

MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR

Spring 2014

❖❖ Trails maintained by MHH

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

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| April 1 C2 9 AM | <p>Bartram Trail from Russell Bridge on Hwy 28 east of Clayton to Licklog Falls. Return on fisherman trail along SC side of Chatooga River. 7.5 miles. A beautiful, more or less flat trail to walk. Good opportunity to dine out after the hike at Rumor Haz It in Clayton. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260</p> |
| April 1 D5 9 AM | <p>Eagle Mountain, near Hiawassee. 9 mile loop with some steep climbing. About 4:30 hrs. Come climb the mountain that along with Bell Mountain dominates the skyline from Hiawassee and Hayesville. Up close views of Bell Mountain, pass old hunter's cabin and great views of Lake Chatuge. Macedonia Baptist Church East of Hiawassee. Phyllis & Ken Jones 706-896-5540</p> |
| April 3rd 9:00 | <p>NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</p> |
| April 8 C3 9 AM | <p>Green Mtn. Loop and Long Branch Trails in Fannin County off Aska Rd. south of Blue Ridge. Easy to moderate 6 miles. Views of Lake Blue Ridge. Park & Ride in Blairsville. Candy Retter 706-835-1344</p> |
| April 8 D4❖❖ 9 AM | <p>Fires Creek Rim Trail. Hike up Phillips Ridge Trail to the Rim Trail, then right to Rockhouse Creek Trail and follow it down to our cars. Views from the Rim trail in early spring are fantastic. Approx 10 miles. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Irene Reiner 706-970-9822</p> |
| April 10th 9:00 | <p>NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</p> |
| April 15 C3 ## 9 AM | <p>Unicoi Gap north on the AT to a mile past Indian Grave, return to Indian Grave and out on the Andrews Cove Trail. 6 miles. Short car shuttle. Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee Jon Dulude 706-219-2662</p> |
| April 15 D3 9 AM | <p>Hike Inn Trail. 4.9 miles from Amicalola Falls State Park to Len Foote Hike Inn on the Hike Inn Trail, 5.9 miles return on the AT Approach Trail for a 10.8 mi total. Several moderate climbs. Home Depot in Blue Ridge. Dave Werkheiser 706-669-8439</p> |
| April 17th 9:00 | <p>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</p> |
| April 22 B4 ## | <p>Jacks Gap to Chattahoochee Gap on the Jacks Knob Trail. This 4.6 mile round trip hike has several moderate to strenuous grades both directions. Pretty wildflowers in the spring Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy 180. Nancy & Steve Dennison 706-253-3938</p> |
| April 22 D5 9 AM | <p>Tate City to Standing Indian. Return via AT and trail from Deep Gap. Hike will follow Beech Gap Trail to Case Knife Gap, then UP to the AT just north of Standing Indian summit, then south on AT to Deep Gap, then down the Deep Gap Trail back to our cars. Approx 10 miles Macedonia Baptist Church east of Hiawassee. Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690</p> |
| April 24 9 AM | <p>Leisure Hike - Flat Creek Loop Trail. 5+ mi. moderate hike in the Aska Adventure Trail Area near Blue Ridge Food Lion Parking Lot in Blue Ridge George Owen 706-897-3366</p> |
| April 24th 9:00 | <p>NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</p> |
| April 29 B3 9 AM | <p>Kimsey Creek Trail in Standing Indian area. Hike beside a beautiful stream for about 5 miles in and out. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Janet Faist 706-781-2634</p> |
| April 29 D3 9 AM | <p>Smith Creek Trail from Unicoi State Park to Ana Ruby Falls and return. A moderate 9 mile hike with lunch at the falls. Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee. Judie Kean 706-745-4998</p> |

