

Interstate Hiking Club

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Affiliate of the NY-NJ Trail Conference



Schedule of Hikes

June 2021 through November 2021

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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.

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

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 INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB

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

INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB Summer 2021 SCHEDULE

→ **Note! IHC is operating with restrictions due to COVID-19!** ←

A guest may attend, if sponsored by a member.

Bring hand sanitizer for the Sign-in Sheet procedure!

Participants are REQUIRED to carry a face mask during the hike!

Face masks should be worn if:

- 1) Proper social distancing cannot be maintained during Sign In and,
- 2) When certain hiking circumstances require them!

All of us sincerely wish that Covid-19 restrictions will be lifted by the middle of summer!

June 2021 thru November 2021 SCHEDULE

Sunday June 6, 2021 IHC Annual Meeting and Hike Moderate or Moderately Strenuous
 IHC Members only Please. Come out for the annual meeting with an optional longer and shorter hike afterwards. Let us know what you liked, and possibly what needs improvement? Make your voices and ideas known.
Leaders: The Old Officers Guy Percival 973-590-7437 Marguerite La Corte 973-625-4379
Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 Charlie Kientzler 973-835-1060 Sara Van Niekerk 973-489-6442
Meet: 9:00 AM Tuxedo metered commuter lot, 1 East Village Rd, Tuxedo, NY 10987
From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287 Interchange Exit 15A: Take R-17 about 6.5 miles north to Tuxedo. Just past the Tuxedo train station, turn right on E Village Rd, cross the tracks and turn left into the large parking lot which is free on weekends. **GPS (41.1956, -74.1841)**

Sunday June 13, 2021 Trail Maintenance—Sterling Ridge North Moderately Strenuous
 Come help the club with Spring Trail maintenance. Tools will be provided, however please bring work gloves.
Leader: Trails Chair—Sara Van Niekerk 973-489-6442 SUSARAVN@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM North End Sterling Ridge Trail Parking, 798 Minturn Bridge Rd (Rt-17A), Monroe NY 10950
From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287 Interchange Exit 15A: Take Rt-17 about 8½ miles north to Rt-17A at light. Turn left (west) on Rt-17A and continue for about 5½ mi. (look for hikers crossing sign). The access road to the Parking Area is on the left side of Rt-17A. Turn in and drive 300 ft to parking. From Greenwood Lake, NY: Travel 3½ mi east on Rt-17A to the parking area access road on the right. Turn in and drive 300 ft to parking. Enter slowly and carefully. There are large potholes in the access road.
GPS Rt-17A turnoff (41.2306, -74.2608) Parking Lot (41.2297, -74.2606)

Saturday June 19, 2021 AT #19B—Rt-22 (Pawling, NY) to Nuclear Lake and back. Strenuous
 This hike is about 11 miles roundtrip. Starting at Rt-22 Parking and the MN RR stop for hikers, we immediately cross 0.3 mi of continuous puncheons across a very large swamp. Some time back one of our members (Art Schaefer; IHC Past President, AT Thru Hiker by Sections) was the AT supervisor for this section and he advocated successfully for continuous boardwalk here. After climbing over a ridge and descending again we pass by farmland, our first since a few AT sections ago. Next the trail slowly ascends West Mt. with excellent views to the north and a shelter that is also located nearby. Then down to Nuclear Lake and Beekman-Upland Trail. The lake obtained its name from an incident at a laboratory adjunct to the lake. The lab had some *Trouble* and the AT was rerouted for some time. Since the cleanup, hikers pass by without the need for Giger Counters. At this point we turn around and hike back to our cars at Rt-22.
Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM Appalachian Trail Parking, Rt-22, Pawling, NY 12564
From Suffern: @ I-287 & I-87N Interchange Exit 15A: Drive North on I-87N for 29 mi to Exit 17 for I-84 Eastbound. After the Tolls continue on I-84 across the Hudson for 16 mi to Exit 52B Taconic Parkway Northbound. Drive north for 1½ mi and take Exit-38 for Rt-52 East. Drive 1.1 mi to NY-216 on left. Turn left and continue thru Stormville (sharp left) for 6¼ mi to Rt-55. Turn right and continue for 6.5 mi to Rt-22 northbound. Go north on Rt-22 for 3 mi to AT Parking. About 1½ hour drive from Suffern.
GPS (41.5927, -73.5876)

Sunday June 27, 2021 Hartshorne Woods Moderately Strenuous

We will hike by the Navesink River on the Laurel Ridge, Grand Tour and Rocky Point trails, enjoy river and ocean views. Explore the WW2 gun battery and command posts. Complete a loop around the Monmouth Hills and into the Buttermilk Valley. There will be several ups and downs on this hike, about 8 miles. There is a portable facility at the starting point, and a nice clean bathroom at the middle of the hike.

