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DATE: Monday, February 19, }202
HIKE: A Hike - White Tank MRP - Circumference Route (PCHC # 7).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 6:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Neal Wring
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full length of the Ford Canyon Trail, the full length of the Goat Camp Trail and reconnects to staging area via the South and Mule Deer trails
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to bring extra liquids and food
TRAILHEAD NAME: Ford Canyon Trailhead at Horse Staging Trailhead TRAILS: Ford Canyon, Goat Camp, South, Mule Deer
FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohn at the trailhead. Park fee is $7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is $2.00 per hiker).
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the horse staging area on the right just before the Waterfall Canyon Road junction. DRIVING DISTANCE: }30\mathrm{ miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Goat-Camp/A-HikeWT-Ford-Goat-Camp-Big-LoopLynnW2021-2022
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-gnqTQcW
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4al2ZVXNORIJREy7d8
PCHC TRAIL ID: }
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $2
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DATE: Monday, February 19, 2024
HIKE: B Hike - Lake Pleasant Area - Rollercoaster Trail (PCHC \# 116).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM
HIKE LEADER: Bill Halte

stone in many areas. There are great views of Lake Pleasant, Phoenix, and the surrounding mountain ranges.
TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: BLM LP1, LP2, LP3 Loop
FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no park fees. There are no restrooms at the trailhead.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road and turn west (left) to take Loop 303 North. Exit onto Lake Pleasant Parkway North (left).
At the intersection of Route 74, turn left heading west. About 7.5 miles from the Agua Fria Bridge look for a jeep road and gate on the right (just past milepost 14). Turn in
here. There is parking for about 12 cars outside the gate. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Area/i-Gj5b6fT
PCHC TRAIL ID: 116
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
DATE: Monday, February 19, 2024
HIKE: C Challenge Hike - Estrella MRP - Toothaker, Dysart, Rainbow, Gadsden, Coldwater, Butterfield Loop (PCHC \# 755).
REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Diana Bedwell
REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Mileage. Additional challenges include: Extra distance.
DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8.8 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1050 feet. The trail begins on the west side of the rodeo arena (demolished in
2022). Take Toothaker to Dysart for 1.2 miles. Turn right on Dysart. Dysart dead ends at Rainbow Valley. Turn left. Follow RB for 1.5 miles and turn right to rejoin Toothaker
Trail for 1.7 miles past Pedersen Trail. Turn left on Gadsden for 0.2 miles until you reach Coldwater. Turn left on Coldwater and follow this for 2.7 miles until you reach the
Butterfield junction back to Toothaker. Turn right and return to the parking area.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Toothaker Trailhead at West Rodeo Drive TRAILS: Toothaker, Dysart, Rainbow, Gadsden, Coldwater, Butterfield
FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is $\$ 7.00$ per car.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park West Rodeo Drive. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek/Estrella Pkw (south) South of I10, turn left onto
Vineyard Ave. just across the Gila River. Turn right into Estrella Mtn Park. After the park entrance gate, drive through the park all the way to a fork in the road. Take the
right fork to the parking area at the former site of the rodeo arena on West Rodeo Drive. Trailhead and rest rooms are on the far (West) side of parking area. DRIVING
DISTANCE: 20 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark Toothaker
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-3cRp3Zj
PCHC TRAIL ID: 755
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
DATE: Monday, February 19, 2024
CLUB MEETING 7PM. Eagles Nest Palm Room
DATE: Tuesday, February 20, 2024
HIKE: No Tuesday D Hike Scheduled

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DATE: Tuesday, February 20, 2024
HIKE: PLACEHOLDER FOR LAKE PLEASANT DESERT CENTER EVENT.
REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Laurie Rosenbloom and Steve McElroy
HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS: Rescheduled from January 2024. Please direct all enquiries to Laurie Rosenbloom.
DESCRIPTION:This hike is a 5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 100 feet. Tour of Lake Pleasant Desert Center and Rangerled Hikes on two 1 mile trails
(Honeymoon Cove and Lily Corn)
TRAILHEAD NAME: Lake Pleasant Desert Center TRAILS: Honeymoon Cove, Lily Corn
FEES AND FACILITIES: No Fees, Restrooms at Desert Center
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: 41402 N. 87th Avenue, Peoria, AZ }85383\mathrm{ (602) 3727470 DRIVING DISTANCE: }80\mathrm{ miles
PCHC TRAIL ID: }1001
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $7
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DATE: Tuesday, February 20, 2024
HIKE: D Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Lake Placid Desert Center Tour (PCHC \# 804).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 6:45 AM
HIKE LEADER: Laurie Rosenbloom and Steve McElroy
HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS: RESCHEDULED FROM JANUARY. Interested hikers to register interest with Laurie Rosenbloom
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 100 feet. Tour of Lake Pleasant Desert Center and Rangerled Hikes on two 1 mile trails
(Honeymoon Cove and Lily Corn)
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: 7:30AM to 9:30AM. Every Vehicle must have a Maricopa Regional Park Pass.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Lake Pleasant Desert Center TRAILS: Honeymoon Cove, Lily Corn
FEES AND FACILITIES: No Fees, Restrooms at Desert Center
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: 41402 N. 87th Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85383 (602) 3727470 DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles
PCHC TRAIL ID: 804
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
DATE: Wednesday, February 21, 2024
HIKE: B Challenge Hike - Eagletails Wilderness - Ben Avery \& Arch Loop (PCHC \# 422).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM
HIKE LEADER: Lynn Warren
REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Bushwhacking.
DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11 mile Iollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1150 feet. There are views of Courthouse Rock for most of the hike. From the trailhead, it is 3.6
miles along an old jeep trail and in a wash to over 100 Native American petroglyphs. The trail itself is fairly easy hiking. You can then continue through a high walled canyon
for another 1.5 miles. Along this canyon is a series of volcanic lava flows, many of which have melted quartz rock imbedded in them. To get to the arch you follow an old
road, then go through a wash before bushwhacking up a steep hill of loose rock and stones to reach the arch.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: A variation of a lollipop which includes a Double Arch and petroglyphs near Indian Spring (dry). Good hiking trail to the petroglyphs then a
bushwhack to the arch and back.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Ben Avery \& Arch A Lollipop Which Includes A Double Arch And Petroglyphs Near Indian Spring (Dry) TRAILS: No Named Trails
FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no facilities at the trailhead and no park fees.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway. Go west (right) on I10 to Exit 81 (Salome Road). Turn south (left) across I10. Turn right on Harquahala Valley
Road and go 6.0 miles. Turn right on Centennial, a straight dirt road (to the left is Courthouse Road). Go 7.0 miles to a 3 way intersection (BLM Wilderness sign on the left).
Take the right fork, which parallels a natural gas pipeline. Go 4.0 miles. This road may be quite rutted and require a high clearance vehicle. There is a BLM Wilderness sign
off to the left about 50 feet. Turn left and go 1.5 miles to trailhead. The last . 4 miles definitely requires a high clearance vehicle, but you can park on the side and hike to
the trailhead, adding .8 miles to the total hike. The final 12.5 miles is on dirt roads and the roads are good until the last $51 / 2$ miles. DRIVING DISTANCE: 130 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EagletailMountainsWildernessAr/Eagletail-Mountains-Arches
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Eagletail-Mountains-Wilderness-Area/i-77gMj25
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4alzxalpKYL4Wp8ubb?e=flUWp4
PCHC TRAIL ID: 422
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $\$ 9$

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DATE: Wednesday, February 21, }202
HIKE: C Hike - Thunderbird CA - Coachwhip, Cholla, Arrowhead Point Loop (PCHC # 213).
REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Mary Hill
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a }5.9\mathrm{ mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1490 feet. These are three summit trails which have elevations of 500, 500 & 350 feet
respectively. All three offer 360 degree views of the surrounding areas and have different primary vegetation from each other. Elevation gains are 590,500 & 400 feet
respectively. Arrowhead Point Trail provides a view of a housing development wrapped around a series of canals (water, water everywhere). Arrowhead Lake including this
development, was built on former citrus orchards and is considered one of the Valleys most affluent neighborhoods (a 2001 survey found that the areas 85308 zip code
had more millionaires, 1011, than any other in the valley). The Cholla Trail includes views of some large custom homes. The Coachwhip Trail provides views of another
housing development and golf course.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Coachwhip Trailhead TRAILS: Coachwhip, Cholla, Arrowhead Point
FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at Trailhead. No Park Fee.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway to I10. Turn east (left) on I10 East, then take 101 North. Turn left (north) on 59th Avenue. Turn Left into parking
lot of Thunderbird Park. Turn immediately left at yellow gate and park a block down, near the restrooms. The trails start by going right in front of the restrooms and cross
the street near the park entrance. DRIVING DISTANCE: 50 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/ThunderbirdConservationPark/Coachwhip-Ridgeline-Trails
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Thunderbird-Conservation-Area/
PCHC TRAIL ID: }21
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $4
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## DATE: Thursday, February 22, 2024

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HIKE: B Challenge Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Lake Pleasant Shore Hike (Long) (PCHC \# 634).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM
HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse
REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Mileage.
