

# THE MUGELNOOS

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## THE SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Tim Ryan must relinquish his responsibilities as Mugelmailler within two months, and to date NO ONE has stepped forward, as he did, to do this important task. Tim has done a wonderful job for us, the system works well now, and he will train his replacement, but you must come forward now. Ed.

## TREES VALUED THEN AS NOW

Some viewpoints seem to pass intact from one generation of climbers to another, ad infinitum. The following Ode was written in 1938 by Braeme E. Gigas, RCS old-timer who died in February. It was sent to Mugelnoos by his daughter Nancy Verling.

### TREES

(Written while contemplating the values - not altogether scenic - of the two pines midway on the Fingertip Traverse, at Tahquitz Rock.

I think that I shall never see  
A handhold welcome as a tree.

A tree that may in season wear  
Bits of sling rope in it's hair

A tree whose rugged trunk is prest  
By each climber's heaving chest;

Who intimately lives with pain  
Of carabiner "bite" and finger strai

A tree as strong as rock, let's say, Holds are "gardened" by you and me,  
That from leafy arms forms my belay; But only Providence can place a tree

## SIERRA CLUB MOUNTAINEERING COMMITTEE SPONSORS RESCUE SEMINAR

Andy Fried and Dennis Lantz organized a one day field seminar in improvised mountain rescue, which took place at Mt. Rubidoux last Sunday, April 17 in conjunction with the Sierra Club Mountaineering Committee meeting the previous day. Approximately 20 participants, many from other Sierra Club chapters, practiced various techniques of moving injured climbers up or down steep technical slopes, using only the equipment normally carried by rock climbing or mountaineering participants. The exercises also included construction and use of an improvised litter made from a climbing rope, and rescue of a climber hanging unconscious (simulated) from a 'swami' belt over an overhang. These techniques are easily learned in one day by people with climbing experience, and a little practice furnishes a viable option to bivouacking in place and awaiting rescue. This option could prove most valuable, especially in light of the increasing interest in foreign expeditions. Many familiar faces were in evidence Sunday. Chuck Youngberg, Carl Wulf, Tom Jeter, Robert Somoano, Paul Pfau, Dianna Dee, Dennis Lantz, and Andy Fried served as seminar instructors; Mark Goeble, John Ripley, George Shino, Norm Kingsley, participated, as did new RCS students Kathy Quinn, Glen Hing, Bill & Rita Gray, Judith Fairchild. TJ

## STONEY POINT RESTORATION SUCCESS

The drive to preserve Stoney Point as a public park and climbing area continues to gain momentum as evidenced by the huge Stoney Point restoration project held last Saturday, April 16. This massive effort was coordinated by the young Mountaineering Explorers of Post 92 E, who organized the event of over 150 participants, which included other Explorer Posts, Boy Scout Troops and Sierra Clubbers. The young people worked from 8AM to 4:30PM picking up mountains of trash, and to help keep the area clean distributed a number of new trash containers permanently around the area. Explorers skilled in climbing rappelled down steep fa-

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MUGELNOOS MEETINGS: Third Weds. of each month, 7:30 PM, Lemon Grove Rec Center, 4959 Lemon Grove Ave. L.A. near Hollywood Fry. & Melrose Ave. Program, refreshments, climbers, skiers, guests, all welcome!

FUTURE MUGELNOOS PROGRAMS

May 16 Mugelnoos-Norm Kingsley-Ice, snow & rock climbing around the world  
June 15-Nick Clinch-Movie on climbing in Antarctica (shown at SC Banquet 10 years ago).  
July 20 Mugelnoos-Nate Clark-Old climbs in Yosemite movie (Muir Gorge)  
August 17 Mugelnoos-Don Lauria-Climbing in Yosemite Valley.  
Sept. 21 Mugelnoos-Andy Fried-Climbing on Mt. Rainier.

