

# Interstate Hiking Club

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## Schedule of Hikes

December 2023 through May 2024

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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB

### ***Who we are!***

The Interstate Hiking Club (IHC) is a medium-sized hiking club, organized in 1931. IHC has been affiliated with the NY/NJ Trail Conference, as a trail maintaining club, since 1931.

**Guests are welcome!** An adult must accompany anyone under 18. **No Pets allowed on IHC hikes.**

### ***Where do we go?***

Most of our activities are centered in the NY/NJ area; some hikes, bicycle rides and canoe trips are farther away. The club occasionally sponsors trips in the Catskills and Pennsylvania. Our hikes are not usually accessible by public transportation.

### ***What do we do?***

Hikes, bicycle rides and canoe trips generally are scheduled for every Sunday, and some Fridays and Saturdays, as day-long outings.

They are graded by difficulty of terrain, distance and pace. **The Hiking grades are:**

**Easy:** These hikes are 3 to 5 miles in length and should have no significant hills.

**Moderate:** These hikes are 5 to 8 miles and may take up to 5 hours, including time for trail lunch. They should not generally have multiple long steep hills, and should be at a moderate pace.

**Moderately Strenuous:** These hikes are 5 to 8 miles with multiple steep hills or 8 miles or more which are mostly flat walking. They can last up to 6 hours including trail lunch. Pace to be moderate.

**Strenuous: Not for novices.** Hikes are 8 miles or more and last 6 hours or more, including time for trail lunch. These may have many long steep hills and may be at a brisk pace.

**The club also maintains trails in association with the NY/NJ Trail Conference. Two Sundays a year are devoted to this service work. In addition, in the past we have participated in the following: orienteering, snow-shoeing, cross-country skiing, swimming, mountain biking, backpacking, and camp-outs in the Adirondacks, Southern Appalachians and Maine.**

### ***What to bring:***

Footwear is very important. Hiking boots with non-slip soles are essential for all hikes. New footwear should be broken-in before being used on a hike!

**Bring plenty of water to drink (In the summer; a minimum of 2 quarts recommended), a trail lunch,** but please no food that requires cooking. Bring a pack to carry your gear in, including rain gear, sweater, etc., leaving your hands free for climbing.

### ***Things to be aware of:***

**All outdoor activities involve inherent risks. Your participation in these activities is at your own personal discretion and you are solely responsible for your safety!**

**The stated meeting time for a hike "is" the departure time.**

The leader is in charge of the event. Allow the leader to set the pace. **Do not rush ahead or fall behind the group.** The leader has the right to refuse any person he/she deems not prepared for the hike/event.

### ***How to join:***

Application for membership may be given to any club officer or mailed to the treasurer **upon the completion of one activity.** Guests, who have **attended three activities, shall be expected to apply for membership** before attending any more activities.

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**Rain, inclement weather, will cancel the activities below. Contact the leader if in doubt.**

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## Membership Application

**Note! Current Members! Annual Dues are \$20.00: A Second Member at same address \$10.00. Due on June 1!**

Having **completed at least one club activity,** I wish to apply for membership in the Interstate Hiking Club.

**If joining between May 1 to Dec. 1,** dues are \$21.00 per person. [\$20.00 per year plus \$1.00 initiation fee]

**If joining between Dec. 1 to May 1,** dues are \$11.00 per person. [\$10.00 (1/2 year) plus \$1.00 initiation fee]

Junior (under 18) dues are \$1.00 a year.

**The Club fiscal year is June 1st to May 31st.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please PRINT Clearly)

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ -- E-mail: (All Caps) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of your IHC hike: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Application Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ \$21.00 (App. Date: 5/1 to 12/1) \_\_\_\_\_ \$11.00 (App. Date: 12/1 to 5/1) \_\_\_\_ \$1.00 (Junior)

**Enclosed are dues and initiation fee. Payable to CHARLES KIENTZLER**

**Mail to the Treasurer: Charles Kientzler, 711 Terhune Drive, Wayne NJ 07470**

# INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB      Winter 2024 SCHEDULE

## December 2023 thru May 2024

### **Sunday    December 3, 2023    Great Swamp Recreation Ctr. at Lord Stirling    Easy**

Now that the cool weather is upon us, let's get out and smell the clean winter air! There are numerous trails around this Center, some are on elevated boardwalks with views of the Passaic River flowing thru the marshes and others around the ponds. The displays in the Center are worth the trip alone. About 6 miles total.

