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# The Bay Leaf

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Alameda & Contra Costa Counties

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## MEMBERSHIP MEETING

### The Green Hairstreak Project: Urban Habitat Restoration for a Vanishing Butterfly

Speaker: Liam O'Brien

Wednesday, October 27, 7:30 pm

Location: Garden Room, Orinda Public Library (directions below)

The Green Hairstreak Project is an urban restoration effort run by Nature in the City and created by lepidopterist Liam O'Brien. A hairstreak is a type of nickel-sized butterfly, and the green hairstreak (*Callophrys dumetorum*) is a native that San Franciscans are seeing less and less. The creature's host plant, coast buckwheat (*Eriogonum latifolium*), was once widespread throughout the small dune peninsula. As the ecosystem continues to be radically altered by humans, the Green Hairstreak Project mobilizes neighborhood people in an attempt to save a splendid insect. Liam O'Brien will describe in words and photos the project's work to reconnect two isolated populations of green hairstreaks with native plant host and nectar source restoration throughout a habitat corridor in San Francisco's Sunset District.

Trained as a stage actor, Liam O'Brien shifted his passion for butterflies and moths to a full-time profession, illustrating trail signs on the subject for the SF Recreation and Parks Department, training the gardeners of Golden Gate Park on the butterfly/plant relationships, and in the spring of 2009 working as part of a team that relocated 22 endangered female mission blue butterflies from San Bruno Mountain back to Twin Peaks in San Francisco for the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Liam is on the board of directors for the Yerba Buena chapter of CNPS.

East Bay CNPS membership meetings are free of charge and open to everyone. This month's meeting takes place in the Garden Room of the Orinda Public Library at 24 Orinda Way (in Orinda Village). The Garden Room is on the second floor of the building, accessible by stairs or an elevator. The Garden Room opens at 7:00 pm; the meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

## MEMBERS ONLY BOOK SALE

The Chapter is going out of the book business. We are liquidating our book inventory. Come to the members-only sale Saturday, October 2, at Native Here Nursery (on Golf Course

Please contact Sue Rosenthal, 510-496-6016 or [rosacalifornica@earthlink.net](mailto:rosacalifornica@earthlink.net), if you have any questions.

### Directions to Orinda Public Library at 24 Orinda Way

From the west, take Hwy 24 to the Orinda/Moraga exit. At the end of the off ramp, turn left on Camino Pablo (toward Orinda Village), right on Santa Maria Way (the signal after the BART station and freeway entrance), and left on Orinda Way.

From the east, take Hwy 24 to the Orinda exit. Follow the ramp to Orinda Village. Turn right on Santa Maria way (the first signal) and left on Orinda Way.

Once on Orinda Way, go 1 short block to the parking lot on the southeast side of the two-story building on your right. There is additional free parking beneath the building as well as on the street.

From BART (4 blocks): Exit the Orinda station, turn right and cross a pedestrian bridge, then cross a second pedestrian bridge on the left. Go 1 short block on the sidewalk to the third pedestrian bridge. Go 2 blocks on Orinda Way to the Orinda Library.



Green hairstreak (*Callophrys dumetorum*) on coast buckwheat (*Eriogonum latifolium*).  
Photo by K.S. Kyle

Road in Tilden Park), 10 am to 4 pm. Prices are 50% or more off list price! Many plant and gardening books! Unsold books will be sold to everyone at the plant fair.

## NATIVE HERE

Landscapers, civic projects: come purchase your large orders the first two weeks of October in order to get the volume and professional discounts.

**The Plant Fair is on October 16-17.** The nursery will be closed the Friday before (Oct 15) to set up for the fair. No discounts will be given at the fair (except for half price on all oaks), so either buy before then or wait until afterwards if you want our usual agency/landscape professional/volume discounts.

We'll still have plants available after the fair and with shorter, cooler days the conditions will be good for planting. Come get the plants you didn't get at the fair. Some plants will break dormancy as winter approaches, so you can be sure of getting viable ones.

