

Chapter History and Archives

1987 to present

The Beginning - - -

The Arizona Chapter of OCTA was formed in the fall of 1987 at a meeting in Tucson, Arizona. OCTA member, Jack Root, contacted OCTA members in the Southwest inviting them to meet and discuss formation of a new chapter. With approval of the national organization, the chapter was launched. The chapter name has changed, twice, over time, as have the activities. Chapter history will be highlighted on this web page. It will take time to build this history, so check back often to see new parts. After the summary listed below, there will be some photos and extra tidbits from our activities over the years. All of our newsletters will eventually be added to the “Newsletter” tab and include more detailed reports of these activities.



O W Randall, 1849 - inscription near the Oatman site

OVER THE YEARS

A Summary of Chapter Outings, Meetings, and Mapping

1987	Nov. 7-8	Kearny Pack Trail near Safford, AZ	Gila Trail
1988	Jan. 23-24	Painted Rocks and Oatman site, AZ	Southern Trail
	Apr. 16-17	El Morro, NM	Beale Road
	Jul. 16	1st planning meeting, Chandler, AZ	
	Nov. 12-13	Douglas to San Pedro River, AZ	Southern Trail
1989	Jan. 12-13	Tubac and Tumacocri, AZ	Southern Trail
	Mar. 11-12	Anza Borrego State Park, CA	Southern Trail
	Jun. 17	1st Symposium, Tucson, AZ	
	Jul. 8-9	2nd planning meeting, Mt. Lemmon, AZ	
	Sept. 4-5	Canyon de Chelly, AZ	
	Nov. 4-5	Las Cruces to Cooke's Spring, NM	Butterfield Trail
1990	Jan. 26-27	Colorado River, UT	Hole-in-Wall Trail
	Apr. 7-8	Kingman to Sitgreaves' Pass, AZ	Beale Road
	Jun. 16	2nd Symposium, Casa Grande, AZ	
	Jul. 14-15	3rd planning meeting, Mt. Lemmon, AZ	
	Sep. 22-23	Turkey Tanks area, AZ	Beale Road
	Nov. 9-12	Colorado River to Goff, CA	Mojave Road
1991	Jan. 19-20	Cow Springs to Doubtful Canyon, NM	Southern Trail
	Mar. 16-17	San Simon to Tucson, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Jul. 13-14	4th planning meeting, Strawberry, AZ	
	Oct. 5-6	Flagstaff to Perkinsville, AZ	Overland Road
1992	Jan. 18	3rd Symposium - Safford, AZ	
	Mar. 7-8	Sears Point to Pilot Peak, AZ & CA	Southern Trail
	Apr. 25-26	Whitmire Pass to Guadalupe Canyon, NM, AZ	Southern Trail
	Jul. 18-19	5th planning meeting, Alto, NM	
	Sep. 18-19	Bluff area, UT	Hole-in-Wall Trail
1993	Mar. 20-21	Foster's Hole to Playas Lake, NM	Southern Trail
	Jul. 17-18	6th planning meeting, Mt. Lemmon, AZ	
	Oct. 30-31	Mapping Workshop, Flagstaff, AZ	Beale Road