C A L E N D E R

- APR 23-24 SKI TOUR-Convict Lake-Ray Shepherd (838-9617)
- APR 30-1 May SKI TOUR-Pear Lake-Mark Goebel (820-1962)
- APR 30-1 MAY RCS-Suicide-Emory Yount (714-525-5196)
- MAY 7-8 SKI TOUR-Barbara Lilley (886-4154)
- MAY 14-15 RCS-Candlelight-Fred Wing (476-4398)
- May 14-15 SKI TOUR-'Ski Mountaineer Pk.'-Doug Mantle (376-9090)
- MAY 18 MUGELNOOS MEETING-Program, Norm Kingsley
- May 21-22 SKI TOUR-San Jacinto Pk-Charles Rugg (375-4882)
- May 22 RCS Safety Test-Dick DeRusha (661-9924)

NOTE: SMS tours could still probably "go" on the above dates. Call person listed for information on if and where. BJJ

NEW SKI MOUNTAINEER - WELCOME  
Ron Meyer  
612 S. Lake  
Pasadena, CA 91106

SKI MOUNTAINEERS BANQUET-May 24  
Here is one event which won't be cancelled due to lack of snow. Come to the Smoke House, 4420 Lakeside Dr., Burbank, and will feature a fine dinner and snow related entertainment. Contact Mark Goebel, 1962 Barry Ave #7, L.A. 90025, ph. 820-1962 for reservations. Cocktails at 6:30 PM, Dinner at 7:30PM.

AAC DIRECTORS TO MEET LOCALLY

The American Alpine Club Board of Directors will meet at 8:30 AM, Sat. May 14 at the Idyllwild Town Hall. Any AAC member who wants to see what goes on a Director's meeting is welcome to attend. Any local climber (AAC member or otherwise) who can help transport Directors from local airports to Idyllwild on the afternoon of Friday, May 13, should contact Pete White, 399-1234, or Ted Vaill, 456-3504, as soon as possible (there will be a few percs). The So. Calif. AAC Section will also meet Sat. at the Town Hall-at 8PM, with the Directors present. RDM

ERIC SHIPTON DIES

Eric Shipton, British climber who was a pioneer Everest climber, died on March 28. Many local climbers had the pleasure of seeing Shipton and his old-time Everest slides on Oct. 1975 here in LA. RDM

EVEREST 76-A CLIMBER'S EYE VIEW  
Rick Ridgeway, member of the recent successful American Bicentennial Everest Expedition, will give a slide show presentation of the second American ascent of Everest on May 16 at Westridge Sports, 11930 W. Olympic Blvd., W. Los Angeles (near corner of Bundy). Time: 7:30 PM, \$2.00 donation to help pay debt of expedition. Call 820-5686 for more info

ADVANCE NOTICE: RCS Suicide climb, April 30-May 1. Non members please contact LeRoy Russ (295-9703) or Emory Yount (714-525-5196) for reservations. Meet 8AM each day at green water tank on bend in road below Humber Park. Sign-up sheets will be at the Weeping Wall (route 46). Camping at Riverside County Park in southwestern Idyllwild. In case of rain or snow, we'll go to Big Rock (rain-BigRock-beginners? see writeup page 6. Ed.) EY

Lou Whittaker will show slides on Mt. Rainier, major Cascades peaks, Mt. McKinley, K-2, plus the Baltoro glacier region of the Karakoram. 7:00PM, April 29, at the Sport Chalet 'Sportland', 920 Foothill, La Canada. Admission is free; the program is presented courtesy of the Sierra Club Mountaineering Committee and the Sport Chalet. NK

Jim Donini will show slides of the first ascent of Torre Egger in Patagonia at 7:30PM, May 5th at the Sport Chalet 'Sportland' in La Canada. Admission is free; sponsored by the Sierra Club Mountaineering Committee. For further info contact Norman Kingsley, 790-4275.

PROPOSED RCS BY-LAW CHANGES

The By-Laws committee has proposed the following changes to the RCS By-Laws. Explanations of the need for each change follow the text of the changes. The committee urges all members with comments, pro and con, to submit them in writing to the May Mugelnoos. (Send them to Barbara Lill-ey by May 12. The committee members will also be willing to discuss the proposals at the May Mugelnoos meeting. We anticipate distributing ballots in June. In the text of the proposed changes below, strikeouts indicate deletions and underline, indicates additions.

I. Article LV MEETINGS

The RCS shall hold one regular business meeting (hereinafter referred to as the Annual Meeting) every November during the last calendar quarter of each year. The time, date and location shall be announced in the October Mugelnoos at least six weeks prior to the meeting.

(Note: the above change is necessary because the new administration currently is very hard pressed to get organized with chairmanships, committees and scheduled activities in time to meet the November deadline for submissions to the Chapter Schelule. The Training and Safety Comm- ittees have little time to prepare to adopt and coordinate policies for the winter training program. Holding the annual meeting earlier will alleviate these problems. The flexibility built into this amendment will permit officers to adjust the meeting date according to such outside problems as they arise.)

