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Quarterly Trail Volunteer Meetings

Want to find out more about the City of Carlsbad's trails program? Come to a trail volunteer meeting at the Carlsbad Senior Center, 799 Pine Ave.

- Thursday, June 7, 5 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 13, 5 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 6, 5 p.m.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Trail volunteers are critical in maintaining and preserving our trails. Volunteering is also a great way to have fun, keep fit and learn about our natural environment, all while making a lasting contribution that benefits our community for generations.

• June 2 National Trails Day at Carlsbad Oaks North Business Park Trail

• July/August Summer break

• **Sept. 29** National Public Lands Day at Lake Calavera Preserve

Oct. 20 Harbor Drive TrailNov. 3 Hidden Valley Trail

• Dec. 8 Old Rancho Santa Fe Road Trail

Check the city's website to confirm volunteer event dates, times and other details at www.carlsbadca.gov/trails.



Recent Trail Work

Thanks to our dedicated trail volunteers who work side by side with city staff on the monitoring and maintenance of the city trail system.

Jan. 20 - Coastal Rail Trail
In January, 27 volunteers
contributed 65 hours of service
for a Coastal Rail Trail cleanup that
included planting indigenous
shrubs and groundcover, clearing
brush, installing trail regulation
signs and removing litter.

Feb. 10 - Batiquitos North Shore Trail

The Batiquitos Lagoon North Shore Trail got some love from 20 volunteers contributing 39 hours of service. Participants repaired erosion, trimmed vegetation, installed trail regulation signs, removed litter and maintained the existing seating and gazebo.

March 24 - Rancho Carrillo Trail Approximately 30 volunteers helped repair erosion at the Rancho Carrillo West Trail, cleared brush, and installed dog waste stations and trail regulation signage. Participants dedicated a total of 81 hours of volunteer service to the city.





Dogs are welcome as you hike Carlsbad trails, but did you know:

- Pet waste carries bacteria, viruses and parasites that can threaten the health of humans and wildlife. This harmful bacteria can be transported by rain water into our downstream waterways and eventually into our creeks, lagoons and ocean.
- Decaying pet waste consumes oxygen and sometimes releases ammonia. Low oxygen levels and ammonia can damage the health of fish and other aquatic life.
- Contrary to popular belief, carnivorous animals such as dogs do not produce usable manurefertilizer for plants.
- Dog waste does not break down like wild animal waste (also called scat). Wild animals are consuming resources and nutrients from the ecosystem that when "returned" do no harm.

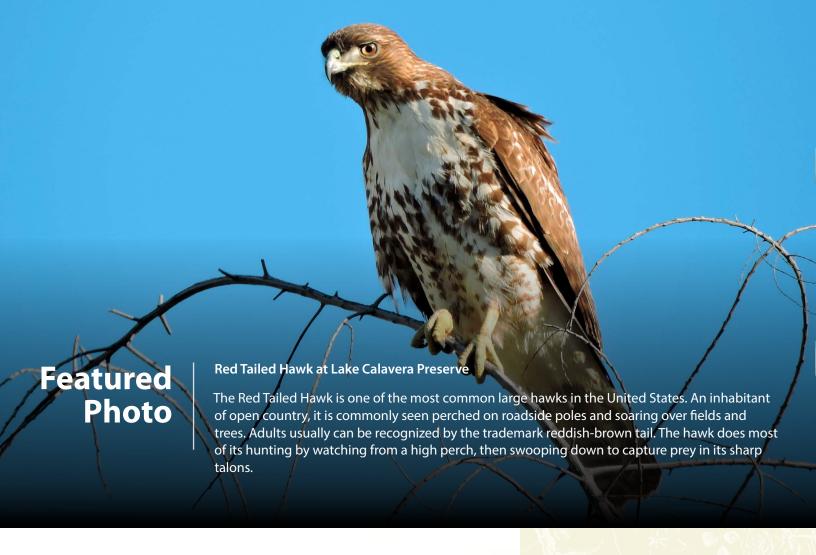


Avoid Fines: Follow Dog Laws

When you are out and about with your pet, please follow these rules to avoid fines and to protect habitat and wildlife.

- Remember to carry a bag and be sure to pick up after your dog. This is not only considerate, but is the law (CMC 7.08.010, SDCC 62.670). Most trails also offer dog waste stations with disposable bags and trash cans.
- Never toss dog waste into the bushes, street or gutter. Dog waste left on trails, sidewalks, streets and grassy areas is flushed into the nearest waterway when it rains and ends up in our creeks, lagoons and oceans — the same places we swim, surf and have fun.
- Keep your dog on a sturdy leash, under 6-feet long. This regulation is for the safety of you, your pet and other trail users. (CMC Sec. 7.08.010 & SDCC Sec. 62.669)
- Always stay on the trail so you don't damage the adjacent landscaping and sensitive habitat. Staying on the trails also will help you avoid dangerous (and, for your pet, potentially deadly) rattlesnakes.





Volunteer Trail Captains



Arroyo Vista – Tia Lanzetta

Batiquitos Lagoon North Bluff – Adam Richard

Carlsbad Oaks North Business Park - Sue Irey

Coastal Rail Trail – Terese and Joe Sardina

El Fuerte/Bressi Ranch Trail – Patricia Linton

Harbor Drive - Lin Ball

Hidden Valley Trail – Joe Ferris

Hosp Grove – Gary Nessim and John Rodenhausen

La Costa Glen – Ed and Tricia Cerda

La Costa Southern Preserve – April Frieda

La Costa Valley – Debbie Phipps

Lake Calavera – Diane Nygaard and Paige DeCino

Melrose 55-Fioli Circle/ East Ridgeline – Alvaro Villamizar

Old Rancho Santa Fe Road – Richard L'Heureux

Rancho Carrillo – Ramesh Sirsi (East) Sally & Will Willis (West)

Ridgeline/La Costa Trail - Don Stapp

The Crossings/ Veterans Park – Mary and Richard James

The Ranch/Santa Fe Trails – vacant

Village H - Calavera Hills/ Hidden Canyon Park - Tim Campbell

Villagio – John F. Gillis

Waters End – Jamie Hartnett

Citywide Trails Program Mission Statement

"Provide a trails system that ensures the recreational and leisure needs of Carlsbad residents while supporting the protection and preservation of open space in accordance with the City of Carlsbad General Plan."





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