

2024-2025 Regular Season DATE	WEEK NUMBER	WEEK STATUS	TRAIL NUMBER	REGION	HIKE NAME: 0 Schedule Change(s)	CLUB RATING	DISTANCE (MILES):	ELEVATION GAIN (Feet):	ROUTE CONDITION	OFF TRAIL (%):	DRIVING DISTANCE:	HIKE LEADER:	DRIVER DONATION (\$)	UNUSUAL START TIME	HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS	DESCRIPTION
Monday, September 23, 2024	1	Draft	32	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - White Tank MRP - Library to Waterfall Trail (PCHC # 32)	C	7.3	550	Excellent	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.3 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 550 feet. We head north from the White Tanks Library on the Mule Deer Trail with expansive views of the west valley, before turning on the Black Rock Trail that connects to the Waterfall Trail. This could be a great hike after winter or monsoon rains. For those interested in seeing some of the desert wildlife in a controlled environment, there is a small nature center with several rattlesnakes, a Gila Monster, a tarantula, and some scorpions at the nature center in the library. Trail condition: an average hiking trail. TRAILHEAD NAME: Mule Deer Trailhead at Library TRAILS: Mule Deer, Black Rock, Waterfall FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms at the library and Ramadas 3 and 4. Park fee is \$7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is \$2.00 per hiker). DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to White Tank Mountains Regional Park: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North (right). Exit at Northern (next to zoo) and turn left (West). Turn right on Cotton. Turn left on Olive and follow it towards the park gate. Just before the park entrance kiosk, turn right into the parking lot for the Nature Center and Library. From the parking lot, take the sidewalk on the left of the building. Trail goes off the end of the sidewalk on the left of the building. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-gCg5b6m">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-gCg5b6m</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4alzus2B98yZJfptk">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4alzus2B98yZJfptk</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 32 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, September 30, 2024	2	Future	313	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - Estrella MRP - Rainbow Valley, Toothaker Loop (PCHC # 313)	C	6.6	730	Excellent	0	20	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.6 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 730 feet. This loop hike beginning on the west side of the rodeo arena (demolished in 2022). Take the trail out of the parking lot past the trail sign. Turn right and follow signs for the Rainbow Valley trail. Follow the Rainbow Valley Trail past the junctions with Quail and Dysart Trails for a total of 4.2 miles until the junction with the Toothaker Trail. Turn left onto the Toothaker Trail for 2 miles back to the parking lot. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Uphill on Rainbow Valley Trail after the junction with Dysart for one mile to the saddle. TRAILHEAD NAME: Toothaker Trailhead at West Rodeo Drive TRAILS: Rainbow Valley, Toothaker FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park West Rodeo Drive. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek/Estrella Pkw (south) South of 110, turn left onto Vineyard Ave. just across the Gila River. Turn right into Estrella Mtn Park. After the park entrance gate, drive through the park all the way to a fork in the road. Take the right fork to the parking area at the former site of the rodeo arena on West Rodeo Drive. Trailhead and rest rooms are on the far (West) side of parking area. DRIVING DISTANCE: 20 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Rainbow-Toothaker/C-HikeMRP-Rainbow-ToothakerLynnW2020-2021">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Rainbow-Toothaker/C-HikeMRP-Rainbow-ToothakerLynnW2020-2021</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-HdQTjX/A">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-HdQTjX/A</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ao5gltLcLOT15xixi?e=ZHXkuy">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ao5gltLcLOT15xixi?e=ZHXkuy</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 313 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, October 7, 2024	3	Future	666	Estrella Foothills	C Hike - Estrella Foothills - Blackjack Trail off Elliot Road (PCHC # 666)	C	6.7	900	Good	0	26	Tom Wellman	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.7 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. Park along side of Elliot Rd. Then we start out on Coyote trail to hook up trail to saddle up trail to Blackjack trail to Up There trail to Giddy Up trail to Whats Up trail to Surfs Up and back to Coyote trail. This hike goes up and across the highest ridgeline (Blackjack trail) in this area and makes a small loop around the top. This part of the trail offers outstanding views of the entire southwest valley. The hike is a typical desert terrain but the blackjack trail has one section of edginess across the ridgeline. TRAILHEAD NAME: Elliot Trailhead TRAILS: Coyote, Blackjack, Up There, Giddy up, Whats up, Surfs Up, Coyote FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. No restrooms or water at the trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Foothills off Elliot Road. Turn left out of the main gate off onto Pebblecreek parkway (South), which becomes Estrella Parkway on the other side of 110. Continue on Estrella Parkway until you come to Elliot Rd which is across from the Safeway Store. Turn left onto Elliott Rd and go straight into the trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles PCHC TRAIL ID: 666 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, October 14, 2024	4	Future	578	Skyline Regional Park	C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite Lollipop Loop (PCHC # 578)	C Challenge	6.2	950	Excellent	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: Pyrite Peak Elevation. Steep ascent from Chuckwalla. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 950 feet. This hike is in the southwestern part of the park. The trails meander through typical desert terrain. Pyrite goes up to the ridgeline in the southwestern corner of the White Tank Mountains. There is an optional summit trail that goes .3 miles with 170 feet of elevation gain. TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on 110. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-3rjBRR3">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-3rjBRR3</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amnj4Ja5VKItLzLz">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amnj4Ja5VKItLzLz</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 578 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2

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Monday, October 21, 2024	5	Future	246	Phoenix Sonoran Preserve	C Hike - Phoenix SP - Sidewinder, Apache Wash, Ocotillo, Ridgeback, Sidewinder, Apache Wash Loop (PCHC # 246)	C	8	900	Good	0	80	Joyce Raidle	6			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. The loop combines several trails and goes up to the top of 2 peaks. There are expansive views of the north side of Phoenix, Anthem, and Cave Creek. The hike goes through rolling desert terrain and a couple of washes. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: An interesting loop in North Phoenix with views of Cave Creek and surrounding area. TRAILHEAD NAME: Apache Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Apache Wash, Ridgeback, Sidewinder, Ocotillo, FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms at trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Phoenix Sonoran Preserve North (Apache Wash Trailhead). Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North following it until it ends at I17. Turn left (north) on I17. Stay right and immediately exit onto Dove Valley Road. Follow Dove Valley Road as it changes name to Sonoran Desert Drive. Continue for approximately 5.1 miles (from I17). Turn left into the Apache Wash Trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CaveCreekRegionalPark/Apache-Wash-Trailhead">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CaveCreekRegionalPark/Apache-Wash-Trailhead</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-xs2ZPj">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-xs2ZPj</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4atmx3ktVIGz2V8fq57e=mQcGM">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4atmx3ktVIGz2V8fq57e=mQcGM</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 246 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$6
