

Interstate Hiking Club

Organized 1931

Affiliate of the NY-NJ Trail Conference



Schedule of Hikes

November 2015 through April 2016

**IHC Web Page: www.interstatehikingclub.org
IHC e-mail: info@interstatehikingclub.org**

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First Class Mail

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.

INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB OFFICERS FOR JUNE 2015 TO May 2016

President:	Guy Percival	628 Sussex Ave.	Morristown NJ 07960	973-590-7437	JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET
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IHC Web Page:	WWW.INTERSTATEHIKINGCLUB.ORG		Contact IHC (IHC e-mail):	INFO@INTERSTATEHIKINGCLUB.ORG	

Membership Application

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

Enclosed are dues and initiation fee.

Note! Current Members! Annual Dues are \$10.00: Due on June 1

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

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

If joining between May 1 and Dec. 1, dues are \$11.00 per person.

[\$10.00 per year plus \$1.00 initiation fee]

If joining between Dec. 1 and May 1, dues are \$6.00 per person.

[\$5.00 (1/2 year) plus a \$1.00 initiation fee]

Name: _____ **(Please PRINT Clearly)**

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ -- **E-mail: (All Caps)** _____

Date of your IHC hike: ____/____/____ **Application Date:** ____/____/____

Amount: ____\$11.00 (App. Date: 5/1 to 12/1) ____\$6.00 (App. Date: 12/1 to 5/1) ____\$1.00 (Junior)

Mail to: Interstate Hiking Club, c/o Charles Kientzler, Treasurer, 711 Terhune Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470

INTERSTATE HIKING CLUB WINTER 2015 SCHEDULE

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

IHC AT hike across PA. April 8th requires advance registration for accommodation in Boiling Springs.

IHC Trip to Europe ! May 22nd to June 2nd. Berlin - Prague - Vienna. A combination of City walks and country exploration. You need to pre-register for this trip. Contact Craig Nunn or Jen & Guy Percival

Sunday November 1, 2015 Van Campens Glen Moderate
 See historic Millbrook Village and take a nice hike out to Van Campens Glen. 6-7 miles. Not many hills but pretty views.
Leader: Al MacLennan 973-449-4696 MACLENNAN_AL@COMCAST.NET
Meet: 10:00 a.m. Millbrook Village Parking Lot, Old Mine Rd & Millbrook Rd, Hardwick, NJ 07825
From I-80 West to Delaware Water Gap: Exit for River Rd. This is the last exit before bridge to Pa. Take River Rd. north about 11 miles to Millbrook Village. GPS (41.0731,-74.9637)
ALTERNATE: I-80 West to Exit 12: Right on Rt-521 for about 4 miles to Blairstown. Turn left onto Rt-94; go 0.2 miles to light then turn right onto Rt-602 (Bridge St) (becomes Millbrook Rd)), which goes between Agway and a red building on the left. Follow Rt-602 (Millbrook Rd) about 7 mi to River Rd and Millbrook Village. Parking lot is on right.

Saturday November 7, 2015 Muckshaw Pond Moderately Strenuous
 Hike to Big Muckshaw Pond and Sinkhole Pond and see Moody's Rock. Lt James Moody was a loyalist who broke into Sussex County Prison in Newton and freed British prisoners of war. Moody's rock has a secret cave system.
Leader: Mac McCaulley 973-398-3002 MACMCCAULLEY@AOL.COM
Meet: 9:00 a.m. Whittingham Wildlife Management Area, Fredon - Springdale Rd; Newton, NJ 07860
From I-80, Exit 25: Take Rt-206 North for about 8 miles. Turn left on Rt-618 (Fredon - Springdale Rd.) for 1 mile where you will see Whittingham Parking on your left. GPS (41.0222, -74.7873)

Saturday November 14, 2015 Rain Date - Trail Maintenance Moderately Strenuous

Sunday November 15, 2015 Manaticut Point, Lake Sonoma and Outlook Rock Strenuous
 Today's circular hike in Norvin Green State Forest is one of New Jersey's finest! It begins at a trailhead in front of a big rock outcropping with a yellow blaze. We'll proceed to MANATICUT POINT, then on to OVERLOOK ROCK and beautiful LAKE SONOMA, then back to our starting point. Estimated hiking distance 8 miles. This a decidedly strenuous hike, but not difficult. Wear good hiking boots. **Heavy rain or other awful weather cancels hike.**
Leader: Joe Tag 908-938-4053 JGEORGETAG@AOL.COM
Meet: 9:00 a.m. Norvin Green, Lake Sonoma, Trailhead, 20 Crescent Dr, Ringwood NJ 07456
From I-287 Exit 55: Take Rt-511 (Ringwood Ave. which 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 0.15 mi to yellow blazed trailhead sign and large rock outcropping on the right. GPS (41.0907, -74.3213)

