



## **California Central Coast Chapter of the Wildlife Society**

January 2013

### **Memorandum**

TO: Western Section TWS Executive Board

FR: Kevin Cooper, Chapter Representative

RE: Chapter Report

### Officers

President: Brooke Langle  
Vice president: Jon Claxton  
Secretary: Sue Christopher  
Treasurer: Dave Hacker  
Chapter Rep: Kevin Cooper

### Chapter Activities

#### Wildlife Certification Workshop

Rhys Evans graciously offered a wildlife certification workshop on January 12 in San Luis Obispo, which was attended by about 14 people, both students and professionals. Cynthia Perrine also helped participants understand the application process, which was greatly appreciated. The costs were very reasonable at \$10 for professionals and \$5 for students, and we hope that participants are successful in receiving their certification and that our local wildlife biologist community will be strengthened by this class.

### CalPoly Wildlife Club and Central California Coast monthly get-together

Each month the Chapter and Cal Poly students meet for dinner at a local establishment to socialize and get to know each other, and share experiences. This has been fun and has created a good partnership with students and professionals benefiting from the interaction.

### Condor field trip – Spring 2013

Our chapter plans on having a field trip to visit Hopper Mountain Condor Refuge and camp out nearby on the Los Padres National Forest. Our goal is to see condor and have fun but also to work with Jesse Grantham from the USFWS Condor recovery team, the Forest Service, USFWS, Caltrans, and CDFG on re-establishing the condor observatory sign along the Cerro Noroeste Road by Bittercreek Wildlife Refuge. This is a great spot to view condors from and would benefit by having a viewing station and interpretive sign. Activities will include a visit to the condor release facilities, condor viewing, and camping out.

### Research Roundtable – February 22, 2013

Once again our research roundtable will be held at Cal Poly campus to give professionals a chance to share their current research efforts and management concerns and to speak to students about their careers. This gives students a chance to see what wildlife professionals are doing locally and a chance for local biologists to share interests, concerns, and issues as well as providing a forum for socializing.

### Kit Fox Workshop – Summer 2013

Last summer the California Central Coast Chapter hosted the "Ecology and Conservation of the San Joaquin Kit Fox" workshop in July in the Carrizo Plains of San Luis Obispo County and we plan on offering this class again in 2013 with a similar forum. Participants spotlighted as many as 30-50 San Joaquin kit foxes during three nights, along with many other San Joaquin Valley endemic species, badgers, burrowing owls, short-eared owls, long-tailed weasels, pronghorn, tule elk, and more. Foxes were also seen during the daytime, along with plenty of dens, tracks, and scat. Camera trapping was successful as well. Participant's overall response was overwhelmingly positive and many plan to sign up again for this year's workshop.

The Wildlife Society  
Humboldt State Student Chapter/Conservation Unlimited  
Department of Wildlife  
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To: TWS-Western Section Executive Board  
From: Bennett Hardy (bh71@humboldt.edu)  
Subject: Humboldt State Student Chapter Representative Report  
Date: January 29, 2013

***I. Chapter Activities***

- **Program meetings**
  - Spring Semester
    - ~Weekly student talks
    - Weekly ecoseries speakers.
    - CNCC Spring Mixer/Beast Feast
- **Workshops**
  - Spring semester
    - Workshops TBD
- **Board meetings**
  - Bi-monthly meetings.
- **Annual Wildlife Society Western Conclave**
  - March 15-18, 2013
  - University of Wyoming, Laramie
  - Aprx. 20 students to attend
- **Miscellaneous Chapter activities**
  - Coffee Table
    - Income: Between \$170-\$250 weekly
    - Run by members of Conclave, so they receive 60-70% of profits (depending on need)
    - Bank~\$6300
    - Use about half of that income to purchase supplies for following week
    - Organizing/brainstorming for Beast Feast next Fall (local hunter supplied game meat dinner social)
- **Membership**
  - ~100 members total. ~50 members (mostly non-Wildlife students) that use their membership to receive a discount at the coffee table.
  - Board elections taking place before semester ends.