II. Article VIII COMMITTEES, Section C. History Committee

A History Committee shall be responsible for matters pertaining to the past activities of the Section. The Committee Chairman shall act as RCS historian, and shall be responsible for seeing that the duties of the committee are carried out. The duties of the Committee shall include:

1. organization and maintenance of section archives, including a complete set of Mugelnoos.
2. recommendations for honorary membership nominations.
3. research.
4. dissemination of information to members and the public.

(Note: The RCS has collected a considerable amount of equipment and documents tracing the section's history which should be kept, organized and maintained safely. Although the RCS Chairman can appoint an ad hoc history committee to perform this function (as he has done this year), it is better performed by a permanent standing committee to assure orderly transfer and safekeeping of the sections physical possessions.)

Add to Article VII:

- (3) The Chairmen and members of the History Committee;(4).....

III. Article VII. COMMITTEES, Section A. Safety Committee

7. The Safety Committee shall take appropriate action, which may include expulsion, to correct members demonstrated unsafe climbing practices.

(Note: It has occurred occasionally in RCS history that someone who has passed the Safety Test has subsequently demonstrated profound and significant lack of ability, judgment and safe climbing practices. Yet the section has no means of protecting itself from such members. This change would permit the Safety Committee to take corrective action to correct such problems. It is intended that the Committee's response to such difficulties would include working with the climber to overcome dangerous practices and might also include expulsion from the section if the problem could not otherwise be corrected.)

The following conforming change must also be made in Article III, MEMBERSHIP, Section A(7)

following "except as provided in Section C" add: and Article VII, Section A(7).

IV. Article III. MEMBERSHIP, SECTION A

Place quotations around the word "season" in Section A(2).

(Note: This technical amandment would make clear that wherever the word "season" appears (e.g. Section B(2), it means "as defined by the RCS officers", as it is defined in this section of the bylaws.

## BYLAWS - CONT.

## V. Article III. MEMBERSHIP, Section E, Honorary Membership

Present or former active members of the RCS who have distinguished themselves in rock climbing or technical mountaineering or have rendered outstanding services to the RCS, are eligible for Honorary Membership. Honorary Members shall be so listed on the RCS membership list. They shall be permanent members with all rights and privileges except voting at meetings. However, Honorary Members who maintain active membership shall retain voting privileges.

(Note: the first part of this change was proposed in the 1973 bylaws committee revisions, but the words were deleted by the membership, in part because of concern that present active members would give up voting privileges if they became honorary members. This proposed change would resolve that issue. The change is proposed again at this time because the committee feels that there may be some active present members whose contributions to the section and mountaineering community deserve special recognition, which they should not be required to leave the section to obtain.)

VI. Article III MEMBERSHIP, Section E; add the following sentence to the first paragraph:

They shall receive the Mugelnoos without cost to themselves.

(Note: This change was also proposed and rejected in 1973, because of concerns about cost. However it is not anticipated that there will ever be more than a few honorary members, so the cost to the section should be minimal. There are at present only 2 honorary members.)

## DANCING RAPPEL RING ON OLD WOMAN STATUE

On Saturday March 12, the desert rats scurried about the flanks of the Old Woman Mountains in San Bernardino County to climb the Old Woman Statue. (See March 1970 Mugelnoos for description of first ascent by Erb, Rogers, Strommer, and Sykes.) We parked at a sandy camping area just west of Painted Rock. Lugging ropes, hard hats, chocks, jumars, a bolt kit and pocket full of bolt hangars (i.e. loaded for bear. Ed), we hiked west over a ridge and across a canyon to the ridge that juts southward from the peak of Old Woman Mtn. On that ridge the statue is indeed "an airy pinnacle".

