

PCHC "B" Hike Calendar for Fridays During 2019-2020 Season

9/16/19

MEETINGS SCHEDULE: Tuscany Falls Clubhouse, Ballroom, 7 PM

SEPT '19	OCT '19	NOV '19	DEC '19	JAN '20	FEB '20	MAR '20	APR '20
Th 19th	Th 17th	Th ??	Th 19th	Th 16 th	Th 20th	Th 19th (Elections)	Th 16th

FRIDAY "B" HIKE SCHEDULE

2019-20 Fri	RT DRIVE MILES	LOCATION	AREA	TRAIL	LENGTH & TOTAL ASCENT	DESCRIPTION	RATING
27-Sep	20	Buckeye	Skyline	Pyrite Loop - Clockwise	9.1 mi, 1850 ft	A newer trail leading to a summit west of the Chuckwalla Trail...significant climbing but unobstructed views...opposite the normal direction, mostly trail but light bushwhacking through a couple of washes to Pyrite trail.	B
4-Oct	120	Apache Junction	Goldfield Mountains	IQ Arch – Helmet Rock Loop	9.8 mi, 1750 ft	A plus version of the "C" hike to the arch and on surrounding terrain.	B
11-Oct	98	Tonopah	Saddle Mountain	Saddle Mountain Loop	7 mi, 1300 ft	A strenuous trail up the south side, challenging bushwhack down the north side through impressive but rocky terrain.	B+
18-Oct	80	Cave Creek	PSP (North)	Apache Wash - Ocotillo/Ridgeback/Sidewinder Loop	10 mi, 1500 ft	An interesting loop in North Phoenix with views of Cave Creek and surrounding area.	B
25-Oct	124	Apache Junction	Superstitions	2 nd Water-Black Mesa-Dutchman Loop	9.2 mi, 1300 ft	An interesting loop through scenic Superstition terrain...all trail.	B-
1-Nov	210	Prescott	Granite Dells	Constellation + Willow Lake Dells	8 mi, 1500 ft	A scenic hike in the Granite Dells with lots of rock formations and views of the lake with Granite Mt. in the distance.	B
8-Nov	102	East Valley	Usery Mountains	Hawes trails loop	11.7 mi, 2000 ft	An interesting combination of trails with outstanding views of Red Mountain and impressive saguaros...also a great tune-up for Sedona.	B
12-Nov		Arizona	Sedona	Sedona Overnight 11/12 – 11/14		Most "B" hikers are in Sedona.	
15-Nov	116	I-17 N	Sunset Point Canyon	Agua Fria Trail	8.5 mi, 1200 ft	A trail to interesting terrain in the Agua Fria riverbed...trail "improved" by the summer hikers.	B-
22-Nov	240	Superior	Picketpost	Picketpost Loop	11.5 mi, 1100 ft	An interesting loop around this impressive mountain...could have some fall colors.	B

