

## Crystal Cove State Park – OCTOBER 2016

Love birds, but need help with identification? Join Crystal Cove State Park birders on a guided **autumn bird walk** on both the inland and coastal areas of the park on **Saturday, October 1 at 8:00am**. **Meet at the Berns Amphitheatre** (PCH inland at stoplight School-State Park, follow signs towards the campground.) \$15 day use fee

Enjoy a free **sea glass jewelry making activity** each **Wednesday (10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26)** from 10-4 in the **Education Commons in the Historic District** at Crystal Cove State Park (Park in the Los Trancos lot - PCH inland at stoplight Los Trancos then walk across the street or take the shuttle.) Learn how to turn sea glass into a one of a kind creation. \$15 day use fee

Help us learn more about Moro Canyon's Ecosystem at **Field Science Saturday** on **October 8 from 8:30-10:30am**. Become a citizen scientist as we study leaf litter microbes, restoration and herbivory, and fuel moisture levels. **Meet at the Berns Environmental Study Loop Amphitheater** (PCH inland at stoplight School-State Park follow the signs to the Campground/Moro day use.) \$15 day-use fee

Learn about some of the fun and interesting animals that live at Crystal Cove State Park on **Saturday, October 8 from 12am-3** at the **Historic District Education Commons** where Park Naturalist Alex will host a **Beachside Chat**. Park in the Los Trancos lot (PCH inland at stoplight Los Trancos then walk through the tunnel or take the shuttle.) Day-use fee: \$5/per hour (max. \$15)

Explore the huge variety of seaweeds on a guided **Seaweeds & Sea Creatures of Crystal Cove Beach Walk** on Sunday, **October 9 at 10am**. There are countless species of marine algae; green, red, and brown found on the beach. Learn about the biology, ecology, and even human uses of seaweeds and even if there is none to be found a walk on the beach is surely a lovely way to start a Saturday. **Meet at Pelican Point parking lot #2, at the top of the boardwalk near the parking lot** (PCH coastward at Newport Coast, right at kiosk to first lot.) \$15 day-use fee

Crystal Cove State Park naturalists will lead a guided interpretive 2-hour, four mile **Full Moon Hike** on **Saturday, October 15 at 6:30pm**. Terrain will be uneven and steep with a 700 foot elevation gain/loss in some areas on this moderate night hike. **Meet at the Berns Amphitheatre** (PCH inland at stoplight School-State Park follow the signs to the Campground.) Wear sturdy shoes, bring water & a flashlight, and dress in layers

Autumn is an exciting time to learn about our local nature. Join park naturalists on a **family nature hike** at Crystal Cove State Park to learn about the plants and animals living in the park on **Sunday, October 16 & 23 at 9am**. **Meet at the Berns Amphitheater** (PCH inland at stoplight School-State Park follow the signs to the Campground/Moro day use.) \$15 day-use fee

Take a walk through the renovated **12-acre Historic District** at Crystal Cove State Park on **Sunday, October 16 from 12:00-2pm**. Former life-long resident Laura Davick will share stories about the colorful past of the Cove including the history, its rescue, and the plans for restoring the remaining 17 cottages. **Park at Los Trancos parking lot** then cross PCH at the signaled intersection and walk across the marked pathways and meet at the bluff top deck of the overnight rental check-in cottage. Day-use fee: \$5/per hour (max. \$15)

Enjoy a 0.3 low tide at Crystal Cove State Park where a volunteer will lead a guided **tidepool walk to Pelican Point** on **Saturday, October 29 at 2:30pm**. A volunteer will help identify animals and describe some awesome adaptations. **Meet at Pelican Point parking lot #2, at the top of the boardwalk near the parking lot** (PCH coastward at Newport Coast, right at kiosk to first lot.) \$15 day-use fee