Monday, March 12 Marin Chapter Meeting

“An Introduction to the Flora of Goose Lake, Modoc County” by guest speaker Dick O’Donnell

At our March meeting, Dick O’Donnell’s will present the photographic record of his first visit to Modoc County, limited to the immediate vicinity of Goose Lake. The season started late in 2011. Snow and muddy conditions made access to the Warner Mountains difficult... and just as well, because numerous, very colorful flowering plants decorated the lowlands very richly. Had he gone with his original plan to visit the Warners, he would probably have missed all of what he’ll show in the slides for this talk. In addition to the floral highlights, there were artifacts from earlier days: arrowheads, mortars, and rock art.

Dick O’Donnell is a retired economist who has determined that hiking, learning, and talking about it are cost-effective. His botanical excursions into New Mexico, Arizona, and all over California have inspired him to write articles, some of which have been published in Madrono, The Four Seasons, and Manzanita.

Above: Lithophragma tenellum (slender woodland star) by Dick O’Donnell

March meeting:

5:45 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.
**MT. TAMALPAIS RARE PLANT TREASURE HUNT 2012**

The Rare Plant Treasure Hunt (RPTH) is a volunteer program started by CNPS. It’s designed to get people excited about rare plant conservation, as well as to gather important data on rare plants around the state. Almost half of the rare plant populations in California have not been documented in more than 20 years, and recent data is needed to ensure their long-term conservation. Volunteer botanists—both amateurs and experts—search for and document historical and new rare plant populations.

This year, the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) and CNPS are teaming up to bring the RPTH to Mt. Tamalpais to celebrate the MMWD’s centennial anniversary. Come explore parts of the mountain that you’ve never seen before, learn about Mt. Tam’s unique rare plants, and improve your botanical skills. Each trip starts at 9 or 10 a.m. and finishes between 2 and 4 p.m. Details for trips will be at www.cnps.org/cnps/rareplants/treasurehunt/calendar.php. To RSVP for a trip or find out more info, send an email to dslakey@cnps.org.

- **Saturday, March 10**  
  (Tentative) Bolinas manzanita (*Arctostaphylos virgata*), Mason’s ceanothus (*Ceanothus masonii*), and rare glory bushes (*C. gloriosus* var. *porrectus* and *exaltatus*) on Bolinas Ridge. Easy-moderate hike.

- **Thursday, March 29**  

- **Thursday, April 12**  

- **Saturday, April 14**  
  Serpentine endemics along Rocky Ridge with City College of San Francisco. Moderate hike; shuttle available.

**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.

**DONATION RECEIVED**

Member Diane Zuendt has donated $250, unrestricted, to the Marin Chapter, in honor of Kristin Jakob. Thank you, Diane!

**GROWING NATIVES**

We’ve been busy potting up hundreds of plants for the annual Spring Plant Sale. *Salvia*, *Ribes*, and *Cornus* are propagated from cuttings; *Iris*, *Fragaria*, and *Solidago* are propagated by divisions; and a selection of annual wildflowers are growing along from seed.

At our last work session we potted up 256 *Muhlenbergia rigens* into 2" pots! Seed was sown in mid-December; by February the seedlings were a mere two or three blades each, but with good root development; and ready for more room to grow. We’ll baby them along for several months before we pot them up to a 4" size. Within in year we’ll have vigorous full sized plants ready for the garden!

Thank you to Doreen S., Kristin J., Renee F., Carolyn L., Suzi K., and Daniel K. for providing seedlings and divisions to add to the collection. Please let me know if you have native plants that can be divided, or seedlings to contribute. We’ll take good care of them!


Come join this group of dedicated plant people! We always have a great time while working together, sharing good energy, tips and ideas; and as an added bonus, there are often extra seedlings to share!

Following is a schedule of work days and times, as follows;

- **Tuesdays, 1–3 p.m.**  
  March 6 and 20

- **Thursdays, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.**  
  March 1, 15, and 29

- **Saturdays, 10 a.m.–noon**  
  March 10 and 24

It’s not necessary to confirm. Come to Green Point Nursery, 275 Olive Ave. at the corner of Atherton Ave. in Novato.

No need to bring anything; we have gloves and tools on hand, and our work space is covered, so only a heavy rain or high winds cancel the workday.

I’m looking forward to sharing in the abundant joys of plant propagation!

