

Interstate Hiking Club

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Affiliate of the NY-NJ Trail Conference



Schedule of Hikes

November 2018 through May 2019

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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 and Dec. 1**, dues are \$21.00 per person. [\$20.00 per year plus \$1.00 initiation fee]

If joining between **Dec. 1 and 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 1 to May 31.

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. Make check payable to **Interstate Hiking Club** and Mail to the Treasurer:
Charles Kientzler, 711 Terhune Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470

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 WINTER 2018 SCHEDULE

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

Note! Daylight Saving Ends November 4, 2018! Turn Clocks Back! [Gain Sleep]

Sunday November 4, 2018 High Point Circular

Moderately Strenuous

A nice hike on the AT, Monument, and Cedar Swamp trails and then returning on some old paths. Great views at the Monument for lunch and along the trail; the Cedar Swamp is a unique, rare and disappearing natural environment. Just one short steep incline to the Monument. (The highest point in NJ, 1803 feet above sea level).

Rain or foul weather cancels this hike.

Leader: Roy Williams ROYHIKER1@AOL.COM

Meet: 9:00 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. (GPS 41.3035, -74.6667)

Sunday November 11, 2018 Appalachian Tr. #5 – Deckertown Pike to Rt-519, Wantage Moderately Strenuous

This section of 8½ mi long passes thru High Point Park at its highest point in NJ. Perhaps the leader will allow a ½ mi round trip diversion to the Monument to savor the view from the base, before we drop down off the Kittatinny Ridge to Rt-519 and the cars. **Shuttle Required**

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

Meet: 9:00 AM AT Parking, 980 Greenville Rd (Rt-519), Wantage NJ 07461

From I-287 Exit 52: Take Rt-23 North 33 mi toward High Point. At the intersection before climbing up the big hill, follow Rt-519 as it turns north toward Greenville, NY. Follow Greenville Rd (Rt-519 N) 2¼ mi to small AT Parking on the left. GPS (41.3290, -74.6432)

Note! If late or lost see below!

We will be leaving some cars at AT Parking, 980 Greenville Rd. (Rt-519), Wantage NJ 07461 GPS (41.3290, -74.6432)

After the Shuttle we will start at AT Parking Lot, Deckertown Turnpike, Sussex, NJ 07461 GPS (41.2523, -74.6893)

Saturday November 17, 2018 Brooklyn Hike**Moderately Strenuous**

This city walk thru Brooklyn will start at Greenwood Cemetery & end in Prospect Park. Points of interest will include Overlook Hill & maybe the Botanical Garden (entrance fee).

Leaders: Chris Davis 718-633-0928 CHRISDAVIS08558@YAHOO.COM
Guy Percival 973-590-7437 JENGUY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: TBA Penn Station NYC

The co-leader (Guy Percival) will guide us, using the NYC Subway, to Brooklyn where we meet the leader (Chris). Meet near the NJ Transit waiting area in Penn Station on the Men's Restroom side. [Women's Restroom is nearby.]

Sunday November 25, 2018 Saddle Brook Park Walk**Easy**

A walk of about 4 miles total, along the Saddle Brook will help work off the effects of Thanksgiving Dinner on the waist. We will walk from Ridgewood to Glen Rock on the paved path have lunch and return. The leader will be on his Tyke (3-Wheeled Bike) due to his overindulgence on Thanksgiving Day!

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

Meet: 10:00 AM Saddle River County Park-Wild Duck Pond, 1133 E Ridgewood Ave, Ridgewood, NJ 07450

From Garden State Pkwy Northbound, Paramus, Exit 163: Take Rt-17 north 2.1 mi to Ridgewood Ave exit. Bear right on loop and turn toward Ridgewood (crossing over Rt-17) on E. Ridgewood Ave. Continue 1 mi westward to the Park Entrance. Park at the first large parking area located just after the maintenance building. Toilets nearby! GPS (40.9740, -74.0958)

Sunday December 2, 2018 Sterling Forest Bare Rock Loop**Strenuous**

This 9-mile hike on the Orange or Bare Rock Loop has great view points of both Greenwood and Sterling lakes, a section of rock scrambling, beaver dams, and beautiful patches of ferns and hemlocks.