Dave Perkins lead the first pitch - class 5, but the rest of the pack did it 6th class. Emory Yount lead the aid pitch - installing hangars on the bolts placed by the first ascent team. For several hours we had a loop of climbers jumaring to the summit and rappelling off, until all had made the climb. John Hardt installed a small note book and a tin can summit register, transferring to it the loose pages from the original register. This was John's forth ascent of the statue. On a 1976 ascent he replaced one bolt on the route and left an aluminum rappel ring attached by a sling to a bolt hanger on the summit. When we reached the summit we found the rappel ring had several beads of metal on its surface - as if a welder had been striking an arc on the ring, and the bolt hanger also had a small "welding mark". Can't you just see the lowering clouds - the lightning flashing on the summit, and the rappel ring dancing on its sling? We replaced the ring and John Hardt has another souvenir of his trips to the desert. The rat pack consisted of Phil Bruce, George Davis, Abe & Helen Siemens, Jim Sharpstein, Dave Perkins, Emory Yount, John Hardt, Kathy Robb, Joth Roth and Gary Gilbert. Phil's wife, Ione, made the trip but not the climb. We forgive her for not being a climber, as she furnished a delicious chocolate cake for dinner Saturday night. EY

## EASTERN CLIMBING HUT VISITED

Ruth Mendenhall, visiting on the east coast, recently had the pleasure of spending a weekend with some of the Washington D.C. area climbers, members of the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club Mountaineering Section. This group often climbs in the Appalachians of NE West Virginia, at Seneca Rocks, a large, very steep outcrop said to be geologically a continuation of the Shawangunks. In need of a shelter in the inclement weather of the region, the group has converted a 125 year old farmhouse in an isolated canyon (part steep pastureland and part woods) into a delightful "hut", akin in spirit to the Baldy Ski Hut. Techniques in rock climbing and safety instruction methods, seem to be basically similar to those of the RCS. RDM

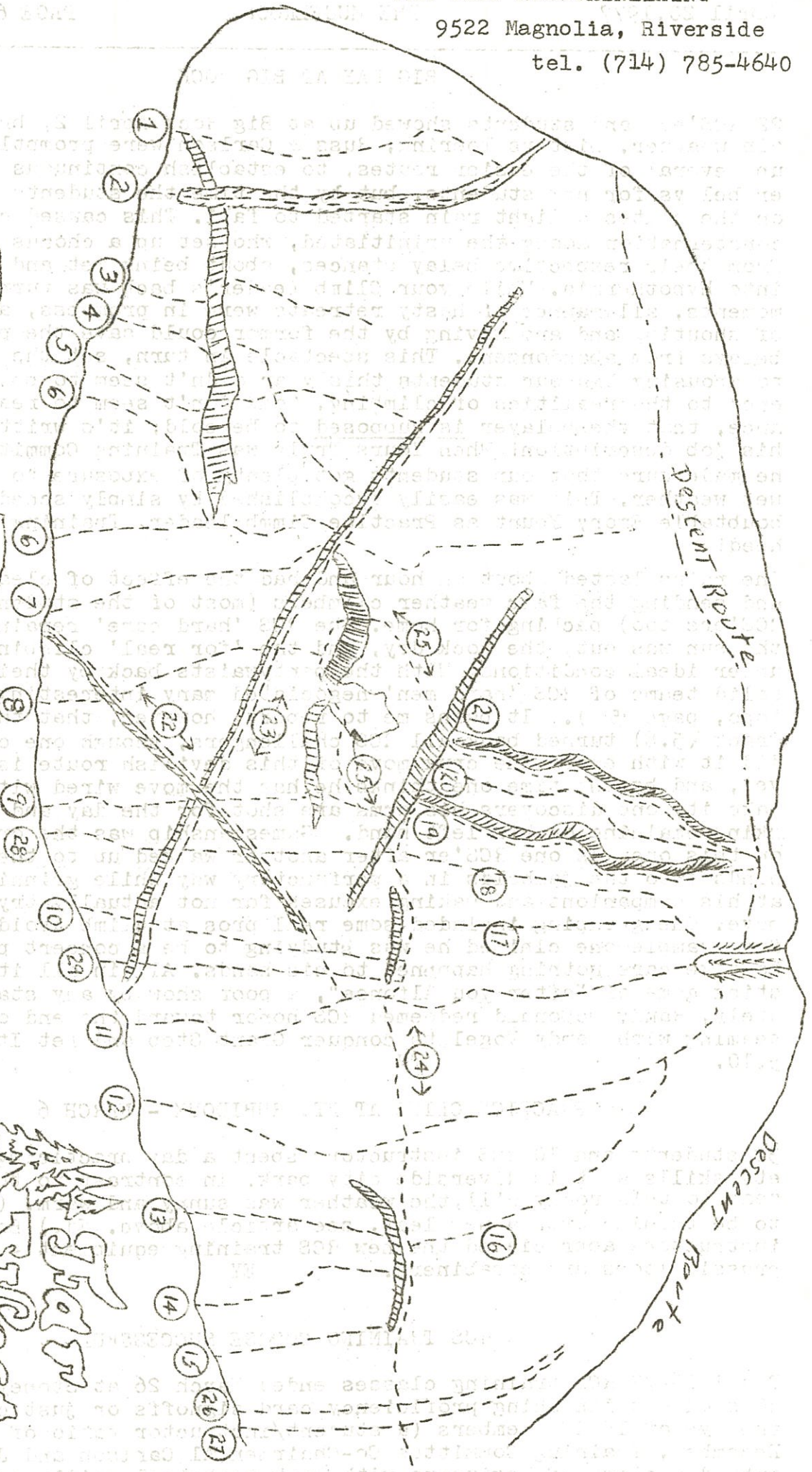
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# BIG ROCK