Some plants have shown nice fall color this year. The dogwoods (*Cornus sericea*) have several pinkish leaves. They are quite tall in their pots and would look nice in a partly shady garden, especially if you live near a creek. Our willows (various *Salix* sp.) are tall as well. Some have glossy smooth, brownish-red bark. And then we have twinberries (*Lonicera*

*involucrata*), viny shrubs with red and yellow flowers and dark berries.

Although we have handicapped parking and parking for pick up of plants at the nursery level during regular business hours, the parking changes for the high volume of traffic during the Plant Fair. **No** nursery level parking will be available during the Fair. Parking will be at street level. Handicapped individuals may choose to be shuttled from the parking area to the nursery level by club cart, or may be dropped off and vehicles parked below.

Seed collection continues through October. Meet at the entrance on Tuesday mornings at 9 am. Volunteers will be dividing iris and planting bulbs following the plant fair.

We will also need volunteers the week after the Fair to put the nursery back in order for normal operations. There is no need to call ahead, just show up during regular hours and we'll find work for you to do.

*Margot and Charli*

## CONSERVATION ANALYST FUND

### Conservation Analyst Fund 2010-11 Appeal is On

Members should have received a request for contributions to the East Bay Chapter's Conservation Analyst Fund. Our goal of \$35,000 is the same we had last round when we raised \$30,000. We are the only CNPS chapter to support a Conservation Analyst, and it has made all the difference. Look at <http://ebcnps.wordpress.com/> and be impressed! We need

your help to keep our excellent and unique Conservation Program thriving. Please contribute generously to the Conservation Analyst Annual Fund.

If you did not receive our appeal letter, please contact us. The State Office has new membership software and it is possible that it is not yet working perfectly.

## 2010-2011 Conservation Analyst Fund

### East Bay Chapter



Enclosed is my donation for the East Bay Chapter, in the amount of:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$3,000 (month's salary)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250
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<input type="checkbox"/> \$750 (one week's salary)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$_____	Other

**Please make your check payable to: California Native Plant Society**  
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*Helianthella castanea* "Diablo sunflower"  
Photo courtesy James Gaither

We have included an envelope for your convenience. Please mail to:  
**California Native Plant Society**  
East Bay Chapter, Conservation Analyst Fund  
P.O. Box 5597, Elmwood Station, Berkeley, CA 94705

## FIELD TRIP AND RESTORATION

**Field Trip to Lafayette Reservoir, Sunday, October 24 at 1:00 pm**

This half day circle of the reservoir will take in both plants in upland margins and those specific to the water margin. Barbara Malloch Leitner will lead this trip, which will focus on identifying plants by their fruits, including the acorns of three species of oaks. We will also visit at least two species of willows, *Salix goodingii* and *S. lasiolepis*. If you drive, bring \$6.00 for a day pass to the reservoir. If you want to carpool, be sure to call or send an e-mail to janetgawthrop47@gmail.com at least a week in advance, and let us know if you need

a ride or are offering a ride. Heavy rain cancels. **Directions:** From Highway 24, take the Acalanes Road exit and proceed from the exit ramp to Mt. Diablo Boulevard. Continue straight on Mt. Diablo Boulevard about two or three miles to the reservoir entrance.

**Restoration Projects: Redwood Regional Park**, Saturday, October 2, 9 am; **Huckleberry Preserve**, Saturday, October 9, 9:30 am. Contact janetgawthrop47@gmail for more information. **Point Isabel**, Saturday, October 2, contact Tom Kelly (KyotoUSA), kyotousa@sbcglobal.net.

## RESTORATION OF SAN PABLO CREEK

Friends of Orinda Creeks (FOC) assaults broom and other weeds and cares for the native plants in San Pablo Creek, which runs through downtown Orinda. We could use help, especially from CNPS members who might be able to tell a native from a weed. The next clean-up is 10 am, Saturday, October 16. We meet behind the Bank of America and behind 23 Orinda Way (across from the library).

values. The City of Orinda has a revitalization plan working with FOC.