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

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 December 9, 2018 Appalachian Trail #6 – Rt-519, Wantage to Walkkill R. Moderately Strenuous

This 10-mile section is mostly flat passing farms and using puncheons thru boggy area. As we approach the Walkkill River we pass the site of the only standing pumping station [of 11] of the 1890 oil pipeline that ran from the Olean, NY oil fields to the Bayonne, NJ Refineries. The pipeline passed thru watershed of the Wanaque and as a result had to be moved in 1930! In previous years there were several old pipes, fabricated by the spiral welding technique, lying alongside the road.

Google — NJSKYLANDS.COM/HSOIL **Shuttle Required**

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

Meet: 8:30 AM Burger King, 1506 Rt-23 North, Butler, NJ 07405

From I-287 Exit 52: Take Rt-23 North 3 miles to Kinnelon Avenue. Continue through traffic light to first entrance on right into Burger King parking lot. Park in front near the highway. GPS (41.0031, -74.3570)

Note! If late or lost see below!

We will be leaving some cars at AT Trail Oil City Parking, 25 State Line Rd, Westtown, NY GPS (41.2876, -74.5342)

After the Shuttle we will start at AT Parking, 980 Rt-519, Wantage NJ 07461 GPS (41.3290, -74.6432)

Sunday December 16, 2018 Great Swamp Hike**Moderately Strenuous**

The Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge is located in Morris County, New Jersey. Established in 1960, it is one of more than 550 refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System. We will be hiking for about 7 miles. We'll enjoy its rich wildlife and we're lucky, we'll see some eagles or hawks. **Shuttle is required.**

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

Meet: 9:00 AM East/ South Parking Lot, Orange Trail, 646 Whitebridge Road, Gillette NJ, 07933

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)

Saturday December 22, 2018 NYC XMAS Hike**Moderately Strenuous**

This 8-mile meander will start at the northern end of Broadway after an initial subway ride from Penn Station. We will take in the sights of the city as we wonder south to midtown at which point everyone will be free to explore on their own or in groups. Rockefeller Center, Fifth Avenue Stores and many famous churches will be decorated for the holidays.

Leaders: Jim Schlenker 908-295-8178 JIMS0331@GMAIL.COM
Craig Nunn 551-206-6823 DYSTOPICNJ@GMAIL.COM

Meet: 11:00 Penn Station NYC [Jim is will be taking the 9:42 train from Summit.]

Gather by the NJ trains waiting area; on the Men's Restroom side. [Woman's RR is nearby]

Tuesday January 1, 2019 New Year's Hike—Cold Brook Preserve**Easy**

Come shake out the Old Year with an easy 4 mi. hike thru preserved farmland. The property was acquired from a developer by the New Jersey Conservation Foundation (IHC contributes to this group), and the 280 Acres were added to the Hunterdon County Park System, in 1984.

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

Meet: 12:00 PM Cold Brook Preserve, 100 Old Turnpike Rd (Rt-517), Oldwick, NJ 07830

From I-78 Exit 24, Oldwick/Whitehouse: Proceed north from this exit on Rt-523 towards Oldwick. Continue straight on Rt-517 when Rt-523 turns to the right. After passing through the center of Oldwick, the park entrance will be on the left. A gravel parking lot is located on the right side of the driveway. GPS (40.6811, -74.7512)

Sunday January 6, 2019 Lewis Morris & Jockey Hollow Exploration**Moderately Strenuous**

On this 8 mi. loop around and thru the various historic places, we shall revisit in our minds the hardships of the Continental Army during the winter of 1779-80. It was during this "cruellest winter" that twelve men often shared one of over one thousand simple huts built in Jockey Hollow to house the army.

