

Interstate Hiking Club

Organized 1931

Affiliate of the NY-NJ Trail Conference



Schedule of Hikes

June 2022 through November 2022

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INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB OFFICERS FOR JUNE 2021 THROUGH May 2022

Officer Elections June 5, 2022

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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 2022 SCHEDULE

→ Note! IHC may be operating with restrictions due to COVID-19! ←

→ Check IHC Web pages for current protocol ←

June 2022 thru November 2022

Sunday June 5, 2022 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)**

Wednesday June 9, 2022 to June 15 — Boston Trip Moderately Strenuous

This trip is away in Boston with 4 days of hiking in historical areas. Visit to one or more Boston Islands and a bike trip along the Somerville rails to trails. Please contact leaders if you want to go. Hotel lodging information will be provided. There may be the option to share a room to lessen expenses.

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

Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Saturday June 18, 2022 Ward Pound Ridge Southwest Loop Moderately Strenuous

Ward Pound Ridge Reservation is the largest park in Westchester County, and was opened in 1938. Over thirty farms were acquired for the park, and old stone walls, which once marked the boundaries between the various farms, crisscross the reservation. We will explore the southern end of the reservation, including views of the Cross River Reservoir and Stone Hill River valley, and Leatherman's Cave. Distance is about 8 miles.

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

Meet: 10:00 AM Ward Pound Ridge, Michigan Rd. Parking Area, Cross River, NY 10518

From Suffern @ I-287 & I-87N Interchange: Take I-287 East cross the Tappan Bridge (Toll) about 24 mi to Exit 9A (I-684) Take I-684 north 17 mi to exit for NY-35. (Cross River Rd) At the intersection turn right and drive east 3.8 mi to NY-121S. Turning south drive 0.1 mi to Reservation Rd. (Park Sign) Turn in and continue ¼ mi to Park Entrance gate. Pass thru and a short distance will be Michigan Rd on the right. Turning right continue 0.8 mi to parking area.

Park Entrance GPS (41.2611, -73.6146) Michigan Rd. Parking Area. GPS (41.2482, -73.5949)

Saturday June 25, 2022 Minnewaska Rainbow Falls Moderately Strenuous

Get your water fall fix! We'll start with Awosting Falls before taking the Mossy Glen and Blueberry Run Trails out to Castle Point. Then we'll visit Rainbow Falls before looping back to the parking lot. This hike is approximately 10 miles.

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

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

Meet: 9:00 AM Minnewaska SP Rt-55 Lower Awosting Lot, Old Minnewaska Trail, 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 ~\$10

Park opens @ 9:00 Hike starts 9:30! GPS Gate (41.7353, -74.2390) GPS Parking (41.7346, -74.2439)

Saturday July 2, 2022 Hugh Force to Roxbury Moderately Strenuous

Will meet at Horseshoe Lake Soccer Fields and do a shuttle to Hugh Force Park in Wharton. Hugh Force has a Morris Canal lock and Lock tenders house that are being restored to working condition. We will then hike over Irondale Mountain. through Mine Hill and along Iron Mountain Road. Cross Rt-46 into Dickerson Mine Reserve and then under Route 10 into the West Morris Greenway. The hike is about 8 miles and needs a shuttle.

Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:00 AM Horse Shoe Lake Soccer Fields, 18 Righter Rd, Succasunna, NJ 07876

From I-287 N Exit 39 (Rt-10): Drive 11 mi westbound on Rt-10 to intersection with Eyland Avenue light. From the right lane just after the light make a Jug handle onto Eyland southbound and drive ¾ mi, past Horse Shoe Lake and then make a left on the next road, Righter Road. Go ¼ mi, first past parking exit, then make a left at entrance to Soccer Parking. "Porto Potty" available.