—Charlotte Torgovitsky  
torgovitsky@comcast.net, (415) 892-9148

**NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE!**

You can find a color PDF edition of this newsletter on the Marin chapter website by visiting www.marinnative-plants.org/newsletters.html.
Save native plant habitat at Point Reyes with the…

Free Marin Master Gardener Newsletter

Marin residents are eligible for a free email subscription to the Marin Master Gardener quarterly e-newsletter, the *Leaflet*, featuring:

- Seasonal advice
- Links to research-based horticulture resources
- Plant suggestions
- Invitations to Master Gardener events and classes
- Answers to common gardening questions
- Solutions to pest and disease problems

Visit [http://ucanr.org/sites/MarinMG/Marin_Master_Gardener_Help_Desk/Leaflet](http://ucanr.org/sites/MarinMG/Marin_MASTER_Gardener_Help_Desk/Leaflet) for more information and to sign up.

2012 PT. REYES BIRDING & NATURE FESTIVAL

*Friday, April 27–Monday, April 30*

Bay Area outdoors enthusiasts should plan on attending the Point Reyes Birding and Nature Festival, based at the West Marin School in Point Reyes Station.

The Festival celebrates the rich birdlife and natural history supported by West Marin’s unique coastline, wetlands, forests, grasslands, and ranches. With many of our area’s top birders and naturalists participating as guides and presenters, it offers outstanding opportunities for birding and nature enthusiasts of all levels. CNPS’s own Doreen Smith will be leading a wildflower walk at Bull Point, and other plant-oriented outings are planned for Mt. Tam, Muddy Hollow, and Chimney Rock.

This year’s schedule will include over 70 bird walks, talks, and lectures, including several events for beginners and kids. As a whole, we expect the Festival outings to tally a cumulative total of close to 200 species of birds (not to mention dozens of mammals, butterflies, marine mammals, and other wildlife!) Best of all perhaps will be the tremendous camaraderie to be experienced by those attending. Saturday evening’s banquet will feature a keynote address by John Muir Laws, preceded by a happy hour and live auction.

To register, visit [www.pointreyesbirdingfestival.org](http://www.pointreyesbirdingfestival.org). Last year, nearly every walk and outing sold out well before the Festival weekend, so sign up soon!

The Festival benefits the habitat conservation work of the Environmental Action Committee of West Marin (EAC). You can read about some of EAC’s conservation work at [www.eacmarin.org](http://www.eacmarin.org).

### THIRD THURSDAY WEEDERS

*Next workday: March 15, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.*

Would you like to help improve plant habitat with your own two hands? Join the “Third Thursday Weeder—a collaboration of the Marin chapter of CNPS and the Environmental Action Committee of West Marin—to tackle invasive weeds that threaten important plant habitat in the Point Reyes National Seashore.

The group meets on the third Thursday of each month at locations arranged with Seashore staff. We have hand-pulled small iceplant seedlings at a gorgeous location on the Outer Point, and dug up European beachgrass at Abbott’s Lagoon. Not only did we enjoy fun days of camaraderie in the great outdoors at Point Reyes, we made a significant contribution to improving habitat for native species!

Our next two work parties will take place on Thursday, March 15th and April 19th. Send an email to Ellen Hamingson at Ellen_Hamingson@nps.gov to be notified of the time and place to meet. Tentatively, we are planning to weed around the edges of the Point Reyes Lighthouse Parking Lot, an area which supports numerous species of unusual native plants. Ehrharta grass and other invasives are trying to displace these species so the area needs our attention!

Bring plenty of water, lunch and snacks, warm and wind-stopping layers, sturdy shoes, work clothes. No shorts or open-toed shoes. Please let us know if you plan to join the group by emailing Ellen as mentioned above. Ellen will send out a reminder and instructions on where to meet. For more information, contact Carolyn Longstreth at cklongstreth@gmail.com.

Hope to see you on March 15th and April 19th!
MARCH 2012 FIELD TRIPS
Marin Chapter Field Trip News and Policies

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.

Field Trip Plant Lists

Plant lists compiled by Marin CNPS for many Marin localities are available on the Marin Chapter CNPS website at www.marinnativeplants.org.

Cataract of Wildflowers

Saturday, March 17, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

You’ll see why this trail is so popular even if it’s in an out-of-the-way location; it is aptly named, with Cataract Creek roaring and tumbling over rocks and boulders during the rainy season. We’ll hike the two miles steeply up to the Laurel Dell picnic area looking at wildflowers in rocky outcroppings and grassy meadows, in shade and sun. We’ll return by the same route. This hike is especially suitable for beginning plant enthusiasts.