Saturday November 21, 2015 Mahlon Dickerson Strenuous
 The hike today will be a 10 mile hike in Mahlon Dickerson and we will venture out to Beaver pond. **Shuttle Required**
Leader: Leader: Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET
Meet: 9:00 a.m. Saffin Rock Rill Parking Lot, Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Jefferson Twp; NJ 07849
From I-80 Exit 34B (Rt-15 North): Go about 4.5 mi. to Weldon Rd. on right. Exit and continue north about 1.3 miles on Weldon Rd. and turn right onto road to water treatment plant (Sign). Entrance to parking lot is about 500 ft. on left. (GPS 40.9894, -74.5888)

Sunday November 29, 2015 Stonetown Circular Strenuous
 We'll hike the entire Stonetown circular, 10.5 miles and strenuous. There will be a drop out point half way through the hike that will be close to lunch time. Many large miles and many great view of North Jersey at its best!
Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010
Meet: 9:00 a.m. Stonetown Recreation Parking Lot, Mary Roth Dr (Off Stonetown Rd), Ringwood, NJ. 07456
From I-287 Exit 55: Take Ringwood Ave. (Rt-511) (name changes to Greenwood Lake Tpk.) north 4 mi and turn left onto Westbrook Rd. Go westward 1½ mi on Westbrook Rd. to a "Y" intersection, turn right onto Stonetown Rd. Proceed ½ mi to Mary Roth Dr. and Recreation Parking Lot on the left. GPS (41.0802, -74.3076)

Sunday December 6, 2015 Great Swamp Moderately Strenuous
 Explore the Great Swamp in the Fall. We will travel by trail and boardwalk with some short sections on back country roads. **Short shuttle required**
Leader: Udi Cohen 732- 543-4624 UDIC2000@GMAIL.COM
East Parking Lot, South Parking Lot, Orange Trail, 646 Whitebridge Road, Gillette NJ, 07933

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From I-287 Exit 30: Take North Maple Ave. **Southbound** 2.7 mi to Lord Sterling Rd on left. Drive East 3.4 mi on Lord Sterling Rd. to intersection with New Vernon Rd. (Rt-604) **Note!** [The road just past Somerset Co. Environmental Center is unpaved for a short distance and name changes to Whitebridge Rd.] At the intersection with Rt-604 / New Vernon Rd., continue straight 0.5 mi to South Orange Trail Parking Lot at the end of road. GPS (40.7062, -74.4681)

Sunday December 13, 2015 Paulinskill Valley Moderate

We will hike 6-7 Miles on the Paulinskill Valley Rail Trails. There are beautiful views of the Paulinskill River and some nice restored railway bridges to cross.

Leader: Al MacLennan 973-449-4696 MACLENNAN_AL@COMCAST.NET

Meet: 10:00 a.m. Blairstown "Foot Bridge Park" Parking Lot off Rt-94, 49 Rt-94, Blairstown, NJ 07825

From I-80 West Exit 12: Proceed north on Rt-521 about 5 miles, to intersection of Rt-94. Turn left onto Rt-94 south towards Blairstown; proceed about ¼ mi. to road leading to park on left. Do not go as far as the traffic light. Parking is at end of road in gravel lot behind park. Park Entrance GPS (40.9814, -74.9571)

Saturday December 19, 2015 Giraffe Hike NYC - Columbus Circle Strenuous

We will meet at Columbus Circle then hike up through Central Park and Harlem with some surprises on the way. Wear sneakers for lots of miles on city pavement!

Leader: Jim Schlenker 908-295-8178 JIMS0331@GMAIL.COM

Meet: Exact meeting location and time sent by mass email 1 week before event.

Sunday January 3, 2016 New Years Hike – Hacklebarney Strenuous

We will either start or finish at the rangers station and cross both the hikers and hunters sections of Hacklebarney.

The hike is 9 or 10 miles and hilly. **Shuttle required.**

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

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Hacklebarney State Park Rangers Station, 198 Hacklebarney Rd, Long Valley, NJ 07853

From the North; I-80 Exit 27 (Rt-206 South): Go south 7+ mi to the Chester area at the intersection of Rt-513/Rt-24. Turn right (west) onto Rt-513 and continue 1.3 to State Park Rd on left. Turning onto State Park Rd., follow it 1.8 miles to Hacklebarney Rd. on right. Turn right and go 0.6 mi to park entrance on left. Enter the park and drive about 0.3 mi to parking area.