## **Board Members and Contacts**

### ***Board Members***

President	Justin Purnell	Jmp99@humboldt.edu
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### ***Committee Chairs***

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# Western Section of The Wildlife Society

## Sacramento-Shasta Chapter Representative Report

January 22, 2013  
*Laura Patterson*



### Current Board Members

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Northern Region Outreach Chair	<b>Vacant</b>	

\* Alternate Chapter Rep when Patterson is unavailable

### Past Chapter Activities

- Chapter Meeting(s)
  - Board meetings – December 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Member socials – Joint mixer with AEP and APA on Dec 6<sup>th</sup> at local art gallery was sold out
  - Fundraisers – none
  - Others – contributed \$125 to Student Conservation Association and \$275 to student raffle at Western Section annual conference and \$100 to Creek Week
- Workshops/symposia/or other professional development – Brown Bag Seminar on November 29<sup>th</sup> – an overview of DFG's Resource Assessment Program's Ecoregion Biodiversity Monitoring project, which is an ongoing, long-term project which provides baseline data and monitors changes in occurrence, distribution, and phenology of wildlife and habitats, and links changes to climate and land use patterns in montane regions of Northern California.
- Newsletters – last issue was November, next will be March

### Upcoming Chapter Activities

- Board meetings – Professional Development Committee meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 at Hoppy Brewing Co. and Executive Board meeting January 30<sup>th</sup> in the American River Room at Western Section annual conference
- Upcoming social events – TBD at PDC meeting this week
- Ideas for future professional development workshops – potential workshops = western yellow-billed cuckoo, western burrowing owl, raptors, Sierran-Cascade Ranids – TBD at PDC meeting this week

### Chapter Focal Points/Issues

- Goals – continue to work closely with UCD Student Chapter and attempt to find a northern region rep to reach out to those outside of the greater Sacramento area
- Opportunities/constraints – even though we have a lot of members, participation in chapter activities is relatively low, hoping new PDC events will change that this year

### Membership

- Numbers – approximately 200 around the end of the year, no tally for new year
- Recruitment efforts – potential Facebook contest to garner more “likes” and members

### Financial Standing

- Chapter budgeted a deficit last year and went ~ \$400 further into the red than planned, but we’re still in good shape with approximately \$28K total in checking, savings, and a CD

### Grants/scholarships

- Awarded a \$100 travel grant to Katie Smith, student presenting on salt marsh harvest mouse movements at Western Section annual conference

### WS Executive Board Action Item Update(s)

- Angela Calderaro is Chapter rep to WS PDC, Kirsten Christopherson Reynolds is Chapter rep proxy to WS Executive Board, and Stephanie Parsons is Chapter member designated to Conservation Affairs Committee (although others from the Chapter are also active participants)

# The Wildlife Society-Western Section San Francisco Bay Chapter Representative Report 01/22/2013

## **Current Board Members**

President	Natasha Dvorak	ndvorak@esassoc.com
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Secretary/Treasurer	Open	
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<i>Non-voting Members</i>		
Newsletter Editor	Brian Pittman	bpittman@esassoc.com
Webmaster	Bridget Sousa	

## **Past Chapter Activities**

- Saturday, Dec. 1: Wildlife Biologist Certification Workshop, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County Co-sponsored with the Western Section. Approximately 20 attendees. Thanks to Rhys Evans for making the trip to lead the workshop.

## **Newsletters**

Brian Pittman is currently working on a winter Wandering Tattler. Past and current newsletters are available on the Chapter website <http://joomla.wildlife.org/sanfrancisco/>

## **Upcoming Chapter Activities**

- Chapter meeting at WS annual conference. Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Looking for candidates for Secretary/Treasurer and President-Elect.

## **Membership**

We are at approximately 105 members.

## **Financial Standing**

The Chapter had approximately \$18,000 in its accounts as of October 2012. More recent update currently unavailable.

## **Grants/scholarships**

The Chapter is donating \$500 to the Western Section annual conference raffle.

## **WS Executive Board Action Item Update(s)**

None currently.

San Joaquin Valley Chapter  
The Wildlife Society

To: TWS-WS Executive Board  
From: Linda Connolly, Chapter Representative  
Subject: San Joaquin Valley Chapter Report  
Meeting Date: January 29, 2013

Recent Actions:

- The Chapter has initiated what we expect will be a year-end tradition of making donations to local land trusts, conservation groups, or other groups. We made donations totaling \$1000, split among The San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, the Sequoia Riverlands Trust, the Sierra Foothill Conservancy, and the Tulare Basin Wildlife Partners.
- The Chapter has offered grants to pay registration fees to the Western Section annual conference in January 2013 for up to 10 student members of our Chapter.
- The Chapter approved the funding of a graduate student research project addressing population genetics of Giant Kangaroo rats at the total requested amount of \$1338.10.

