

2023-2024 Regular Season	WEEK	WEEK STATUS	TRAIL	REGION	HIKE NAME:	CLUB	DISTANCE	ELEVATION	ROUTE	OFF TRAIL	DRIVING	HIKE	DRIVER	UNUSUAL	HIKE COORDINATOR	DESCRIPTION
Thursday, September 21, 2023	1	Complete	178	Wickenburg Area	B Challenge Hike - Wickenburg Area - Dinosaur Wash, Box Canyon Loop + Sophies Flat D + A Loop (PCHC # 178)	B Challenge	9	1515	Good	0	105	Kris Racziewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	8			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Racziewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>REASON FOR CHALLENGE: 2 miles of soft sand.</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 1515 feet. At least 2 miles of this hike is on soft sand along the Hassayampa River and in Dinosaur Wash. Just short of 3 miles in the wash, on the right there is a marked TH for D. This is where you depart the wash for a small 2 mile loop hike that then returns back into the wash. This is a very scenic hike, quite different than most desert hikes because of the canyons and water. This is an area where the river is above ground, but its not very deep except after a rain. There are several slot canyons along Dinosaur Wash and two areas called narrows along the river. The box in Box Canyon is short canyon somewhat hidden behind a stand of large trees.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 4.5 hours with breaks</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Box Canyon Trailhead TRAILS: Dinosaur Wash, Box Canyon</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms at the trailhead, but there are restrooms at a Dairy Queen and gas station you drive past about 8 miles from the trailhead. No park fees.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Wickenburg Dinosaur Wash, Box Canyon Trailhead: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and then take Loop 303 North (right) to U.S. 60. Turn west (left) onto U.S. 60. Turn right just past McDonalds (restroom stop) on Highway 93. Go 4.6 miles to MP 195 & turn right onto unpaved Scenic Loop Drive. (this is the first road going right that is past the Dairy Queen on the left). Scenic Loop Drive is a dirt road (you might need an SUV after heavy rains). Drive 6.4 miles to a wide wash leading off to the right (6 miles from end of asphalt). Park here and hike. 4 miles through a slot canyon to the top of the box canyon. Return & drive another 0.7 miles and veer right onto an unmarked 1 lane road at 7 miles. (At the turn, there normally is a sign indicating No Dumping). Parking area is .1 miles ahead on the rim of the canyon. The trail leads off down the old jeep trail to the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 105 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Wickenburg/Dinosaur-WashBox-Canyon/B-HikeBox-Cryn-Dino-WashLynnW2021-2022</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Wickenburg/i-W4PmW8m</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4aIaxHHcGf0PPAIZn7e=RblqzU</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 178</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8</p>
Thursday, September 28, 2023	2	Complete	269	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	B Hike - McDowell SP - Hawknest, Divide, Branding Iron, Coyote Canyon, Soapberry, Dove, Barb, 136th Express (PCHC # 269)	B	11.7	700	Excellent	0	130	Kris Racziewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	9			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Racziewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 700 feet. The highlights of this hike include a double crested saguaro, Michelin Man II Saguaro, many rock formations, and distant views of Four Peaks, the Superstitions, and other mountains. From the parking area head south on the 136th street express trail and turn right on Hawknest. Follow approximately 2 miles to the Divide Trail. Turn left on Divide approximately 2 miles to the junction with Branding Iron. Turn left on Branding Iron, then left on Granite Mountain Loop and then another left on Coyote Canyon Trail. Take this north until the junction with Desperado at which point turn on this trail and a quick right onto Soapberry Wash Trail. Finally take Dove and Barb trails back to the 136th Street Express and follow north back to the parking lot.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 4 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Tonto National Forest Trailhead TRAILS: Hawknest, Divide, Branding Iron, Coyote Canyon, Soapberry, Dove, Barb, 136th Express</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No restrooms at the trailhead (but you can stop off at the Browns Ranch Trailhead by turning left on Alma School Parkway and going about a mile to the end).</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to McDowell Sonoran Preserve: Tonto National Forest 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 as it changes name to Sonoran Desert Drive. Take Cave Creek Road North (left). Turn right on Dynamite Boulevard (changes name to Rio Verde). Turn left on 136th Street. Drive about 5 miles to entrance to Tonto National Forest the last 2 miles are on a well maintained dirt road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 130 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Northwest-Loop-Trails</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/i-plqPLVq</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4aITaPPJR7gYnysk1R</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 269</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$9</p>
