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**JPL TRAILBUILDERS
TRAIL MAINTENANCE Saturdays**

July 15, 2009
August 18, 2009

PLEASE NOTE JUNE 27 OUTING CANCELLED

(Rain cancels any outing)

Monthly Volunteer meetings are held the third Wednesday of every other month at 7:00 p.m. in the volunteer house at Wildwood picnic area. Call Kathie for directions.

LEADERS: Kathie Reilly 818-354-8321 (JPL) 626-798-7256 (home)
Jack Russell 562-861-3187

CLASSIFICATION: Easy to strenuous, up to you.

COST: none

TRIP LIMIT: none

DESCRIPTION:

WHAT HAPPENED:

We continued work on the Mt Lowe East Trail, restoring trail edge to widen the trail and cutting back brush. We were able to get by a clearing of the huge rock slide at the end of the Meuller Tunnel, but more rock has come down so the fire road from Eaton Saddle through the tunnel is officially closed.

Some of us participated in an outing on Upper Trails Canyon Trail.

National Trails Day had over 100 volunteers working trails at the summit of Mt Wilson. Donuts at sign-in time were provided by us. Subway sandwiches, fruit, cookies and water/ Gatorade were provided for lunch by the US Forest Service. Trail work and tools were coordinated by David Ledford and John Horton. We were in the damp clouds all day, perfect working weather. Afterward there was a talk and telescope tour arranged by Dave Jurasevich of Mt. Wilson Observatory Association. They have great plans to replace the Pavilion with an information center, museum, gift shop and restaurant.

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

We will continue work on either the Mt Lowe West, Mt Lowe East or Colby Canyon Trails depending upon road, and tunnel conditions. The maintenance work consists of cutting back brush and trail widening.

BRING:

Dayhike gear (daypack, lunch, lots of water), sun screen, bug repellent, hat, sturdy shoes, and work gloves. You can bring your own tools or are welcome to use those from our group supply.

MEET:

Meet at 8:15 AM at ball diamonds parking lot in the lower part of Hahamongna Park. Get off the 210 freeway at the Berkshire off-ramp and follow the signs for JPL and Hahamongna Park. Once you turn into the park, go down the driveway, make a right at the bottom and look for us in the parking lot by the ball diamonds. (If that is full, we park in the dirt lot directly at the bottom of the driveway) We will sign in and form carpools, leaving at 8:30 sharp, returning around 4 PM. The leaders always take passengers, but make sure you have plenty of gas in case we need more drivers (riders can give drivers \$1 towards gas). If you need to leave early, notify the leaders at sign-in time.

Next tentative dates September 12 and October 10 & 31