Planning:

- Our Natural Communities Conference will be held during March 2013.
- Our next anticipated workshop will be for Blunt-nosed Leopard Lizard, held likely in April 2013.

Financial Standing

- The Chapter had a very productive year revenue-wise as a result of holding the Natural Communities Conference and two workshops. Prior to awarding the grants/donations listed above we had approximately \$39,000 in our two bank accounts. Future Chapter actions will be focused more on spending!

Meetings:

- The Chapter Board met last in early December in Fresno. We will meet next during the Western Section Annual Conference.

Online resources:

- Information including our most recent newsletter can be found on our website: [http://joomla.wildlife.org/SanJoaquin//index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=174&Itemid=276](http://joomla.wildlife.org/SanJoaquin//index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=174&Itemid=276)



- We also have a Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/San-Joaquin-Valley-Chapter-of-The-Wildlife-Society/202907939741620>

Membership:

Membership is still hovering around 175 members.

San Joaquin Valley 2012 Chapter Board:

President, proxy Chapter rep	Skip Moss
President-elect	Jeff Davis
Past President, PDC rep	Curtis Uptain
Secretary	Erin Tennant
Treasurer / Membership Coordinator	Justin Sloan
Chapter Rep	Linda Connolly
Newsletter Editor	Christine Van Horn Job
Webmaster	Howard Clark

## **The Wildlife Society Southern California Chapter Report**

To: The Wildlife Society - Western Section Executive Board  
From: Chapter Representative: Jeff Lincer (JeffLincer@gmail.com)  
Subject: The Wildlife Society, Southern California Chapter Report  
Date: January 20, 2013

### **2012 Chapter Activities**

#### *Past Events*

#### **Executive Committee Meetings**

- Nov 29, 2012 at RECON
- October 5, 2012 via Conference Call
- July 19, 2012 at Gordon Beirsch
- March via Email
- January 18, 2013 at Gordon Beirsch

#### **Wildlife Society, WS, and SoCal Chapter Meetings and Events**

- **Social Event**
  - December 13, 2012; 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM at Societe Brewing Company
- **San Jacinto Centennial Resurvey Presentation by Phil Unitt**
  - November 14, 2012; 6:30PM – 8:00PM at San Diego Natural History Museum
- **19th Annual Conference of The Wildlife Society**
  - October 13-17, 2012 at Portland, Oregon
- **CEQA Biology Presentation by Melissa Busby, Co-Sponsored by Audubon Society**
  - September 9, 2012; 1PM -- 5PM. at [Mission Trails Regional Park](#).
- **TWS Wildlife Certification Workshop by Rhys Evans**
  - August 24, 2012 9AM – 3PM at Dudek
- **Bird Watching and BBQ**
  - February 19, 2012; 9:00AM – 1:00PM at Santee Lakes Regional Park
- **Annual Conference of the Western Section of the Wildlife Society**
  - January 31 - February 3, 2012 at Sacramento, CA

#### **Miscellaneous Chapter Activities**

- **Set up a Facebook Account**
- **Updated Website**
- **Looking into Student Chapters in Southern California**

## **Upcoming Events**

### *Social Events*

**Every quarter the Southern California chapter will meet in San Diego. This will be a great opportunity for those in the wildlife field to network, socialize, and enjoy good food and drinks! So far, the following dates have been scheduled for social events:**

### *Upcoming Wildlife Seminars/Workshops*

**Winter 2013 – Managing Natural Resources at Cabrillo National Monument**  
Staff from the National Park Service will give us a presentation on managing natural resources at the park, as well as a discussion about the herpetiles surveys and methods if there's time. *Location: [Cabrillo National Monument](#). Date: February 7, 2013. Time: 6:00 PM.*

#### **Spring 2013**

**An arroyo toad symposium with several presentations followed by a field trip is planned for late April. Participate in a rare opportunity to learn about this federally endangered toad and its habitat in San Diego County! *Cost, location and exact date TBA.***

