





# **COMING EVENTS**

# Spring 2015 AT HORSETOWN-CLEAR CREEK PRESERVE

# April 11, 2015 (Sat.) 9 a.m. - "NATURAL HISTORY WALK"

Enjoy a pleasant spring morning walking on the Cloverdale property with Don Neptune, Horsetown-Clear Creek Board member. Come explore newer trails with us and enjoy spectacular views of the Clear Creek canyon. The event will offer a rich mix of fresh air, natural beauty and a healthy dose of walking. Bring some friends, walking shoes, and water—this should be a fascinating moderate walk of 2 to 3 hours! NO CHARGE.

Directions: Meet at the BLM parking area on Cloverdale Road. It is located between Placer Road and Clear Creek Road. Call 241-2026 for information.

#### April 18 (Sat.) 10 a.m. - "GOLD RUSH HISTORY WALK"

The community of Horsetown was established near the second major gold discovery in California at Reading's Bar on Clear Creek during the gold rush of 1849. Enjoy a pleasant spring walk with a view of that site with Cathy Scott, Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve Board member. Learn about our local gold rush history and Horsetown. Bring some friends and walking shoes. NO CHARGE.

Directions: Meet at the HCCP parking area on Clear Creek Road, about seven miles west of highway 273, just west of the Clear Creek Bridge. Call 241-2026 for information.

#### April 25 (Sat.) 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - "2015 WHOLE EARTH & WATERSHED FESTIVAL"

Join us at Redding City Hall & Sculpture Park for this annual event organized in part by our friends at the Western Shasta Resource Conservation District. For more information see <a href="https://www.WholeEarthAndWatershedFestival.org">www.WholeEarthAndWatershedFestival.org</a>. Hands on learning for children of all ages, with good food and music make this a great family event!

### April 26, 2015 (Sun.) 1 p.m. - "CLEAR CREEK WILDFLOWERS AND WILD PLANTS"

Come walk with David Ledger from the Shasta Chapter of California Native Plant Society. Enjoy the beauty of blooming wildflowers, the stimulation of a walk in the country, and learn about plants and nature. Sunday afternoons don't get any better than this. David is a long time member of the CNPS and very knowledgeable about plants in our area. NO COST.

Directions: Meet at the HCCP parking area on Clear Creek Road, about 7 miles west of highway 273, just west of the Clear Creek Bridge. Call 241-2026 for information.

## May 3 (Sun.) 1 p.m. – "NATIVE PLANT IDENTIFICATION AND USES"

Join native Wintu Ted Dawson on a spring walk while he locates, identifies, and explains medicinal and general uses of native plants. Ted has been a consultant and provided technical support at Turtle Bay Museum for Native American exhibits. Today's presentation will include making a natural poison oak remedy. *Bring a jar/container to take some home in.* No Cost.

Directions: Meet at the HCCP parking area on Clear Creek Road, about 7 miles west of highway 273, just west of the Clear Creek Bridge. Call 241-2026 for information.

### May 9 (Sat.) 10 a.m. – "BUTTERFLY BONANZA"

Join butterfly expert Chris Gray on a walk in search of local butterflies and the plants that sustain them. A great combination – a springtime stroll spiced up with intriguing facts about a beautiful creature. *Bring close focusing binoculars if available.* Children welcome! Free.

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#### May 16 (Sat.) 8:30 a.m. – "EARLY BIRD WATCHERS"

Enjoy early morning bird watching with local expert Barbara Peck. Barbara has a Masters in Wildlife Biology and Ecology. She will point out birds and tell us more about them as we stroll over portions of the Preserve. *Bring binoculars if you have them.* FREE EVENT.

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# May 17 (Sun.) 12 p.m. – "BUGS ON THE BOTTOM – STREAM BOTTOM ECOLOGY"

Wade the stream with Shasta College instructor Morgan Hannaford, PhD – or watch from shore – as he gathers strange and fascinating insects from their underwater homes. Dr. Hannaford has a passion for teaching all ages, from kindergartners to retirees, and the topic is intriguing. Don't miss this family event. Bring sneakers if you want to wade. FREE EVENT.

Directions: Meet at the HCCP parking area on Clear Creek Road, about 7 miles west of highway 273, just west of the Clear Creek Bridge. Call 241-2026 for information.

# June 6 (Sat.) 8:00 a.m. - "HELP US WITH TRAIL RESTORATION"

Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve volunteers will be working to restore trails in the western portion of our property burned in the Clover fire (September of 2013). There is a mile of trail ready to be finished with hand work and we anticipate it will take more than one work day to accomplish this. Tools that will be helpful include McLeods, rakes, shovels, loppers and clippers. We ask that volunteers bring their gloves and water. Any time you have to volunteer would be greatly appreciated; even an hour or two will add up. We'll welcome your stopping by any time that morning.

Directions: Meet at the HCCP parking area on Clear Creek Road, about 7 miles west of highway 273, just west of the Clear Creek Bridge. Call 241-2026 for information.

Children are welcome at all of our events and they are all free of charge.

See our website at <a href="http://www.HorsetownClearCreekPreserve.org">http://www.HorsetownClearCreekPreserve.org</a> for more about us including trail maps and coming events.

Horsetown-Clear Creek Preserve has openings on the Board of Directors

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