To get there, drive about seven miles south of Fairfax on the Bolinas Fairfax Road to the Alpine Lake dam. Continue across the dam and about a quarter mile to where the road takes a hairpin turn. Rain cancels; call Dabney if in doubt.

Leader: Dabney Smith, (415) 320-9229

Adobe Lilies of Bear Valley

Sunday, March 18, 10 a.m.

As a follow-up to their recent chapter meeting presentation, Doreen and Vernon Smith are planning to lead a trip to Bear Valley, Colusa County in hopes of seeing the adobe lilies, *Fritillaria pluriflora*. Meet at 10 a.m. at the Judge Davis trailhead near the south end of the Walker Ridge dirt road on the south side of Highway 20 at the Lake/Colusa county line. Contact Doreen or Vernon at (415) 479-7888 for directions. Approximate travel time is two hours.

Calypso Orchid Sketching and Painting Walk

Sunday, March 25, 12:45 p.m.

Join Kristin Jakob and Bernard Halliwell of the Northern California Society of Botanical Artists for a few hours of drawing and painting the exquisite calypso orchid (*Calypso bulbosa*) in the field. This orchid, also known as the fairy slipper orchid, is one of the jewels of the San Francisco Bay Area spring: solitary pink to purple to rose-red (rarely white) flowers, a white lip with purple spots and a yellow beard, on an upright stem 10 to 14 centimeters tall, with a solitary, heart-shaped basal leaf.

This field trip offers a wonderful opportunity to see and study these orchids, which grow in undisturbed northern montane forests, in our area under Douglas firs. They cannot easily be cultivated due to mycorrhizal dependence on soil fungi, so must be enjoyed in the wild. Although circumpolar in distribution, this orchid is endangered in many places because of habitat destruction.

Bring outdoor drawing and painting supplies, a bag lunch if you wish to arrive early and picnic, and dress warmly for the shade of the forest in early spring. Sturdy shoes and raingear also recommended. The walk will begin at Rock Spring and probably continue down the Cataract Trail.

Meet at 12:45 p.m. near the east end of the Rock Spring Parking lot in Mt. Tamalpais State Park. The walk will begin at 1 p.m., and will be cancelled in the event of rain. RSVP to Kristin Jakob at (415) 388-1844 or kristinjakob@pacbell.net or to Bernard Halliwell at (415) 383-6701.

RECOMMENDED MARIN COUNTY PARKS NATURALIST WALKS

David Herlocker will lead all of the walks listed below. The walks are for adults, and no animals except service animals are allowed. Questions: contact David at (415) 893-9508 or dherlocker@marincounty.org. Heavy rain may cancel. Call (415) 893-9527 on the morning of the walk to hear a recorded message if cancelled.

For more information, visit www.marincountyparks.org/Depts/PK/Programs/Naturalist.

French Ranch Loop

Thursday, March 1, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

This 6.5-mile walk will take us up to the Dixon Ridge/Barnaby Mountain fire road which passes through a variety of habitats, including chaparral, oak woodland, and Douglas fir and redwood forests. We can expect to see an assortment of wildflowers, birds, butterflies, and other wildlife along the way.

Field trip information continued on page 5
Meet at the Roy’s Redwoods entry gate, on Nicasio Valley Rd., just north of Sir Francis Drake.

**Wildflowers at Mount Burdell**  
**Tuesday, March 6, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.**

We’ll look for early bloomers in a variety of habitats which include volcanic outcrops, serpentine soils, freshwater springs, and oak woodlands. The flora of this Novato preserve is incredibly diverse and includes a number of rare plants as well as many species that don’t occur anywhere else in Marin County.

Meet at the San Andreas trailhead: From Highway 101, take the Atherton Ave./San Marin Dr. exit. Go west on San Marin Dr. for 2.3 miles. Turn right at San Andreas Dr. The gate is near the end on the right.

**Indian Valley Open Space Preserve**  
**Sunday, March 11, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

We’ll start the day with a look at the frogs, toads, and newts that breed here. Then we’ll slowly ascend a rather steep road, stopping all along the way to enjoy the flowers, birds, and other wildlife. We will pass through an area that is carpeted with a plant known as Indian warrior (*Pedicularis densiflora*). With luck they will be in full bloom.

Meet in parking area 6: From Highway 101 in Novato, follow Ignacio Blvd. all the way through campus to the last parking lot, by the police station.