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

Meet: 9:30 AM Morristown National Historical Pk. Visitors Ctr. (Jockey Hollow), Morristown, NJ 07960

From: I-287 Exit 30: Go north on Rt-202 for 1.8 miles to traffic light at Tempe Wick Rd. Go left (West) 1.4 miles to Park Entrance on right. Proceed ½ mile to parking lot. GPS Park Entrance (40.7622, -74.5457)

Sunday January 13, 2019 Fort Lee Park, NJ to Van Cortland Park, NYC**Moderately Strenuous**

This city walk starts from Ft. Lee Historic Park and we walk across the GWB. Then we continue North through Ft. Tryon, Inwood Hill, and Riverdale Parks to Van Cortland Park. Enroute we pass the Cloisters, Toscanini Estate & perhaps the Wave Hill Estate. Return by subway (B-way line) to 181 St. and then walk the GWB back to our cars. About 8 miles.

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

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

Meet: 9:00 AM Fort Lee Historic Park, Hudson Terrace, Fort Lee, NJ 07024.

The co-leader (Guy Percival) will guide us across the GWB to the Bus Terminal in Manhattan (Rest Rooms), where we will meet the leader (Chris)

From Rt-4, Rt-46, I-80: Proceed east to the George Washington Bridge Area and exit at the sign "last exit before the tolls." Continue on this ramp (parallel to the bridge approaches) crossing several lights until the "T" intersection with Hudson Terrace. The Park entrance is straight ahead. GPS Park Entrance (40.8526, -73.9640) GPS Parking Lot (40.8521, -73.9623)

Sunday January 20, 2019 Wawayanda**Moderately Strenuous**

Its winter and the lake will be frozen with perhaps Ice Fishermen on it. We'll hike taking the Blue and Orange trails around the lake with a side trip out to Lake Lookout and the Pickle Trail. About 8 miles.

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

Meet 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 41.1927, -74.4289)

Sunday January 27, 2019 Institute Woods Princeton**Moderately Strenuous**

Pleasant walk through Institute woods. We will intersect with the D&R Canal and hike north and then into Princeton for a campus tour. Return via Springdale road and back into Institute woods. About 8 miles total. Mostly level.

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

Meet: 9:30 AM Princeton Battlefield Park, 450 Mercer St (Rt-583), Princeton NJ 08540

From I-287 South Exit 17, (Rt-202/206 South): Drive 1.5 mi to split of Rts-202/206. Take Rt-206 south 17 miles into Princeton. In the center of Princeton make a right at intersection with Rt-27. This is Stockton street and still Rt-206. Go 0.3 mi and turn left onto Edgehill St and next right onto Mercer Street. Go 0.9 mi south until you reach an open park. At the PEDX-ing sign, there will be a large siding along what is now Rt- 583. GPS (40.3331, -74.6752)

******Hike ideas for June 2019 to end of November 2019 are due today, Jan 27, 2019 ******

Sunday February 3, 2019 Johnson Park to Rutgers Ecological 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.

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

Meet: 9:30 AM 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 first parking lot. GPS (40.5053, -74.4443)

Sunday February 10, 2019 Old Vliet Road Hiking Trail**Strenuous**

This hike is 10 miles from Old Vliet to Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve. Hilly with a number of water crossings. Seems remote considering it is right next to Kendall Park subdivision. Will do an out and back. No shuttle needed.

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

Meet: 9:30 AM 903 Old Vliet Rd, Franklin Park, NJ 08823

From I-287 Exit 10 (Rt-527, Easton Ave): Exit towards New Brunswick and proceed on Easton 0.25 mi and turn onto Cedar Grove Lane and then go 3.2 miles south. Use the left two lanes to turn left onto Amwell road proceed 0.8 miles. Turn right onto South Middlebush go 4.3 miles. Look for small gravel parking lot and hiking sign on your right. GPS (40.4403, -74.5589)

Sunday February 17, 2019 Duke Farms**Moderately Strenuous**

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: Alastair MacLennan 973-449-4696 MACLENNAN_AL@COMCAST.NET

Meet: 9:30 AM 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 24, 2019 Kingston Trails**Moderate**

Starting at one of the historic D&R locks we will hike about 6½ miles, using the Delaware & Raritan tow path along Lake Carnegie and then into Heathcote meadows. See the historic nursery buildings at Princeton Nurseries. Also, view an old bridge in the Cook natural area from 1850.