Thursday, October 5, 2023	3	Complete	760	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - Estrella MRP - Toothaker, Butterfield, Gadsden, Flycatcher, Gadsden, Toothaker (PCHC # 760)	B	9.3	800	Excellent	0	20	Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.3 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 800 feet. The hike leaves the parking lot at the trail map sign just west of the rodeo arena restroom. Turn left in 100 feet at the junction with Toothaker and follow the signs for Butterfield. Turn left on Butterfield and continue to the junction with Gadsden. Turn left on Gadsden and continue to the intersection with Flycatcher and turn right. Follow Flycatcher to the intersection with Gadsden and turn right. Follow Gadsden to the intersection with Toothaker and turn right. Continue north on Toothaker to the intersection with Pedersen and turn left. Continue on Pedersen for approximately 1/8 mile to the Quartz Outcropping which is a great lunch and photo area. After the break, return on Pedersen to the intersection with Toothaker and turn left (north). Continue on Toothaker all the way back to the parking lot. (An optional, longer return would be to turn left off Toothaker on Rainbow and return on this trail—probably adds another mile).</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Toothaker Trailhead at West Rodeo Drive TRAILS: Toothaker, Butterfield, Gadsden, Flycatcher, Gadsden, Toothaker, Pedersen, Toothaker</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per car.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park West Rodeo Drive. Turn left out the main gate onto Pebble Creek/Estrella Pkw (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</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Toothaker-Gadsden-Butterfield/B-HikeEMRP-Toothaker-Flycatcher-Loop01-04-2023LynnW2022-2023/i-VclpzvT</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-KnPvjfh/A</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4aIauk6gT4fI9AZRzWHB7e=Toxi2e</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 760</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>

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Thursday, October 12, 2023	4	Complete	19	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - Estrella MRP - Estrella Circuit and Baseline Ridge Scramble (PCHC # 19)	B	12	1025	Good	20	20	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1025 feet. This route is mostly a good trail with a short bushwhack ridge walk to end the hike. The trail goes from the Nature Center and follows Quail, Saddle, Baseline Trails to the junction with Toothaker. After walking the full length of Toothaker, the route turns onto Pederson for a brief lunch stop at the Quartz Outcrop. After lunch, the hike continues back onto Toothaker to the junction with Gadsden. Turn left on Gadsden then left on Coldwater. Continue on Coldwater to the junction with Dysart. Turn right on Dysart and then left onto Butterfield. Follow Butterfield to Toothaker and on to the Baseline Trail. Turn right on Baseline and continue for approximately 0.5 mile. At this point there is an obvious jeep trail heading left up the ridge. Follow this steeply up to the Baseline high point. Then continue along the ridge for 0.5 miles eventually dropping off the ridge to the Saddle Trail. At the junction with the Quail Trail, turn right and head back to the Visitor Center.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Trail condition: the first 10 miles over a decent hiking trail. The final 2 miles is a rocky bushwhack.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Nature Center for Quail Trailhead TRAILS: Quail, Saddle, Baseline, Toothaker, Pederson, Gadsden, Coldwater, Dysart, Butterfield, Baseline, Baseline Ridge Scramble, Saddle, Quail</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohn at the Quail trailhead. Parking fee of \$7.00 per vehicle.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park Quail Trailhead. Drive south on PebbleCreek which becomes Estrella Parkway south of I10. Turn left onto Vineyard Avenue just across the Gila River. Turn right just past the golf course entrance into Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Pay the park fee. Continue straight then right into the Visitor Center parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 20 miles</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Regional-Park/-73nG6Xk</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4yHtGPHNIE-tYMzX</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 19</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, October 19, 2023	5	Complete	634	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	B Challenge Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Lake Pleasant Shore Hike (Long) (PCHC # 634)	B Challenge	12.5	1200	Excellent	0	80	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Mileage.</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. This is a hike along the shore of Lake Pleasant that starts out near the Discovery Center, beginning on the Roadrunner Trail. At 0.8 miles, RR connects with Frog Tank Trail, and goes downhill for 0.3 miles to the Beardsley trail, turn right and at 2 miles BE ends near campground 7. Pick up Wild Burro Trail here and proceed for 2 miles where WB ends. Continue further on Pipeline Canyon Trail to the Floating Bridge; this will be the turn around point.