Monday, October 28, 2024	6	Future	249	Phoenix Sonoran Preserve	C Hike - Phoenix SP - Union Peak Loop (PCHC # 249)	C	7.2	1000	Good	0	68	Tom Wellman	5			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. This trail system is made up of well maintained trails. The hike goes through typical desert terrain before ascending a hill for excellent views to the south. After good spring rains this would be a great wildflower viewing hike. Trail condition: average hiking trail. TRAILHEAD NAME: Desert Vista Trailhead TRAILS: Hawks Nest, Desert Tortoise, Valle Verde, Great Horned Owl FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms at trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Phoenix Sonoran Preserve South, [Desert Vista TH]. Take 303 North following until it ends at I17. Turn south (right) on I17. Turn east (left) on Jomax Road (exit 219, should be the 1st exit). Turn north (left) on Norterra Parkway (should be the 1st light). Turn right on North Valley Parkway (a T intersection). Go .2 miles and turn left on Copperhead Trail. Go .1 miles and turn left on West Melvern Trail. Go .2 miles and turn right on Desert Vista Trail. Go to the end of the road. Trailhead is at the end of the road. Alternate Directions: Take I10 East (left), then take 101 North. Turn north on I17. Turn east (right) on Jomax Road. Turn north (left) on Norterra Parkway. Turn right on North Valley Parkway (a T intersection). Go .2 miles and turn left on Copperhead Trail. Go .1 miles and turn left on West Melvern Trail. Go .2 miles and turn right on Desert Vista Trail. Trailhead is at the end of the road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 68 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixSonoranPreserve-1/Three-Peak-Loop">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixSonoranPreserve-1/Three-Peak-Loop</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-PWHn6DH">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-PWHn6DH</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 249 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5
Monday, November 4, 2024	7	Future	22	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	C Challenge Hike - White Tank MRP - Ford Canyon to the dam (PCHC # 22)	C Challenge	7.5	1100	Good	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: Some rock climbing and rocky footing. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1100 feet. The challenge rating is due to rock climbing and rocky trail. This is a rocky scenic hike along the side of the canyon with large boulders and an old dam in the wash. About half the hike is an average trail with the middle part being steep and rocky to the dam. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The trail down has a section that is made up of a steep rocky road. Care will be needed in this area to avoid an injury. TRAILHEAD NAME: Waddell Trailhead TRAILS: Waddell, Ford Canyon FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is \$2.00 per hiker). DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to White Tank Mountains Regional Park. Take 303 North (right). Exit at Northern (next to zoo) and turn left (West). Turn right on Cotton. Turn left on Olive and follow it to the park gate. Trailhead parking is at Picnic area #7. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Ford-Canyon-Mesquite">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Ford-Canyon-Mesquite</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-mCwzLXG">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-mCwzLXG</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aly9r1XHilnP3siGF">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aly9r1XHilnP3siGF</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 22 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, November 11, 2024	8	Future	268	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	C Hike - McDowell SP - Granite Mountain Loop (PCHC # 268)	C	6.8	427	Excellent	0	110	Joyce Raidle	7			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.8 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 427 feet. From the Trailhead take the Bootlegger Trail west to Saddlehorn Trail. Turn left on it to Granite Rock Mountain Trail. This is a loop trail around the mountain. Turn left to take the trail in a clockwise direction. At the junction with the Balanced Rock Trail go left for a brief in and out to this famous landmark. Balanced Rock is a gigantic granite boulder balancing on its point end Perfect for a photo opportunity!. Retrace your steps back to the Granite Mountain Trail. Turn left and continue the loop. To complete the loop stay on the trail past the first junction with Bootlegger and continue to Saddlehorn Trail. At this point turn left. Take a right on Bootlegger Trail back to the parking lot. This is one of the most scenic trails within an hour of PebbleCreek. It passes through three different forests saguaro, jumping cholla, and two types of yuccas. There are excellent views of the surrounding mountains as well as numerous granite rock formations. TRAILHEAD NAME: Granite Mountain Trailhead TRAILS: Bootlegger, Saddlehorn, Granite Mountain, Balanced Rock, Granite Mountain, Saddlehorn, Bootlegger Trails FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at the trailhead. No park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Granite Mountain Trailhead: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway, turn west (left) on Indian School Road, then take Loop 303 North and follow until it ends at I17. Go north on I17. Turn right on Dove Valley Road. Turn left on Cave Creek Road. Turn right of Dynamite Road. Turn left on 136th Street and then left into the parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 110 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Granite-Mountain-Loop">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Granite-Mountain-Loop</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-63znTRV">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-63znTRV</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ao5XC1Qw6eFTxy9W87e=eh5xfm">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ao5XC1Qw6eFTxy9W87e=eh5xfm</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 268 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7

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Monday, November 18, 2024	9	Future	83	Butcher Jones Recreational Area	C Hike - Butcher Jones RA - Saguaro Lake Nature Trail (PCHC # 83)	C	6	500	Good	0	120	Ruth Bindler	8			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Ruth Bindler DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 500 feet. This is a 6 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 500 feet. Trailhead is at the Butcher Jones Recreation Area on the left side of the beach area. Trail is a narrow path over rocky and sandy desert areas. On a clear day you can see Four Peaks across the lake at the turnaround point of the hike. After good winter rains, there will be over 2 dozen different wildflowers blooming in April, including many types of cholla cactus. There are scenic views of the wilderness area and the surrounding peaks. TRAILHEAD NAME: Butcher Jones Trailhead TRAILS: Saguaro Lake Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There is a park admission fee of \$8.00 per car or free with America the Beautiful Pass (senior national park pass); display on dashboard with signature facing to window. There are restrooms at the trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Saguaro Lake: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, take the I10 East to SR 202 East. Turn left on Power Road (which becomes Bush Highway). Drive past the Saguaro Lake turnout. About a mile past the turnout is a sign to the Butcher Jones Recreation Area. Turn right and go 2 miles to the parking area for the Butcher Jones Recreation Area. Alternatively Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, take I10 East, then 101 North. Turn east (left) on Shea Boulevard. Turn north (left) on the Beeline Highway (Rt. 87) and go about 15 miles (8 miles past Verde River). Turn right off of the Beeline Highway (towards Saguaro Lake). In about 2.5 miles there is a sign on the left to the Butcher Jones Recreation Area. Turn left and go 2 miles to the parking area for the Butcher Jones Recreation Area. DRIVING DISTANCE: 120 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/ButcherJonesRecreationArea/Nature-Trail-Sugaro-Lake">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/ButcherJonesRecreationArea/Nature-Trail-Sugaro-Lake</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Butcher-Jones-Recreation-Area/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Butcher-Jones-Recreation-Area/</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4alwMwV4wTuxQNBoc">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4alwMwV4wTuxQNBoc</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 83 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8