From the South; I-287 Exit 22 (Rt-206 North): Go north on Rt-206 9+ mi to the Chester area at the intersection of Rt-513/Rt-24. Turn Left (west) onto Rt-513 and **See above.** Park Entrance GPS (40.7513, -74.7365)

Sunday January 10, 2016 Wawayanda Moderately Strenuous

Explore Wawayanda in winter. Bring ice creepers as you may have snow and ice to cross. With or without snow there will be many pretty views and lakes to see. The Hike is about 8 miles in length.

Leader: Jim & Carolyn Canfield 973-728-9774 CANFIELD@NETROM.COM

Meet: 9:00 a.m. Wawayanda State Park, Ranger Station, 885 Warwick Turnpike, 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 Tpk. past Upper Greenwood Lk. Turn left at park entrance. Ranger Station is ½ mi ahead. Park Entrance GPS (41.1993, -74.3920)

Sunday January 17, 2016 Washington Valley Park Moderately Strenuous

Washington Valley Park is only 3 miles long, but it contains very steep and hilly terrain. Starting at Chimney Rock Park, we will head down a wooded ravine to a cataract, then up to the Hawk watch. We finish our 6 mile hike with a circular return through a pine forest and around a pretty reservoir.

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

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Chimney Rock Park, 739 Chimney Rock Road (Rt-525), Martinsville NJ 08836

From I-287 South: Take I-78 east 3.5 mi. to Exit 33. Take Rt-525 south to Martinsville, about ¾ miles, then turn left at T junction with Washington Valley Rd. Proceed east 2 blocks to next traffic light. Turn right on Chimney Rock Road (Rt-525). Park entrance is on left just after Loft Farm condominiums. Park Entrance GPS (40.5948, -74.5616)

Sunday January 24, 2016 Pequannock Knob Moderate

This will be a 5+ mile winter hike to explore Mountainside Park that is new to us in the winter. (No berries) At the top of Pequannock Knob, benches invite a break from the climb up. To the left the New York City skyline can be seen on the horizon and a bench on the other side of the kiosk to the right overlooks the mountains of northern New Jersey.

Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Pompton Plains Shopping Ct; Rt-23 North &/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). Enter from either Rt-23 or Jackson Ave. 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 Ctr. Entering from Jackson Ave, meet at north side of lot along Jackson Ave. Meeting Place GPS (40.9689, -74.2839)

To Mountainside Park from meeting place: Mountainside Park, 240 Mountain Ave, Pompton Plains NJ 07444 Leave parking area and go West 0.6 mi on Jackson Ave across Rt-23 to Newark Pompton Turnpike. Turn right on Turnpike and drive 0.6 mi north to Mountain Ave on left just before Rt-23 interchange. Turning left go about 1.7 mi (passing under I-287) to a dead-end at the parking area for Mountainside Park. Watch out for stop signs! Park GPS (40.9710, -74.3257)

→Sunday January 31 Deadline for May 2016 to October 2016 Trip Plans←

Sunday January 31, 2016 Aeroflex Hike or Ski Moderately Strenuous

If snow conditions, bring x-country skis or snow shoes. We will explore around the perimeter of Lake Aeroflex and surrounding trails. The hike is about a hilly 8 miles, with warm-up at Andover Dinner with possible lunch.

Leader: Ursula Davis 973- 786-7087 UDAVIS@PTD.NET

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Aeroflex Parking, Kittatinny Valley State Park, 525 Lime Crest Rd., Newton, NJ 07860

From I-80W Exit 25: Take Rt-206 north to Andover (about 6 ½ mi. to Exxon Station-2nd light in Andover.) Turn right on Lime Crest Rd. (Rt-669) and go 1 mi. to park entrance on the left. Park Entrance GPS (41.0095, -74.7339)

Sunday February 7, 2016 Duke Farms Moderate

We'll hike the around the whole Duke Farms estate north of the South Gate. See the seven lakes with frozen waterfalls. The foundation of an unfinished mansion, and lovely orchids in a Greenhouse you can warm up in!