FOC, in conjunction with Toris Jaeger of Wagner Ranch Nature Area, has undertaken to revegetate both ends of the open creek channel. For further information contact: cinda.mackinnon@comcast.net or jimluini@aol.com.

San Pablo Creek was relatively pristine until 1958, when it was realigned within a concrete trapezoidal channel. The engineered channel lasted only four years before a large storm destroyed almost half of it. Since then, it has continued to degrade while impairing flood control, habitat and aesthetic

Visit the East Bay Chapter web site , [www.ebcnps.org](http://www.ebcnps.org), to see "before" and "after" pictures of this project.

*Cinda MacKinnon*

## BALLOT MEASURES THAT AFFECT THE ENVIRONMENT

Here are the Chapter's recommendations for some local and state ballot measures:

tion Areas. EBCNPS is opposed to all major development at Pt. Molate.

### California State Measures

**Vote Yes on Proposition 21** which would provide for an annual vehicle license fee of \$18 in exchange for free year-round day-use admission to all California state parks. The money would fund a Parks and Conservation Trust Fund to provide reliable funding for parks in the wake of major budget cuts.

A citizen who supports the casino brought a lawsuit against the opponents to the measure, claiming that their statements (that there is no guarantee that locals would be hired to work at the casino and that the jobs could be described as low-wage) were false and misleading. He lost the lawsuit when he could not rebut the opponents' evidence that there were significant loopholes in the jobs agreements.

**Vote No on Proposition 23** which would suspend AB 32 (the Global Warming Solutions Act) unless unemployment drops below 5.5% for 4 consecutive fiscal quarters. AB 32 is California's landmark law targeting climate change that provides for clean energy and lower air emissions. Texas oil companies, Valero and Tesoro, support of this "license to pollute."

As a non-profit, we do not endorse candidates, but we urge our members who are Richmond residents to educate themselves about the platforms of candidates for mayor and for city council seats.

**Vote No on Proposition 26** which would reclassify as taxes the fees that polluters currently pay thus requiring a 2/3 vote instead of a simple majority vote of the state legislature to approve the fees. The effect of the proposition would be to make it more difficult to impose fees on polluters for cleaning up.

**Vote No on Measure W in San Ramon** which would shift the current Urban Limit Line into the Tassajara Valley. This measure provides for an amendment to the city General Plan that expands development impacts into current open space. The Tassajara Valley is one of the EBCNPS's 15 Botanical Priority Protection Areas and a site where we oppose the plans of land speculators such as those involved with the New Farm project who want to convert thousands of acres of grassland into huge housing developments.

### Local Measures

**Vote No on Measure U in Richmond**, an advisory vote, which poses the question, "Shall the City of Richmond approve a project including a casino at Pt. Molate?" The Richmond Shoreline is one of EBCNPS's 15 Botanical Priority Protec-

*Laura Baker*

## EAST BAY CNPS CONSERVATION UPDATE

2010 has been an extremely busy year, with work on continuing and new projects. Many thanks to committee volunteers for their valuable time and efforts. The following serves as an update to 2010 projects. More information on these issues is on the EBCNPS conservation blog ([www.ebcnps.wordpress.com](http://www.ebcnps.wordpress.com)). Use search function or select a **Hot Topic** from the list on the left side of the webpage.

### Ongoing Projects

**Point Molate** - The City of Richmond continues to wrestle with the idea of building a Las Vegas-style casino at Point Molate. EBCNPS has been meeting with City Council members, residents, and environmental organizations to discuss the potential impacts of this project. The developer has released a draft EIR that we believe is wholly inadequate: it fails even to mention coastal terrace prairie, a dominant vegetation type found on the site. In August, the City Council decided to allow an advisory vote (Measure U) on the November ballot.

**Russell City Energy Center** - Although many permits are already in place for a gas-fired mega-power plant adjacent to the Hayward Regional Shoreline, EBCNPS continues to support local groups in their opposition to this plant. The environmental review process for this California Energy Commission project failed to consider impacts exhaustively, therefore underestimating potential impacts to the local flora and fauna. The East Bay Regional Park District recently signed off on a mitigation package, tacitly supporting the proposed project and the process by which it has been approved. However, the final air quality permit is still under appeal.