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

Meet: 9:30 a.m. D&R Canal Parking, Old Kingston, 5 Old Lincoln Hwy, Princeton, NJ 08540

From I-287 Exit 17 R-206 south: Take Rt-206 south through the Somerville Circle about 14½ miles to CR-518/Georgetown and Franklin Turnpike. Turn left toward Rocky Hill and continue to follow CR-518 (Washington St.) 1.2 mi. through town to light. Turn right at CR-603/Kingston-Rocky Hill Rd/Laurel Ave, continue 1.9 mi to light at Rt-27. Turn right and proceed 0.1 miles downhill to make a left (on a side road) into the Kingston D&R Canal Boat basin parking lot. If you cross the Millstone river you have gone too far. GPS (40.3741, -74.6188)

Sunday March 3, 2019 Bushwhack hike To Claudius Smith Den**Moderately Strenuous**

We will take the Blue Disc trail from Johnstown circle to Almost Perpendicular, then bushwhack to the Dater mine and then follow a faint trail to an Indian shelter, climb the ridge overlooking Tuxedo and bushwhack all the way to the base of Claudius Smith. We pass the Augusta mine and other remnants of the mining days on the ridge overlooking Tuxedo. Return via woods roads with minimal elevation change. About 8 miles total.

Leader; Ken Dolsky 973-769-1867 KDOLSKY@OPTONLINE.NET

Meet: 9:00 AM Johnstown Circle, 199 Johnstown Road (Circle at end of road), Sloatsburg, NY 10974

From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287N Interchange Exit 15A: Take R-17 north 4.5 miles, to Seven Lakes Dr., just north of Sloatsburg, NY. Turn right onto Seven Lakes Dr. and proceed ½ mile to Johnstown Road on the left after underpass. Follow road about 2 miles to the circle at the end. (GPS 41.1799, -74.1638)

Note! Daylight Saving Resumes Sunday March 10, 2019! Turn Clocks Back! [Lose Sleep]**Sunday March 10, 2019 Stokes State Forest Ramble****Strenuous**

From Stony Lake we will take the Lackner Trail to Kittatinny Lake. Then we pick up the Steffen and Jacob's Ladder trails up to the AT. We'll stay on the AT to Culver's Tower with a stop at the Acropolis along the way. Back down to the parking lot via the Tower trail. The hike is approximately 10 miles in length.

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

Meet: 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. 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)

Sunday March 17, 2019 Schunemunk Observation**Moderately Strenuous**

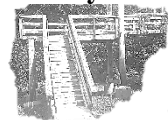
See the glories of nature on this mountain in the early Spring. This will be a circular hike that includes The Jessup Trail, Western Ridge, & a Visit to Megaliths. Views abound at every turn of the trail. Rain cancels this hike.

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

Meet: 9:00 AM Schunemunk, Taylor Road Parking area, Mountainville, NY 10953

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 miles to Pleasant Hill Road, (Black Rock Hunting Club sign on left), Mountainville, NY. Turn left, go to first road (Taylor Road) turn left again, and proceed to parking lot on right side of road after crossing over thruway.

From Rt-17: Travel north on Rt-17 to Rt-32 in Harriman, NY. Take Rt-32 north 8½ miles to Pleasant Hill Road. See above. GPS (41.4076, -74.0818)

Sunday March 24, 2019 Appalachian Trail #7 – Wallkill River to Rt-94 Moderately Strenuous

This section of 8½ mi passes thru the Old Sod Farms, now part of the Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge, a wildlife habitat known for its diversity of birds with hunting, fishing, trails & learning programs. Then it's a climb up & over Pochuck Mt. with some nice views. The famous Appalachian Trail Boardwalk & Bridge over the Pochuck Creek will be crossed near the end at Rt-94. **Shuttle Required**

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

Meet: 9:00 AM AT Parking, 449 Vernon Warwick Rd. (Rt-94), Vernon Township, NJ 07462

From Exit 52B Rt-23 North: Take Rt-23 North 14 mi. to Rt-515 (Vernon/Stockholm Rd.) Drive on Rt-515 8.5 mi (steep downhill) to Rt-94 intersection. Continue north 2 mi. on combined Rt-94/Rt-515 to the AT Trail Parking on the right. GPS (41.2195, -74.4553)

Note! If late or lost see below!