**Leaders:** Udi & Neli Cohen      732- 543-4624      UDIC2000@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM    Great Swamp Recreation Center EEC, 190 Lord Stirling Rd, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920**

**From Intersection of I-287 and I-80:** Take I-287 south 11.5 mi to Exit 30A for N Maple Ave. Exit and drive South on N Maple for 2½ mi to Lord Sterling Rd on left. Turn in and continue for 1 mi to Center parking on left. Warm Toilets

**GPS Meeting Place (40.6946, -74.5211)**

### **Sunday    December 10, 2023    Hamburg WMA      Moderately Strenuous**

This moderately difficult hike, in the very lightly trafficked Hamburg Mountain Wildlife Management Area, starts at Silver Lake and follows unblazed woodland trails and fire roads. There are a few small stream crossing and nice views of lakes and woodlands trails. A communication tower, along the way, has views, for hikers, of Pochuck Mountain Ridge and Hamburg valley. Map: NYNJ TC –Trail Map #116

**Leader:** Paul Ferlazzo      973-979-2010      P\_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM    Silver Lake Parking, 60 Hamburg Pike, Hamburg, NJ 07419**

**From I-287 Exit 52:** Take Rt- 23 north 16 mi to Silver Grove Rd. (Rt -625) on the right. (Small road sign) Turning right drive 0.1 mi to Silver Lake Rd. on the left. (Small road sign in trees) Make a Left and continue 1 mile to the Parking turn-in on the right. Dive in to Lake Parking Lot. Note! Silver Lake Rd. name changes to Hamburg Pike before Silver Lake Turnoff.!

**GPS Parking Turn-in (41.1216, -74.5379)    GPS Meeting Place (41.1219, -74.5363)**

### **Sunday    December 17, 2023    Harriman Hogencamp Mountain      Moderate**

Starting at the shores of Lake Skannatati we hike up Hogencamp and Surebridge Mountains with Bowling Rocks, Goldthwaite Memorial, Times Square and a few mines along the way. Approximately 7 miles.

**Leaders:** Mike Roulier      973-879-8218      MROULIER2016@GMAIL.COM

Jill Wilson      973-879-0531      SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 8:30 AM, on the trail at 9:00 AM    Lake Skannatati Parking Area, Seven Lakes Dr; Harriman State Pk, NY 10974**

**From Suffern: @ I-287 & I-87N Interchange exit 15A:** Take Rt-17 north 4½ mi, to Seven Lakes Dr., just north of Sloatsburg, NY. Turn right onto Seven Lakes Dr; go 7.8 mi. Parking Area is on the left (down the hill) along the lower lake.

**GPS Meeting Place (41.2429, -74.1017)**

### **Sunday    December 24, 2023    Day off — XMAS Eve**

### **Sunday    December 31, 2023    Frenchtown Loop      Moderately Strenuous**

Will start the hike from D&R canal parking in Frenchtown and head north to Millford. Over the bridge there and come back the Penn side. Will stop at nice bakery with warm things in Millford for a snack. Hike is mostly flat 8.5 miles.