(GPS 40.8523, -74.6369)

Sunday July 10, 2022 Tuxedo Hike Moderately Strenuous
 This hike is about 6 miles, and about 1500 ft total elevation gain. We'll traverse through a combination of woodland and rocky trails typical of Southern Harriman State Park. Some scrambles, including Almost Perpendicular, Elbow Brush, and the infamous Claudius Smith Den. S Harriman, Trail Map 118. Since this is a summer hike, **please bring plenty of water.**
Leader: Ann Charles 609-240-2712 ANNLC60@MSN.COM
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 July 17, 2022 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 8½ mile excursion. **Poles are recommended and there a couple of water crossings.**
Leader Jerry Giordano GMGLIV@MSN.COM
Meet: 8:30 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 Meeting Place (40.9444, -74.4930)**

Sunday July 24, 2022 Manaticut Point—Lake Sonoma Moderately Strenuous
 Today's hike takes us thru and over some of the points of interest in the recently added Burnt Meadow section of Norvin Green. The hike is a moderately strenuous 8 miles with some pretty views of the skyline, and a stop at Overlook Rock.
Rain cancels this hike. Hike starts 9:00 AM
Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM
Jill Wilson 973-879-0531 SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 8:30AM Manaticut Point Trailhead, 20 Crescent Dr, Ringwood NJ 07456
From I-287 Exit 55: Take Rt-511 (Ringwood Ave.) (Becomes Greenwood Lake Tpk.) north 4 mi and turn left onto Westbrook Rd. Go west, across the reservoir, on Westbrook Rd. (left on Y) 2.4 mi to Magee Rd. on the right. Turn in and drive only 0.15 mi to Burnt Meadow Rd. on the left. Go on Burnt Meadow Rd. 1.0 mi to the second Crescent Drive sign on the left. Turning left go 0.1 mi to yellow blazed trailhead sign and large rock outcropping on the right. Park along road. **GPS Meeting Place (41.0907, -74.3213)**

→**Monday July 25th Deadline to submit new hike ideas. Dec 2022 thru May 2023**←

Sunday July 31, 2022 Schooley's Mountain Moderately Strenuous
 This will be a 7-mile hike into and up Schooley's Mountain. We will see the new set of stone steps that Morris County installed next to the waterfalls. Several steep sections. Bring Poles
Leader: Udi Cohen 732-543-4624 UDIC2000@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 8:30 AM Columbia Trail Parking Lot, 23 Schooley's Mountain Rd, Long Valley, NJ 07853
From I-80 Exit 27 (Rt-206 South): Continue southward 7+ mi to the Chester area at the intersection of Rt-513 (Rt-24). Turn right (west) and continue 4½ mi to Long Valley. At the light turn right onto Fairmount Rd (Rt-517) uphill one block to parking on left. **GPS Meeting Place (40.787, -74.781)**

Friday-Monday August 5 - 7, 2022 AT Vista Easy - Strenuous
 AT Conference is offering four days of hiking in the New Paltz, NY area (Aug 5,6,7,8). IHC will be leading two hikes during this period.
 Look up "AT Vista 2022" (<https://atvista2022.org>) online and register for a hike.
 Or contact leaders below for more information. **You need to register for these hikes.**
Leaders: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM
Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Sunday August 14, 2022 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), 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 Meeting Place (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.

Saturday August 20, 2022 NYC Central Park Exploration Strenuous

Ten-mile hike to see interesting historical sites, various arches and bridges, North Woods, Blockhouse, Harlem Meer, Conservatory Garden, Reservoir, Belvedere Castle, Conservatory Water, Loeb Boathouse, Bethesda Fountain, The Mall, and much more. There will be places to drop out early if you need to.

Leader: Kathy Smith 917-836-5750 VICEROY@VERIZON.NET

Shuttle leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:00 AM Penn Station-NY, at the NY-NJ Transit Waiting Area [Near the Men's Room Sign]

Guy will lead us to Columbus Circle, 1¼ mi north. (8th Ave bus service or Subway is available northbound to Columbus Circle.)

The OMNY system allows riders to tap-and-pay for fares with contactless credit and debit cards.