We will be parking some cars at the AT Parking, 449 Vernon Warwick Rd. (Rt-94), Vernon Township, NJ 07462

GPS (41.2195, -74.4553)

After the shuttle we will start at the AT Trail Oil City Parking, 25 State Line Rd, Westtown, NY GPS (41.2876, -74.5342)

Sunday March 31, 2019 Watchung Reservation Historical Moderately Strenuous

We'll hike part of the Sierra Trail and lots of connecting trails perhaps visiting the Stables, Surprise Lake, Ancient Cemetery, Deserted Village, Seely's Pond, and end at the Nature Center.

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

(GPS 40.6826, -74.3728)

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 40.6826, -74.3728)

Sunday April 7, 2019 Johnstown Circular Moderately Strenuous

We will start on the Blue Disc and head north over Almost Perpendicular. Then go over to Claudius Smith's Den, then head over to Lake Skenonto and have lunch. Then we will find some old trails to return on.

Rain or Foul Weather cancels this hike.

Leader: Roy Williams ROYHIKER1@AOL.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Johnstown Circle, 199 Johnstown Road (Circle at end of road), Sloatsburg, NY 10974

From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287N Interchange Exit 15A: Take R-17 north 4.5 miles, to Seven Lakes Dr., just north of Sloatsburg, NY. Turn right onto Seven Lakes Dr. and proceed ½ mile to Johnstown Road on the left after underpass. Follow road about 2 miles to the circle at the end. (GPS 41.1799, -74.1638)

Sunday April 14, 2019 Panther Mountain Moderately Strenuous

Come along for this strenuous work out in Harriman guaranteed to warm you up. This hike is 8 miles with a bunch of steep ascents, two swamps, and a great view of the emerald city (on a clear day) Rain or Foul Weather cancels this hike.

Leader: Roy Williams ROYHIKER1@AOL.COM

Meet: 9:00 AM Lake Sebago Hiker's/Boat Launch Lot, Seven Lakes Dr, Harriman State Park, NY 10974

From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287 Interchange Exit 15: Take Rt-17 north 4 miles, to Seven Lakes Drive, just north of Sloatsburg, NY. Turn right onto Seven Lakes Dr; go 4¼ miles. The "Boat Launch Parking" is on the left. (Small Sign, Small Road) (GPS 41.1975, -74.1291)

Saturday April 20, 2019 Appalachian Trail #8 – Rt-94 to Longhouse Dr. Moderately Strenuous

We start this 7.3 mi hike up the escarpment with the famous Stairway to Heaven built by volunteers. Excellent views are possible from the stone stairs. We skirt the busy part of Waywayanda Park while passing by the AT shelter, using roads built in the mining days. **Shuttle Required**

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

Meet 9:00 AM Shopping Ctr/Hewitt PO; 1938 Union Valley Rd (Greenwood Lk. Tpk), Hewitt, NJ 07421

From I-287 Exit 55 (Rt-511): Go north on Ringwood Ave. (name changes to Greenwood Lake Tpk.) about 14 miles to Lakeside Rd. at south end of Greenwood Lake. Continue straight-ahead ½ block to shopping center on left. (GPS 41.1542, -74.3538)

From Rt-23 north: Right exit onto Union Valley Rd. (Rt-513). Then go northeast 7 miles to the traffic light in the center of West Milford by Shoprite. Turn left following Union Valley Rd (Rt-513) at 1.4 mi. bear right (Do not go up White Rd.). Continue straight on Union Valley Rd (Rt-513) ½ mi. to intersection of Rt-511 (Greenwood Lake Tpk.). The shopping center is ½ block on right.

Note! If late or lost see below!

