

November 2018 Naturalist Programs

Black Diamond and Contra Loma / Vasco Caves Tour info at ebparks.org

Programs at Black Diamond meet at end of Somersville Road, unless otherwise noted.

Black Diamond Black Oaks

Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

Kevin Dixon

Nov 3, 3 - 6:45pm. Black Oaks, White Oaks, Blue Oaks and even Oracle Oaks. Learn about their origin, lifestyles, and uses as we hike to the Oracle. 5 sometimes steep miles.

Autumn Ramble

Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

Eddie Willis

Nov 4, 9am - 1pm. Hike deep into the west end to see Rose Hill Cemetery, Jim's Place, and the most northerly stand of Coulter Pines in the world. 6 miles, rugged. (12+yrs).

Rose Hill Reflections

Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

Eddie Willis

Nov 11, 10am - Noon. Hike to a 19th-century cemetery to learn about local coal mining families, how they worked the land, and how they supported each other. Rain cancels.

Lakeside Stroll

Contra Loma

Eddie Willis

Nov 18, 10am - Noon. Walk three miles around the lake looking for signs of autumn. Meet at Frederickson Lane on the Black Diamond/Contra Loma border. Rain cancels.

Contra Costa East

Contra Loma Regional Park

Kevin Dixon

Nov 23, 10am - Noon. Stop by to learn about outdoor opportunities at Contra Loma and Black Diamond, as well as other nearby Regional Parks. Near Redwing picnic area.

Birds and Beaks

Contra Loma Regional Park

Virginia Delgado

Nov 24, Noon - 1:30pm. This place is for the birds! Stop by our table to learn how local birds hunt—in water and in the sky—at this abundant buffet. Near swim lagoon.

Zoom in on Black Diamond

Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

Kevin Dixon

Nov 24, 9:30 - 11:30am. Use hand magnifiers, binoculars, and microscopes to delve deeper into our natural world.

Signs of Winter

Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve

Eddie Willis

Nov 25, 11am - 1pm. The rainy season returns to breathe new life into the land. Stop by the naturalist table to discover the latest signs of the season before you hit the trails.