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 5 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Discovery Center Trailhead TRAILS: Roadrunner, Frog Tank, Beardsley, Wild Burro, Pipeline Canyon Trail</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms with water are at various points along the trail. Park fee is \$7.00 or covered by Maricopa County Park Pass.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Loop 303 N. to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left (N) on Lake Pleasant Road to Arizona 74. Turn left (W) and continue to Castle Hot Springs Rd. (Lake Pleasant Regional Park turnoff) and turn right (N). Go 2.1 miles to the park, turn right on Lake Pleasant Access Rd. Turn Right on South Park Road, follow to Overlook Road which ends at the Discovery Center. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Roadrunner-Frog-Tank-Pipeline</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Regional-Park/</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 634</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7</p>
Thursday, October 26, 2023	6	Complete	638	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - White Tank MRP - Mule Waterfall B hike (PCHC # 638)	B	10	875	Excellent	0	24	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 875 feet. This hike begins at the library and proceeds south to hike a small loop of Mule Trail. Returning back to the library, proceeding on Mule, then left on Old Stable Rd. Turn right onto Bajada, following it into Mule Deer (MD). Go left on MD to R4, cross the road and take a left onto Black Rock (long) to the Waterfall. Returning on Mesquite, proceed east to the Wildlife trail and returning back on Mule.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Mule Deer Trailhead at Library TRAILS: Mule Deer, Old Stable Rd, Bajada, Black Rock, Waterfall, Mesquite, Wildlife</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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: 24 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Mule-Deer-Waterfall</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4Am3tcrFvF7rLIGfx</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 638</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, November 2, 2023	7	Complete	386	Black Canyon National Recreational Trail	B Hike - Black Canyon NRT - Little Grand Canyon Trail (AKA Doe Springs Segment) (PCHC # 386)	B	10	844	Good	0	96	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 844 feet. It covers the segment just north of the Boy Scout Loop south of the Black Canyon Trail. It goes through typical rolling desert terrain with distant views of Black Canyon City and the hills around it. There are two nice saguaro forests along the trail: the one at the 5 mile point is excellent and has shade for a break.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The trail itself is a national bike trail so expect a very good surface with many switchbacks and no steep ups or downs. The trail is now marked as Little Grand Canyon. This hike typically takes 4 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Table Mesa Road Trailhead TRAILS: Little Grand Canyon: Doe Springs Segment</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms at the trailhead and no park fees.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Black Canyon Trail. Table Mesa Trailhead. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left), then take Loop 303 North and follow until it ends at I17. Turn left onto I17 (north) toward Flagstaff. Take exit 236 (Table Mesa Road). Turn left crossing over I17, then immediately turn right. Pavement ends within a mile; 2.5 miles of unpaved road to the parking area. Keep right at the first Y (1.2 miles from I17 road going left goes into a quarry). Keep left at the next Y (1.6 miles from I17). Go another 1.9 miles to a side road on the right (3.5 miles from I17). Turn right on the road and the trailhead parking is immediately on the left. DRIVING DISTANCE: 96 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/BlackCanyonNationalRecreationT/Doe-Spring/C-ExploratoryLynnW2013-2014/</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/BlackCanyonNationalRecreationT/Doe-Spring/C-ExploratoryLynnW2013-2014/-IqRHGHP</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4Amj3bDsomwz41P9S7e=d8BbMA</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 386</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7</p>

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Thursday, November 9, 2023	8	Complete	237	Usury Mountain Regional Park	B Hike - Usury Mountain RP - Pass Mountain & Wind Cave Trails (PCHC # 237)	B	11	1780	Good	0	110	Mike Tansey	8			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Mike Tansey</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1780 feet. Trail in good condition with great scenery as you travel around the mountain. The trail encircles Pass Mountain, and starts by going through a saguaro cactus forest. It offers nice views on clear days of other distant mountain ranges including the Superstitions, Catalina, Mazatzal, Four Peaks, & McDowell Mtns. A portion of the loop is on adjacent Tonto National Forest land. Just to add fun to this hike, we add the Wind Cave Trail, (a 3.2 mi RT out and back; elev. change of 650 ft). The trail starts off relatively flat then climbs steadily to a large over hanging rock. The Wind Caves are shallow depressions that have been eroded out of the tuff layer of rock by wind and rain. This is a long hike so bring and drink plenty of water.