**Leaders:** Guy Percival      973-590-7437      PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM    D&R Canal parking @ Frenchtown, 2 River Rd, Frenchtown NJ 08825**

**From I-78W Exit 15:** Stay left at exit for left turn onto Rt-513. Follow Rt-513 south about 11 miles to the center of Frenchtown at Rt-29. Turn right onto Bridge St.; (Not Rt-29) and proceed to Canal St, the last street on the left, before Frenchtown/Uhlerstown Bridge. Parking Area is along the road.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.5263, -75.0632)**

### **Sunday    January 7, 2024    Wawayanda      Moderate**

What could be more scenic than hiking around Wawayanda Lake with a stop at a Historic Furnace and a sojourn out to Lake Lookout and the Pickle Trail. We will explore the Boulder Garden on our return leg. Approximately 8 miles,

**Leaders:** Mike Roulier      973-879-8218      MROULIER2016@GMAIL.COM

Jill Wilson      973-879-0531      SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 8:30 AM, on the trail at 9:00 AM    Wawayanda State Park, Wawayanda Rd, Beach Parking, Hewitt, NJ 07421**

**From I-287 Exit 55:** Go north on Ringwood Ave. (Rt-511) (name changes to Greenwood Lake Tpk.) about 13 miles to Warwick Tpk. at south end of Greenwood Lake. Continue straight-ahead 5 mi. on Warwick Turnpike past Upper Greenwood Lake. Turn left at park entrance. Continue past the Ranger Station 2¼ mi. to the entrance to Beach Parking on the left at the north end of Wawayanda Lake.

**GPS Park Entrance (41.1993, -74.3920)    GPS Meeting Place (41.1927, -74.4289)**

**Sunday January 14, 2024 Hike Fort Nonsense****Strenuous**

We will meet at Jockey Hollow visitors center and leave cars. Shuttle the remaining cars to Fort Nonsense and hike back via the Patriots Path. 10 miles with first 6 miles flat along the old Rockabye railway. **Shuttle required.**

**Leader: Guy Percival** 973-590-7437 PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM Jockey Hollow Visitors Center, 586 Tempe Wick Road, Morristown, NJ 07960**

**From I-287 Exit 30:** Take N. Maple northward 0.1 mi to Rt-202 at light. Go right onto Rt-202 Northbound and drive 1.75 mi to the light at Tempe Wick Rd. Take a left onto Tempe Wick Rd. and continue 1.5 mi to Park Entrance at Jocky Hollow Rd. on the right. Turn into the Park and continue 0.4 mi to Visitors Center Parking lot (by the flagpole).

**Very large Parking Lot, park and meet by the Flag Pole.**

**GPS Meeting Place (40.7617, -74.5427)**

**Sunday January 21, 2024 Butler Reservoir****Moderately Strenuous**

Will start at Pyramid Mtn. Hike over to and around Butler Reservoir, then return to Pyramid Mtn visitors center. Hike is 8.5 miles. Very pretty views of the reservoir but some road walking.

**Leaders: Guy & Jen Percival** 973-590-7437 PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM Pyramid Mt. Visitors Center, 472 Boonton Ave. (Rt-511), Boonton Township, NJ 07005**

**From the South: I-287 Exit 45 Wootton Avenue (Boonton):** Take first left (Wootton Ave.) and go under I-287. Follow Wootton Ave straight up the hill ½ mi to blinker light. Turn right on Boonton Ave (Rt-511) and continue about 3 miles to Morris County Park parking lot on the left.

**From the North: I-287 Exit 52, to Rt-23 north:** Go 2 miles north on Rt-23 to Boonton Ave (Rt-511 south). Exit is a right-hand jug-handle turn. Follow Rt-511 south 4 miles to Morris County Park parking lot on the right.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.9472, -74.3873)**

**Sunday January 28, 2024 Hike the Whittemore Nature Preserve****Moderate**

This is a 6.5 mi. loop hike around fields, the Rockaway creek and woods in Whittemore Conservation center. It is hilly and pretty along the river. We will start from a field parking lot along Rockaway Road.