**Concord Naval Weapons Station** - EBCNPS continues to be involved in this reuse process which is now in its fifth year of planning. EBCNPS helped ensure that adequate site surveys were conducted during the environmental review process. Current reuse specifications look to donate about 60% of the site to habitat conservation and recreation purposes, including maintaining a wide riparian zone around Mount Diablo Creek.

**Eastern Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan** - EBCNPS continues to sit on the Public Advisory Committee for the Eastern Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. The Conservancy has initiated a number of restoration projects and acquisitions that meet or exceed the requirements set forth by the HCP guidelines.

**East Alameda County Conservation Strategy** - This month a draft of the conservation strategy (not an HCP) was released for public comment. EBCNPS has participated in commenting on draft chapters from its inception. In addition, we were successful in pressing for greater transparency in their public participation process. Significant questions remain about the implementation of this plan.

**Lime Ridge Open Space** - With the uncovering of a new rare plant species on site, the conservation value of Lime Ridge has increased significantly. Save Mount Diablo has been working on language for a new cellular tower agreement that will help conserve the Lime Ridge navarretia habitat. Current negotiating points include providing fencing that will protect the rare plant, requiring proper washing of vehicles (to reduce weed invasion) and adequate site monitoring.

**Guidebook to the Botanical Priority Protection Areas of the East Bay** - Three years of design, research, and mapping have culminated in a full-color book which brings 15 areas in the East Bay into focus by designating them "Botanical Priority Protection Areas". To date, our research has been used by the Bay Area Open Space Council, the East Bay Regional Park District, and the East Alameda County Conservation Strategy, and is being considered in other local and regional planning documents.

**East Bay Hills Vegetation Management/East Bay Regional Park District** - EBCNPS continues to follow the fuels and habitat work that is being conducted by the Park District. This is the first year in which the Park District, having completed a full EIR and Vegetation Management Plan, is initiating a number of new treatments. Volunteers Tom and Jane Kelly have started an experimental pesticide-free eucalyptus control project in Chabot Park, in coordination with the Park District. EBCNPS has been providing input on study design and how our community might best benefit from the research.

**Serpentine Prairie** - The Park District continues to make notable strides forward on the restoration of the Serpentine Prairie at Redwood Regional Park. A number of pines have been removed and additional trees will be removed this fall. A beautiful fence now surrounds a large portion of the prairie. David Amme continues to work on the restoration plan which will benefit native grasslands and the federally endangered Presidio Clarkia (*Clarkia franciscana*). EBCNPS has worked on a proposal to create interpretive panels for the site.

**Oakland Zoo Expansion** - EBCNPS has been following the plans of the zoo to expand its operations in Knowland Park for many years. The plans call for a much larger development footprint with new animal exhibits, an aerial gondola, a restaurant and visitor center, a veterinary hospital within a newly fenced 56 acre area. The surrounding Knowland Park contains a number of important native plant vegetation communities including grasslands, oak woodlands, and coastal scrub. EBCNPS has called repeatedly for the zoo to create a resource management plan for the park. The mitigated negative declaration that first addressed the expansion plans is out of date.

## New for 2010

**San Ramon** - San Ramon has an amendment to the City General Plan on the November ballot. It would expand the Urban Limit Line into the Tassajara Valley, part of our East Dublin/Tassajara Hills Botanical Priority Protection Area. This developer-driven move, if successful, will open the valley to massive housing developments. EBCNPS has submitted comments to the City which outline our concerns about breaking the current urban limit line. We urge a **no** vote on Measure W.

**San Francisco Bay Subtidal Habitat Goals Project** - In a cooperative effort with non-profit organizations and regulatory agencies, a draft SF Bay Subtidal Habitat Goals Project document was released for public input. Since eelgrass beds are an integral part of these resources, EBCNPS commented on the draft and specifically asked that guidelines for deter-

ring development that will impact such resources (e.g., Point Molate Casino project) be included in the final document.