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| May 1st 8:00 | NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281 |
| May 6 C2 9 AM | Bear Paw and Chestnut Mountain Loop Trails opposite the Whitewater Center in the Ocoee Gorge, TN. A moderate 7.7 mile hike. Good views of gorge. Piggly Wiggly Ducktown, TN Linda and Bob Kaempfer 828-644-5836 |
| May 6 D4 9 AM | Tallulah River to Tallulah River; a NEW hike for MHH. 10 mile hike that begins and ends with a wet crossing of the Tallulah River. Hike follows an abandoned logging road to Bly Gap, apx distance 4 miles. . Joining the AT south, we follow it to Blue Ridge Gap (3 miles), then return via a jeep road to another crossing of the Tallulah, 3 miles south of where we began. First half of hike has several steep climbs and bushwacks. Short shuttle required. Water shoes to cross the River? Eddie Minche will lead this hike. Macedonia Baptist Church east of Hiawassee. Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690 |
| May 8th 8:00 | Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281 |
| May 8 9:30 AM | Leisure Hike - Turtletown Creek Falls. 5 mi. moderate hike, no shuttle. Piggly Wiggly on Hwy 64 in Ducktown, TN Hank Baudet 706-4924318 |
| May 13 C3 9 AM | BMT: Springer parking lot, up AT to Springer, then BMT to 3 Forks. 7 mi. mod hike. Southern terminus of the AT and the BMT with memorial marker for Benton MayKaye. Beautiful rock outcropping overlook. 3 Forks is the confluence of Stover, Chester and Long Creeks. Shuttle. Blairsville Park and Ride George Owen 706-897-3366 |
| May 13 D3 9 AM | Sandy Gap to Unicoi Gap on the Benton MacKaye Trail It is an 8.3 mile section , with a beautiful ridgeline walk along the NC/TN state line. Added attractions of seeing an old engraved marker on the ridge marking the state line and "old Doc" -Roger's TB sanatorium, in ruins, with rock walls over 3 stories high still standing. Ends at the historic Unicoi Gap in TN. Shuttle.. Home Depot in Blue Ridge.. Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610 |
| May 20 C4 9 AM | Dicks Creek Gap south on the AT to Deep Gap Shelter and return for 7.6 miles. (≈ 3:30 hrs) Elevation gain 1,200 feet. Nice scenic viewpoint. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Steve Dennison 706-253-3938 |
| May 20 D4 9 AM | Standing Indian Area. Bearpen Trail over Albert Mountain to Backcountry Information. 8.2 mile short-shuttle hike, steep climbing. Up the Bearpen Trail to the AT. North on AT over Albert Mountain to Glassmine Gap. Then down the Long Branch Trail. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Mary Patrick 706-379-4170 |
| May 22nd 8:00 | NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281 |
| May 27 C3 ## 9 AM | Woody Gap over Big Cedar Mt. to Jarrard Gap on the AT, then down to Lake Winfield Scott for a total of 6.3 miles. Shuttle required. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180 Mary Patrick 706-379-4170 |
| May 27 E4 9 AM | Wayah Bald (el. 5,342 ft.) to Tellico gap (el. 3,850 ft.) on the AT. 9.3 miles. View mountains from Georgia to the Great Smokies from observation tower on Wayah. Shuttle. Rest Stop on 19/74 west of Andrews, NC Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260 |
| May 29th 8:00 | NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281 |
| June 3 B3 ## 9 AM | Unicoi Gap to Indian Grave Gap on the AT and return on the Rocky Mountain Trail. A 5.5 mile hike with 1,000 ft. elevation gain going in, 500 ft returning. Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee. Darlene Rothenay 706-770-2029 |
| June 3 C3 ## ♦♦ 9 AM | Arkaquah Trail from Trackrock Gap to Brasstown Bald parking lot, then down to Jacks Gap for a total of 7.8 strenuous miles. Trail ascends 2,100 ft & descends 1,400 ft. Spectacular views. Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy. 180 Joe Boone 706-835-2269 |
| June 5th 8:00 | NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281 |
| June 9 th 10:00am | Covered Dish Picnic / Business Meeting at Meeks Park Pavilion #1. Bring a covered dish for 8. Come at 10am for the hike or 12 noon for Lunch For info call : Candy Retter 706-835-1344 or candy.retter@gmail.com |