**Leader: Guy Percival** 973-590-7437 PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM Whittemore-Community, Culture & Conservation, Nature Preserve, 7 Rockaway Rd, Oldwick, NJ 08858**

**From I-287 & I-78 intersection:** Take I-78 westward 5.6 mi to Exit-24 @ Oldwick Road. Exit and drive North along Oldwick Rd. 0.35 mi. Make a left on Rockaway Road then the first right into a grass parking lot.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.6568, -74.7525)**

**Sunday February 4, 2024 Rutgers Preserve****Moderate**

We will hike 6.5 miles in Rutgers Ecological Preserve which is bigger and much hillier than you might think. In addition, we will go outside the preserve exploring Livingston Campus and buildings that remain from old Camp Kilmer.

**Leaders: Eileen Kowler** EILEEN.KOWLER@GMAIL.COM

**Guy Percival** 973-590-7427 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

**Meet: 9:30 AM Johnson Park Grove #1, Johnson Park Rd (Rt-807) Highland Park NJ 08904**

**From I-287 Exit 9 (River Rd toward Highland Park):** Take River Road (R-622) 4.6 mi towards Highland Park, NJ. Make a right when you reach Light at Cedar Lane into Johnson Park Road which is Rt-807. Proceed clockwise to the second parking lot (Grove #1) and use second entrance. [Close to toilets.]

**GPS Meeting Place (40.5077, -74.4473)**

**Sunday February 11, 2024 South Mountain Reservation****Moderately Strenuous**

This hike of about 8 miles will include the Lenape (yellow), Turtle Back (orange) and Rahway (white) trails. We will pass scenic views, historic points, and a waterfall, and cover a large portion of the park.

**Leader: Paul Ferlazzo** 973-979-2010 P\_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM South Mountain Reservation, Locust Grove Parking Lot, 199 Glen Ave, Millburn NJ 07041**

**From I-280 Exit Pleasant Valley Way:** Take Pleasant Valley Way south (becomes Cherry Lane and then Brookside Drive) about 5.5 miles to Glen Ave. at traffic light. Then turn left on Glen Ave. and continue 0.3 mi. to Locust Grove Parking Lot (on the left) at the corner of Glen Ave. and Lackawanna Place, across from the Millburn RR station.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.7266, -74.3048)**

**Sunday February 18, 2024 TBA Meetup****Moderately Strenuous**

**Sunday Feb 25, 2024****Natural Lands Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary — PA Moderate**

This is a short hike, only 5 miles but steep to mountainous. We will loop around all the trails in natural lands and see two steep and pretty views of the Delaware river. Natural Lands has many interesting signs describing what is happening in their woodlands. We will stop to read them. There will be an optional extra hike in Riegelsville and on the D&L canal starting from the D&L Trail Riegelsville trailhead.

**Leader: Guy Percival****973-590-7437****PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM****Meet: 9:00 AM Natural Lands' Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary, 240 Sunnyside Rd, Easton, PA 18042**

**From I-287 & I-78 intersection:** Take I-78 West 27 mi to Exit 3, Rt-22 North. Exit northbound and drive 0.4 mi to Rt-122 West by taking the jug handle and crossing Rt-22 at light. Continue west 0.9 mi on Rt-122 to Rt-519. Turning Left follow Rt-519 3¾ mi to junction with Rt-627. Travel 3¾ mi on joint roads and take Rt-627 at right split and continue 7.5 mi to Riegelsville. Continue straight when Rt-627 turns left to Milford. Cross the Delaware, jog right then left still on the main road. At the light make a right onto Rt-611 towards Easton PA. Drive 0.8 mi and you will be beyond Riegelsville and make a left on Spring Hill Rd. Drive 0.6 mi and make a right on Sunnyside Rd. Drive ½ mi and park at Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary parking area on left. Sunnyside road becomes private after Mariton.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.6066, -75.2044)****→ Feb 27<sup>th</sup> Deadline to submit hike ideas for next schedule. June 2024 to Nov. 2024 ←****Sunday March 3, 2024****Farny State Park****Strenuous**

This will be a 10-mile hike along parts of the four birds trail in Farny State Park. We will also get to a couple of pretty lookout points over Charlottesburg Reservoir. There used to be an industrial town of Charlottesburg under all that water. Part of the hike will be on old rail beds that lead to that town.

