



## Lost Hikers Thomas Mountain

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The page went out at 01:30 again for two missing hikers on Thomas Mountain. I went by the Hemet Sheriff's substation and picked our rescue truck and tried to catch up with Les Walker and Ralph Hoetger who were in their own vehicle and about 20 minutes ahead. As I got about half way up Thomas Mountain Les called and reported that the Sheriff Deputy on scene had used the loudspeaker on his car and was able to talk the hikers back to the campground. Gwenda Yates put out the 90 code (mission completed) and we all returned home by about 04:30.

**RMRU team members present:** Carlos Carter, Glenn Henderson, Ralph Hoetger, Dana Potts, and Les Walker.

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