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. This is a hike along the shore of Lake Pleasant that starts out near the Discovery Center, beginning on the Roadrunner Trail. At 0.8 miles, RR connects with Frog Tank Trail, and goes downhill for 0.3 miles to the Beardsley trail, turn right and at 2 miles BE ends near campground 7. Pick up Wild Burro Trail here and proceed for 2 miles where WB ends. Continue further on Pipeline Canyon Trail to the Floating Bridge; this will be the turn around point.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 5 hours with breaks.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Discovery Center Trailhead TRAILS: Roadrunner, Frog Tank, Beardsley, Wild Burro, Pipeline Canyon Trail
FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms with water are at various points along the trail. Park fee is \(\$ 7.00\) or covered by Maricopa Country Park Pass.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Loop 303 N. to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left (N) on Lake Pleasant Road to Arizona 74. Turn left (W) and continue to Castle Hot Springs Rd. (Lake Pleasant Regional Park turnoff) and turn right (N). Go 2.1 miles to the park, turn right on Lake Pleasant Access Rd. Turn Right on South Park Road.follow to Overlook Road which ends at the Discovery Center. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Roadrunner-Frog-Tank-Pipeline
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Regional-Park/
PCHC TRAIL ID: 634
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
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## DATE: Thursday, February 22, 2024

HIKE: D Hike - Wickenburg Area - Hassayampa River Preserve (PCHC \# 180).
REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Dana Thomas or Kay Thomas
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 3.2 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 200 feet. The preserve is one of the two areas where the Hassayampa River flows above ground. There are lots of tall palm and cottonwood trees as well as lush undergrowth. Over 50 bird species call this home for part of the year. The best time to go is spring (March). There is one hill overlooking the preserve with elevation, the rest of the trail is mostly level.
TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: Hassayampa River Preserve
FEES AND FACILITIES: Open 8:00AM F/S/S May 15 to Sept 15 . Open 8:00 AM W/T/F/S/S Sept 15 to May 15 . There are restrooms in the visitors center. Park fee is $\$ 5.00$ per person.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Wickenburg Hassayampa River Preserve: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and then take Loop 303 North (right) to U.S. 60. Turn west (left) onto U.S. 60. The Preserve is on the left near Milepost 114. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Wickenburg/i-vG7T2H9
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4aox809GLAJKNNU74c?e=Vd8rgU
PCHC TRAIL ID: 180
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7

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DATE: Friday, February 23, }202
HIKE: B Challenge Hike - McDowell SP - Toms Thumb Peak via Windgate Pass & Gateway trails (PCHC # 286).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM
HIKE LEADER: Neal Wring
REASON FOR CHALLENGE: mileage, elevation, steep.
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a }12\mathrm{ mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 2100 feet. The hike starts at the Gateway Trailhead area and passes through a typical saguaro
forest. The Gateway Trail is flat, the Windgate Trail is moderate, and the Toms Thumb Trail is rather steep. At Toms Thumb you get nearly 360 degree views of the Phoenix
area (on a clear day you can see University of Phoenix stadium to the West and Bartlett Reservoir to the East).
TRAILHEAD NAME: Gateway Trailhead, McDowell Sonoran Preserve TRAILS: Gateway, Windgate, Tom Thumb
FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom and water at the trailhead. No park fee.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to McDowell Sonoran Preserve: Gateway Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, take I10 East (left), then take Highway 101 North all the
way around to Scottsdale. Exit at Princess/Pima Bell Road (exit #36). Continue straight through the light to get to Bell Road. Turn east (left) on Bell Road and go
approximately }1.4\mathrm{ miles. Turn north (left) onto Thompson Peak Parkway. Turn right into trailhead parking 0.5 mi. up the road. DRIVING DISTANCE: }88\mathrm{ miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Toms-Thumb
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-K9CxzRk/A
PCHC TRAIL ID: }28
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $7
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DATE: Friday, February 23, 2024
HIKE: C Hike - Estrella Foothills - Queen Annes Revenge Loop SR, PA, JR, QAR, GR, UY, UT, JL, SR Loop (PCHC \# 75).
REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Dana Thomas
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 368 feet. The hike starts at the parking lot of the Estrella Foothills High School, then turns left on
SR (Sunrise). Turn right on PA (Park Avenue) and in 2 miles turn left on JR (Jolly Roger). Follow this as it climbs and curves and then turn right at an unsigned intersection on
QAR (Queen Annes Revenge) and continue to a high saddle and turn right on GR (Grasky). An option is to turn left at the saddle and follow the trail around the point just
below the EF letters and then connect with GR. Follow GR to the intersection with UY (Up Yonder). Follow UY and turn left on UT (Up There); follow UT to the intersection
with lower BJ (Blackjack) and turn left on unsigned trail JL (Jump Line) which heads downhill. Continue on JL and head toward the power lines, basically following the
righthand side of the big wash. At the intersection with the road, which is actually SR, turn left and retrace your route to the high school parking lot. This hike is typical
desert terrain and offers outstanding views of the entire southwest valley. Trail condition: mostly a very good hiking trail.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Unless the optional loop around the point below the EF letters is taken, the hike will only be 6.8 miles at best.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella High School Trailhead TRAILS: SR, PA, JR, QAR, GR, UY, UT, JL, SR Loop
FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are on the left by the ballpark. No park fee.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Foothills Park: High School Trailhead. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek Pkwy (south), which becomes Estrella Pkwy on the
other side of I10. Continue into and through the Estrella Mountain development. Turn left into the parking lot just before the Estrella Foothills High School building. Park at
the far end of the parking Lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 27 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Estrella-Foothills/B-Exploratory-Hike-7-05-2018Queen-AnnesRevengeLynnW2017/
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Foothills/i-s9wkMzw/A
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4ayxMTveDL8nqFClGg?e=k160Cl
PCHC TRAIL ID: 75
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
DATE: Saturday, February 24, 2024
HIKE: B Hike - Maricopa Trails - Bell Rd South to White Tanks Mule Trail (PCHC \# 635).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM
HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse
DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 135 feet. This hike is a segment of the Maricopa Trail. It proceeds south for nearly 5.5 miles
with little elevation gain, before returning back. You arrive at the border of the White Tank Regional Park, close to Mule Trail at Ramada 4 where you can then hike over to
the Wildlife Trail pond. You have good views of the White Tank Mountains on a very good hiking trail. You will pass a radio controlled aircraft club and may be able to
observe R/C planes dogfighting. Pretty interesting.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 4 hours with breaks.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Sun Valley Trailhead TRAILS: Maricopa Trail: Bell Road to White Tank
FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fee. No restrooms.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Go west on Indian School Road. Hwy 303 North for 9.3 miles to Bell Rd West, Exit 116. Continue on W. Bell Rd for 3.1 miles; it becomes West Sun
Lakes Pkwy. Continue on West Sun Lakes Pkwy for 0.6 mile. Watch for a brown sign (Sun Valley Trail Head) about a mile past the developed area for Maricopa Trail. Turn
left into parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 32 miles
URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Maricopa-Trails/Sun-Valley-Bell-Road-Trailhead
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Maricopa-Trails/i-zwpzBNB/A
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4al3PdghSr2spAipYw
PCHC TRAIL ID: 635
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$4
DATE: Saturday, February 24, 2024
HIKE: C Hike - Verrado Area - Deadhead Pass Loop (PCHC \# 623).
UNUSUAL START TIME: 8:30 AM
HIKE LEADER: Vicki Carter
HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS: LATE START SATURDAY!
DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.9 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 678 feet. Head west from the parking lot. Turn right on caterpillar hill road and
then quicly turn left on an unmarked trail: Tecate. Follow the Tecate trail north west around a small hill, climbing up and over a rocky section. Turn right at the first junction
after the hill and continue northwest on the Cholla trail. This trail enters Deadhead pass and follows the east side of the pass and turns into the Deadhead Pass Trail.
Shortly after a set of switchbacks up the east valley side there is a fork in the trail. Take the left fork down into the dry river bed and follow the trail as it loops in a south
east direction back along the west side of Deadhead Pass. Follow this trail taking the Hiline trail around to Petroglyph Rock. From here take the trail behind the rock up and
over Petro Ridge down to the junction with Lost Creek Trail. From here take trail that heads in a north easterly direction (Justins trail) to the junction with the Petroglyph
Rock trail. Turn right and follow this trail back to Lost Creek Trail. Turn left and follow this trail back to the parking lot. In the spring, there is a large area of poppies towards
the far end of the loop. Lots of rock formations with the chance of assorted wildflowers in the spring.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Trails are not signposted. Follow the attached map or use an exisitng GPX if you are new to the area.
TRAILHEAD NAME: Lost Creek Trailhead TRAILS: Tacate, Cholla, Deadhead pass, Hiline, Widow Maker, Justins, Petroglyph Rock Trails
FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. No restrooms at the trailhead.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Verrado Lost Creek Trailhead. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway, turn west (left) on Indian School Road. Turn left on Acacia Way (just past the
high school). Turn right on Lost Creek Drive Parking for the trailhead is at the end of Lost Creek Drive. You walk between the green and a tee on the Verrado Founders Golf
Course to get to the trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 18 miles
URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountains-Verrado/i-4pC2Wcc/A
URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBF4aoSoX29wT7G42Foax?e=ZaFJ8S
PCHC TRAIL ID: 623
SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: $\$ 2$