**Leaders: Guy Percival****973-590-7437****PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM****Meet: 9:00 AM Farny State Park, Gravel lot 99, Timberbrook Road, Rockaway Township NJ 07866**

**From I-80, Exit 37:** Take Green Pond Rd. (Rt-513) north for 6.5 miles and turn right at the Marcella Community Center, onto Timberbrook Road. Continue 1¼ miles on Timberbrook Rd. to gravel parking lot on left. Avoid left on Jacobs Rd. The lot is just before you enter Camp Winnebago.

**From I-287, Exit 52:** Take Rt-23 north 8.9 miles to Green Pond Rd. (Rt-513) south (jug handle). Proceed south 5.2 miles to Marcella Community Center, turn left, onto Timberbrook Rd. Continue 1¼ miles on Timberbrook to gravel parking lot on left. Avoid left on Jacobs Rd. The lot is just before you enter Camp Winnebago.

**GPS Meeting Place (40.9989, -74.4569)****Sunday March 10, 2024****Stokes State Park****Strenuous**

From Stoney Lake parking area we will head south on the Lackner towards Kittatinny Lake and Jacob's Ladder to the AT. Along the way we will take in the Acropolis view, Culver's Gap View point and the Fire Tower, before descending back on the Tower trail to our parking lot. The hike is about 10 miles long with 2 good climbs.

**Leaders: Mike Roulier****973-879-8218****MROULIER2016@GMAIL.COM****Jill Wilson****973-879-0531****SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM****Meet: 8:30 AM, on the trail at 9:00 AM Stony Lake Parking, Stokes State Forest, Coursen Rd, Sandyston, NJ 07826**

**From I-80 West Exit 34B:** Take Rt-15 north about 17 mi. to Rt-206 (Rt-15 ends). Continue straight on Rt-206 north 6+ mi. towards Culvers Gap and AT trail crossing sign. Proceed an additional ½ mi. and the Park Entrance is on the right off Rt-206. Turn in and drive by the Ranger Station (Warm John's) on Coursen Rd about 2 mi, bear sharp right at T intersection to Stoney Lake. Then continue ¼ mi to parking lot on left. (Also, warm John's)

**Park Entrance: 30 Rt-206, Branchville, NJ 07826****GPS Park Entrance (41.1843, -74.7974)****Stony Lake Parking: Coursen Rd, Sandyston, NJ 07826****GPS Meeting Place (41.2031, -74.7732)****Sunday March 17, 2024****Norvin Green****Moderately Strenuous**

Join us for a St. Patrick's Day hike in the undisturbed forest and rugged rocky terrain of Norvin Green. Part of the Wyanokie Wilderness Area, Norvin Green is near Wanaque Reservoir and is home to an extensive trail system which range up to 1,300 feet in elevation and scenic vistas. Expect a full day of hiking of 7 to 8 miles, hills to climb but the views are well worth it! This hike is not for beginners. Bring lunch, snacks, plenty of water.

**Leader: Ann Charles****609-240-2712****ANNLC60@MSN.COM****Meet: 9:00 AM New Weis Center for Education, 137 Snake Den Road, Ringwood, NJ 07456**

**From I-287 Exit 55:** Take Rt-511 (Ringwood Ave.) north 4 miles (becomes Greenwood Tpk) and turn left onto Westbrook Rd. Go west on Westbrook Rd. and make a left at "Y" intersection, then ½ mi. to a left onto Snake Den Road. Follow road to parking lot on right before New Weis Center. **Do not drive into New Weis Center!**

