers for helping out and also arriving on the dates you had promised and to the many others that just showed up when they were able to join us.



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ART IN THE PARK

June 18, 2011, Noon to 4:00 pm, Armstrong Redwoods SNR

Free Event, parking fees apply.

Art Exhibition and Sale, Wine/Beer Tasting, Food & Entertainment

GOURMET HIKE & SILENT AUCTION

July 9, 2011, 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm, Armstrong Redwoods SNR

\$35 per person or 2 for \$65, Tickets available online, Event sells out each year.

Begin in the picnic area and then stroll through the old growth forest tasting appetizers and wine. Entertainment and Silent Auction in the historic Forest Theater. Menu on our website.

OLD GROVE FESTIVAL & GREAT FEAST

September 17, 2011, Gates open at 4:00 pm, Headliner at 7:00 pm

The Best Intentions - "Groove in the Grove" with Motown Classics

The Best Intentions are an unforgettable experience of the great Motown acts of the 60's, 70's and 80's, featuring dynamic tributes to The Temptations, The Four Tops, Smokey Robinson & The Miracles and Gladys Knight & The Pips. You can't resist dancing and singing to these fabulous Classics.

Visit our website www.oldgrovefestival.org and watch a YouTube video of The Best Intentions.

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Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods

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