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29-Nov	120	Apache Junction	Superstition Mountains	Massacre Falls / Hidden Canyon	8.6 mi, 1500 ft	An interesting hike to a canyon above the Praying Hands area, followed by a hike to a wide, dry waterfall as well as the overlook of the massacre site.	B
6-Dec	122	Cave Creek	Blue Wash	Blue Wash Canyons loop	9 mi, 1300 ft	An interesting loop through washes and a couple of easy waterfalls with impressive views of quartz rocks and boulders.	B
13-Dec	100	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Marcus Landslide-Tom's Thumb Loop	10.6 mi, 2150 ft	A strenuous workout with close-up views of Tom's Thumb after a climb up the steep East End trail.	B+
20-Dec	98	Tonopah	Saddle Mountain	Saddle Mountain Loop	7 mi, 1300 ft	A strenuous trail up the south side, challenging bushwhack down the north side through impressive but rocky terrain.	B+
27-Dec	114	Apache Junction	Goldfields	Hackamore Trailhead to a Large Arch	9 mi, 1250 ft	A hike to an interesting arch overlooking the scenic Goldfields...mostly trail with easy bushwhacking to the arch.	B
3-Jan	50	Buckeye	Dog Bone	Chloe's Charisma Loop	10.6 mi, 800 ft	A relatively flat trail to the interesting rock outcropping known as Batman, followed by lunch at the memorial site for bicyclist Chloe.	B
10-Jan	70	I-17 North	Anthem	Daisy Mountain Loop	7.2 mi, 1600 ft	An interesting hike to two rounded peaks just east of the outlet mall...the first peak requires a strenuous climb and has an American flag on top...all trail but a steep descent from peak 2.	B
17-Jan	20	Buckeye	Skyline	Javelina Summit Loop	10.1 mi, 2550 ft	A strenuous hike on one of the newer trails to Javelina Summit...great views of the valley and the golf course below.	B+
24-Jan	98	Tonopah	Saddle Mountain	"Gary's Canyon"...Inner Canyon of Saddle Mountain	7.5 mi, 1000 ft	A conventional northwest loop with a spur in-and-out into an interesting canyon with high cliffs of "conglomerate".	B
31-Jan	70	Phoenix	Piestewa Peak	Trails 200-202-8A-100-1A-304	9.6 mi, 3000 ft	This "grand tour" hike is all trail but long and strenuous since it finishes with a steep climb to Piestewa Peak...beautiful views.	B+
7-Feb	30	West Valley	White Tanks	Waddell-Ford-Mesquite-Willow Springs Loop	9.7 mi, 1600 ft	A scenic hike through rugged terrain with a tiny amount of scrambling.	B
14-Feb	100	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Brown Mt-Cathedral Rock-Balanced Rock Loop	10.8 mi, 1250 ft	An interesting loop through the impressive terrain of Brown's Ranch, including a short spur hike to the top of Brown's Mt.	B

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21-Feb	130	I-10 West	Eagletail Mountains	Ben Avery trail	10.7 mi, 1150 ft	A variation of a lollipop which includes Natural Arch (double arch) and petroglyphs near Indian Spring (dry).	B
28-Feb	56	303 North	Peoria	Sunrise Mountain	7 mi., 1200 ft.	View of New River dam and mountains beyond.	B-
6-Mar	60	Phoenix	South Mountain	“Ruins” Loop	9.4 mi, 2300 ft	A strenuous hike with lunch at the fireplace ruins, followed by a steep climb up to the National Trail for the return.	B+
13-Mar	100	I-17 North	Black Canyon Trail	Little Pan Loop	10 mi, 1300 ft	A nice hike along and across the Agua Fria River.	B
20-Mar	130	Goldfield Mountains	Northeast	Horns of a Dilemma Ridge	7.5 mi, 1300 ft	A scenic hike up past the Horns of a Dilemma with views of Saguaro and Canyon lakes.	B-
23-Mar		Arizona	Willcox	Chiricahua Overnight 3/23 – 3/25/2020		Most “B” Hikers on the overnight	
27-Mar	130	Hwy 93-Hwy 89A	Hotshots Memorial State Park	Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial Trail	7.5 mi, 1825 ft	A strenuous in-and-out hike up and down through rugged terrain to the hotshots memorial site.	B
3-Apr	97	Castle Hot Springs Rd.	Governors Peak-Spring Valley	Governors Peak-Garfias Wash-Spring Valley Loop	10.2 mi, 2000 ft	A chance to practice route-finding skills on this interesting and scenic loop which is 2/3 trail and 1/3 bushwhacking.	B+
10-Apr	260	Sedona	Sedona	Wilson Mountain – north trail	10.7 mi, 2800 ft	A challenging but beautiful hike up the north side to the top of the highest peak around Sedona.	B+
17-Apr	130	Wickenburg	Dana’s Arch	Dana’s Arch loop	6 mi, 1000 ft	An interesting loop through rocky terrain with an opportunity to take a selfie with the arch.	B-
24-Apr	60	Phoenix	South Mountain	Midlife Crisis Loop	8.5 mi, 1850 ft	A somewhat strenuous loop with great views of South Mountain and Phoenix.	B
1-May	94	Cave Creek	Cave Creek Regional Park	Go John-Quartz-Flat Rock-Slate-Jasper Loop	9.6 mi, 1450 ft	An interesting loop through a variety of terrain...lots of brittlebush which could be in bloom.	B-

New hikes are in bold.