Regather: 10:00 AM The Shops at Columbus Circle (Time Warner Center), 10 Columbus Circle, NYC, NY 10019 Right inside the main entrance, at the escalators leading downstairs to the Whole Foods Market. GPS (40.7684, -73.9825)

→ Register with Guy Percival (Shuttle Leader) and /or

Kathy Smith (Leader) one day in advance if you intend to go on this hike. ←

Sunday August 28, 2022 Sterling Forest Moderately Strenuous

Today's hike will take us past the old (but restored to potential use in 1942) iron mine headframe. The area around Sterling Lake was a very active mining camp from 1750 to 1921 as several Iron Mines were active, including one 1000 ft under Sterling Lake. Have a look at the display in the Visitor Center to see how it was done. Our hike will take us to the Fire Tower (Maybe open?), then follow the Sterling Ridge Trail (IHC maintained) then down to Sterling Lake. We return following the shoreline. Perhaps the leader will reverse or add to the loop!

Leader: David Hartree 732-379-9975 DAVID.HARTREE@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Sterling Forest Visitor Center, 119 Old Forge Rd, Tuxedo, New York 10987

From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287 Interchange Exit 15: Take Rt-17 north 2 mi to Sterling Mine Rd (CR-72). Proceed west on Sterling Mine Rd about 3 miles to traffic light. Turn right at traffic light onto Long Meadow Rd (CR-84). Go north 3½ miles to Sterling Lake Rd (Old Forge Road) on left. Turn left and go ¼ mi taking the next right toward the Visitor's Center which is ¼ mi ahead. The Parking will be opposite the Visitor Center in the hiker parking lot on right side of road. **(GPS 41.1983, -74.2562)**

Sunday September 4, 2022 TBA Meetup Moderate**Sunday September 11, 2022 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)

Thursday September 15, 2022 Perkins Memorial Car Show**Strenuous**

Will hike over to Major Welsh trail and up to the Perkins memorial. Then descend the AT steps at Bear Mountain to see a late model car show with music. Trip starts at 2:00 with car show at 5:00.

Leader: Rick Mohovich 201-675-6304 FIGGMAN@MINDSPRING.COM

Meet: 2:00 PM Fort Montgomery Overflow Parking on Rt-9W north, 708 Rt-9W, Highland Falls NY 10928

Take the Palisades Interstate Parkway: North to Rt-9W traffic circle near Bear Mountain Bridge (about 18 miles north of NY State Thruway). At the circle junction go **north** on Rt-9W about 3/4 mi across Popolopen Bridge (**0.3 mi past Fort Montgomery entrance**) to **“Additional parking”** lot just off of the viaduct on the east side of Rt-9W. **GPS Meeting Place (41.3283, -73.9877)**

Sunday September 18, 2022 Roxbury to Chester Black River**Strenuous**

Will meet at Chester Black River Park and do a shuttle to Roxbury and hike West Morris Greenway to Chester Black River Park. The hike is 7.5 miles long and a **shuttle is required**. A lot of the route is rails trails. It passes next to the Black River.

Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:00 AM Chester Black River Park, 137 North Rd, Chester, NJ 07930

Take Rt-206 North to intersection with Main Street Chester (Rt-513). Turn east onto Main Street and continue 1 mi to next light. Proceed straight through traffic light onto North Road. (Rt-513) Go 3/4 mile and make a left into Black River Recreation Park. Lots of soccer fields. **GPS (40.7974, -74.6683)**

Saturday September 24, 2022 DeKorte Park**Moderate**

This will be a 6-mile hike in an urban oasis with beautiful views of NYC. Also, large ponds with plenty of ducks and other wildlife in them. All flat walking with short climbs over dikes.

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

Meet: 9:00 AM DeKorte Park, Disposal Rd. Parking Lot; Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Take exit off Route 3 towards NYC onto Rutherford Ave. Go 1000 feet make a right on Ridge Road. Go 8 blocks and past Kingsland Rail Road Station to a left on Valley Brook. Follow Valley Brook for a mile. It becomes Disposal Road and leads into DeKorte Park. **GPS (40.78621, -74.1028)**

Sunday October 2, 2022 High Bridge to Ken Lockwood Gorge**Moderately Strenuous**

Will meet in High Bridge and hike through the town. With a visit to the historic Iron Works and Solitude house. Then head north on the Columbia trail until it meets Ken Lockwood Gorge. Return via the Gorge. Hike is 8 miles and hilly in places.

Note we are meeting 1/2 hour early for parking.

Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 8:30 AM Union Forge Park, 22 Washington Ave, High Bridge, NJ 08829

Take I-78 West to Exit 17, Rt-32 North. Go north 2 1/4 mi to West Main St (Rt-513) Proceed 1 mile and make a right on Arch Street going over the bridge. Go 0.4 mi to Washington St, turn left drive 0.1 mi to playground parking. **GPS (40.6662, -74.8929)**

Sunday October 9, 2022 Hook Mountain and Nyack Beach**Moderately Strenuous**

This 6-mile hike starts from Nyack Beach St. Park on the Hudson River and climbs to the top of Hook Mountain via the Long Path, with views of the river, Mario Cuomo (Tappan Zee) Bridge, and the New York City Skyline. We then descend back down to the river and follow the Hook Mountain Bike Path back to our starting point.

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

Meet: 9:00 AM Nyack Beach St. Park Parking Area, 665 N Broadway, Clarkstown, NY

From I-287 Eastbound Exit 11: Take the exit ramp 500 ft to the light at Rt-59. Turning left (eastbound) drive 0.4 mi to Rt-9W intersection. Turning left (northbound) drive 1.2 mi to light at Christian Herald Rd. (no sign) (becomes Old Mountain Rd) Turn right and drive 0.6 mi to dead end intersection with N Broadway. Turning left drive northward 1 mi to Park Entrance. After the entrance take right fork and drive along the shore 1/4 mi to end. Meet by restrooms. **GPS (41.1207, -73.9116)**

Sunday October 15 to 23, 2022 AT Hikes—North Carolina—Hiking Week**Strenuous**

Picking up from Carvers Gap we expect to complete AT through Watauga Dam. Contact leaders 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 these hikes.

Sunday October 30, 2022 Popolopen Torne, Fort Montgomery, NY Moderately Strenuous

Following historic 77/79 trails, we will ascend Popolopen Torne. This trail requires some technical rock scrambling in parts. The summit offers 360-degree views of the Hudson River, Bear Mountain and Bear Mountain Bridge. We will return along the scenic Popolopen Creek and will end exploring underneath the Bear Mountain Bridge & Historic Fort Montgomery on the way back to the Parking area. About 8 miles in length.

Leaders: Mike Roulier 201-522-0259 MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM
Jill Wilson 973-879-0531 SUNSHYN812@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 8:30 AM Fort Montgomery Overflow Parking on Rt-9W north, 708 Rt-9W, Highland Falls NY 10928

Take the Palisades Interstate Parkway: North to Rt-9W traffic circle near Bear Mountain Bridge (about 18 miles north of NY State Thruway). At the circle junction go **north** on Rt-9W about 3/4 mi across Popolopen Bridge (**0.3 mi past Fort Montgomery entrance**) to **“Additional parking”** lot just off of the viaduct on the east side of Rt-9W. **GPS Meeting Place (41.3283, -73.9877)**

Sunday November 6, 2022 Cranberry Lake Loop Moderately Strenuous

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

Leader: Mac McCaulley 908-416-4460 cell MACMCCAULLEY@AOL.COM

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. **Rt-206 South Shore Rd. turnoff: GPS (40.9512, -74.7345)**

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

Sunday November 13, 2022 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. **Meeting Place GPS (41.4256 -74.1015)**

Sunday November 20, 2022 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 27, 2022 Merrill Creek Circular Moderately Strenuous

Will meet at Merrill Creek fishermen's parking and do a circular hike around Merrill Creek of 7 miles. Will cross 3 dams with beautiful views of the reservoir. ½ of the route is hilly. Dam access roads are flat.

Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:00 AM Boat Launch Parking, Merrill Creek Reservoir, 1 Merrill Creek Rd., Washington, NJ 07882

From I-78 West Exit 4: Turn right at the end of the ramp on to S. Main St. and drive north 1.8 miles to the center of Stewartville. At the blinking light, turn right on Washington St. (becomes Stewartville Rd.) and go 2.7 mi to Rt-57 in New Village. Cross Rt-57 diagonally, turning left onto Montana Rd. which goes uphill for 2 mi. Left on Richline Rd. and drive 0.3 mi, turning left again, onto Merrill Creek Rd. Follow signs to the Boat Launch. **(GPS 40.7388, -75.0907)**