Monday, November 25, 2024	10	Future	44	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - White Tank MRP - Sonoran Loop - Competitive Track (PCHC # 44)	C	7.6	795	Good	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.6 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 795 feet. This is the old orientation hike. This is a oneway competitive bike trail with plenty of ups and downs through washes plus one climb near the midpoint of the hike. We venture up a draw to a white rock for our break. The middle part of this hike has lots of loose rock especially as you go in and out of draws and washes. This part of the hike is lightly traveled and quite lovely. Along the second half of the hike is a crested saguaro. TRAILHEAD NAME: Sonoran Loop Trailhead TRAILS: None named FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohns at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is \$2.00 per hiker). DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to the White Tank Mountains Regional Park: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road. Turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North. Exit at Northern (next to the zoo) and turn left (West). Turn right on Cotton. Turn left on Olive and follow Olive to the park gate. Sonoran Loop Trail is at the end of the main road, slightly right off the end of the paved road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Sonoran-Loop">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Sonoran-Loop</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-n7Qhqr">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-n7Qhqr</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4aoStx7exAy0wbYV5I?e=AIG7Xd">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4aoStx7exAy0wbYV5I?e=AIG7Xd</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 44 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, December 2, 2024	11	Future	199	Spur Cross Ranch Conservation Area	C Hike - Spur Cross Ranch CA - Metate, Spur Cross, Fairy Duster, Dragonfly (PCHC # 199)	C	7.5	1000	Good	0	110	Tom Wellman	7			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. The trail crosses Cave Creek a few times (using wooden planks or rock hopping). The Metate Trail goes through a forest of very large saguaros. The Spur Cross Trail goes for a couple of miles through typical desert terrain. The Dragonfly Trail goes through a riparian area known for its many bird species. Trail condition: overall an average hiking trail with a couple of stony creek crossings. TRAILHEAD NAME: Metate Trailhead TRAILS: Spur Cross, Metate, Fairy Duster, Dragonfly FEES AND FACILITIES: Park fee is \$3 per person or free with a Maricopa Park Pass (up to five hikers per pass). Portajohns .25 mile from trailhead on spur cross trail. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North following it until it ends at I17. Go north on I17 to second exit Highway 74. Turn right on Highway 74 (Carefree Highway). Turn left (north) on Cave Creek Road (approximately 9.5 miles. Watch for road after 53rd). Turn left (north) on Spur Cross Road (main road veers left). Go 4.5 miles (1.5 is gravel) to the parking area on the right. Walk down the road .1 miles and pay. DRIVING DISTANCE: 110 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SpurCrossRanchConservationArea/Metate-Dragonfly-Trails">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SpurCrossRanchConservationArea/Metate-Dragonfly-Trails</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Spur-Cross-Conservation-Area/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Spur-Cross-Conservation-Area/</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 199 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
Monday, December 9, 2024	12	Future	305	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - Estrella MRP - Desert Rose to Butterfield via Gadsden Trail (PCHC # 305)	C	7.5	800	Excellent	0	26	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 800 feet. Take the Desert Rose Trail from the parking lot over to the junction with the Gadsden Trail. Turn left and follow the Gadsden Trail until the junction with Butterfield Trail. Stop here for lunch then return the same way. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Steady climbs in mile 1 and mile 6 of the hike. TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Competitive Track Trailhead TRAILS: Desert Rose, Gadsden Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There is a Portajohn at the trailhead. Park Fee \$7 DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive south on PebbleCreek Parkway/Estrella Parkway. Turn east (left) onto Vineyard Avenue just across the Gila River. Follow Vineyard as it curves to the right, becoming 143rd Avenue. Turn left on Indian Springs Road. At the fence that begins the parking for Phoenix International Raceway turn right. Follow signs to trails. Pay the park fee at the self pay station. Angle right immediately after the self pay station into the open parking area. Drive across at a 45 degree angle. There is a trail sign indicating the trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Desert-RoseGadsden">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Desert-RoseGadsden</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-VdhpF4">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-VdhpF4</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4anDQ18UifF9o3f3ZR">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4anDQ18UifF9o3f3ZR</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 305 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2

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Monday, December 16, 2024	13	Future	37	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	C Challenge Hike - White Tank MRP - Mesquite Canyon Trail, Willow Canyon, Ford Canyon to rocky outcropping above Willow Spring/Falls (PCHC # 37)	C Challenge	7.8	1723	Good	0	30	Tom Wellman	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. Additional challenges include: Two extended climbs, Long Distance. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.8 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1723 feet. The trail goes to the rocky outcropping above the falls at Willow Springs. Total hike length depends in part, on how far the group travels down the rocky outcropping. Take Mesquite Trail from area 7 just off of Ramada Way. While one is very steep and rocky, around 1.8 miles, the trail then turns north and drops into Mesquite Canyon. Turn right onto the Willow Canyon trail and climb over a ridge. The trail follows the canyon to a wash where the trail comes to a T intersection. To the left is Willow Springs and Falls, where the remnants of a cabin, stock tank and corral once stood at the steep walled end of the canyon. The spring usually has some water, though it might be only a trickle. Turning right at the T intersection keeps hikers on the Willow Canyon Trail, which terminates at a second T intersection with the Ford Canyon Trail. Turn left on Ford and then turn left down the wash to the rocky outcropping area and the top of the waterfall. Trail condition average hiking trail with a couple of steep climbs. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PCHC SIGNATURE HIKE. Two extended climbs in mile 1 on Mesquite and in mile 3 on Willow Canyon. Simply a fun, interesting hike an interesting destination. Close to home too! TRAILHEAD NAME: Mesquite Canyon Trailhead TRAILS: Mesquite, Willow Canyon and Ford FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is \$2.00 per hiker). DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to the White Tank Mountains Regional Park: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road. Turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North. Exit at Northern (next to the zoo) and turn left (West). Turn right on Cotton. Turn left on Olive and follow Olive to the park gate. Trailhead parking is at Picnic area #7. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Mesquite-Willow-Springs">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Mesquite-Willow-Springs</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-sWsrVxQ">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-sWsrVxQ</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4aoRym05AszcBn0pPW7eYrP16H">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4aoRym05AszcBn0pPW7eYrP16H</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 37 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, December 23, 2024	14	Future	75	Estrella Foothills	C Hike - Estrella Foothills - Queen Annes Revenge Loop SR, PA, JR, QAR, GR, UY, UT, JL, SR Loop (PCHC # 75)	C	7	368	Good	0	27	Dana Thomas?	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Dana Thomas? DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 368 feet. The hike starts at the parking lot of the Estrella Foothills High School, then turns left on SR (Sunrise). Turn right on PA (Park Avenue) and in 2 miles turn left on JR (Jolly Roger). Follow this as it climbs and curves and then turn right at an unsigned intersection on QAR (Queen Annes Revenge) and continue to a high saddle and turn right on GR (Grasky). An option is to turn left at the saddle and follow the trail around the point just below the EF letters and then connect with GR. Follow GR to the intersection with UY (Up Yonder). Follow UY and turn left on UT (Up There); follow UT to the intersection with lower BJ (Blackjack) and turn left on unsigned trail JL (Jump Line) which heads downhill. Continue on JL and head toward the power lines, basically following the righthand side of the big wash. At the intersection with the road, which is actually SR, turn left and retrace your route to the high school parking lot. This hike is typical desert terrain and offers outstanding views of the entire southwest valley. Trail condition: mostly a very good hiking trail. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Unless the optional loop around the point below the EF letters is taken, the hike will only be 6.8 miles at best. TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella High School Trailhead TRAILS: SR, PA, JR, QAR, GR, UY, UT, JL, SR Loop FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are on the left by the ballpark. No park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Foothills Park: High School Trailhead. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek Pkwy (south), which becomes Estrella Pkwy on the other side of I10. Continue into and through the Estrella Mountain development. Turn left into the parking lot just before the Estrella Foothills High School building. Park at the far end of the parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 27 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Estrella-Foothills/B-Exploratory-Hike-7-05-2018Queen-Annes-RevengeLynnW2017/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Estrella-Foothills/B-Exploratory-Hike-7-05-2018Queen-Annes-RevengeLynnW2017/</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Estrella-Foothills/i-s9wkMzW/A">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Estrella-Foothills/i-s9wkMzW/A</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4ayxMTVeDL8nqFCIG7e=k160CI">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4ayxMTVeDL8nqFCIG7e=k160CI</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 75 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, December 30, 2024	15	Future	301	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - Estrella MRP - Competitive Track-Long Loop to Technical (PCHC # 301)	C	7.7	1000	Excellent	0	26	Tom Wellman	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.7 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. Start on Technical Loop going the prescribed bike direction/Connector/Finish Long Loop. The trail meanders through typical desert terrain with many bushes and saguaro cactus. TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Competitive Track Trailhead TRAILS: Competitive Loop, Technical Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There is a Portajohn at the trailhead. Park Fee \$7 DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive south on PebbleCreek Parkway which becomes Estrella Parkway south of I10. Turn left on Vineyard Avenue just across the Gila River. Follow Vineyard as it curves to the right, becoming 143rd Avenue. Turn left on Indian Springs Road. At the fence that begins the parking for PIR (Phoenix International Raceway) turn right. Follow signs to trails. Pay the park fee at the self pay station. Continue to the parking on the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-pcG6wbr/A">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trial-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-pcG6wbr/A</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4amT2XINWsnp3TSKWW">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4amT2XINWsnp3TSKWW</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 301 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2

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Monday, January 6, 2025	16	Future	95	Lake Pleasant Area	C Challenge Hike - Lake Pleasant Area - BLM Trails LP1 and LP2 Lake Pleasant View (PCHC # 95)	C Challenge	8	1300	Good	15	80	Joyce Raidle	6			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: Challenge for Distance and Elevation. DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1300 feet. Starts at Highway 74 Milepost 14. You take LP2 to LP1 and turn right. The trail then goes right and makes a loop back to LP2. There are views of Lake Pleasant on several high points along the trail. The trails wander through typical desert terrain with assorted cactus and scrub brush. Mostly average hiking trails with 1 to 2 miles in a wash with coarse sand. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Driving roundtrip is on paved roads but with a dirt parking area. There is parking for about 12 cars outside the gate. TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: BLM LP2 and LP1 FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms at the trailhead. There are no park fees. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road and turn west (left) to Loop 303 North. Exit onto Lake Pleasant Parkway North (left). At the intersection of Route 74, turn left heading west. About 7.5 miles from the Agua Fria Bridge look for a jeep road and gate on the right (just past milepost 14). Turn in there. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/LakePleasantArea/LP2-LP1-Lollipop">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/LakePleasantArea/LP2-LP1-Lollipop</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Area/i-Gj5b6fT">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Area/i-Gj5b6fT</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amUfMxYforD-0bgfv">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amUfMxYforD-0bgfv</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 95 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$6