**Niles Canyon Roadway widening** - Caltrans is seeking to expand the width of California Route 84 in Niles Canyon, part of the Alameda Creek watershed. EBCNPS believes the road widening may have significant and un-mitigated impacts to the flora and hydrology of this area. We are working on formal comments asking for further study and impact analysis for this transportation project.

**FEMA funding for Fuels Reduction Projects** - EBCNPS is working with local and federal agencies on their DEIR on Fuels Reduction projects in the East Bay Hills. EBCNPS wants to ensure that projects do not negatively impact native vegetation in the East Bay Hills and that adequate funding be provided for proper monitoring and follow-up after initial treatments.

## MEMBERSHIP NOTES



**Meet Janice Bray, creator of the East Bay Native Plants CD**  
(photo by Phil Bray)

I moved to California from northern Virginia in 1970 with my husband. I attended Sonoma State College, and was certified to work in Early Childhood Education. This was my career for over 20 years. But from the minute I arrived in northern California, my second love has always been the plants that grow here. I joined the CNPS Milo Baker Chapter.

We relocated to the East Bay in 1986 to be closer to work. As my son grew older and headed off to college, I knew what I wanted to do with my extra time and energy. I have been a volunteer at Native Here Nursery ever since! Working with plants requires the same kind of commitment and attention as working with children except plants are quiet.

I like nothing better than to discover nature's magic while hiking the local trails. In the picture, you can see me standing next to *Heracleum lanatum* (cow parsnip). My photographer husband took this picture. He has patiently helped nurture my talent for taking pictures. This was one of the first photo plant pages I began making for the tables at Native Here Nursery. At the nursery we have placed these plant cards

by plants to help our customers understand the plants we have for sale. You can see what the plant will look like as it matures and/or blossoms and what kind of soil and light it will need to thrive.

Along with experts at the Nursery, I have compiled these plant pages in a book. This book is available for sale in CD form for our customers. Maybe you want to find just the right shrub for a bare spot in your garden. If you have the CD, you can study local native shrubs, perennials, or plants from your computer at home and pick just the right one.

Every year our nursery expands to offer our customers more and more native plants. Not all plants in the CD are always for sale all the time at Native Here Nursery. Currently the nursery has over 2000 plants with 450 different species for sale.

The new 2010 edition will have 100 more plant pages added. Bring back your old 2009 edition of the CD and trade it in for \$10.00 off the 2010 edition.

**See you at the plant fair!**

### New Members

Please join us in welcoming our new members for the August time frame, John Hastings, Adam Griffith, Aubree Gordon, John Stenske, Kelly Goldsmith, Jody McPheeters, and Margaret Talt.

As always, a huge thank you to our renewing members.

### Think Globally, Volunteer locally

**Native Plant Fair**, October 16th and 17<sup>th</sup>, [www.ebcnps.org](http://www.ebcnps.org)  
Plants from Contra Costa and Alameda Counties. Find your city and then your plants collected and grown right here at our eb-cnps Native Here Nursery.

Vendors, membership items and more, free admittance for all!

**California Native Plant Society  
East Bay Chapter**

**2010 NATIVE PLANT FAIR**

Plants native to Alameda and Contra Costa counties

**Saturday, October 16, 10 am to 3 pm**

**Sunday, October 17, noon to 3 pm**

**Native Here Nursery**

101 Golf Course Drive – Tilden Park, Berkeley, CA  
(Across from the Tilden Golf Course)

**Native Plants, Lectures, Books, Posters, Gifts**

***This year only! Book closeout sale! Deeply discounted botanical and garden books for the plant lover and book collector!***

Vendors of photography, seeds & bulbs, garden arts & crafts  
Exhibits on native bees, invasive plants, Native Plant Society benefits

***Special exhibitor/vendor: Laura Cunningham***, Celebrated Artist and Naturalist,  
with her new book, ***A State of Change*** from Heyday Press