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Due to the high volume of hikers to the Wind Cave, consider doing this portion first. This hike typically takes 4.75 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Wind Cave Trailhead TRAILS: Pass Mountain, Wind Cave Trail</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Park fee is \$7 per car. The park is free with a Maricopa County Parks pass. Restrooms are at the parking lot.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Wind Cave Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway to I10. Take I10 East (left) HOV to Loop 202 East (HOV exit on left). Loop 202 to Power Road (exit 23A), turn right (south). In a few blocks turn left onto McDowell Boulevard East. Turn left onto Usery Pass Rd (T intersection). Turn right onto Usery Park Road (across from the Phoenix arrow). Turn left onto Wind Cave Drive West to the trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 110 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/UseryMountainRegionalPark/Pass-Mountain-Trail</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Usery-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-5qBv67P</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplqBF4amS8vE16CnKlybyC8</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 237</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8</p>
Thursday, November 16, 2023	9	Complete	692	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	B Challenge Hike - Estrella MRP - Competitive Track Long Loop plus Technical Loop (PCHC # 692)	B Challenge	12.4	1056	Excellent	0	26	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Mileage.</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12.4 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 1056 feet. This hike goes through typical desert terrain with lots of Saguaro cactus. The hike begins on the Long Loop; at 0.84 miles turn right onto the Technical Loop, proceeding clockwise for 2.9 miles to where the trail ends at the Long Loop. Turn left and follow the Long Loop counter clockwise for 3.26 miles, turning left onto the Long Loop Mountain Pass, following it for 1.97 miles. It will again intersect with the Long Loop; turn left and follow the trail for 3.16 miles to the parking lot.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Be aware that this hike is on a biking competitive track. While on the technical loop, bikes will be coming from behind. Try to avoid scheduling this hike on Saturday.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Competitive Track Trailhead TRAILS: Competitive Track Long Loop, Technical Loop</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: There is a Portajohn at the trailhead. Park Fee \$7</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive south on PebbleCreek Parkway/Estrella Parkway). 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 Phoenix International Raceway turn right. Follow the signs to the trails. Pay the park fee at the self pay station. Continue to the parking on the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Competitive-Loop-Long/B-HikeEMRP-Comp-LoopLynnW2021-2022/i-79XP25Q</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 692</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, November 23, 2023	10	Complete	650	Skyline Regional Park	B Hike - Skyline RP - Pyrite Summit Short Loop via Turnbuckle (PCHC # 650)	B	8.2	1600	Excellent	0	30	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8.2 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. Take Mountain Wash to Turnbuckle over the ridge and down the west side until the junction with Granite Falls. Turn right and Follow Granite Falls to Chuckwalla to the junctions with Pyrite Trail. Turn right on Pyrite and climb steeply to the Pyrite Ridge. Turn right to Pyrite Summit. Return to the Pyrite Ridge junction and continue along the Pyrite ridge, dropping to the junction with Chuckwalla. Turn right and connect to Turnbuckle via Granite Falls. Turn right back to parking lot.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Mountain Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Granite Falls, Chuckwalla, Pyrite, Pyrite Summit, Pyrite, Granite Falls, Turnbuckle, Mountain Wash</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead.</p> <p>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</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-MT-Wash-Pyrite-Loop-12-29-2022LynnW2022-2023</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/i-3MgMQVF</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 650</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, November 30, 2023	11	Complete	693	South Mountain Park	B Hike - South Mountain Park - Mormon Ridgeline and Pima East Trails (PCHC # 693)	B	10.4	1636	Good	0	60	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	5			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10.4 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1636 feet. Begin at Mormon TH for 1.1 miles, turning left onto Mormon Loop Trail proceed for 1.3 miles. Turn left and go 0.1 mile on the connector for Javelina; at Javelina go right and proceed for 1.6 miles. Trail meets with Beverly Canyon Trail, go right & follow for 0.28 miles, turning left towards Pima East Loop trail for 0.5 miles, then turn left onto Pima East Loop. Follow Pima East for 0.9 miles where it intersects Pima West, turn left and follow for 0.6 miles where it intersects onto Pima Wash Trail. Follow Pima Wash for 0.2 miles, turn right onto Beverly Canyon Trail and proceed for 0.2 miles. Turn right onto Scott Ridge Trail for .36 miles. Stay straight as it becomes MidLife Crisis. Follow for 0.12 miles, veer to the right & take Hidden Valley Trail for 0.33 miles, then turn left onto National Trail for 1.3 miles. Turn right onto Mormon Trail to return to the cars.