#### **Summer 2013**

**Join us for a Hermes copper butterfly workshop and field trip. This rare butterfly is geographically restricted to San Diego County and northern Baja California in select microhabitats. *Location and dates TBA.***

#### **Fall 2013**

**Join us for a private tour of the specimen collection at the San Diego Natural History Museum by Phil Unitt. *Date TBA.***

**“Raptor 101” by Dr. Jeff Lincer. Dr. Lincer will provide the basics of raptor taxonomy, ecology, and field identification, based on 40 years of experience. This may be linked to a field component. *Location and dates TBA.***

***2014 Events under Consideration***

- **General insects workshop**
- **Mohave ground squirrel survey/handling workshop**

***Online Resources***

- **Information can be found on our website: <http://joomla.wildlife.org/socal/>**
- **Find us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/socalwildlife?ref=hl#!/socalwildlife>**

***Treasurer’s Report***

- **Current Balance: \$5,874.72**

***Active Members***

- **We have over 100 members on our email list.**

***Our Board and Supporting Committee Chairs***

Position	Name	Email
President	Melissa Busby	"Melissa Busby" <darin_melissa@yahoo.com>
Vice President	Jim Rocks	"Jim Rocks" <jim@rocksbio.com>
Secretary	Darin Busby	"Darin Busby" <BusbyBiological@gmail.com>
Treasurer	Brock Ortega	"Brock Ortega" <bortega@dudek.com>
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Membership Chair	Wendy Loeffler	"Wendy Loeffler" <wloeffler@reconenvironmental.com>
Event Coordinator	Callie Ford	"Callie Ford" <cford@dudek.com>

**When:** March 23, 2013

**Where:** Orphila Winery, Escondido

**Time:** TBA

When: July 18, 2013

Where: Gordon Biersch, San Diego

Time: 4PM – 7PM

**The Wildlife Society  
Nevada Chapter**

To: TWS-Western Section Executive Board  
From: Marjorie Matocq ([mmatocq@cabnr.unr.edu](mailto:mmatocq@cabnr.unr.edu))  
Subject: Nevada Chapter Representative Report  
Date: January 27, 2013

***Chapter Activities***

**2012-2013 Chapter activities**

Planning our annual research symposium.

**Membership**

The Nevada Chapter currently has 56 members.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Nevada Chapter account stands at \$5501.

**Business Meetings**

Last: January 25, 2012

Next: TBA

**Officers**

President- Jim Sedinger

Secretary-Treasurer- Derek Hall

**The Wildlife Society  
University of Nevada, Reno Student Chapter  
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To: The Wildlife Society - Western Section Executive Board  
From: Chapter Representative: Anthony Bush (apbush1@yahoo.com)  
Subject: The Wildlife Society, University of Nevada, Reno Student Chapter Report  
Date: January 29th, 201

**Fall 2012 Chapter Activities**

**Chapter meetings**

November 6<sup>th</sup>, General Meeting, discussed upcoming events and detailed the clubs participation point system.

November 14<sup>th</sup>, Executive Board meeting. Discussed ways to retain current members and recruitment plans for the next semester. Discussed fundraising plans; preliminary plans to assist with The Wild Sheep Foundation's Sheep Show in Reno Jan31-Feb 2; discussed some possible upcoming activities.

December 5<sup>th</sup>, General Meeting, Slideshow presentation of birds found in the local area during winter. Distributed handouts on winter bird species and animal tracks for members

**Miscellaneous Chapter Activities**

November 1<sup>st</sup>-December 7<sup>th</sup>, Chili fundraiser held every Thursday to raise money for this year's conclave in Moscow, ID

December 12<sup>th</sup>, Catered the Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Science Christmas Party.

The Student Chapter of TWS designed sweatshirts and had them made. These are now sold as a small fundraising event for the club

The club created a new website which can be viewed at [www.unrwildlife.weebly.com](http://www.unrwildlife.weebly.com).

**Upcoming Events**

February 16<sup>th</sup>, Winter survival snowshoeing trip. Training session day hike in the Tahoe area with instruction on how to survive in winter conditions

- Spring fundraising event
- Field Day for the public

## Treasurer's Report

Current Balance: \$2256.86

## Active Members

25 paid members, and more than 250 students and faculty on our email list.

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