

# MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR

## Summer 2014

❖❖ Trails maintained by MHH

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

July 1 B3 ❖❖ 9:00	<b>Yellow Mountain Trail in the Coosa Wildlife Management Area.</b> 4.7 miles and 800 foot elevation change. The Yellow Mountain Trail to the top, then the Shope Gap Trail to the Duncan Ridge Road, follow the road to the Mill Shoal Creek Trail which will take us back to the Campground. Park & Ride in Blairsville Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260
July 1 E3 ## 8:00	<b>Standing Indian Area. Rock Gap to Albert Mountain on the AT.</b> A 12 mile in and out hike. Some of the best views in Standing Indian area at the fire tower. Lunch on the summit. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Frances Maney 706-896-9016
July 3 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
July 8 B3 ❖❖ 9:00	<b>Fires Creek.</b> 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 Ginny Smith 706-374-1553
July 8 D3 9:00	<b>Green Mountain Trail in Fannin County</b> 10 mile in and out hike with moderate elevation gain. Includes the Green Mountain Trail for 7 miles and the connector to Long Branch Loop for an additional 3 miles Home Depot parking lot in Blue Ridge Candy Retter 706-835-1344
July 10 D3 9:00	<b>Leisure Hike –</b> The hike will be from Helen to Unicoi Lodge, 6 miles, mostly easy, chance to eat the buffet at the Lodge Macedonia Baptist Church East of Hiawassee or recreational parking lot in Helen Barbara Hardee 828-389-2359
July 10 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
July 15 B2 ❖❖ ## 9:00	<b>Raven Cliffs Trail.</b> A scenic 5 mile round trip hike along a cascading mountain stream to towering cliffs with two waterfalls. Some difficult footing due to erosion Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy. 180 Linda and Bob Kaempfer 828 644 5836
July 15 E3 ## 8:00	<b>Betty's Creek Gap to Beech Gap in the Standing Indian Area.</b> 10.2 miles total. At Betty's Creek Gap, go southbound on the AT for 7.8 miles to Beech Gap, then down 2.4 miles on the Beech Gap Trail. Short shuttle required. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Dave Werkheiser 706-669-8439
July 17 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
July 22 C3 9:00	<b>GA AT Series 3. Woody Gap to Gooch Gap (in and out).</b> 7.2 miles. Nice views south. Trail passes Woody Gap (3150), Ramrock Mt. (3200) high point, Gooch Gap (2784) low point. MHH favorite. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy. 180 Candy Retter 706-835-1344
July 22 D3 9:00	<b>Long Branch Trail to AT to Winding Stair Gap in Standing Indian area.</b> This 8.2 mile moderate hike begins at the Back Country Information Center. Shuttle required Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Mary Patrick 706-379-4170
July 24 9:30	<b>Leisure Hike - Turtletown Creek Falls</b> About 5 miles, 2 waterfalls, optional swimming available, so bring a dry set of clothes. No shuttle required Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown, TN Hank Baudet 706-492-4318
July 24 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>

July 29 B3 9:00	<b>Deep Gap (4,341 ft.) to the top of Standing Indian Mountain (5,498 ft.) on the AT.</b> This is a 5 mile round trip hike in the Southern Nantahala Wilderness Area. Year round spectacular views. Ingles Parking Lot in Hayesville. Virginia and Greg Lane 706-745-8058
July 29 D3 ## 9:00	<b>Benton MacKaye, Hemp Top, Jacks River trails.</b> We will start hiking from Watson Gap, enter the Cohutta Wilderness on the BMT, then use the Hemp Top and Jack's River trails to complete a circle and return over a 2.6 repeat of the BMT to Watson Gap again. About 8.3 miles. Home Depot parking lot in Blue Ridge Dave Werkheiser 706-669-8439
Aug 5 C4 ## 9:00	<b>Byron Herbert Reece and Freeman Trails</b> with return over Blood Mountain on the AT. A 6.5 mile loop hike. Elevation gain 1,400 feet. Rough, rocky footing. Byron Herbert Reece parking lot Hwy. 129 close to Neels Gap. Bronco Barnsworth 706-745-9610
Aug 5 E4 ## 9:00	<b>Standing Indian Area: Kimsey Creek Trail to Deep Gap, north on AT to Standing Indian Summit, return on Lower Ridge Trail.</b> 12 miles. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690
<b>Leisure Hike - Aug 7</b>	
Aug 12 B3 9:00	<b>Winding Stair Gap to Rock Gap and Return.</b> A 7.4 in and out hike on the AT. (We missed this hike back in Feb. because of bad weather) Ingles Parking Lot Hayesville Mary Patrick 706-379-4170
Aug 12 E3 9:00	<b>Woody Gap to Slaughter Gap on the AT, then down the Slaughter Creek Trail to Lake Winfield Scott.</b> 10.6 miles. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot.
Aug 14 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
Aug 19 C3 9:00	<b>Big Big Frog Wilderness Loop.</b> 7.2 miles. Hike starts at Thundercreek Campground on the Benton McKaye Trail to West Fork Trail to 1330 bypass to Bear Paw Trail to Rhododendron Trail. Lunch at the Whitewater Center and then walk the beautiful boardwalk along the river back to cars. (Or whatever the leader of this hike decides is best!) Piggly Wiggly Parking Lot in Ducktown Linda and Bob Kaempfer 828 644 5836
Aug 19 D3 9:00	<b>Park Creek Trail and Park Ridge Trail loop</b> in Standing Indian area for a 9 mile hike. Begin at Park Gap, take Park Ridge Trail to Nantahala River, then Park Creek Trail back to cars. Ingles parking lot Hayesville Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690
Aug 21 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
Aug 26 C3 9:00	<b>Dockery Lake to AT and Return.</b> A 6.8 mile hike. Elevation 1,000 ft. going, 600 ft. returning. Trail noted for wild azaleas. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180 Steve Dennison 706-253-3938
Aug 26 C2 9:00	<b>Summer Easy Pleasure (Mostly Downhill) - Tanasi Bike Trails</b> - This will be a fairly easy, shady, and rather pleasant hike for a very hot summer month. We'll start high after a short shuttle, beginning on the high spot on Forest Service Road 221 in Tenn. Then we'll hike somewhere between 5-7+ miles mostly downhill on the Tanasi Bike Trail system down to the Ocoee Whitewater Center. Piggly Wigly in Ducktown, TN. Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Aug 28 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281</b>
Sept. 2 B3 ♦♦ ## 9:00	<b>Arkaquah Trail from Brasstown Bald Parking Lot, Down.</b> This is a moderate hike of about 5.5 miles, mostly downhill. Spectacular views. See the petroglyphs at the end. (Trackrock). Some rough footing. Shuttle Blairsville Park & Ride Tom Shope 706-745-4072
Sept. 2 D3 ## 9:00	<b>Standing Indian Area. Bearpen Trail over Albert Mountain to Backcountry Information.</b> 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.