## Star West



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| 1 Edger Sanction-5.9               | 13 Frontal Lobotomy-5.9 | 26 Ameba-5.5                              |
| 2 Rat Crack-5.8                    | 14 Mindbender-5.8       | 27 Contrived Mother<br>Of Desperation-5.7 |
| 3 Corn Flake-A1                    | 15 Pudnurtle-5.8        | 28 Underdog-5.8                           |
| 4 Beanstalk-5.8,A1                 | 16 Direct Finish-5.6    | 29 Crater Maker-5.7                       |
| 5 English Hanging-5.10†<br>Gardens | 17 Cheap Thrills-5.10   |   |
| 6 Giant Step-5.10†                 | 18 Mad Dog-5.10+        |   |
| 7 Northwest Passage-5.7            | 19 Right Flake-5.7      |   |
| 8 The Roof-5.9                     | 20 Let It Bleed-5.10    |   |
| 9 Boogaloo-5.8                     | 21 Left Flake-5.7       |   |
| 10 Wedunett-5.6                    | 22 Nameless-5.2         |   |
| 11 The Trough-5.4                  | 23 The Virgin-5.7       |   |
| 12 African Flake-5.6               | 24 Face Traverse-5.0    |   |
|                                    | 25 The Roof-5.9         |   |

## BIG DAY AT BIG ROCK

22 RCS'ers and students showed up at Big Rock April 2, braving uncertain weather. Misters Toering, Russ & Carlson were promptly dispatched up several of the easier routes, to establish continuous chains of upper belays for new students, but by the time the students actually got on the routes a light rain started to fall. This caused considerable consternation among the uninitiated, who set up a chorus of complaints from their respective belay stances, about being wet and cold and going into hypothermia. While your Climb Leader's back was turned for a few moments, all manner of hasty retreats were in progress, and no amount of shouting and arm waving by the former could save the precious upper belays from abandonment. This spectacle in turn, set the Climb Leader to grousing that our students this year didn't seem to be properly hardened to the realities of climbing. Some don't seem to realize, for instance, that the belayer is supposed to be cold; it's written right into his job description! When Yours Truly was Training Committee Chairman, he made sure that our students got plenty of exposure to cold, miserable wet weather. This was easily accomplished by simply scheduling the re-boutable Emory Yount as Practice Climb leader. Training Committee, take heed!

The rains lasted about an hour and had the effect of clearing the rock, and sending the fair weather climbers (most of the students and a few RCS'ers too) packing for home. The RCS 'hard core' remained and by 12:30 the sun was out, the rock dry, and the 'for real' climbing day began under ideal conditions. With the pantywaists back by their hearthfires, solid teams of RCS 'hard men' negotiated many interesting routes (see topo, page 5). It pains me to report, however, that the infamous Rat Crack (5.8) turned back all RCS challengers, though one of the 'locals' did it with ease. The crux move of this devilish route is at ground level, and by the time one thinks he has the move wired with a chance to make it, one discovers his arms are shot for the day and there is no skin remaining on his left hand. Gamesmanship was the order of the day on this one, as one RCS'er after another walked up to the crux, put his hands into the jamholds in a perfunctory way while grinning foolishly at his companions and making excuses for not actually trying to do the move. One grouping included some real pros at climb avoidance ploys; for example one claimed he was studying to be a concert pianist and had to take care nothing happened to his hands. All in all it was a slapstick game of "after you Alfonse", a poor show by any standard. Fortunately, Randy McDonald redeemed RCS honor toward the end of the day in teaming with Randy Vogel to conquer Giant Step and Let It Bleed, both 5.10.