Leaders: Yanling & Wei Zhao 732-586-8318 YANLINGCHENG@YAHOO.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Hartshorne Woods, Buttermilk Valley Entrance, 307 Navesink Ave., Atlantic Highlands, NJ

From the Garden State Parkway Exit 117 (Rt-36): After the Tolls stay left at split for Rt-36 south for 11.6 mi. Note: The road widens as you proceed up Highlands Hill to 2 lanes thru and an EXIT RAMP. Look for "All Turns from Right lane" (No Turns at light) Move into Exit Ramp and continue on exit ramp for Red Bank Scenic Rd. at ramp end. Turn right at onto Navesink Avenue (CR-88). Then go 0.4 mi to Hartshorne Woods Parking Lot on left. **GPS (40.4018, -74.0126)**

Sunday July 3, 2021 Catfish Pond & Fire Tower Strenuous

Starting from the Delaware Valley we will take the Coppermine Trail up to the AT. Next, we follow the Kittatinny Ridge on the AT to the Fire Tower. Return will be via Rattlesnake Swamp trail and Catfish Pond. Possible swim at Catfish Pond, check when registering with leader. Returning back to the cars, we use the Coppermine again. Only one big up in this 10 mi loop!

Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM

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

Meet: 8:30 AM Coppermine Trail Parking, 465 Old Mine Rd, (Rt-606), Hardwick, NJ

From: I-80 west to Delaware Water Gap area: Exit for Old Mine Rd. THIS IS THE LAST EXIT BEFORE BRIDGE TO PA. Make a Right at stop sign at end of exit ramp, and go North on Old Mine Rd. toward Millbrook 7½ mi to Coppermine Hiking Parking Lot on left. **Meet at 8:30 Start at 9:00! GPS (41.0379, -75.0273)**

Sunday July 11, 2021 AT# 20A—RT-22 to Leather Hill Rd. and back. Strenuous

Starting from Rt-22 we pass thru Pawling Nature Preserve (some swampy areas) and then hike along farmlands that are photogenic. Then we ascend Hammersly Ridge and hike in woodland along the ridge. This area must have farmed in the past, since we cross numerous stone walls. Descending off of the ridge we reach Leather Hill Rd our turnaround point. We return by the AT back to Rt-22. Total Distance 10 miles

Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Appalachian Trail Parking, Rt-22, Pawling, NY 12564

From Suffern: @ I-287 & I-87N Interchange Exit 15A: Drive North on I-87N for 29 mi to Exit 17 for I-84 Eastbound. After the Tolls continue on I-84 across the Hudson for 16 mi to Exit 52B Taconic Parkway Northbound. Drive north for 1½ mi and take Exit -38 for Rt-52 East. Drive 1.1 mi to NY-216 on left. Turn left and continue thru Stormville (sharp left) for 6¼ mi to Rt-55. Turn right and continue for 6.5 mi to Rt-22 northbound. Go north on Rt-22 for 3 mi to AT Parking. About 1½ hour drive from Suffern.

GPS (41.5927, -73.5876)

Sunday July 18, 2021 Four Birds Trail Moderately Strenuous

We start the hike at Green Pond road and follow the Four Birds Trail to the Hawk Watch and back to the Four Birds Trail. Then onto the Red Trail to the Orange Trail. Closing the loop its back on Four Birds Trail to the Orange Trail and then to our parking lot. Perhaps we will see the forgotten cemetery along our 8-mile excursion.