**Educational Speakers (1 pm each day)**

**Saturday:** Barbara Deutsch, "Let's Entwine Ourselves with Pipevines and Adorn Our Gardens with Butterflies"

**Sunday:** Lisa Owens Viani, "From Gray to Green: How Green Streets and Residential Rain Gardens Can Help San Francisco Bay"

**Specialties for fall planting: ferns, Douglas iris, dutchman's pipe**

**Beautiful Oaks at Half-Price: Plant a Tree and Reduce Your Carbon Footprint!**

For your shopping convenience, purchased plants may be moved to a pick-up area at street level by Fair volunteers. Parking is available at street level. Handicapped persons may be dropped off at nursery level, or transferred from street level handicapped parking by "club cart". No parking is available at the nursery level. We appreciate carpoolers and public transit users.

***Checks or Cash Only (Sorry, No Credit Cards)***

Please bring your own boxes for plants and other purchases

We appreciate Carpoolers and Public Transit Users! A map to Native Here Nursery and public transit suggestions are on the Native Here website at [www.ebcnps.org/nativehere.html](http://www.ebcnps.org/nativehere.html)

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*Committees are formed based on chapter needs and the interests of volunteers. Proposals for committees and projects are welcome and will be considered by the Board.*

## SOME VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Library Programs:** Would you like to see a program about California Native Plants at your local library? Join a committee to explore the possibilities. Call Delia at 510-527-3912 or email deliataylor@mac.com.

**Rare Plant Treasure Hunt:** The Rare Plant Treasure Hunt will continue through late-summer and into next year so if you are still interested in becoming involved in the project see <http://www.cnps.org/cnps/rareplants/treasurehunt/> and contact Aaron Sims [asimscnps.org](mailto:asimscnps.org) or Heath Bartosh [hbartosh@nomadecology.com](mailto:hbartosh@nomadecology.com).

**CNPS.org authors needed:** The horticulture blog ([grownatives.cnps.org](http://grownatives.cnps.org)) is still lagging in posting activity. We would love to see some new authors. We would like to build traffic to the blog because additional traffic will help the site return more prominently in random web searches. Be sure to check

it out, and let us know if you are interested in becoming a guest author or contributing author. See the Write for this Blog link for submission requirements. Anyone can comment on current postings.

*Native Gardens*, the quarterly e-newsletter edition that is focused on native plant gardening, continues to be a huge success. We are looking for submission of new articles and content. If you have recent horticulture related articles with state or regional implications, please get in touch with us. If you would like to submit an article for consideration, please forward it to the following e-mail address:  
[cnps-horticulture-review-sub-committee@googlegroups.com](mailto:cnps-horticulture-review-sub-committee@googlegroups.com).

*Delia Taylor*

## HORTICULTURE SYMPOSIUM AT SANTA CLARA CHAPTER

The Santa Clara Valley Chapter will organize its first hort symposium titled **California Gardens: Beauty and Sustainability With Native Plants** on Sat, Feb 19, 2011 at Foothill College in Los Altos Hills. Featured speakers: Bart O'Brien, Bernard Trainor, David Fross, Glenn Keator, Judith Lowry, Nevin Smith, and Paul Kephart.

Details on how to register will be announced on [www.cnps-sc.org](http://www.cnps-sc.org) in the coming weeks.

*Arvind Kumar*

Board Member, California Native Plant Society

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For the latest activities of the Conservation Committee check out <http://ebcnps.wordpress.com/>.

You can add yourself to the CNPS eNewsletter mailing list for current news about CNPS. The mailings are approximately monthly. Look under Publications on the [cnps.org](http://cnps.org) website or go to <https://cnps.org/cnps/publications/news/index.php>.

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to affiliate with:

East Bay Chapter (Alameda and Contra Costa Counties)

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Membership category:

Individual, \$45

Family, Library, Group or International, \$75

Plant lover, \$100

Patron, \$300

Benefactor, \$600

Mariposa Lily, \$1500

Limited Income or student, \$25.00

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Mail application and check to: California Native Plant Society, 2707 K Street, Suite 1, Sacramento CA 95816