TJ

## PRACTICE CLIMB AT MT. RUBIDOUX - MARCH 6

39 students and 10 RCS instructors spent a day practicing climbing safety skills at this Riverside city park. In contrast to the trips last year to this rocky hill, the weather was sunny and warm. (Emory seems to be turning over a new leaf, see article above. Ed.) Both students & instructors appreciated the new RCS training equipment - chocks, slings prussik loops and carabiners.

EY

## RCS TRAINING COURSE SUCCESSFUL

The 1976-77 RCS training classes ended March 26 at Stoney Point, with 30 students finishing proficiency card signoffs or just climbing, under the eye of 15 RCS members (a student/instructor ratio of 2 to 1.) Since December, Training Committee Co-Chairmen Al Carlson and Jim Endo have imbued a class of beginners with both technical skills and a knowledge of safety practices which promise a bright climbing future. The previous day's rain left perfect weather - brilliant skies, cool breezes warm sunshine, and a circle of snow-covered peaks (even if they couldn't actually be seen from the Stoney parking area.)

RDM

## PROFILE - OF A FALL

Chouinard paused, and then went on. "I took a bad fall in the Tetons one summer - the only time I've really got hurt. Bob Kamps and I were trying to do the first ascent of a thing called the Crooked Thumb. The whole wall is overhanging. I had climbed up to a spot underneath one overhang and had then used ropes and 'etriers to do the overhang. Just above that, there was a slightly overhanging wall. I looked at it and thought I could do it. You have to decide right then and there whether you can or not, because you can't just stop in the middle of an overhanging wall and put up protection. You can't let go with your hands. I took off, and I was able to put in one runner around a rock, but that was all. I got to within about three feet of a ledge and my arms were shot. I was just going to make it. There was a loose handhold. I knew it was loose, but if you pull on a loose handhold in the right direction, sometimes you can use it. That's what I tried to do, and it broke. So I free-fell about a hundred and sixty feet, to the end of the rope. Luckily, it was a small-diameter rope-nine millimeter. So it took up the shock, and I didn't break any ribs or anything, although I was bruised and somehow opened a big gash in my leg - down to the bone. I was hanging in midair, which would have been a pretty serious thing except that I landed directly level with our last belay spot. I got myself swinging, and I swung in until I could grab some blocks that were there. It was an unbelievable miracle. Kamps rappelled down, and I had to pull him in, the overhang was so great. It was late in the day. It was getting cold - down below freezing. We couldn't go down from there directly because the wall below us was overhanging too. And I was wearing shorts. I had thought that we could do the climb in one day. Luckily, we found a little finger traverse that went right along the wall and around a corner and turned into a little horizontal ledge. We were able to creep along it for something like two hundred feet, and that got us off the wall. Then we had to descend the other side of the mountain about five thousand feet into the valley at night - down climbing snowfields and through brush. That was rough, with my bad leg. When you're going at night like that, you learn to follow your feet - they reach out. They're like eyes. So I could feel the trail at the bottom with my feet when we got to it. I relaxed and was walking along when all of a sudden I hit an aspen stump, right on my sore leg. Oh, man! I just broke down and started sobbing. The next day, I went to see a doctor, and he spent about an hour pulling pine needles and all kinds of seeds and everything else out of my leg."

"That was a really bad experience for me. It took me three years to get my mind back to where it was before the fall - three years in which I spent winter and summer, all the time, climbing. Just travelling all over the country and climbing, climbing, climbing. Taking that fall really made an impression on me. One reason was that I couldn't climb for about a month. Another reason was that in that climb I had made a decision. I had said, "Well, I can do that." I'd gone for it, and it had turned out that I couldn't do it. It would have been different if I had got hit by a rock or something like that had happened - something that wasn't my own doing. Afterward, every time I went climbing and got myself in a similar situation - small holds, face climbing, overhangs, I couldn't control myself. My legs would shake. I'd never been bothered by that before. I used to do some very, very bold leads - a hundred feet up. I couldn't do it anymore. It took three full years before I got it back. But I did." .....

(The above profile is excerpted from a lengthy interview with Yvon Chouinard published in the January 31, 1977 edition of The New Yorker.) Ed.

## COURAGE

"The failure of courage is more often than not a failure in the imagination. Too often we get stuck in habituated patterns and live out our lives as encapsulated bags of skin, our souls shackled. The recovery of courage is a recovery of the imagination. It is also the recovery of the sense of physical and mental fluidity that goes with the energized imagination."

