

MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR
Winter Hikes 2011

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DRIVER FOR GAS MONEY

❖❖ Trails maintained by MH

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

Jan 04 (C4) 09:00	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.	Bert Kunze 706-896-3601
Jan 04 (D2) 09:00	The holidays are over lets kick start the new year!! Smith Creek Trail from Unicoi State Park to Anna Ruby Falls and return A moderate 9mile hike with lunch at the falls. State Park Pass or \$5.00 Park Fee required. Unicoi Gap south of Hiawassee	Phyllis Loman 706-896-5540
Jan 6th 09:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Jan 11 C3 # 9:00	Hogpen Gap to Wolf Laurel Top , back to Tesnatee Gap. With a side trip to a beautiful overlook toward Whitley Gap Shelter (6.6 miles, ≈ 3:30 hrs). Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy. 180 A combined hike due to WWW	Jon Dulude 706-219-2666
Jan 18 (C1) 09:00	Jack Rabbit hike/bike trail 7.6 miles. Hike four loops of the Jack Rabbit Hike/ bike trail--3.1 miles on the white blazed loop, 2 miles on the blue blazed loop, 1 mile on the orange blazed trail, 1.5 miles on yellow blazed loop. Great views of Lake Chatuge and variety of hard woods. Jack Rabbit hike/bike trailhead	Roland & Barbara Hardee 828-389-2359
Jan 18 (D2 #) 09:00	Mooney Gap to Timber Ridge Tr. in Standing Indian Area. 8.7 miles total. At Mooney Gap go southbound on the AT for 5 miles, then down 2.5 miles on Timber Ridge Tr., and finish up with 1.2 miles to Big Laurel Falls. Shuttle required. Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Ginny Smith 706-258-8716
Jan 20th 09:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Bread of Life Restaurant in Young Harris.	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Jan 25 (B2) # 09:00	Neels Gap to Levelland Mountain on the AT. A 3 mile (≈3:15 hrs) moderate round trip hike with a nice view from the top of Levelland Mountain. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. .	Jack Butler 706-745-8656
Jan 25 (D3) 9:00	AT Approach trail. If you haven't been to the Southern Terminus of the AT its about time. Travel the path that Thru hikers start on before heading north on the AT. Hike 9 + miles south from FS Rd 42 down to Amicalola Falls Park. Blairsville Park n Ride	Bob Stone 706-745-5943
Jan 27th 09:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Feb 01 (A3) ❖❖ # 09:00	Jacks Gap to Brasstown Bald on the Jacks Knob Trail. This 2.4 mile hike has several moderate to strenuous grades. 1,400 ft. climb. Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy 180.	Jacob Dorn 828-835-7815
Feb 1st (E3) 09:00	Unicoi Gap to Tray Mt. on the AT. 10.4 mile strenuous in and out hike, elevation gain 2400 ft. going and 900 ft. returning but worth the effort. Great views from Tray Mt. Paced hike 2 +mph. Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee, or 8:30 at Blairsville park and ride Jon Dulude 706-219-2662	
Feb 3rd 09:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Feb 08 (C3) ❖❖ 09:00	The Miller Trek (Trail #46) at Brasstown Valley Resort. This 6.5 mile loop is moderately difficult with an elevation change of 1,400 feet and some rough, rocky footing. (3 hrs) Trailhead parking lot on service road at the resort.	Bert Kunze 706-896-3601
Feb 08 (E4) ❖❖ 09:00	Chunky Gal from Glade Gap to Perry Gap and return 11 mile in and out Hike 1300 ft elev. Gain. Side trip to the new look out of Shooting Creek Bald (Boteler Peak) that MHH opened up (.6 mile) Paced hike at 2+ mph timed at 2.75 hrs.We will have lunch and turnaround at this time whether we have reached Perry Gap or not. Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Phyllis Loman 706-896-5540