**Baltimore Canyon**  
**Friday, March 16, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

This is one of the best places to see a great variety of early blooming wildflowers. Within just a mile of the gate, we can find an amazing assortment of different habitats (and birds, bees, and more).

Meet at the Crown Road trailhead: From Highway 101 in Larkspur, take the Sir Francis Drake Blvd. exit and head west towards Kentfield. Turn left at College Ave., turn right at Woodland Rd., and turn left at Evergreen Dr. Continue uphill to the intersection with Ridgecrest; 50 feet uphill from this junction, go left at Crown Rd. Entrance gate is at the end of Crown Rd.

**Terra Linda to Loma Alta**  
**Thursday, March 22, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.**

Let’s check out the brand new 680 trail! We’ll head up the Terra Linda Ridge fire road and hook up with this new route that traverses a sunny south-facing slope. With luck, we’ll have lunch on the top of Loma Alta. 9 miles round trip, 1,300ft. elevation gain

Meet at the trailhead on the south side of Lucas Valley Road across from Mount Muir Ct.: From Highway 101, go west on Lucas Valley Rd. about 2.5 miles; trailhead is on the left.

**Cascade Canyon**  
**Wednesday, March 28, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

Flowers, birds, and butterflies will surround us as we enjoy an early spring day in this Fairfax preserve. This canyon is the upper reach of the San Anselmo Creek watershed, a pristine wildlife refuge, and truly one of the jewels in all of Marin County. We should see an assortment of lilies and other shade-loving flowers in the forest, the open grasslands will be producing their own early blooms, and the serpentine soils will just be sprouting their own unique flora.

Meet at the gate at the end of Cascade Dr.: In downtown Fairfax, drive about 0.4 mile west on Bolinas Rd. and make a soft right at Cascade Dr. (at a stop sign). Continue about a half mile to gate. Parking is limited; please carpool if you can.

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**WELCOME TO NEW MARIN CNPS BOARD MEMBER JANICE BARRY**

About herself, Janice says: I was born in Wyoming and went to college, grad school, and medical school in Southern California. In June of 1974, I moved to Marin eight months pregnant, and our neighbor in Woodacre promptly took me for a hike up in what is now the Giacomini Open Space, rattling off names of the glorious wildflowers as we walked. That was the beginning of my love for the ever-beautiful and fascinating plants of California. When I was able, as the four babies were growing up, I went for hikes with Wilma Follette, whose inviting, cheerful teaching was always an inspiration to send me to the books at home and kept my eyes open while running or hiking. I always kept it in the back of my mind that I would spend much more time with CNPS when I retired. Well, I have not retired; I am still practicing medicine, but fewer hours now, which should permit me some time to do a part in the preservation of our extraordinary gift of botanical heritage.
Along the south side of the flatlands along Lucas Valley Road, just past the historic ranch house, grows a patch of pale green-flowered pipevine, \textit{Aristolochia californica}. From February onwards into March it flowers abundantly and climbs into the poison-oak brush. The shape of the flower is peculiar, like an old-fashioned Dutchman’s pipe, bilaterally-symmetrical with three sepals joined into a curved tube. Most Marin plants have flowers with a green tube but on the outside there are reddish-brown tracings. Flowers can have an unpleasant odor, but this serves to attract pollinating fungus gnats. \textit{Aristolochia} has now been recognized as a descendant from a group of the most primitive of dicotyledons, the clade Magnoliids. This group of dicotyledonous plants existed before the splitting off of the ancestral monocotyledons. They are recognized by having their floral parts arranged in spiral whorls or in threes, and having pollen grains with only one aperture. Most dicotyledons have four or five petals and/or sepals with three apertures to the pollen grains. Other related primitive California plant families are Calycanthaceae, (Spicebush/Wild Ginger Family), Lauraceae (Bay-laurel Family) and Saururaceae (the Anemopsis/Lizard-tail/Yerba Mansa Family).

Many genera included in the Magnoliids have ethereal oils, are scented, and/or have been used in folk medicine. Some of the supposed medicinal uses have been discredited; for example, \textit{Aristolochia californica} contains aristolochic acid, which is a potent human carcinogen and kidney toxin. The caterpillars of pipevine swallowtail butterfly can eat pipevine leaves and accumulate the toxins without harm to themselves. They pass the poison to the adult butterflies, making them distasteful to predators.
DEVIL’S GULCH HABITAT RESTORATION

CNPS volunteers are teaming up with other groups such as SPAWN (Salmon Protection and Watershed Network) to rescue one of the loveliest trails in Marin. In Samuel P. Taylor State Park, there is a side canyon called Devil’s Gulch. Half a mile from Sir Francis Drake and across the creek, Bill’s Trail goes off to the left and then left again to the Stairstep Falls, 1.2 miles further. We are removing the non-native invasive forget-me-nots along this stunning forest walk.