Jean Houston, Coauthor of Mind Games

faces and painted out the all too prominent graffiti with a mixture of water and cement. Supervising the safety of this phase of the operation were RCS'ers Dave Perkins, Tom Jeter, Al Meckler, along with Chuck Youngberg & Dick Sale. Also helping with the graffiti were Kathy Quinn, Al Tapia and Fred Day. A sandblaster was used to clean 'boulder 1' in the parking area, in order to avoid possible disturbance of the classic bouldering routes. During the lunch break, Don Lauria held the assembled participants spellbound with a route by route "Cooks Tour" of half boulder and Boulder 1, emphasizing the philosophy of bouldering, ethics, and the importance of preserving these historic routes. Don explained in a most lucid way how Stoney Point and especially the three major boulders in the parking area fit into the scheme of things as a practice and training area for climbers in Los Angeles during the last 3 decades. L.A. City Councilman Robert Wilkinson (in whose District Stoney Point lies) was in attendance for the festivities, and was duly entertained by the wisecracking Phil Bruce, who tried unsuccessfully to induce the Councilman to try and hold the 'bucket of cement' fall he had set up for demonstration purposes. Pieter Brietner was the official Sierra Club photographer, and you will see some of his pictures of the event in a future edition of the Southern Sierran. Executive Committee Chairperson Judy Anderson worked alongside the Explorers all day long, and as a result the next day reported she was so sore all over her body that she couldn't move her arms or legs. The day was topped off with a fantastic steak barbeque for \$2.00 per head, and all in attendance received a three inch high patch inscribed with a picture of stoney Point and the words "Stoney Point Restoration".

The following is an analysis of the political situation of Stoney Point as I see it at present. The Sierra Club Stoney Point Task Force and the Chatsworth Historical Society, working in conjunction with Councilman Wilkinson, have made great strides in moving this project forward. The Councilman has been very interested in this project from the start, and is aware of the broad grass roots support for the preservation of Stoney Point as a City Park. Accordingly, Mr. Wilkinson was instrumental in getting the Stoney Point acquisition proposal through the L.A. City Council last month as item number 46 in the City's request for funding under the State Bond Act Proposition 2. Councilman Wilkinson indicated last Saturday that he foresaw no problems getting the necessary favorable review by the State Department of Parks and Recreation, and the necessary legislation by the State to transfer the \$100,000 he requested for Stoney Point to the L.A. City treasury. We hope he is right in this assessment!

There is some question as to whether \$100,000 will be sufficient to purchase the 22.5 acres offered by owners William Schepler and Joseph Schurter, as the "fair market value" of this acreage is yet to be determined. There is another complicating factor; the parking lot area including the large oak trees and important bouldering areas (half boulder, boulder 1 and boulder 2) are not part of the above property. This latter property consists of slightly over an acre, belongs to another owner, and is far more valuable per acre than is Stoney Point proper. One thing is certain; \$100,000 is no where near enough money to purchase both these desirable properties, which should go together as a unit in the final Stoney Point park. It is not at all clear where the additional moneys are to come from; the public has much work left to do to cause this to happen.

TJ

#### STONE POINT CLEANUP - CIRCA 1965

"..... I don't remember, intoto, who all was there, but John & Ruth, Bert & Jeri, Charley R., K. McNutt and many members who have since left the Club. Oh, Dale Stein, D. Burdett, Pete White, Lots Mjalowalso, many others. I tell you that day Royal R. & Charlie Pratt could have learned much about swinging traverses with a can of beer in one hand. Temp 107. We had C.B. radio communication, beer porters and a tremendous audience; it was great for our ego. As I have said, the operation went like clockwork. Now to the crux of the matter. I noticed a statuesque brown haired, grown up woman placing 6 packs of beer in her Kelty and carrying same up the trail to the top and working down, distributing the stuff to the guys & gals working having fun. Later in the day, Dorthy Wood, a member of the SFV Group got us, the statue, and me into her camper with a beer to get acquainted. After a whirlwind courtship we got married in Las Vegas on Sept 25, 1965. So I married Classie Patterson, taught her to be a rock climber, with which I had much help. We had 3 years of the best times of our lives with the RCS. Our best friends are among RCS members past and present. I owe much to the club for the final outcome of a cleanup. Kudos to Horton, he was there too.

Yours in the out of doors, (signed) Ed Olcott