Feb 15 (A1) 09:00	Chatuge Dam. Easy hike across dam and on the new asphalt extension. Beautiful view. Round trip distance about 3 miles. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. 2.3 miles to trail head Linda & Bob Kaempfer 828-644-5836
Feb 15 (C4) 09:00	Coosa Backcountry Trail from Wolfpen Gap to Wolf Creek Road. Strenuous hike with 2,100 ft. el.gain and 2,500 ft. el. loss. 7.2 miles (≈ 3:30 hrs.). Short shuttle. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. Doug Haas 770-410-1738
Feb 17th 09:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Bread of Life Restaurant in Young Harris. Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Feb 22 (B2) 09:00	Benton Mackaye Trail from Hwy. 60 at Wilsco Gap to Skeenah Gap. This 5.3 mile section is constantly going up and down. Many of these short grades are steep. Shuttle required. Park and Ride in Blairsville Janet Faist 706-781-2634
Feb 22 (D3) 09:00	Dicks Creek Gap south on AT to Addis Gap and return by way of FS road to Deep Gap Shelter for 11 mile hike Macedonia Bap. Church parking lot east of Hiawassee Frances Maney 706-896-9016
Feb 24th 09:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Mar 01 (A2) ❖❖ 09:00	High Shoals Falls. A 2.5 mile round trip hike to view two beautiful waterfalls. This hike is rated moderate due to some climbing and descending. (≈ 2:45 hrs) Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Renate Diebold 706-896-1873
March 01 (C?) 09:00	A Tenn. hike along the John Muir Tr. New for the club. 6.6 mile hike along the Hiawassee River off of Hwy 68. Meet at Hardy's in Ducktown on Hwy 64 Jack Dugger 706-781-3377
Mar 3rd 09:00	NC Trail Maintenance Day Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Mar 08 (C2) 09:00	Benton MacKaye Trail from Hwy. 60 across Toonowee Mountain to the suspension bridge and return for 7.2 miles (≈3:40 hrs) round trip. Elevation change 800 ft. in, 900 ft out. Park and Ride in Blairsville. 16.2 miles to trailhead Bert Kunze 706-896-3601
March 08 (E3) 9:00	Duncan Ridge Tr. from Wolfpen Gap over Coosa Bald and west to Buckeye Gap. 10.4 miles R/T with 1000 ft elev. Gain both ways Some nice views. Paced hike at 2+ mph Meet at Choestoe Bap. Church on Hwy 180 Doug Haas 770-410-1738
Mar 15 (B2) 09:00	Coosa Backcountry Trail from Wolf Creek Road to Burnett Gap. This is an easy to moderate 4.6 mile (≈ 3.5 hrs) round trip Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. Sue Sorice 706-745-1225
March 15 (E4) Time change 08:00	Bartram Trail from Courthouse Gap to Beegum Gap. 12.5 miles with 2,100 ft elevation gain, end up on top of Rabun Bald, GA's 2 nd highest peak. Paced at 2+ mph. Shuttle. Meet at Macedonia Bap. Church parking lot east of Hiawassee John Ray 864-868-2749
Mar 22 (B2) 09:00	Dicks Creek Gap north to Cowart Gap on the AT. This is a 3.6 mile (≈2:30 hrs) round trip hike with some moderate ascending and descending in both directions. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee. Wes Clonts 706-769-3234
Mar. 22 (C4**#) 9:00	Arkaquah Trail from Trackrock Gap to Brasstown Bald parking lot, then down to Jacks Gap for a total of 7.8 miles of strenuous hiking. Trail ascends 2100 ft. and descends 1400. Spectacular views Meet at Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy 180 George Radcliffe 706-745-8355
Mar 24th 09:00	Georgia Trail Maintenance Day. Bread of Life Restaurant in Young Harris. Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281
Mar 24th 6:00pm	Covered Dish Supper and Business Meeting / Business Meeting at Sharp Memorial Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Bring a covered dish for 8. For info call: Candy Retter 706-835-1344 or candy.retter@gmail.com
Mar 29 (B4) 09:00	Wayah Gap to Siler Bald on the AT. The trail climbs 1,000 feet in 1.9 miles, but the view from top is well worth the effort. A 3.8 mile round trip hike. (≈ 3:00 hrs) Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281
March 29 (E3) Time change 08:00	Wayah Bald to Franklin, NC on the Bartram Trail. 10.8 miles, Start high on 5342' Wayah Bald's old observation tower with commanding view from the Smokies to Albert Mountain. Overall the hike is downhill, but some up-and-down in between will give you a workout. Conclude just past a lovely waterfall at the trailhead on Franklin's outskirts. 3100 ft elevation loss. Shuttle Meet at Ingles in Hayesville Richard Sullivan 706-374-5281

**Please contact the Hike Leader or visit www.mountainhighhikers.org for schedule changes
In order to accommodate different hiking levels, we might do “timed-in-and-out” hikes.**

Hike Rating: Distance: A = up to 3 miles
B = 3 - 6 miles
C = 6 - 8 miles
D = 8 - 10 miles
E = over 10 miles

Terrain / Footing: 1 = easy
2 = average
3 = moderate
4 = strenuous
5 = very strenuous