Leader Jerry Giordano GMGLIV@MSN.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Wildcat Ridge (Four Birds South) Parking, 401 Green Pond Rd, (Rt-513) Rockaway, NJ 07866

From I-80 West Exit 37: Turn left at bottom of ramp onto Rt-513 North (Green Pond Rd.). Go about 2.75 miles to Lower Hibernia Rd on right. Turn in and entrance to parking lot is 100 ft on left. **GPS (40.9444, -74.4930)**

Sunday July 25, 2021 Pequannock Watershed Moderate

This 7-mile hike on dirt roads and un-blazed trails leads us to the Highlands Trail along Echo Lake. We will ascend Kanouse Mountain for the good views of Charlottesville Reservoir from atop Kanouse Mountain. It's a geologic cousin of its western neighbor, Bearfort Mountain. Kanouse Mountain extends from a gap carved by the Pequannock River in the south all the way to Pinecliff Lake, with an elevation of 1184 ft.

Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM

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

Meet: 8:30 AM Newfoundland Park and Ride, 64 Old Rt-23, Newfoundland, NJ 07435

From I-287 Exit 52, (Rt-23): Take Rt-23 North 8½ mi to right turnoff for Old Rt-23-Newfoundland. Taking the bypass continue 0.3 mi to Park & Ride on left. **Meet at 8:30 Start at 9:00! GPS (41.0464, -74.4363)**

→ **Monday July 26th Deadline to submit new hike ideas. Dec 2021 thru May 2022** ←

Sunday August 1, 2021 Watchung Reservation Investigation Moderately Strenuous
 We'll hike part of the Sierra Trail and lots of connecting trails perhaps visiting the Stables, Surprise Lake, and other places, ending at the Nature Center.
Leader: Jim Schlenker 908-295-8178 JIMS0331@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM Watchung Reservation, Trailside Museum, 462 New Providence Rd, Mountainside NJ 07092
From Eastbound I-78, Exit 44 toward New Providence/Berkeley Heights: Turn left onto Glenside Ave. Continue 1.3 mi and turn right onto Watchung Reservation, Tracy Dr. Continue 1.3 mi. At the traffic circle, take the 1st exit onto Summit Lane. Continue 0.4 mi and turn right onto New Providence Rd, then Continue 0.2 mi to the parking lot of Trailside Nature & Science Center.
From West bound I-78, Exit 43: Proceed right on Diamond Hill Rd. to Traffic Light and turn right onto McMane Ave. Go on ¾ mi to intersection of Glenside Ave. and turn left. Continue ¾ mi to Watchung Reservation, Tracy Dr. on right. Continue to the first circle and take first right onto Summit Lane. Go ½ mi and bear right onto New Providence Rd. to the end. The Trailside Parking is on right.
From Garden State Parkway Exit 140 (Rt-22): Take Rt-22 west about 4.3 mi to Summit Rd turn right and continue 1.2 mi to Summit Lane. Go 0.7 mi and at the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit onto Summit Lane (Boro of Mountainside). Continue 0.5 mi and bear right onto New Providence Rd. to the end. The Trailside Parking Area is on right. **GPS Meeting Place (40.6826, -74.3728)**

Saturday August 7, 2021 Highland Hike & Swim at Macs Place Moderately Strenuous
IHC Members and Friends only Please. We will hike on a section of the Highlands Trail followed by a swim and picnic at the end of the hike. Bring bathing suits and a dish to share. **Heavy Rain cancels this hike.**
Leader: Mac McCaulley 973-398-3002 MACMCCAULLEY@AOL.COM Cell 908-416-4460
Meet: 9:00 AM Roland May Eves Mt. Inlet Sanctuary, 445 Lakeside Ave/Northwood Rd (Rt-609), Hopatcong NJ 07821
From I-80 Exit 34B (Rt-15 North): Go north on Rt-15 about 4.6 mi.; and exit onto Rt-181N toward Lake Forest / Woodport. Proceed 1.8 mi. on Rt-181N to Prospect Point Rd on left. Turn on Prospect Point Rd and go 1.2 mi to Northwood Rd (Rt-609) on right. Turn and precede 1.0 mi. turning into parking area on left. Note! Northwood Rd. becomes Lakeside Ave in Hopatcong. **GPS (40.9710, -74.6404)**

