

# Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods

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## Summer Hikes and Activities

Stewards is pleased to present the following educational and fun activities taking place in, or to support, our State Parks this Summer.

We'd appreciate you calling our office at (707) 869-9177 or emailing [stewards@mcn.org](mailto:stewards@mcn.org) to make reservations for the hikes. If that isn't possible, due to time constraints, you are welcome to just show up.

**WILDFLOWER AND PHOTOGRAPHY HIKE ON THE KORTUM TRAIL**  
with Docents Darlene LaMont, Norman Hill, and Keith Nelson.

**Saturday, June 4, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hiking Level: Easy**

Meet at the Shell Beach parking lot for a 2 loop hike. First to the north to the Mammoth Rocks and Peaked Hill then back to the Shell Beach parking lot for lunch. After lunch we will take the south loop down to Furlong Gulch and back. Darlene LaMont will give tips on landscape and flower photography and Norman and Keith will identify the plants. Bring binoculars, a hand lens, lunch and water, plastic to sit on, or a garden kneeler; wear layers. Bring your camera, extra batteries and a small tripod if you can. Heavy rain cancels.

### ARMSTRONG GROVE DOCENT LED HIKES

**Every Saturday from June 11 to September 17 at 11 a.m. Hiking Level: Easy**

Meet in front of the Armstrong Visitor Center for an hour long nature hike through this magnificent old-growth redwood forest. Learn about redwood ecology, flora, fauna, and the history of one of Sonoma County's preserved treasures.

**REDHILL LOOP** with Docents Keith Nelson and Joyce Bacci

**Saturday, June 18, 2005, 10 a.m. Challenging; 500 ft. elevation gains, 4.5 miles.**

Meet at Shell Beach parking lot. Hike Pomo Campground trail to top of Red Hill; then west to Furlong gulch and back on Kortum trail to Shell Beach. Bring lunch and plenty of water.

### WILLOW CREEK DOCENT LED HIKES

**9 a.m. to about 1 p.m. Every Saturday in June, then the 1st and 3rd Saturdays from June through September.**

**Hiking Level: Strenuous**

**Meet less than 1 mile down Freezeout Road just west of the town of Duncans Mills off Moscow Road**

Stewards and LandPaths are partnering to provide public access on this incredible new State Park acquisition on Sonoma Coast State Beach. The purchase of this magnificent 3,373 acres of redwood forests and grassy meadows with coastal views was made possible through the efforts of the Trust for Public Land, the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District, the California Coastal Conservancy, the Wildlife Conservation Board and California State Parks. Come on out to see and enjoy this property first hand. Learn about the flora, fauna, history and become acquainted with the recreational opportunities that will be available in the future. For information on the public access permit program managed by LandPaths email [willowcreek@landpaths.org](mailto:willowcreek@landpaths.org).

### DUNCANS MILLS FESTIVAL OF ART AND WINE & ANNUAL RUBBER DUCK RACES

**July 23 and 24, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday**

**BODEGA SEAFOOD, ART, AND WINE FESTIVAL** (New location in the town of Bodega)

**August 27 and 28, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday**

Both events provide quality arts and crafts, fabulous food, great entertainment, activities for children, environmental exhibits, and Wine and Microbeer tasting. Stewards of the Coast and Redwoods is the beneficiary of both events.