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: New hike. Conflicting information on some maps.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Mormon Trailhead (8610 S 24th street, Phoenix). TRAILS: Mormon Trail, Mormon Loop, Javelina Canyon & Connector, Beverly Canyon, Pima East, Pima West, Pima Wash, Scott Ridge, Mid Life Crisis, Hidden Valley, National</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No restrooms and no park fee.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head south on Pebble Creek Pkwy, then go E on I10. Proceed on I10 for about 16 miles. Use the right 2 lanes to exit on 1438 to merge onto I7 S/US 60 E toward US 60 E/I10 Truck Rte. After about 5.7 miles, take exit 195 A toward 16th street. Merge onto I17 Frontage Rd/E Maricopa Fwy, turn right onto South 16th street for 3.4 miles. Turn left onto E Baseline Rd (0.4 mi), right onto S 20th St (0.5 mi), left onto E South Mtn Ave (0.5 mi), right onto S 24th st (0.3 mi). Proceed to the Mormon Trailhead. (8610 S 24th street, Phoenix). DRIVING DISTANCE: 60 miles</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 693</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5</p>

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Thursday, December 7, 2023	12	Complete	143	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	B Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Beardsley Trail from Maricopa Trailhead (PCHC # 143)	B	9.1	1100	Good	0	64	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	5			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.1 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1100 feet. The hike starts below the Lake Pleasant Dam and crosses the usually dry Agua Fria River in a wooded area. It then goes across a road and goes parallel to the Morgan City Wash. The second half of the hike goes through a saguaro forest. About a mile from the end is a very odd, crested saguaro on the left. There is a good chance to see wild burros on this trail. The turnaround point is the campground in the park with some views of the lake. TRAILHEAD NAME: Morgan City Wash Trailhead TRAILS: Beardsley FEES AND FACILITIES: There are no restrooms at the trailhead. There is no park fee from this trailhead. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Morgan City Wash Trail. Drive north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left) and take Loop 303 North. Turn right (north) on 303 to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left (north) on Lake Pleasant Road to Highway 74. Turn left (west) and drive past MP 22. Turn right on Beardsley CSR Road a couple of hundred yards past MP 22. Drive about a quarter mile to the Maricopa Trail Trailhead on the left as the road turns right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 64 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Beardsley-Trail URL MAP: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4am5JwFHZyuj20-lb URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4am5JwFHZyuj20-lb PCHC TRAIL ID: 143 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5
Thursday, December 14, 2023	13	Complete	374	Phoenix Mountains Preserve	B Hike - Phoenix Mountains Preserve - Shaw Butte Trail #306 and North Mtn (PCHC # 374)	B	8	1600	Good	0	62	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	5			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1600 feet. This is a combo hike of Shaw Butte Trail and North Mtn in the Phoenix Mtn. Preserve. Shaw Butte is one of the hikes of the Phoenix Seven Summits Challenge, which takes place every year in November. North Mountain is a short steep hike mostly on a paved road, offering good views of the surrounding area. The TH begins from the parking lot where North 7th Ave. (Phoenix) dead ends. You begin up the south side of Shaw Butte, going around the west side of the mountain; watch for the trail leading off to the right, which takes you to the summit of Shaw Butte at 1.5 miles into the hike. You descend Shaw Butte and hike 1 mile over to the North side of North Mountain. Climbing to the top of North Mountain is on a paved road with a steep descent down the west ridge; then back to the parking lot. TRAILHEAD NAME: 7th Avenue Trailhead TRAILS: #306, North Mtn Loop FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. No restrooms. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Shaw Butte Trail Loop #306 TH Take I10 East from N. Pebble Creek Parkway. Follow I10 East towards Phoenix for about 17.5 miles to North 7th Avenue. Get off on exit 144a for 7th Ave. Use any lane to turn left onto N. 7th Ave. Proceed for about 8.7 miles. The road ends at the TH parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 62 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/North-Mtn-Shaw-Butte/B-HikePhoenix-North-Mt-Shaw-ButteLynnW2020-2021/ URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Phoenix-Mountain-Preserve/I-7ws3gQ9/A URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4alzcbUZvP-bxAtY4?ecwla4k PCHC TRAIL ID: 374 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$5