Sunday August 15, 2021 Black Rock Forest Moderately Strenuous
 Come and enjoy the great Mt. Misery/Hill of Pines/Rattlesnake Hill/Black Rock Mountain loop hike with beautiful views, picturesque stream, cascades and waterfalls. Circuit Hike about 7.5 miles
Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM
Jill Wilson 973-879-0531 SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 8:30 AM Black Rock Forest Reservoir Parking, 80 Reservoir Rd, Cornwall, NY 12518
From Palisades Interstate Parkway Northbound: Continue north to its northern terminus at the Bear Mountain Bridge and continue north on US-9W for 8.8 mi. About half a mile after passing a parking area marked with a blue sign, turn right onto Mountain Road. Immediately, turn right again and proceed through a very narrow underpass beneath US-9W (large vehicles may not fit in this underpass). Continue ahead for 0.2 mi to the Parking Area on the right side of the road, just before a locked gate.
From I-87 Exit 16 Harriman/Woodbury Commons: After tollbooths stay to right for first exit, Woodbury & Rt-32. Take Rt-32 north about 7½ mi to Angola Rd (Rt-65) on the right (Just before Schunemunk turnoff on left.) Follow Angola Rd. 2.7 mi to the intersection with Rt-9W. Go south on Rt-9W 1.6 mi to turnoff marked Black Rock Forest. Continue ahead for 0.2 mi to the Parking Area.
Meet at 8:30 Start at 9:00! GPS (41.4187, -74.0100)

Sunday August 22, 2021 Round Valley to Pickell Park Strenuous
 This hike starts from the Round Valley Reservoir south lot and takes the Cushetunk trail and the camp ground trail around the shore of Round Valley then over Cushetunk mountain and down to Pickell Park. It is a 9 mile hike and hilly. Starting off in Round Valley and finishing with a climb over the Cushetunk ridge. We will have excellent views of Round Valley Reservoir on the way. **Shuttle Required**
Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET
Meet: 9:00 AM Pickell Park Parking Lot: Mountain Rd, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889
From I-287 Southbound Exit 17, Rt-202: Proceed ½ mi to Rt-22 West. Take Rt-22 West, 8 miles to Whitehouse. or
From I-287 Northbound Exit 14B, Rt-22: Take Rt-22 West, 8.5 mi to Whitehouse, then;
 Look for sign "Rt-523 South, Whitehorse Station, Flemington, Next Left" before Light. At light, make a left turn onto main street which is CR-523 towards Whitehouse station. Proceed 1.1 mi on CR-523 passing Whitehouse train station. Make a right on Mountain Road and drive 0.1 mi then quick left into Pickell Park. We will shuttle to Round Valley. **GPS Park Entrance (40.6087, -74.7774)**

Sunday August 29, 2021 Annual Hike/Picnic on Pompton Lake Easy

IHC Members and Families only Please. First, we will hike along the Pompton Feeder Canal, observe the Old Locks and Feeder Dam. Afterwards we drive back to Kientzler's house for a swim in the lake, no pool anymore, (don't forget a bathing suit & swim fins) and then a picnic. Bring a dish to share and/or something to cook. Charlie will have the grill going. If you wish, bring a door prize contribution.

Rain does not cancel the Picnic!

Leader: Charlie Kientzler 973-835-1060 CKIENTZLER@AOL.COM Cell 973-906-9325 (Sunday Only)

Meet: 9:30 AM Pompton Plains Shopping Ct; Rt-23 (Northbound) &/or 190 Jackson Ave, Pequannock, NJ 07444

From the I-80, Rt-46 & Rt-23 Interchange: Take Rt-23 north 5.5 miles to Jackson Avenue (Right turn). Drive east 0.1 mi to light and turn in to the parking lot on right. Meet at north side of lot along Jackson Ave. (Stop & Shop nearby.)

From I-287 Exit 52: Take Rt-23 Southbound 2 mi (4th light) to Jackson Ave. From right lane, make a jug handle (left) turn onto Jackson Ave eastbound toward Pompton Plains Shopping Ct. Drive east 0.1 mi to light and turn in to the parking lot on right. Meet at north side of lot along Jackson Ave. (Stop & Shop nearby.) **GPS (40.9689, -74.2839)**

After the Hike! Meet at Kientzler Home, 711 Terhune Dr. (Rt-202), Wayne NJ 07470

From Hike: Proceed East on Pompton Crossing 0.4 mi to Black Oak Ridge Rd. (Rt-202) Turn left and follow Rt-202 northbound 0.8 mi to light at Hamburg Turnpike. Following Rt-202 left, drive 0.8 mi to light for Terhune Dr on right. (By CVS) Turning right and continue on Terhune Dr (Rt-202) 1.5 mi to wide parking area on left at 683 Terhune Dr.