1994	Feb. 26-27	Enid to Painted Rocks, AZ	Southern Trail
	Mar. 19	4th Symposium, Las Cruces, NM	
	Apr. 23-24	Kearny Pack Trail near Safford, AZ	Gila Trail
	Jul. 16-17	7th planning meeting, Strawberry, AZ	
	Sept. 17-18	Point of Rocks Ranch area, NM	Santa Fe Trail
	Nov. 12-13	Mapping attempt, Lordsburg, NM	Southern Trail
1995	Feb. 3-5	Mapping, Cooke's Canyon to Coyote Hills, NM	Southern Trail
	Apr. 3-7	Mojave Road tour, AZ & CA	Beale & Mojave Rd.
	Jul. 22-23	8th planning meeting, Portal, AZ	
	Oct. 14-21	1st mapping week, NM	Southern Trail
1996	Feb. 3	SWOCTA Open House, Chandler, AZ	
	Feb. 24-25	Joint Trails' Workshop, Socorro, NM	
	Apr. 4-11	2nd mapping week, NM	Southern Trail
	Jun. 8	9th planning meeting, Angle Fire, NM	
	Oct. 12	Hunter Draw hike, NM	Southern Trail
	Oct. 11-18	3rd mapping week, NM	Southern Trail
1997	Jan. 18	Oatman to Sears Point, AZ	Southern Trail
	Apr. 19	Ft. Bowie, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Apr. 20-24	4th Mapping Week	Apache Pass Trail
	Jul. 19-20	10th planning meeting, Strawberry, AZ	
	Oct.31-Nov.6	5th Mapping Week	Southern Trail
1998	Jan. 1, 31 & Feb 21	Reconnaissance before board meeting, AZ	Southern Trail
	Feb. 7	Young area, AZ	
	Mar. 27-29	OCTA Board meeting hosted by SWOCTA, AZ	
	Apr. 8-15	6th Mapping Week, NM	Southern Trail
	Jul. 18-19	11th planning meeting, Prescott, AZ	
	Oct. 16-20	7th Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
1999	Jan. 23	Columbus, NM outing	
	Jan. 24	Reconnaissance at Apache Pass, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Apr. 23-29	Reconnaissance, OK, TX, NM	Ft. Smith Trail
	May 15-16	Prescott to Erhenberg Road, AZ	
	Dec. 5-10	8th Mapping Week, CA & AZ	Southern Trail

2000	Feb. 12-13	Inscription work at Sears & Maxwell Point, AZ	Southern Trail
	Feb. 26	Trail Marker Dedication	Apache Pass Trail
	Apr. 3-4	Inscription work at El Morro, NM	Beale Road
	Apr. 5-12	9th mapping week, NM	Southern Trail
	July 8-9	11th planning meeting, Strawberry, AZ	
	Oct. 16-21	10th mapping week, AZ & NM	Apache Pass & Southern Trail
2001	Jan. 21-22	Trial run with new mapping technique, NM	Southern Trail
	Apr. 19-24	11th Mapping Week, NM	Southern Trail
	Oct. 10-17	12th Mapping Week, NM	Southern Trail
	Nov. 10	Day trip, AZ	Southern Trail
2002	Apr. 14-25	Reconnaissance in Texas	Upper & Lower Roads
	Oct. 9-15	13th Mapping Week, AZ	Southern Trail
	Nov. 10	Mapping, AZ	Southern Trail
	Nov. 21-23	Mapping, NM	Southern Trail
2003	Apr. 24-26	Reconnaissance, NM to KS	Cimarron Cutoff, Santa Fe Trail
	Apr. 29-May 8	Reconnaissance, MO to NM	Boone's Lick & Santa Fe Trail
	Oct. 27-Nov 2	14th Mapping Week, AZ	Southern Trail
2004	Apr. 6-10	15th Mapping Week, AZ	Southern Trail
	Oct. 5-11	Excursion to Black Rock, High Rock, NV & CA	Applegate Trail
2005	Feb. 15-20	16th Mapping Week, NM	Southern Trail
	Oct. 22-25	17th Mapping Week, CA	Southern Trail
2006	Mar. 18-19	OCTA Board meeting, AZ	
	May 11-13	18th Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Nov. 17-20	19th Mapping Week, NM & AZ	Apache Pass Trail
2007	Jan. 27	Day trip into Mexico	Southern Trail
	Mar. 16-20	20th Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Oct. 11-16	21st Mapping Week, AZ, NM	Apache Pass Trail
2008	Mar. 17-21	22nd Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
	Nov. 17-21	23rd Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail
2009	Jan. 16-17	Trails Symposium, Yuma, AZ	
	Apr. 2-7	24th Mapping Week, AZ	Apache Pass Trail

Note: This listing includes some trail related activities by individual chapter members.