Monday, January 13, 2025	17	Future	245	Phoenix Sonoran Preserve	C Challenge Hike - Phoenix SP - Dixie Mountain Loop (PCHC # 245)	C Challenge	7.5	1750	Good	0	68	Joyce Raidle	5			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1750 feet. The main loop hike goes up and down a couple of saddles through typical desert terrain. This C Challenge version includes significant elevation gain going up 2 peaks along the loop, the first overlooking a quarry and the second ascends Dixie Mt. There are excellent views in all directions. After good spring rains this would be a great wildflower viewing hike. Trail condition: overall a good hiking trail, steep to the peaks. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Please note: when utilizing PCHC maps, that this was previously known as Union Hills Loop. TRAILHEAD NAME: Desert Vista Trailhead TRAILS: Hawks Nest, Dixie Mtn Loop, Valle Verde, Desert Tortoise FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms at trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Phoenix Sonoran Preserve South, (Desert Vista Th). Take 303 North following until it ends at I17. Turn south (right) on I17. Turn east (left) on Jomax Road (exit 219, should be the 1st exit). Turn north (left) on Norterra Parkway (should be the 1st trail). Turn right on North Valley Parkway (a T intersection). Go .2 miles and turn left on Copperhead Trail. Go .1 miles and turn left on West Melvern Trail. Go .2 miles and turn right on Desert Vista Trail. Go to the end of the road. Trailhead is at the end of the road. Alternate Directions: Take I10 East (left), then take I01 North. Turn north on I17. Turn east (right) on Jomax Road. Turn north (left) on Norterra Parkway. Turn right on North Valley Parkway (a T intersection). Go .2 miles and turn left on Copperhead Trail. Go .1 miles and turn left on West Melvern Trail. Go .2 miles and turn right on Desert Vista Trail. Trailhead is at the end of the road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 68 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixSonoranPreserve-1/Dixie-Mt-Loop/C-HikePSP-Dixie-Mt-LoopLynnW2018-2019/i-pBd52kz">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixSonoranPreserve-1/Dixie-Mt-Loop/C-HikePSP-Dixie-Mt-LoopLynnW2018-2019/i-pBd52kz</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-MxQVq4j">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Phoenix-Sonoran-Preserve/i-MxQVq4j</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4a0sh04tqz2h8YdlnqG7e=tb7NXXR">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4a0sh04tqz2h8YdlnqG7e=tb7NXXR</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 245 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5
Monday, January 20, 2025	18	Future	536	Superstition Mountains	C Challenge Hike - Superstition Mountains - 1st Water, 2nd Water, Black Mesa, Dutchman (PCHC # 536)	C Challenge	9.3	900	Good	0	126	Tom Wellman	8			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Mileage. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.3 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. This is a very scenic loop with lots of rock formations. We will start at the First Water Trailhead, take the Second Water Trail to the Black Mesa Trail, and return on the Dutchmans Trail. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PCHC SIGNATURE HIKE: Wild volcanic desert views. Lots of trail variety. Also known as Garden Valley Loop. TRAILHEAD NAME: 1st Water Trailhead TRAILS: 1st Water, 2nd Water Trail #236, Black Mesa Trail #241, Dutchman Trail #104 FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at Trailhead. No Park Fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Superstitions 1st Water Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway to I10, take I10 East, turn east (left), follow to Route 202 East (stay in HOV all the way). Take 202 East to Brown Road, Exit 26. Drive east on Brown Road. to Apache Trail (Highway 88). Turn left onto Apache Trail (Highway 88). Go past Lost Dutchman State Park and turn right at sign to First Water Trailhead. Follow this dirt road approximately 2.6 miles (past the horse trailer parking on left). (Brown is Lost Dutchman Boulevard in Pinal County on the way home) DRIVING DISTANCE: 126 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SuperstitionWilderness/Garden-Valley-Loop">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SuperstitionWilderness/Garden-Valley-Loop</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Superstition-Wilderness-i-BLDzsfvA">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Superstition-Wilderness-i-BLDzsfvA</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4anEe-kFi6zQzrTKsZ">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4anEe-kFi6zQzrTKsZ</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 536 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8
Monday, January 27, 2025	19	Future	573	Skyline Regional Park	C Challenge Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle Loop (PCHC # 573)	C Challenge	7.5	1600	Excellent	0	30	Tom Wellman	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. This hike has one long uphill section to a high point in the park and then circles back through a valley. There are lots of views of the west valley. TRAILHEAD NAME: Quartz Mine Trailhead TRAILS: Quartz Mine, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot. No park fee DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on I10. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-645bd49">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-645bd49</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 573 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2

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Monday, February 3, 2025	20	Future	68	Deems Hills Park	C Challenge Hike - Deems Hills Park - Deems Hills Outer Circumference Trail (PCHC # 68)	C Challenge	7.8	1121	Good	0	65	Joyce Raidle	5			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: elevation. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.8 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1121 feet. This is a hike around the Deem Hills Recreation area. This trail covers the outer edge of two hills on the north side of Phoenix with 2 additional trails that go to the top of the hills. There are distinct vegetation areas on the different sides of the hills. There would be good wildflowers after a wet winter. Good views from the top showing the area west of Highway 101 and the irrigation canal system. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Trail conditions are generally good but with some areas of bare rock to navigate. You climb up from base level twice on your way to the summit where switchbacks lead you down to the trail to the large parking lot. TRAILHEAD NAME: Deem Hills Recreation Area TRAILS: Circumference Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. There is no park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Deem Hills Park. Take 101 North Turn North on 59th Ave. Turn North (left) on 55th Ave. 55th Ave becomes Deem Hills Pkwy. The park is on the right. Directions to Deem Hills. Alternate: Take 303 North. Turn East (right) on Happy Valley Parkway. Turn North (left) on 55th Ave. 55th Ave. becomes Deem Hills Pkwy. The park is on the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 65 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/DeemHillsPark/Circumference-Trail">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/DeemHillsPark/Circumference-Trail</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoR6ZLsFsASGER3?e=Mjke">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoR6ZLsFsASGER3?e=Mjke</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoR6ZLsFsASGER3?e=Mjke">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoR6ZLsFsASGER3?e=Mjke</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 68 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5
Monday, February 10, 2025	21	Future	574	Skyline Regional Park	C Hike - Skyline RP - Quartz Mine, Tortuga Trails (PCHC # 574)	C	6.7	1315	Excellent	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.7 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1315 feet. This hike goes to the eastern most point in the park and then returns. There are lots of views of the west valley. TRAILHEAD NAME: Quartz Mine Trailhead TRAILS: Quartz Mine, Tortuga FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot. No park fee DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Skyline Regional Park Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway, then go west (right) on 110. Turn north (right) on Watson Road. Drive to the end of road and trailhead parking. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-vL6LRKj">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-vL6LRKj</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoH8vjwUkUkbS-1d7e=GQHSFH">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4aoH8vjwUkUkbS-1d7e=GQHSFH</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 574 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, February 17, 2025	22	Future	777	Tucson Area	C Hike - Tucson Area - Cactus Canyon and Gila Monster Loop in Saguaro NP West (PCHC # 777)	C	7.7	1000	Good	0	266	Tom Wellman	16			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.7 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. This lollipop hike is almost entirely within Saguaro NP West, an area of numerous beautiful saguaro cacti and nice views of the Tucson Mts. The hike begins on a ridge and drops into rolling terrain with lots of loose rock on the front end so poles are recommended. The scenery is stunning desert landscape on lightly traveled trails. There is a steady uphill climb out upon the return in the last two miles of trail. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Lots of loose rock on a stretch of about .75 miles beginning from .5 miles from the trailhead. 300 of elevation gain and 1.3 miles less than the C Challenge Hike. TRAILHEAD NAME: Pima County El Camino del Cerro TRAILS: Thunderbird, Gila Monster, Vertical Cliffs, Veteran, Abington FEES AND FACILITIES: Nice parking lot with a porta potty bathroom. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Take I10 South towards Tucson using the 202 exchange near 67th street. Get off I10 at Exit 252 just as you reach the outskirts of Tucson. Proceed 5.6 miles west directly to the trailhead. If the parking lot is full, there is a wash .25 miles away that could be parked in. DRIVING DISTANCE: 266 miles URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Tucson/i-Zh5w9c">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Tucson/i-Zh5w9c</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ayVZcuZV8cORDOC?e=DvXCCA">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ayVZcuZV8cORDOC?e=DvXCCA</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 777 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$16
Monday, February 24, 2025	23	Future	409	Cave Creek Area	C Challenge Hike - Cave Creek Area Blue Wash, Camp Creek Falls Tail with 1st American ruins (PCHC # 409)	C Challenge	7.5	700	Rough	90	122	Tom Wellman	8			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Bushwhacking. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 700 feet. This hike has two parts. Hike to the waterfall, then a short hike to the Sears Kay Native American Ruins. Part 1: This is a 6.5 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 700 feet. It goes down a series of dry waterfalls to a wide wash. We follow that to the power lines where we intersect the Maricopa Trail. On the return we stay in an interesting wash, with a spring (if we find it) and a slot canyon which comes out at Camp Creek. Then we go up Camp Creek about a third of a mile to a wet waterfall of about 15 feet. We then return to the main wash and follow that back to the cars. Part 2: We then drive a mile up the road to a small park. We do a 1 mile total in and out hike to about 40 Indian ruins and a scenic overlook. You can leave your packs in the car for this part of the hike. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Trail condition: most is in a sandy wash. There is trail at the ruins. TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: maricopa trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms at the trailhead. There is no park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway, turn west (left) on Indian School Road, then take Loop 303 North and follow until it ends at I17. Turn north (left) on I17. Turn east (right) on Carefree Highway (Highway 74) and drive to the end. Turn left on Tom Darlington/Scottsdale Road (just in front of the Boulders Resort). Turn right on Cave Creek Road and continue past the turnoff to Bartlett Reservoir. Drive just over 2 miles past that turnoff. Trailhead will be on the left just past the Blue Wash #1 sign. DRIVING DISTANCE: 122 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CaveCreekRegionalPark/Cave-Creek-Other">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/CaveCreekRegionalPark/Cave-Creek-Other</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Cave-Creek-Area/i-przMF9k">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Cave-Creek-Area/i-przMF9k</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amj-GagjoQwPG5k6g?e=UIHyOd">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amj-GagjoQwPG5k6g?e=UIHyOd</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 409 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8

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Monday, March 3, 2025	24	Future	493	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	C Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Beardsley, Frog Tank, Roadrunner Trails (PCHC # 493)	C	7.7	1000	Good	0	80	Joyce Raidle	6			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.7 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. The hike starts out crossing a road and then travels through a saguaro forest. Along the trail is a very tall saguaro (30+) with no arms. Frog Tank takes you up for some views of the lake and meets Roadrunner Trail which travels along the edge of the lake. There is a good chance to see wild burros on this trail. Trail condition: an average hiking trail. TRAILHEAD NAME: Beardsley Trailhead TRAILS: Beardsley, Frog Tank, Roadrunner Trails FEES AND FACILITIES: There are restrooms with water are at the trailhead as well as on Roadrunner Trail. The park fee is \$7.00. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Ramada 8 (Desert Tortoise) Lake Pleasant Regional Park. Drive north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road and turn west (left) to Loop 303 North to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left (north) on Lake Pleasant Road to Arizona 74. Turn left (west) and continue to Castle Hot Springs Road and turn right (North). Go 2.1 miles and turn right onto Lake Pleasant Access Road. Pay the \$7.00 park fee then turn right on South Park Road. Turn left on Desert Tortoise Road. Trailhead is on the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Beardsley-Trail/C-hike-Beardsley-Frog-Tank-Roadrunner-Fred-N-Carol-R-photos/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Beardsley-Trail/C-hike-Beardsley-Frog-Tank-Roadrunner-Fred-N-Carol-R-photos/</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Regional-Park/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Regional-Park/</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ammMm6qUHUFqkRA?e=T70yJM">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4ammMm6qUHUFqkRA?e=T70yJM</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 493 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$6
Monday, March 10, 2025	25	Future	779	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	C Hike - McDowell SP - Brown Mountain Loop via Rustler and Hackamore (PCHC # 779)	C	7	1000	Excellent	0	112	Tom Wellman	7			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. This route is a slightly longer version of trail #258 and leads to Browns Saddle via Rustler and Hackamore Trails. There are great views of the surrounding mountains (Weavers Needle, Four Peaks, Toms Thumb, etc.) as well as great rock formations along the trail. There are many different cacti species here and late spring could be very colorful after good winter rains. TRAILHEAD NAME: Browns Ranch Trailhead TRAILS: Upper Ranch, Rustler, Hackamore, Brown Mountain, Wrangler FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at the trailhead. No park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to McDowell Sonoran Preserve: Browns Ranch Trailhead: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North following until it ends at I17. Turn left (north) on I17. Stay right and immediately take exit 222 going Right onto Dove Valley Road. Follow Dove Valley Road about 10 miles. (Name changes to Sonoran Desert Drive). Take Cave Creek Road North (left). Turn right at first light on Dynamite Boulevard (later changes to Rio Verde). Turn left on Alma School Parkway. The road dead ends at the trailhead DRIVING DISTANCE: 112 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Brown-Mountain">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Brown-Mountain</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-xx6HKJF/A">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-xx6HKJF/A</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 779 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