Hikers: Park and walk to and down #711 driveway. **House GPS (41.0110, -74.2665)**

Non-Hikers: Continue to #711 and pull all the way down to the house Note! Driveway is by the end of guardrail.

From I-287 North Exit 58: On exiting turn left at light and proceed 0.1 mi to Rt-202 (Ramapo Valley Rd). Turn right (southbound), drive 1 mi to light where Rt-202 turns right. Follow Rt-202 0.9 mi to #711 driveway on right, or #683 parking just ahead.

Sunday September 5, 2021 Cliffs of the Delaware, PA Moderately Strenuous

We will hike using Cliff Park Trail. That trail has beautiful view points of the Delaware River. Then we will circle the pond on our way back and if we'll have time, we will see the Hackers Falls.

Leader: Udi Cohen 732-543-4626 UDIC2000@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 8:00 AM First Parking Lot, Raymondskill Rd Milford, PA 18337

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 16 mi on across the Delaware (Toll) into Pennsylvania to Rt-209 just after tolls. Take Rt-209 south for 2.4 mi to road on right, leading to Raymondskill Falls Parking lot. (Big Sign) Turn in and drive 0.25 mi to first parking lot. (150 ft. before the Main Parking Lot with toilets and crowds) **GPS (41.2903, -74.8402)**

Sunday September 12, 2021 High Point Hike Moderately Strenuous

Let us see which trails we can find today to hike on today in the highest NJ Park. **Rain, cancels this hike**

Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM

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

Meet: 8:30 AM High Point State Park, AT Parking Lot, Rt-23, Wantage, NJ 07461

From I-287 Exit 52: Take Rt-23 North 34 mi to High Point State Park. Almost to the Top of Rt-23 hill, on the left is the AT Parking Lot (just past mile marker 48), immediately after large stone piers on both sides of Rt-23.

Meet at 8:30 Start at 9:00 (GPS 41.3035, -74.6667)

Sunday September 19, 2021 AT #20B—Rt-55 to Leather Hill Rd. and More Moderately Strenuous

Starting from Rt-55 in Connecticut it's a short distance to the Connecticut Border (The long-lost objective of this series of AT Hikes) We continue on to Hoyt Road and cross Duell Brook on a nice Bridge. Then it's up to the ridge and in a short distance is Leather Hill Rd our endpoint. We turn around and return to continue north across Rt-55 to our only viewpoint of the day on Tenmile Hill. At this point we return to our cars on Rt-55. Total distance about 8 miles

Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Appalachian Trail Parking, Rt-55, Sherman, CT 06784

From Suffern: @ I-287 & I-87N Interchange Exit 15A: Drive North on I-87N for 29 mi to Exit 17 for I-84 Eastbound. After the Tolls continue on I-84 across the Hudson for 16 mi to Exit 52B to Taconic Parkway Northbound. Drive north for 4¼ mi to Exit 41 Beekman Rd toward Hopewell Jct/Sylvan Lake. Turning right drive east on Beekman Rd (Rt-9) 6½ mi to Jct. Rt-21 at circle. Turning right onto Pleasant Ridge Rd/Wingdale Mountain Rd (Rt-21) go 7 mi. first crossing Rt-22 to Rt -55 junction two blocks away. Turning Left (Eastbound) drive 3 mi on Rt-55 to AT Parking on right. Trail does not cross here, there is an access trail.to AT. About 1½ hour drive from Suffern. **GPS (41.6448, -73.5192)**

Saturday September 25, 2021 Hike over Henry Hudson Bridge and More Moderately Strenuous

From Penn station we will take the "A" train to its 175 St. stop near the George Washington Bridge bus terminal at 178th St. & Ft. Washington Ave. From the GWB bus terminal, we walk north to & through Ft. Tryon & Inwood Hill Parks to the Henry Hudson Bridge. Next, we cross Spuyten Duyvil via the Bridge's walkway to Riverdale. Then it's on to the Riverside walkway to reach the Wave Hill Garden. Next, we head east to Broadway via 252 & 253 St. At that point, time permitting, we could tour a part of Van Cortland Pk. Finally, we catch the "1" Train at its 242 St. stop & return to Penn Sta.

