

**MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR
Spring 2012**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DRIVER WHEN CARPOOLING

❖❖ Trails maintained by MHH

Designated Wilderness Area (limit 10 hikers/group in NC, 12 hikers/group in GA)

Apr 3 C3##❖❖ 09:00	Arkaquah Trail from Brasstown Bald parking lot to Trackrock Gap. This is a moderate hike of about 5.5 miles, mostly downhill, but with a few "ups." Spectacular views. See the petroglyphs at the end. Some rough footing. Shuttle Blairsville Park and Ride Sue Sorice 706-745-1225
April 3 C3 8:00	Duncan Ridge: Mulky Gap to Fish Gap for 6 miles in and out. This Section has some moderate to strenuous ascents and descents Meet at Blairsville Park and Ride Candy Retter 706-897-9538
April 5th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Apr 10 B4 09:00	Yonah Mountain near Cleveland, GA. 5 miles. A 5 mile round trip with 1,700 feet elevation gain. Trail is a combination of moderate and some steep and rocky sections. Stunning views! Unicoi Gap on Hwy. 75 south of Hiawassee. Jon Dulude 706-219-2662
Apr 10 E4 8:00	Bartram Trail from Courthouse Gap to Beegum Gap. 12 mile with 2,100 ft elevation gain, end up on top of Rabun Bald, GA's 2nd highest peak. Paced at 2+ mph. Shuttle. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. John Ray 864-868-2749
April 12th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Apr 17 C2❖❖## 09:00	Wagon Train Trail from Brasstown Bald parking lot to Young Harris College. This is a 6.5 mile hike, but it's mostly downhill. Shuttle involved Sharp Memorial Methodist Church parking lot in Young Harris. Jack Butler 706-745-8656
Apr 17 C2 8:00	Bear Paw and Chestnut Mt. Loop Trails opposite the White Water Center in Ocoee Gorge TN Close to 8 miles in length. Finishes at White Water Center. Meet at Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown, TN Kathleen Nolte 828-361-9584
April 17th 08:00 CHANGE	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Young Harris Restaurant. Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Apr 24 B3 ❖❖ 09:00	Fires Creek. From recreation area, pass by Leatherwood Falls, then take Rim Access Trail for another 2 miles of steady ascent. Return down access trail and complete Leatherwood Falls loop for 5 miles. Steep uphill section. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.
Apr 24 D3 8:00	Dicks Creek Gap to Plum Orchard (in and out). 9 miles. Moderate with some steep climbs. 4.3 miles on the AT plus .2 miles to shelter for 4.5 miles each way. MHH club "favorite". Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Frances Maney 706-896-9016
May 1 C3❖❖ 09:00	John Muir Trail in TN - This 7 mile section has just been reopened by Jack Dugger and crew. This beautiful trail lies between Coker Creek and the eastern terminus off TN Hwy 68. Walk along noisy Coker Creek and the Dries of the Hiwassee River. Nice Waterfall on the way. Rated moderate with a shuttle. Creek crossings and rugged terrain so bring poles and wear good hiking shoes. Meet in Murphy at the old Brothers restaurant near corner of 129/64
May 1 D3 8:00	Benton MacKaye Trail from Bushy Head Gap to McKenney Gap 10 miles round trip. Moderate with steep climbs. Nice ridgeline walk with great vistas off the sides. Very pretty sections of rhododendron. Meet at Home Depot Blue Ridge Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260
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May 8 C2 09:00	Panther Creek Falls Trail. A 7 mile round trip hike along beautiful Panther Creek to a spectacular waterfall off Hwy 441 south of Clayton. Some very difficult footing due to erosion. Rare spring wildflowers. Optional meal out after Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 8 E3 8:00	Standing Indian area - From the Backcountry Information sign, up the Long Branch Trail (2 miles) to the A.T., right on the A.T. and 3.4 miles to summit of Albert Mt. and return for a total 10.8 miles.

	Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Mary Patrick 706-379-4170
May 10th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 15 C2 ## 9:00	Lake Winfield Scott-Jarrard Gap- Slaughter Gap loop. This is a pleasant 6 mile hike with moderate ascents and descents. Great wildflowers (\$5.00 or Golden Age Pass at Lake Winfield Scott). Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.	Greg & Virginia Lane 706-745-8058
May 15 D4## 8:00	Big Frog – via Big Frog and Wolf Ridge Trails. For 9.5 mile hike with a short shuttle and 2500 ft elevation change. Great Views Meet at Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 17th 08:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Young Harris Restaurant.	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 22 B2 09:00	Park Creek Trail with crossover to Park Ridge Trail in Standing Indian area. 5 miles with some stream crossings. A favorite spring hike because of beautiful wildflower display. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Ginny Smith 706-374-1553
May 22 D3 8:00	Winding Stair Gap to Siler Bald on the AT Return by Siler Bald Shelter. A 9.4 mile hike with 1,400 ft elevation change. Outstanding view from the top of the bald. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	George Radcliffe 706-745-8355
May 24th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 29 A1-B2 ❖❖ 09:00	Wildflower hikes! Coleman River Trail. One of the prettiest trails in North Georgia featuring cascades, old growth forest and huge boulders. This 2 mile round trip hike is rated moderate. Moccasin Creek SP Trails. Scenic 2-3 mile hikes along a creek with several waterfalls and interpretive trail. Pass required for SP. Optional meal out at La Prades on Lake Burton Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee.	Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281
May 29 C4 # 8:00	Vogel State Park to Blood Mountain on the Coosa Back Country Trail and AT, then down to Byron Reece parking area. Strenuous hike with 2200 ft. ascent and 1200 ft descent. 6 miles. Short shuttle Meet at Park and Ride Blairsville	Candy Retter 706-897-9538
May 31st 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
June 2nd 9:00 AM	National Trails Day Celebration with BMTA at Black Rock State Park Pavillion #1 Bring a covered dish for 8. We will have long and short hikes leaving at 9am, picnic lunch to follow hike For info call : Candy Retter 706-835-1344 or candy.retter@gmail.com	
June 5 C3 9:00	Trails of the Ocoee River: 7+ mi. hike, starting at Thunder Rock Campground. Climb the moderate BMT trail over to the Ocoee WW Center and down the Rhododendron Trail to the parking lot. The rhododendron should be in full bloom! Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown	Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260
June 5 E4 # 8:00	Dicks Creek Gap to Addis Gap, return by way of Deep Gap shelter. 11 miles Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee.	Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690
June 7th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
June 11th 9:00 AM	Covered Dish Picnic / Business Meeting at Lake Winfield Scott Bring a covered dish for 8. We will have a hike leaving at 9am, picnic lunch to follow hike For info call : Candy Retter 706-835-1344 or candy.retter@gmail.com	
Jun 12 B3 ❖❖ 9:00	Chunky Gal Trail. Hike from Bob Allison Campground along scenic Tuni Creek to the big buckeye tree and return. About 4 miles (~ 3:00 hrs) with 5 stream crossings (slippery footing) each way. Hiking sticks required. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	
June 12 D2 8:00	Mooney Gap to Timber Ridge Trail in the Standing Indian Area. 8.7 miles total. At Mooney Gap go southbound on the AT for 5 miles, then 2.5 miles on the Timber Ridge Trail and finish up with 1.2 miles to Big Laurel Falls. Shuttle required. Meet at Ingles in Hayesville, NC	Irene Reiner 706-896-1620
June 14th 08:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281