**GPS Meeting Place (41.0697, -74.3218)**

**Sunday March 24, 2024 Ringing Rocks — Riegelsville Moderately Strenuous**  
 This is an 8-mile hike. We will cross the Riegelsville bridge on foot, then hike the D&L canal path to Ringing Rocks Park. We climb steeply into the park then do a loop which leads to the rock field, a waterfall and a stream. Bring a hammer if you want to ring the rocks. **Shuttle required.**  
**Leader:** Guy Percival 973-590-7437 PERCIVALGUY@GMAIL.COM  
**Meet: 9:00 AM Ringing Rocks Park, 1750 Ringing Rocks Rd, Upper Black Eddy, PA 18972**  
**From the junction of I-287 and I-78:** Take I-78 westward about 19 mi to Exit-11. This exit has a traffic circle and you will follow signs to **Pattersonburg, Rt-614**. Take the circle halfway around to exit on Rt-614 South. Follow Rt-614 southbound for 7.5 mi to the intersection of Rt-519. Turn left and continue on Rt-519, 2.3 mi to the light at Bridge St. Milford, NJ. Turning right continue on Bridge St across the Delaware to the intersection at River Road, PA. Make a right then 2<sup>nd</sup> left on Bridgeton Hill Rd. Drive 2 mi. and make a left on Ringing Rocks Road. Go 1000 feet and small Gravel parking lot is on right.  
**GPS Meeting Place (40.5599, -75.1286)**

**Sunday March 31, 2024 TBA Meetup Moderately Strenuous**

**Sunday April 7, 2024 Piermont Moderate**  
 This is a moderately paced hike, mostly on rails to trails, of about 7 mi with gorgeous views including Sparkill Creek and the Mario M. Cuomo bridge. Optional refreshments in Piermont afterward.  
**Leader:** Margo Moss 202-568-5325 (landline) ACEPHOTO@VERIZON.NET/  
**Meet: 10 AM Parking Lot D, 126 Gair St, Piermont, NY 10968**

**From Palisades Parkway Northbound or Southbound Exit 4, US-9W:** Drive Northbound on Rt-9W 2.5 mi to Rockland Rd. marked by Tallman SP Sign. Turn right onto Rockland Rd. and drive *Downhill* 0.7 mi to Ferdon Ave. Turning right go 0.3 mi to a bridge and then continue straight onto Piermont Ave. Continue 0.1 mi to Gair St. on the right. Turning right go 0.1 mi to the Parking lot on the right.  
**GPS Meeting Place (41.0405, -73.9141)**

**Sunday April 14, 2024 West Trapps — Peters Kill Moderate**  
 Exploring the trails and waterfalls of the Trapps and Peters Kill area. Sites include Split Rock, an Old Hydro Plant and Lost City along the way. Approximately 8 miles.  
**Leaders:** Mike Roulier 973-879-8218 MROULIER2016@GMAIL.COM  
 Jill Wilson 973-879-0531 SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM  
**Meet: 9:00 AM, on the trail at 9:30 AM Minnewaska SP, Rt-44/55 Lower Awosting Lot, Old Min. Tr, Kerhonkson, NY 12446**  
**From I-87 North (New York State Thruway) Exit 18:** Turn left onto NY 299 (Main St) and follow through New Paltz about 7.5 miles to right turn onto US 44/ 55 up the ridge. Proceed 4.4 miles to Park entrance on left. Proceed to the toll booth and then make an immediate right and proceed 0.1 mi to lower parking lot.) Do not go up hill to lake parking. Parking fee!  
**GPS Gate (41.7353, -74.2390) GPS Parking (41.7346, -74.2439)**

**Sunday April 21, 2024 Back Beach Moderately Strenuous**  
 This hike will be in the Ramapo Lake section of Ramapo Mountain State Forest and will include the Wanaque Ridge Trail, the Foxcroft ruins, and the ridge of the LeGrande Hill Trail (formerly Hoeflerlin Memorial Trail). The distance will be 9 mi. on trails and include about 1300 feet of elevation gain.  
**Leader:** David Hartree 732-379-9975 DAVID.HARTREE@GMAIL.COM  
**Meet: 9:00 AM Back Beach Park, 4th Ave, Haskell NJ 07420**  
**From I-287, Exit 55:** Go north on Ringwood Ave (Rt-511) about 0.8 miles to 2nd Ave. (light) on the right. Follow 2nd Ave. eastward 4 blocks to T intersection with Boulevard Ave. Turn left and drive north bearing right, now continuing onto 4th Ave, about ½ mile to Back Beach Park large parking area.  
**GPS Meeting Place (41.0346, -74.2860)**

