



TAMALPAIS GUARDIAN

Guardian of the Mountain since 1912

President's Message: Summer 2025

With the end of summer approaching we hope you've been able to enjoy more hikes in our cooler than usual summer weather. No, you didn't miss the spring Guardian. We were waiting for the conclusion of the lawsuit against MMWD re the bike plans, then vacations began, and now it's time for the summer issue! The good news is that the lawsuit was settled mostly in favor of the Marin Conservation League, Audubon Society, and Native Plant Society. MMWD has rescinded the two pilot projects which would have allowed bicycles on 7 miles of single track trails as well as Ebikes. Class 1 Ebikes will be permitted on water district fire roads. MMWD was ordered to pay plaintiff's attorneys' fees. However, they will continue to study the feasibility of allowing bikes on certain trails.

The TCC is pleased to fund \$10,000 to the West Point Inn to move a 500 gallon propane tank which had been situated next to the historic 121 year old wooden inn on Mt. Tam. As a major fire has not occurred on Tam since 1945, mitigating fire danger is high on everyone's concerns. The tank was relocated across the Old Railroad Grade fire road. A concrete pad was poured and a trench dug to lay the pipeline to the inn. They now have two 500 gallon propane tanks for their needs as well as to power

their generator when the solar panels do not generate enough electricity. The tanks are located away from any flammable structures.

In April the TCC was again invited to participate at Rep. Jared Huffmann's annual congressional environmental breakfast. Approximately 80 representatives from various organizations in his district met at the Eames Ranch outside Petaluma to share their accomplishments and concerns. A few local political figures were also in attendance. This event provided good networking among our various like-minded groups.

We welcome Sara Boro of San Rafael to our Board. Everyone is invited to our annual meeting and picnic Sunday, September 28, 12 Noon, at the Lake Lagunitas picnic grounds. Eva Buxton from the Native Plant Society is our guest speaker. Come meet your Board and enjoy a wonderful picnic. Be sure to return your ballot or bring it to the annual meeting.

Kathy Hyde Sennello, President

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The TCC sincerely appreciates our generous donors for 2024-2025:

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And many thanks to all our new and renewing members who so generously support the TCC. It is because of you that TCC moves forward protecting and preserving our beloved Mt. Tam!



Tamalpais Conservation Club Finance Statement
FY May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025
Submitted by Anna dePicciotto

OPERATION RECEIPTS - 2024

Dividends & Interest	\$21,002
Dues, Donations, Misc. Income	\$1,586
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$22,588

OPERATION EXPENSES - 2024

TCC Funding Goals	\$5,000
Tam Guardian Printing	\$2,227
USPS Postage	\$1,555
Website Management	\$1,040
Office Costs	\$33
Insurance, Liability, Licenses	\$916
Bookkeeping	\$1,417
Storage, Rent	\$1,353
Banking	\$235
Board Meeting Expenses	\$269
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$14,045
OPERATING NET GAIN/LOSS	\$8,543

Sara Boro – Board Member, Tamalpais Conservation Club

Sara Boro is a third-generation Bay Area native who was born and raised in Marin County, where she has also raised her own family. She works as a school psychologist, supporting students and families across Marin, and brings with her a deep commitment to community well-being and long-term sustainability. In addition to her professional role, Sara has served on her neighborhood Homeowners Association board for the past ten years, contributing to decisions that balance thoughtful stewardship with practical community needs.

Sara has a lifelong connection to Mt. Tamalpais and a strong appreciation for the unique natural landscape it offers. She values the mountain as a vital environmental and cultural resource and is dedicated to preserving its trails, habitat, and open space for future generations. Through her work with the TCC, she hopes to contribute in a thoughtful and responsible way to the continued protection and care of Mt. Tam.



Relocating West Point Inn's 500 gallon propane tank
Photos submitted by Don Keeley

Save the Date:

TCC Annual Meeting and Picnic: Sunday, 9/28 at 12:00pm

We welcome our members and their guests to our annual meeting and picnic Sunday, September 28, 2025, 12 Noon, at the Lake Lagunitas picnic grounds. Your Board will supply plates, etc., brisket, macaroni salad, etc. Your contributions are always enjoyed! Our guest speaker this year is Eva Buxton from the Native Plant Society. Please remember to bring your green ballot if you have not already mailed it.



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