Monday, March 17, 2025	26	Future	117	Lake Pleasant Area	C Hike - Lake Pleasant Area - Spring Valley Trail to the Garfias Wash (PCHC # 117)	C	6.2	1050	Rough	0	92	Tom Wellman	6			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.2 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1050 feet. This is a rough trail less traveled with lots of cobbles so poles are recommended. It provides beautiful high desert, mountain and lake views along the way and after a wet winter, has gorgeous flowers on south facing slopes. From the trailhead you immediately go down the road and drop into the huge wash, which, in fact, is Castle Creek. Turn back to the left passing a couple of very large cairns in the creek. From the right side of the parking lot, you can see the cairns and the yellow logjam podium across the wide creek bed. The Spring Valley Trail takes off up a small rise that is .35 miles from the parking lot (follow left cairns or you'll head toward Governors Peak) and then heads fairly flat in a southwestern line. This is a maintained trail (lots of large cairns) initially but deteriorates after you go through a fence at 2.0 miles. It climbs along the ridge above the wash and then you take a faint trail to your left at 2.8 miles to make a descent into the Garfias Wash. This last 3 miles is poorly marked so look ahead for small cairns. The wash is our turnaround point. After our break, we will return the way we came in. It is a short, but challenging hike due to trail conditions. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The last 5 miles are dirt road. After the hike you can drive about 2 miles further down the dirt road to the Castle Hot Springs Resort. From the parking area, directly across the creek, you can see cairns in the creek bed and in a gap in the bushes you can see the signin podium. TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: Spring Valley Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms and no park fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road and turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North and exit at Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left on Lake Pleasant Road and follow until it ends at AZ 74. Turn left on AZ 74 (Carefree Highway). Go west to Castle Hot Springs Road (the Lake Pleasant turn off). Turn right on Castle Hot Springs Road and follow 5.2 miles to the "T" intersection. Turn left and follow 5.0 miles to pullout on left side of dirt road. The last mile is on the creek bed and there is a cattle guard at the end. Parking is just past the cattle guard on the left. The hike starts by continuing up the road about 50 yards and cutting across the creek bed on the left. DRIVING DISTANCE: 92 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/LakePleasantArea/Spring-Valley-Trail">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/LakePleasantArea/Spring-Valley-Trail</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Area/i-GJ5b6fT">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Area/i-GJ5b6fT</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amA3UdsGf5xbr3Q9">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amA3UdsGf5xbr3Q9</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 117 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$6
Monday, March 24, 2025	27	Future	318	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - Estrella MRP - Toothaker, Coldwater Trails (PCHC # 318)	C	7.6	770	Excellent	0	20	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.6 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 770 feet. The Toothaker Trailhead is on the west side of the rodeo arena (demolished in 2022). This is a shared trailhead with the Rainbow Valley Trail. Soon after starting, the Toothaker Trail will split off to the south (left). In 1.1 miles you will come to the Dysart Trail junction. Stay on Toothaker, in .9 miles you will cross the Rainbow Valley junction. Continue on Toothaker Trail for another 1.6 miles to the Pederson Trail junction. Take the Pederson Trail to the left for .7 miles to the Coldwater Trail junction. Turn left on to the Coldwater Trail and follow it back to the Butterfield Trail. Turn left and follow it back to the parking lot. TRAILHEAD NAME: Toothaker Trailhead at West Rodeo Drive TRAILS: Toothaker, Gadsden, Coldwater FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park West Rodeo Drive. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek/Estrella Plw (south) South of I10, turn left onto Vineyard Ave. just across the Gila River. Turn right into Estrella Mtn Park. After the park entrance gate, drive through the park all the way to a fork in the road. Take the right fork to the parking area at the former site of the rodeo arena on West Rodeo Drive. Trailhead and rest rooms are on the far (West) side of parking area. DRIVING DISTANCE: 20 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Toothaker-Gadsden-Butterfield">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Toothaker-Gadsden-Butterfield</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-MWVC4s8">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-MWVC4s8</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amihmAAARoaQauXIP2e-EmAumA">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amihmAAARoaQauXIP2e-EmAumA</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 318 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2

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Monday, March 31, 2025	28	Future	323	Granite Mountain Hotshots Monument Park	C Challenge Hike - Granite Mountain Hotshots MP - Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial Trail (PCHC # 323)	C Challenge	7.2	1800	Good	0	160	Tom Wellman	10			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. Additional challenges include: Long uphill onto the ridge. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.2 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. The trail is a memorial to the Hotshots firefighting team from Prescott who lost their lives fighting the 2013 Yarnell Hill fire. It goes up to the ridge where they lost their lives and includes plaques for each of the 19 firefighters who died there. This hike stops at the ridge lookout where he memorial circle can be seen below. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PCHC SIGNATURE HIKE. LOGISTICS CHALLENGE: Recommend an early start for this hike. If the parking lot is full, there is no parking on the road. The hikers must go to Yarnell for the shuttle which cost \$5 per hiker. TRAILHEAD NAME: Granite Mountain Hotshots Trailhead TRAILS: Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: Porta John at the trailhead. No parking fee. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive north on PebbleCreek Parkway and turn west (left) on Indian School Road to the Loop 303 North. Take Highway 60 west toward Wickenburg. Turn right on Highway 93/89 toward Las Vegas. Turn right on 89 and drive toward Yarnell. Just before Yarnell, follow the brown signs to the park (left turn). The park has about a dozen parking spots. DRIVING DISTANCE: 160 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Granite-Mountain-Hotshots-Memorial-State-Park">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Granite-Mountain-Hotshots-Memorial-State-Park</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Granite-Mountain-Hotshot-Memorial-Park/">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Granite-Mountain-Hotshot-Memorial-Park/</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amiyEgbsUgQ6ONI_97e=8EUQ7w">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amiyEgbsUgQ6ONI_97e=8EUQ7w</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 323 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$10</p>