Leader: Al MacLennan 973-449-4696 MACLENNAN_AL@COMCAST.NET

Meet: 10:00 a.m. Duke Farm's Visitor Center, 1112 Duke Parkway West, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

From 1-287 South Exit 17, (Rt-202/206 South): Drive 1.5 mi to split of Rts-202/206. Take Rt-206 South 2.2 mi, and then turn right onto Dukes Parkway West. Drive ½ mi to Visitor Center Parking lot on left. Turn in and go 200 ft to the first turnoff on right. After turning in, go straight ahead to parking lot. GPS (40.5463, -74.6243)

Sunday February 14, 2016 Sourland Moderately Strenuous

Come enjoy an 8½ mile hike in the Sourland Mountain preserve. Scale the valley of rocks and see the Devils half acre. The leaves will be down so be prepared for a great view of NYC. We will see frozen water falls and streams.

Leader: Udi Cohen 732- 543-4624 UDIC2000@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Sourland Mountain Preserve Parking Area, 380 East Mountain Rd, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

From Rt-287 Exit onto Rt-206 southbound: Follow Rt-206 south to Somerville Circle (Junction of Rt-202 & Rt-206). Continue south on Rt-206 5.9 miles, then turn right on Rt-514 (Amwell Rd). Precede West 2 miles to East Mountain Rd. Turn left onto East Mountain Rd. Travel for two miles, and you will see the Sourland Mountain Preserve entrance sign on the right.

From Rt-206 Northbound: Follow Rt-206 through Princeton and Montgomery. Traveling up a small ramp, make a left onto Rt-601. Follow Rt-601 for a ½ mile, and make a right turn onto East Mountain Road by Carrier Foundation. Travel for 1 mile, and you will see the Sourland Mountain Preserve entrance sign on the left. GPS (40.4751, -74.6926)

Sunday February 21, 2016 River Road Ramble Moderately Strenuous

We will explore hiking trails in River Road Park, see the Jacobus Vandevener House and hike by the North Branch of the Raritan River. Some road walking on country roads will be needed.

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

Meet: 9:30 a.m. River Road Park, 3055 River Road, Bedminster Township, 07921

From Rt-287 Southbound Exit 22: or

From Rt-287 Northbound Exit 22B: Exit onto Rt-202/206 Northbound. Heading North only 0.1 mi on Rt-202/206, look for signs for All Turns, River Rd or Rt-78/287. Make a right into a jug handle and stay far right. Go straight across Rt-202/206 onto River Rd. Make immediate right into gravel parking lot. GPS (40.6623, -74.6465)

Saturday February 27, 2016 5 or 6 Bridges and 3 Boroughs Strenuous

Depending on the status of the Randall's Island Connector (several years in the making and meant to open summer, 2015, but who knows?) walk over 5 or 6 bridges connecting Manhattan, Queens and the Bronx via Randall's and Ward's Islands. The hike is 10-14 mostly flat miles at a moderately brisk pace on city streets and park paths. Bring lunch, snacks, and water. Awful or dangerous weather cancels. Contact leader after 7:00 AM morning of hike if uncertain.

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

Meet: Meeting place and time will be mass e-mailed 1 week before trip.

Sunday March 6, 2016 New Hope to Stockton Moderately Strenuous

We will hike from New Hope to Stockton via the PA side. Next is a stop in Stockton for an inside lunch. Then hike back to New Hope via the NJ side using canal towpath and back roads. Flat 8.5 miles

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

Meet: 9:30 a.m. Canal Park, 2520 River Rd. New Hope, PA 18938 Canal Park is just north of Rt-202 in PA

From I-287 Exit 17, Rt-202 South: Continue 27 mi south on Rt-202 to Delaware River and Pennsylvania. After tolls, take first exit in PA to River Road. Make a left then next right for Canal Park parking. Park Entrance GPS (40.3794, -74.9623)

Sunday March 13, 2016**Stokes Valley Hike****Strenuous**

A Stokes Forest Loop, around 9 miles, with some climbs but a lot of valley walking. We will hike the Swenson Tr. to the Cartwright and then up to Sunrise Mtn. Next we take the AT to the Culvers Lookout Tower, and it's mostly downhill to Stony Lake Parking.

Leader: Mike Roulier

201-522-0259

Meet: 9:00 a.m. 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. Drive by the Ranger Station (Warm John's) on Coursen Rd about 2 mi bear sharp right and continue ¼ mi to parking lot on left.

Park Entrance 30 Rt-206, Branchville, NJ 07826 GPS (41.1843, -74.7974)**Stony Lake Parking,** Coursen Rd, Sandyston, NJ 07826 GPS (41.2031, -74.7732)**Saturday March 19, 2016****Brooklyn Shore Walk****Strenuous**


This is a city hike of 10 to 12 mi. along the Brooklyn shoreline starting in Coney Island and ending at Prospect Park.