**Sunday April 28 2024 Hudson River Walkway — NJ Strenuous**  
 This hike is a walk from Weehawken to Liberty State Park via Hoboken Terminal using the **Hudson River Walkway**. See how the waterfront has been transformed from the days of "On the Waterfront" (1954). Views of NYC skyline abound. About 9 flat miles, mostly on pavement. Bring appropriate shoes! We will shuttle via the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail.  
**Leader:** Craig Nunn 551-206-6823 DYSTOPICNJ@GMAIL.COM  
**Meet: Meeting time and place to be sent via IHC E-MAIL NETWORK the week before**

**Sunday May 5, 2024 Pingyp Mountain — Harriman Park Strenuous**

This southern ascent of Pingyp Mountain on the Suffern-Bear Mountain trail is widely considered to be the most challenging climb on a marked trail in Harriman St. Park. Before climbing we'll have a 1-mile road walk to the SBM trail. Now it's up! Along the steep climb, which includes some rock scrambling, we'll have views of the Hudson River, Hook Mountain, and Jackie Jones Mountain. Then one other steep but short climb up The Pines, with views of West Mountain and the Timp. After that, we complete the loop on more moderate terrain along the Red Cross and Beech trails. About 7 miles, only half uphill!

**Leader: Paul Ferlazzo** 973-979-2010 P\_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM Tiorati Brook Rd., Stony Point, NY 10980**

**From Palisades Interstate Parkway Exit 16 Northbound:** Take the left exit toward Lake Welch. Drive ½ mi and exit right to continue on Tiorati Brook Rd. Proceed ½ mi. to a parking area on the left.

**GPS Meeting Place (41.2525, -74.0560)**

**Sunday May 12, 2024 South Sterling Ridge — Trail Maintenance Moderately Strenuous**

Sterling Ridge needs some extra help on its southern section. It will be an in and out for a total of about 7 miles. Bring lunch and water. Sara has obtained parking passes so we will start from the south. Tools will be provided, however please bring work gloves.

**Leader: Sara Van Niekerk** 973-489-6442 SUSARAVN@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 9:00 AM South end of the Sterling Ridge Trail, Long Pond Ironworks, (Rt-511), Hewitt NJ 07421**

**From I-287 Exit 55:** Take northbound exit for Rt-511/Ringwood Ave (becomes Greenwood Lake Tpk.) and drive 10.3 mi to Long Pond Ironworks. Parking is on the right side of the Road.

**GPS Meeting Place (41.1411, -74.3090)**

**Sunday May 19, 2024 Wyanokie High Point from Westbrook Road Moderately Strenuous**

Enjoy a day in Norvin Green State Forest with climbs up Wyanokie High Point and Ball Mountain. Stops along the way include Yoo-Hoo Point, Carris Hill, Chikahoki Falls, Blue Mine, Blue Mine Brook Falls. 8 miles

**Leaders: Mike Roulier** 973-879-8218 MROULIER2016@GMAIL.COM

**Jill Wilson** 973-879-0531 SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM

**Meet: 8:30 AM, on the trail at 9:00 AM Parking Lot along road, Westbrook Rd; Wanaque, New Jersey**

**From I-287 Exit 55:** Take Rt-511 (Ringwood Ave.) north 4 miles (becomes Greenwood Tpk) and turn left onto Westbrook Rd. Go west on Westbrook Rd. and make a left at "Y" intersection, then continue on Westbrook ½ mi. to a Parking Lot on the left just before Townsend Road.

**GPS Meeting Place (41.0718, -74.3091)**

**Sunday May 26, 2024 TBA Meetup Moderately Strenuous**

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