Thursday, December 21, 2023	14	Complete	639	Estrella Foothills	B Hike - Estrella Foothills - Estrella Foothills plus FINS (PCHC # 639)	B	11.6	560	Good	0	26	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.6 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 560 feet. The hike begins from the High School south and proceeds west through some of the developed areas to the FINS trailhead. At FINS the hike will continue as a 4 mile loop on several trails in the Western part of the FINS bike trails system. The trails meander through several desert hills with many rock formations. The hike then returns to the high school. Trail condition: good, this is also a biking trail. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 4.5 hours with breaks. TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella High School Trailhead TRAILS: No Named Trails 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. Continue into and through the Estrella Mountain development. Turn left into the parking lot just before the Estrella Foothills High School building. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Estrella-Foothills/B-HikeEF-FINS-03-10LynnW2021-2022/ URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Estrella-Mountain-Ranch/I-LKSKwP/A URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4am3zBCxjw1tKWAGQ PCHC TRAIL ID: 639 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Thursday, December 28, 2023	15	Complete	649	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	B Hike - McDowell SP - Granite Mountain, Diablo, Cholla Circuit (PCHC # 649)	B	12	1000	Good	0	110	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	8			REGULAR START TIME: 7:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. This hike begins at the Granite Mtn TH and proceeds north along the east side of Granite Mtn. It then goes northwest to the Diablo loop, returning south along the west side of the Cholla Mtn Loop. The hike then follows around Cholla Mountain to Balanced Rock, a large pointed boulder that sits on its point. It finishes along the south trail of the Granite Mtn Loop, and returning via the Bootlegger Trail. There are yuccas and large Saguaros, and excellent views of the surrounding mountains as well as numerous granite rock formations. This is one of the most scenic trails within an hour of Pebble Creek. TRAILHEAD NAME: Granite Mountain Trailhead TRAILS: Bootlegger, Coyote Canyon, Desparado, Renegade, High Desert, Divide, North Diablo, South Diablo, Cholla Loop, Balanced Rock Trail, Granite Mountain Loop, Bootlegger FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are 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: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/McDowellSonoranPreserve/Granite-Mountain-Loop URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/McDowell-Sonoran-Preserve/I-63znTRV URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4asRU7k-ohntAUXWIM?e=hrVawI PCHC TRAIL ID: 649 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8

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Thursday, January 4, 2024	16	Complete	41	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - White Tank MRP - Goat Camp Overlook (Longer Loop) (PCHC # 41)	B	8.9	1490	Excellent	0	30	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8.9 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1490 feet. Start at the White Tanks Library and turn right onto the Mule Deer Trail. Hike past the junction with the Old Saddle Trail and eventually this will lead you to a junction with the Bajada Trail. Turn left onto the Bajada Trail. Near another mile is the Goat Camp Trail. Again, turn right and climb to the top of the steep Goat Camp hill. Just past the top is an unmarked trail to the left. Follow this unmarked trail for about .2 mile to the hill top. The route is somewhat steep with lots of loose gravel. This is the turn around point; hikers can choose to bushwhack along the ridge more before heading down or they can follow the original path back down to the Goat Camp Trail to return to the South Trail. On the South Trail, Turn right and in about .8 mile you will see the junction with the Mule Deer Trail. Turn right and follow the trail back to the library.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike takes approximately 4.5 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Mule Deer Trailhead at Library TRAILS: Mule Deer, Old Saddle, Bajada, Goat Camp, South, Mule Deer</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms at the main entrance to the library. Park fee is \$2 per hiker or \$7 per car. A Maricopa County Pass is good for up to five hikers.</p> <p>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</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: http://pchikingclub.smugug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Mule-Deer-Waterfall</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountain-Regional-Park/i-rD7xxzX</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4amRhwjvKYWWE5O9xw</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 41</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, January 11, 2024	17	Complete	375	Phoenix Mountains Preserve	B Hike - Phoenix Mountains Preserve - Lookout Mountain and Shadow Mountain Circumference Trails and summit (PCHC # 375)	B	8	1700	Good	0	76	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 1700 feet. This is two hikes: a 3.86 mile loop around Shadow Mountain and a 3.57 mile hike around and up Lookout mountain, both in the north Phoenix area. It has elevation gains of 960 & 875 ft. The trail around Shadow Mountain goes past a mega church. The circumference trail around Lookout Mountain (#308) is an easy to moderate trail, with the summit trail (#150) being fairly steep. The Summit trail is one of the hikes of the Seven Summits of Phoenix Challenge that takes place every year in November. Trail condition: average hiking trail, but steep going to top of Lookout Mountain.