

MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR

Summer 2015

July 7 B3 9:00	Yellow Mountain Trail in the Coopers Creek Wildlife Management Area. 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. For those who are interested, following the main hike, we will add an additional easy 2.0+ mile hike along Cooper Creek to see old home sites of the Harkins and Shope clans, an old mill site and a dam site on Cooper Creek and the grave site of an ancestor involved in the Cherokee Removal. One easy, shallow, wet crossing of Cooper Creek required Park & Ride in Blairsville Tom Shope 706-745-4072
July 7 D3 9:00	Green Mountain Trail in Fannin County 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 Ginny Smith 706-258-8716
July 9 8:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
July 14 C3 9:00	GA AT Series 3. Woody Gap to Gooch Gap (in and out). 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 Hwy180 Steve Dennison 706-253-3938
July 14 E4 9:00	Standing Indian Area. Rock Gap to Albert Mountain on the AT. 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 Dave Werkheiser 706-669-8439
July 16 8:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
July 21 B2 9:00	Flat Creek Loop Trail. 5+ mi. moderate hike in the Aska Adventure Trail Area near Blue Ridge. Food Lion Parking Lot in Blue Ridge Ken Cissna 706-636-1741
July 21 E3 9:00	Woody Gap to Slaughter Gap on the AT, then down the Slaughter Creek Trail to Lake Winfield Scott. 10.6 miles. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot. Mary Patrick 706-379-4170
July 23 B2 9:00	Brush Creek loop trail. Approximately 5 miles Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown, TN Evelin Yarns 828-837-7237
July 23 8:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
July 28 C3 9:00	Rock Gap on the AT going south to the new shelter and back for a 6 mile moderate hike. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Joe Boone 706-835-2269
July 28 D3 9:00	Park Creek Trail and Park Ridge Trail loop 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
July 30 8:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
Aug 4 B2 9:00	Raven Cliffs Trail. 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 Larry Dietsch 706-896-4951
Aug 4 D3 9:00	Benton MacKaye, Hemp Top, Jacks River trails. 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	Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260
Aug 6 8:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
Aug 11 B3 9:00	Wayah Gap to Siler Bald on the AT. The trail climbs 1,000 feet in 1.9 miles, but the 360 degree view from top is well worth the effort. A 3.8 mile round trip hike. (≈ 3:00 hrs). Club favorite Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Tom Shope 706-745-4072
Aug 11 D4 9:00	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.	Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690
Aug 13 8:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride	Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
Aug 18 D3 9:00	Lake Winfield Scott to Slaughter Creek Trail to Blood Mountain for approx. 6 miles of moderately difficult terrain. Steep sections but worth it for the view! Fee area Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.	Candy Retter 706-835-1344
Aug 18 D4 8:00	Wayah Crest to Wayah Bald on the AT. Trail climbs from 4,188 ft. at Crest to 5,342 ft. at observation tower with some ups and downs in between. 8.4 miles round trip. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Irene Reiner 706-970-9822
Aug 20 B2 9:00	Two scenic waterfalls. Desoto Falls: round trip distance is 1.9 miles. Helton Creek Falls: side trip down FS road for a short hike, then relax by beautiful, cool waterfalls. 1.5 miles. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot	
Aug 20 8:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
Aug 25 B3 9:00	Deep Gap (4,341 ft) to the top of Standing Indian Mountain (5,498 ft.) on the AT, 1157 ft. elevation gain. This is a moderately steep 5 mile round trip hike in the Southern Nantahala Wilderness Area. Usually cooler in summer Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	George Owen 706-897-3366
Aug 25 D3 9:00	Jacks River - Cohutta Wilderness Hike : This is a 9.2 mile hike with < 400 foot elevation change, going from Dally gap in the Cohutta's 4.6 miles down Jacks River Trail (one of the prettiest areas in the Cohutta's) to a beautiful lunch spot with a swimming hole, then back out. There will be 3 river crossing each way which are knee deep, so bring water shoes and poles. This will be a great escape from the summer heat. Plan on getting wet, so bring a change of clothes!! Home Depot on 515 in Blue Ridge	Pam and Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Aug 27 8:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Blairsville Park and Ride	Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610
Sept 1 B3 9:00	Arkaquah Trail from Brasstown Bald parking lot down to the petroglyphs. This is a moderate hike of about 5.5 miles, mostly downhill. Spectacular views. See the petroglyphs at the end. Some rough footing. Shuttle Blairsville Park and Ride	Michael O'Brien 706-745-6260
Sept 1 E3 9:00	Betty's Creek Gap to Beech Gap in the Standing Indian Area. 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.	Jerry Carnes 706-896-4690
Sept 8 B2 9:00	Dally Gap to Jack's River. 5-6 mi. hike up Hemp Top Trail to intersection with the BMT at Spanish Oak Gap to Jacks River Trail to the river. Bring poles, river shoes if you want to cross the river. Home Depot in Blue Ridge	George Owen 706-897-3366
Sept 8 D3 8:00	Long Branch Trail to AT to Winding Stair Gap in Standing Indian area. This 8.2 mile moderate hike begins at the Back Country Information Center. Shuttle required Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Irene Reiner 706-970-9822
Sept 10 8:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Bronco Burnsworth 706-745-9610