Leader Chris Davis 718-633-0928 CHRISDAVIS08558@YAHOO.COM

Meet: ** Penn Station NY-NJ Transit Waiting Area [Near Men's Room]

**** Please register with Guy at JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET for start time.**

Sunday October 3, 2021 Trail Maintenance – Schunemunk Moderately Strenuous

The club maintains this section of the Western Ridge trail (the previous Long Path), as well as the Lower Jessup Trail. Please come and help us maintain these trails! Bring your lunch, water, clippers and good working gloves. If you do not have clippers you can use the tools provided by the club.

Leader: Trails Chair–Sara Van Niekerk 973-489-6442 SUSARAVN@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Otterkill Parking Lot, 340 Otterkill Rd, Salisbury Mills, NY 12577 (Also known as New Windsor)

From I-87 Exit 16 Harriman/Woodbury Commons: After tollbooths continue straight westward 3½ mi to Exit 130 (Rt- 208).

Turning right drive 2.8 mi following Rt-208 Northward, then at mini-mall, turn right onto Clove Rd. Continue on Clove Rd. 4.4 miles, then turn right onto Otterkill Rd. Drive 0.8 mi, the parking lot is on the left. **GPS (41.4256 -74.1015)**

Sunday October 10, 2021 Shirley Chisolm State Park, NY Moderate

Shirley Chisholm State Park is New York's newest state park, and has also been called "New York City's nicest park built on top of a toxic waste dump." (It rests atop the former Pennsylvania and Fountain Avenue landfills, operated by NYC from 1956 to 1983.) The park is named in honor of Shirley Chisholm, a Brooklyn-born trailblazer who was the first African American Congresswoman, and the first woman and African American to run for President. Rising up 130 feet above sea level, the park occupies some of the highest ground in New York City and offers panoramic views of the Empire State Building to the northwest, the Verrazano Bridge and New York Harbor to the west, and Jamaica Bay to the south. This will be somewhat of a city hike, with either paved or gravel/cinder paths, and few trees to obstruct the scenery around us. We will have a relaxing day exploring the park and enjoying the waterfront. The hike is about 6-7 mi long.

Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM

Meet 9:30 AM Shirley Chisolm St. Park, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11229

From I-95 (NJ-Tpk) Exit 13 (I-278): Take I-278 East (Staten Island Expressway) toward the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge. After crossing the Hudson, use the left lane to take Exit 16, that loops around, toward Belt Parkway Eastbound. Drive eastward 12 mi on Belt Parkway to Exit 14, Pennsylvania Ave. At light, at end of exit ramp, make an immediate right turn off the exit ramp into the park. Tolls at bridge etc.

About 25 mi (¾ hr.) from I-95. **GPS (40.6430, -73.8754)**

Note! Covid-19 Ride sharing may be allowed. If it allowed, it will be announced via IHC e-mail Network

Sunday October 16 to 22, 2021 AT Hikes—North Carolina—Hiking Week Strenuous

Picking up from Indian Grave Gap we will hike the Roan Mountain section North on the AT as 5 separate day hikes. Much of the time we will be on high balds with beautiful views. The group will either camp at Roan Mtn State Park or stay in two cabins that have been reserved. There is lots of revolutionary war history nearby. The Over the mountain men marched through and stayed overnight at a historic barn next to Roan Mtn State Park.

Contact leader for more information, mileages and the date of the hike.

Leaders: Guy & Jen Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

You Must register with leaders to attend hikes.

Sunday October 24, 2021 Prospect Park to Coney Island Moderately Strenuous

This hike will be entirely in Brooklyn and is 9-mile trip to Coney Island with return via NYC MTA subway. We start near scenic Prospect Park, where we will have lovely view of Coney Island & its Parachute ride before we make our way there via Ocean Parkway. At Coney Island, we will pass "Nathan's Famous", Steeple Chase, The Cyclone, Carousel, Sea Gate, etc. We return via the "F", at its Coney Island, Stillwell Ave. stop, to Jay St. where we change to the "A" & return to the 34th St./Penn Station.

Leader: Chris Davis 718-633-0928 CHRISDAVIS08558@YAHOO.COM

Meet: ** Penn Station NY-NJ Transit Waiting Area [Near Men's Room]

Then: Take the "A" train and transfer to the "F" (or "G") at Jay St., Brooklyn. Get off at its Ft. Hamilton Parkway stop (exit via its Greenwood Ave. stairs).