Myosotis latifolia, originally from northwest Africa, has been slowly reaching catastrophic abundance over the last 10 years or so. It has become so common in Marin that nearly everyone I speak to knows the plant and thinks it is darling with its cute blue flowers. But the worst is they all think it is a native wildflower. We at CNPS need to get the word out about this little powerhouse if we want to have any hope of rescuing our moist, woodland, and riparian habitats from its smothering mats.

The good news is that it is really easy and satisfying to pull. Six workdays on this trail in 2011 gave us a running start at stemming the tide. This year we are pulling all the new seedlings and tackling a few areas we couldn’t get to in 2011. February 9 was our first excursion in 2012. We had a beautiful day of satisfying weeding. A great turnout of 10 people achieved 35 volunteer hours for the state park. We focused on removing every seedling big enough to ID on the first half of the trail. Then at noon, we hiked to the falls for lunch and tackled the green sea of plants at the falls. We had fun learning plant names, and bird song too. We got to know some new folks and thoroughly enjoyed our hike. That trail is beautiful all year round and lifts our spirits every time we go there.

Please see our website (http://www.marin.edu/cnps/volunteer.html) for future workday information. We try to have a birder, a botanist, and a salmon expert on every hike. So come on out and help us weed the forest, see what’s in bloom, and revel in the beauty.

—Nancy Hanson

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday 3/1, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.
Marin Co. Parks Naturalist Walk—French Ranch Loop

Tuesday 3/6, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
Marin Co. Parks Naturalist Walk—Wildflowers at Mt. Burdell

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Chapter Board Meeting at the TCC (Tamalpais Conservation Club) office at the MAAGC in Ross

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Monday 4/9, 7:30–9:30 p.m.
Chapter Meeting: John Baston on “Alaskan Wildflowers: From the Mountains to the Sea”

Thursday 4/12
Mt. Tam Rare Plant Treasure Hunt—Sky Oaks

Saturday 4/14, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Annual Marin Chapter Spring Plant Sale

Saturday 4/14
Mt. Tam Rare Plant Treasure Hunt—Rocky Ridge

Friday 4/27–Monday 4/30
2012 Pt. Reyes Birding & Nature Festival

Thursday 4/19, 9:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Third Thursday Weeders Workday at Pt. Reyes
BOARD NEWS

Thank you for voting! Both the board slate and the proposed chapter bylaws changes were voted on and passed at the January membership meeting. The bylaws revisions are described in full detail in the January–February 2012 newsletter, and the board’s structural changes are reflected in this issue’s new chapter contacts roster (below). Several important committee positions remain unfilled: Field Trips, Invasives, and Publicity; these no longer require executive board membership. On the executive board, we still seek a President, and Daniel Kushner would like to help phase in a new Treasurer!

Field Trip Coordinator extraordinaire Brad Kelley is stepping down after several years in this important position. Thank you, Brad, for your service and attention to detail! We are seeking a successor, so anyone who may be interested should contact Vice Presidents David Long or Kristin Jakob. The coordinator does not need to lead trips, but coordinates the outings and compiles a calendar of them for the newsletter and website. Publicity Chair Dabney Smith has stepped down, so we seek someone who could help publicize Marin chapter activities and events through various media. Thank you, Dabney!

Save the date: Saturday, April 14, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

ANNUAL SPRING NATIVE PLANT SALE

This year, we’ll celebrate the Grand Opening of our new Native Plant Nursery within Green Point Nursery, 275 Olive Ave., at the corner of Atherton Ave., Novato! To celebrate the beauty of California’s native flora during Native Plant Week (April 15–21), we are growing a huge selection of wildflowers in 4” pots for you to enjoy in containers or plant in your garden. We’ll have experts on hand to help with your selections. There will be informative talks for home gardeners and naturalist-led hikes as well. See next month’s newsletter or the Marin CNPS website for more details.

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CNPS MEMBERSHIP/DONATIONS

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Join CNPS Now!

Membership includes 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, Ashley Ratcliffe, for more information.

Join or Renew Online

Renew your CNPS membership online using a credit card. As an option, set it to renew automatically year after year. It’s quick, easy, convenient, and reduces renewal mailing costs.


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