Monday, April 7, 2025	29	Future	285	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	C Challenge Hike - McDowell SP - Toms Thumb and The Lookout from the North Trailhead (PCHC # 285)	C Challenge	6.3	1800	Rough	0	110	Joyce Raidle	7			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle REASON FOR CHALLENGE: C hike rating exceeded: Elevation. Additional challenges include: added elevation and slippery surface. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.3 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. The Toms Thumb has a steep, steady climb for the first 1.5 miles. Follow this trail and signs all the way (taking advantage of a variety of overlooks along the way) to the base of Toms Thumb. This is a 140 foot high granite rock sticking up on the top of the mountain. On return to the main trail, take a side trail (Lookout Trail) up to a spectacular viewpoint with 360 degree views. There are excellent views of Scottsdale and areas to the west as well as Fountain Hills and the Superstition Mountains to the east. Reverse directions back to the car via Toms Thumb Trail. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PCHC SIGNATURE HIKE. The uphill portion of the trail is decomposed granite, making for a somewhat slippery surface to hike upon so the hike will go at a slower than normal pace. TRAILHEAD NAME: Toms Thumb Trailhead TRAILS: Tom Thumb FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. No park fees. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to McDowell Sonoran Preserve: Toms Thumb Trailhead: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North following until it ends at I17. Turn left (north) on I17. But stay right and immediately take exit 222 going right onto Dove Valley Road. Follow Dove Valley Road about 10 miles (becomes Sonoran Desert Drive.) Take Cave Creek Road North (left). Turn right on Dynamite Boulevard (becomes Rio Verde). Turn right on Alma School Parkway. Turn left on Jomax Road. Turn right on 118th Street. Turn left on Ranch Gate Road. Turn right on 128th Street. Stay left as the road runs into the trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 110 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Toms-Thumb">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Toms-Thumb</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/I-Lq7Ntpv/A">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/I-Lq7Ntpv/A</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4anCvy90Io-hTGfU5">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4anCvy90Io-hTGfU5</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 285 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7</p>
Monday, April 14, 2025	30	Future	171	Prescott Area	B Hike - Prescott Area - Wolf Creek Falls Trail (PCHC # 171)	B	8.4	1325	Good	0	227	Tom Wellman	14			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8.4 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1325 feet. The trail goes through a typical pine forest down to the top of Wolf Creek Falls. The falls, which are dry most of the year, are actually a quarter mile long series of falls, including one of 30 feet and one over 60 feet. While the dry falls rocks are excellent, in the spring after a wet winter the falls would be spectacular. This is a loop that goes past another set of waterfalls (also usually dry) along the Hassayampa River. TRAILHEAD NAME: Groom Creek Trailhead TRAILS: Wolf Creek Falls FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. No park fees. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Prescott Groom Creek Trail #307. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North following until it ends at I17. Take I17 North to AZ 69 in Cordes Junction. Turn left on AZ 69 to Prescott. From the intersection of AZ 69 and US 89 in Prescott, go left on Gurley St. to Mt. Vernon Ave. Turn left on Mt. Vernon Avenue (which becomes Senator Highway) and follow paved road for 6.5 miles to the Groom Creek Horse Camp and #307 trailhead. Alternate Directions to Prescott Groom Creek Trail #307. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North to Hwy 60. Take Highway 60. West towards Wickenburg. Turn right on 93/89 (just past the McDonalds in Wickenburg). Turn right on 89 and go towards Prescott. Turn right on Haisley Road. When Haisley ends, turn right on Senator Highway and follow paved road for about 5 miles to the Groom Creek Horse Camp and #307 trailhead (on the left). DRIVING DISTANCE: 227 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Prescott-1/Wolf-Creek-Falls">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Prescott-1/Wolf-Creek-Falls</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Prescott/I-n28C4k9">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Prescott/I-n28C4k9</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amSaoQo1mrx-0Ax-h">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgwFplqBF4amSaoQo1mrx-0Ax-h</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 171 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$14</p>



2024-2025 Regular Season DATE	WEEK NUMBER	WEEK STATUS	TRAIL NUMBER	REGION	HIKE NAME: 0 Schedule Change(s)	CLUB RATING	DISTANCE (MILES):	ELEVATION GAIN (Feet):	ROUTE CONDITION	OFF TRAIL (%):	DRIVING DISTANCE:	HIKE LEADER:	DRIVER DONATION (\$)	UNUSUAL START TIME	HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS	DESCRIPTION
Monday, April 21, 2025	31	Future	797	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - White Tank MRP - Sonoran Loop Competitive Track (no additions) (PCHC # 797)	C	6.4	600	Good	0	30	Joyce Raidle	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Joyce Raidle DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 6.4 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 600 feet. This is a counter clockwise version of the oneway competitive bike trail on which bicycles travel on a clockwise direction. Hike # 44 describes the clockwise version of the Sonoran Loop but hiking counterclockwise will have you facing the bike traffic hence it is a safer version for the hiking club. This version is also slightly shorter in mileage due to the fact that the Technical Addition and the optional hike to the White Waterfall area are omitted from this hike. TRAILHEAD NAME: Sonoran Loop Trailhead TRAILS: Sonoran Loop FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohns at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car for all trailheads (except from the library which is \$2.00 per hiker). DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to the White Tank Mountains Regional Park: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road. Turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North. Exit at Northern (next to the zoo) and turn left (West). Turn right on Cotton. Turn left on Olive and follow Olive to the park gate. Sonoran Loop Trail is at the end of the main road, slightly right off the end of the paved road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 30 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Sonoran-Loop">http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Sonoran-Loop</a> URL MAP: TBD (9/23/23) URL GPX: TBD (9/23/23) PCHC TRAIL ID: 797 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Monday, April 28, 2025	32	Future	296	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	C Hike - Estrella MRP - Baseline, Saddle, Quail, Rainbow, Dysart, Toothaker Loop from Gila Trailhead (PCHC # 296)	C	7.7	900	Excellent	0	20	Tom Wellman	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Tom Wellman DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7.7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 900 feet. The trail starts at the Gila Trail and connects to the Baseline Trail. Turn right and follow the baseline loop counter clockwise. At the junction with the Saddle trail, turn right and hike down to connect with the Quail trail. Turn left and follow the Quail trail until the junction with Rainbow Valley trail. Turn right and follow to the junction with Dysart Trail. Turn left all the way to the junction with Toothaker. Turn left again and follow Toothaker past the Rodeo Arena (demolished in 2022) until it ends at the junction with Baseline. Turn right on Baseline and then turn right on Gila back to the car. TRAILHEAD NAME: Gila Trailhead Estrella Regional Park TRAILS: Gila, Baseline, Saddle, Quail, Rainbow, Dysart, Toothaker, Baseline, Gila FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohn at the trailhead. Parking fee is \$7.00 per vehicle DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive south on PebbleCreek Parkway/Estrella Parkway and go to the other side of 110. Turn east (left) on Vineyard Avenue just across the Gila River. Turn right just past the golf course entrance into Estrella Mountain Park. Pay the park fee. Continue straight on Casey Abbott Dr North. Turn right on Casey Abbott Drive South (first turn past Nature Center). Gila trailhead is on the right DRIVING DISTANCE: 20 miles URL PHOTOS: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Baseline-Rainbow-Dysart">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Baseline-Rainbow-Dysart</a> URL MAP: <a href="https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-crF5xxR">https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-crF5xxR</a> URL GPX: <a href="https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4anC5vOnoik6ybbPH1">https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgYwFplqBF4anC5vOnoik6ybbPH1</a> PCHC TRAIL ID: 296 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2