We will be parking some cars at the AT Parking, 107 Longhouse Dr, Hewitt, NJ 07421 GPS (41.1958, -74.3709)

After the shuttle we will start at the AT Parking, 449 Vernon Warwick Rd. (Rt-94), Vernon Township, NJ 07462

GPS (41.2195, -74.4553)

Sunday April 28, 2019 Sterling Ridge Trail Maintenance Moderately Strenuous
 The club maintains the entire length of the Sterling Ridge Trail. Today we work on the North End. Come help the club with Spring Trail maintenance! Bring your lunch, water, clippers and good working gloves. If you do not have clippers you can use the tools provided by the club. **Rain Date Saturday, May 4, 2019**
Leader: Trails Chair—Sara Van Niekerk 973-489-6442 SUSARAVN@GMAIL.COM
Meet: 9:00 a.m. 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.
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 Turnoff (41.2306, -74.2608) Lot (41.2297, -74.2606)

Sunday May 5, 2019 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
Leader: Mike Roulier MROULIER@PATELLAWOOD.COM
Meet: 9:00 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 miles. 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 mile to the Parking Area on the right side of the road, just before a locked gate. GPS (41.4187, -74.0100)
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 miles 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 mile to the Parking Area.

Sunday May 12, 2019 Tuxedo Circular Moderately Strenuous
 We will head north on the R-D towards Parker Cabin Mtn. After that whatever trails we can find that will eventually lead us back to Tuxedo. **Rain or Foul Weather cancels this hike.**
Leader: Roy Williams ROYHIKER1@AOL.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM Tuxedo metered commuter lot, Village Dr, 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 East Village Rd, cross the tracks and turn left into the large parking lot which is free on weekends. (GPS 41.1956, -74.1841)

Sunday May 19, 2019 Appalachian Trail #9 – Longhouse Dr. to Mt Peter Moderately Strenuous
 This 8-mile section follows the ridge of Bellvale Mt. with many beautiful views over Greenwood Lake. We skirt Surprise lake along the way crossing into NY State. This route has some steep ups & downs along the way over Prospect Rock to Mt Peter. **Shuttle Required**
Leader: Paul Ferlazzo 973-979-2010 P_FERLAZZO@YAHOO.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM Appalachian Trail Parking, 95 Continental Road (Rt-17A), Warwick, NY 10990
From I-287 Exit 55 (Rt-511): Go north on Ringwood Ave. (name changes to Greenwood Lake Tpk.) about 14 miles to Lakeside Rd. (Rt-511) at south end of Greenwood Lake. Take Lakeside north 6.5 mi thru Greenwood Lake Village to intersection of Rt-17A. Take Rt-17A up toward Warwick 1.9 mi to Mt. Peter. AT Parking is at the large lot on the left. **GPS (41.2442, -74.2873)**
From Suffern @ I-87 & I-287 Interchange Exit 15: Take Rt-17 north 8.5 mi to exit for Rt-17A. Follow Rt-17A west for 7 mi to Greenwood Lake Village. Continue on Rt-17A up toward Warwick 1.9 mi to Mt. Peter. AT Parking is at the large lot on the left.
Note! If late or lost see below!
We will be parking some cars at the AT Parking 95 Continental Road (Rt-17A), Warwick, NY 10990 and shuttle to the start from the north using Rt-17A and then Brady Rd.
After the shuttle we will start at the AT Parking, 107 Longhouse Dr, Hewitt, NJ 07421 GPS (41.1958, -74.3709)

Sunday May 26, 2019 Stoke State Forest Blue Mountain Loop #3 Moderately Strenuous
 Today we will hike the northern end of the new Blue Mountain Loop that was rained out last year. This is the completion of the Loop. Approximate 8.0 Miles **Rain, or Foul Weather cancels this hike. Shuttle Required to Steam Mill Parking Area for start of hike.**
Leader: Roy Williams ROYHIKER1@AOL.COM
Meet: 9:00 AM Stokes State Forest Entrance (Ranger) Station, 1 Coursen Rd, Branchville, 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. GPS (41.1857, -74.7957)