**** Please register with Guy at JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET for start time**

Sunday October 31, 2021 Andover Loop Trail – Kittatinny State Park Moderate

This is a mostly flat, approximately 7-mile hike on rail trails and some trails in the woods. It circumnavigates Kittatinny Valley State Park and Lake Aeroflex incorporating pieces of the Sussex Branch Trail, Hillside Park/Goodale Trail, old Lehigh and Hudson River RR right of way, and trails in Kittatinny Valley State Park.

Meet 9:00 AM Kittatinny Valley State Park, 303 Goodale Rd, Newton, NJ 07860

Leader Sue Bennett 732-735-8895 JERSEYHYKER@YAHOO.COM

From I-80 W Exit 25: Follow Rt-206N about 8 miles through Andover to Goodale Rd. on the right. (The road is about ½ mile north of Limecrest Rd.) Drive on narrow Goodale Rd. for 1 mile. Parking is on right side. **(GPS 41.0163, -74.7440)**

Saturday November 6, 2021 Cranberry Lake Loop Moderately Strenuous

Today will hike around Cranberry Lake. The trail is about 7 miles and hilly, but with good views of the lake at many points.

Leader: Mac McCaulley 973-398-3002 MACMCCAULLEY@AOL.COM Cell 908-416-4460

Meet: 9:30 AM Cranberry Lake, Allamuchy St. Pk. Boat Launch, 8 South Shore Rd, Byram Township, NJ 07821

From Rt-80 Exit 25 (Rt-206W): Go approximately 3.5 miles on Rt-206 west to left turn onto South Shore Road. Landmarks before South Shore turnoff are first: Byram Twp. Fire Department and then the Stonewood Tavern on the left. Once on South Shore Road go about 100 yards to left turn and continue 200 yards to a sharp right turn up to parking lot. If it is full, return to South Shore Road, and turn right to the overflow parking area. **GPS Rt-206 South Shore Rd. turnoff: (40.9512, -74.7345)**

GPS Parking Lot sharp right turnoff: (40.9506, -74.7370)

Sunday November 14, 2021 Splitrock Reservoir Circuitous Loop Strenuous

This hike is around the entire Reservoir. We start out clockwise along the 4 Birds Trail to the end of the Reservoir. Then we return on the Splitrock Loop trail. There are good views along the waterfront and Indian Cliffs. It's a total of 11 miles,

Leader: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM

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

Meet: 8:30 AM Split Rock Reservoir Parking Lot; 345 Split Rock Road, Boonton Twp. NJ 07005

From I-80 Exit 37 Rockaway/Hibernia: Go north on Green Pond Rd. (Rt-513) toward Hibernia. At about 6.5 miles turn right at the Marcella Firehouse sign. This is Upper Hibernia Rd. Continue 2 mi. to fork in the road. Bear left onto Split Rock Rd. After the pavement ends keep going over the dam. The new fisherman's boat launch parking lot is about 1/8 mile on the left after the dam.

From I-287 Exit 52, (Rt-23): Take Rt-23 North 9.5 mi to right turnoff for Clinton Rd Turn Left and cross over to Rt-23 South. Drive south 0.2 mi to Green Pond Rd on the right. Drive south on Green Pond Rd. 5¼ mi to Upper Hibernia Rd. Turn left onto Upper Hibernia Rd. and continue 2 mi. to fork in the road. Bear left onto Split Rock Rd. After the pavement ends keep going over the dam. The new fisherman's boat launch parking lot is about 1/8 mile on the left after the dam. **Meet at 8:30 Start at 9:00 (GPS 40.9625, -74.4575)**

Sunday November 21, 2021 Bayonne to Elizabeth via Staten Island Strenuous

This urban walk from Bayonne to Elizabeth via Staten Island uses relatively new foot/bicycle paths on the Bayonne and Goethals bridges. The distance is about 10-12 miles but all flat with great views on the bridge crossings.

Leader: Craig Nunn 551-206-6823 DYSTOPICNJ@GMAIL.COM

Meet: ** Meeting Time at the Hoboken Station will be announced a week before the hike by the IHC e-mail Network.

Sunday November 28, 2021 Natural Lands Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary PA Moderately Strenuous

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 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

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 parking area on left. Sunnyside road becomes private after Mariton.

GPS (40.6066, -75.2044)