Leader: Jack McClelland & Elizabeth Campbell

718-478-2430

JGMWOLF@GMAIL.COM

Meet: Meeting time and place will be sent by mass email 1 week before**Saturday March 26, 2016****Larger Cross Bike Ride****Moderately Strenuous**

 This is a Saturday before Easter bike ride in the horse country of Bedminster. I have discovered lots of packed dirt and gravel roads that have more horses than cars. Suitable for a road bike with 28mm or wider tires. It will be about 30 miles total. Somewhat hilly with 20 miles on packed dirt with lots of fields on both sides.

Helmets required. You must call & register (leave number) to ensure ride is still on!**Rain postpones the ride.****Leader: Jen & Guy Percival**

973-590-7437

JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:30 a.m. River Road Park, 3055 River Road, Bedminster Township, 07921**From I-287 Southbound Exit 22: or**

From I-287 Northbound Exit 22B: Exit onto Rt-202/206 Northbound. Heading North only 0.1 mi on Rt-202/206, look for signs for **All Turns, River Rd or Rt-78/287.** Make a right into a jug handle and stay far right. Go straight across Rt-202/206 onto River Rd.

Make immediate right into gravel parking lot. GPS (40.6623, -74.6465)

Sunday April 3, 2016**Patriots Path****Strenuous**

The hike begins in Heisteins Park and goes into the Black River Wildlife Management area. Then it continues along the Old Central Railroad and through Highland Ridge Park and into Seward Hill, which offers a 360 degree of Morris County. The Path then goes through the center of Chester and into Black River County Park with the ending in Palmer Park. This is a strenuous 10-15 mile hike on old railroad beds on paved and unpaved trails. **Shuttle Required.**

Patriots Path Map is at Morris Parks: <http://www.morrisparks.net/maps/pdfs/PatriotsPath-2.pdf>**Leader: Al Dicianni**

973-455-7262

Cell 973-462-5583 Day of Hike Only

Meet: 9:00 a.m. Palmer Park, 212 Bartley Rd. (Rt-625), Long Valley, NJ 07853

From I-80 Exit 27 (Rt-206 South): Take Rt-206 south ¾ mi. to light at the Bartley – Chester Rd (Rt-625) on the right. Turning onto Rt-625 continue West ½ mi to RR crossing. Rt-625 turns sharply left across RR tracks. Drive south 1½ mi to Palmer Park Entrance.

Parking is straight ahead. Park Entrance GPS (40.8067, -74.7376)

From I-287 Exit 22B; Rt-206 North: Continue north 12½ mi to Rt-625 on Left at light. See Above**Friday April 8, 2016****Penn AT @ Boiling Springs Weekend****Strenuous**

The group will stay overnight in Boiling Springs, PA on Friday April 8, Saturday and Sunday and hike the AT in the area. There will be a shorter hike on Monday prior to returning home. **Registration Required, Limit 12 members.**

Leader: Craig Nunn

551-206-6823

DYSTOPICNJ@GMAIL.COM

Contact: Jen & Guy Percival for pre-booked accommodation. 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET**Meet: Details will be sent to those who register as they are worked out - no later than a week before the event.****Sunday April 17, 2016****White Lake****Moderate**

We'll hike 6.5 miles around White Lake which was the source of lime in the 19th century. See an old processing plant and see wildlife on the lake.

Leader: Al MacLennan

973-449-4696

MACLENNAN_AL@COMCAST.NET

Meet: 10:00 a.m. White Lake Fish & Game Parking lot, 99 Stillwater Rd (Rt-521), Hardwick Twp, NJ 07825

From I-80 West Exit 12: Proceed north on Rt-521 ¾ mi to Silver Lake Rd on right and follow it to the end (Rt-94). Turn right and follow Rt-94 about ½ mi into the hamlet of Marksboro, then turn left onto Spring Valley Rd (see historic building). Proceed down the hill and over the Paulinskill River continuing to Stillwater Rd (again Rt-521). Turn right. The entrance is about ½ mi on the right.

Park Entrance GPS (41.0024, -74.9166)

Sunday April 24, 2016**Trail Maintenance****Moderately Strenuous**

Come help the club with Spring Trail maintenance. We need every ones help for another spring cleanup. 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: Jim Canfield

973-728-9774

CANFIELD@NETROM.COM

Meet: 9:00 a.m. North End Sterling Ridge Trail Parking, Rt-17A, Sterling Forest, NY 10987

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.

From Greenwood Lake, NY: Travel 3½ miles east on Rt-17A to the parking area access road on the right.

Enter slowly and carefully. There are many large potholes in the access road. GPS (41.2466,-74.2474)