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Shadow Mountain Trailhead TRAILS: Shadow Mtn, Lookout Mtn trail #308</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Water and restrooms are at the Lookout Mountain Park trailhead off 18th Street. There is no park fee.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Shadow Mountain Trailhead Take 101 North Take 117 South (right) Turn left on Greenway off Turn right on Cave Creek Road Turn left on E Claire Drive Turn right on E Acoma Drive Trailhead at the curve (street parking) Direction Shadow Mountain Trailhead to Lookout Mountain Go north on E Acoma drive. Then left on E Claire Drive Turn left on Cave Creek Road Turn right on E Sharon Drive Turn right on 18th st. Trailhead is at the end of the street DRIVING DISTANCE: 76 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/ShadowLookout-Mountains/B-HikePMP-ShadowLookoutLynnW2020-2021/i-v8q96z</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugug.com/Trail-Maps/Phoenix-Mountain-Preserve/i-7ws3g09/A</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4amRhwjvKYWWE5O9xw</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 375</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7</p>
Thursday, January 18, 2024	18	Complete	694	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	B Hike - McDowell SP - Latigo - Cone Mountain Loop (PCHC # 694)	B	10.5	665	Good	0	110	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	8	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10.5 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 665 feet. Begin at Browns Ranch by going right onto Latigo Trail, following it for 1.2 miles. At the intersection proceed straight onto Hackamore Trail & follow it for 0.5 miles. Turn right onto Cone Mtn. Trail for 1 mile. Turn left onto Upper Ranch Rd. Proceed for 0.5 mile, turning left back onto Cone Mtn. Rd. for another mile. Turn right to continue hiking on Hackamore for 0.6 miles. Turn left on West Express for 0.1 mile; then turn right onto Snake Eyes Trail for 1 mile, which then becomes Hawknest. Go 1 mile & turn left onto Rock Tank. After 0.5 miles, turn left onto Latigo for over 2.5 miles to return to the car.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: New Hike for the 2022/2023 season.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Browns Ranch Trailhead TRAILS: Latigo, Hackamore, Cone Mtn, Upper Ranch, West Express, Snake Eyes, Hawknest, Rock Tank</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at the trailhead. No park fee.</p> <p>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 exit 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: 110 miles</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 694</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$8</p>
Thursday, January 25, 2024	19	Current	766	Estrella Foothills	B Hike - Estrella Foothills - Foothills Outlaw Hike (PCHC # 766)	B	10	1200	Good	0	26	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10 mile lollipop hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. From Estrella Foothills HS, we will take the Maricopa Trail then loop through a fence into the regional park</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 3.25 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella High School Trailhead TRAILS: PA</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are on the left by the ballpark. There is a self pay fee as you enter the EM Regional Park at Crossover; the fee is \$7.00 or covered by Maricopa County Park Pass.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Foothills Park: High School Trailhead. Take 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.</p> <p>DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpjqBF4amRhwjvKYWWE5O9xw</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 766</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>

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Thursday, February 1, 2024	20	Final Draft	805	Tour D'Ale	B Hike - Tour D'Ale - Urban Hike Litchfie Park and Goodyear (PCHC # 805)	B	10.7	50	Excellent	0	0	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	NOT FOUND	10:00 AM	HIKERS CAN COMPLETE THE FULL HIKE OR INDIVIDUAL LEGS.	<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 10:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>HIKE COORDINATOR COMMENTS: HIKERS CAN COMPLETE THE FULL HIKE OR INDIVIDUAL LEGS.</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10.7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 50 feet. Leave Eagles Nest and hike 3.2 miles to BIs via the Bullard Wash Park. Stop for lunch at BIs and then hike a further 3.2 miles to Transplant Brewing Company via Bullard, Canal Towpath and Old Litchfield Road. Stop for refreshments and then hike a further 0.9 miles to Ground Control via Litchfield Road. After refreshments hike 3.4 miles back to Eagles Nest via Camelback road.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The hike starts and ends from Eagles Nest Parking Lot. Stop 1: BIs for Lunch. Stop 2: Transplant Brewing Company. Stop 3: Ground Control. Trail condition: Concrete Sidewalk</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Eagles Nest Parking Lot TRAILS: No Named Trails</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Three restrooms. No park fee.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: No Driving Directions</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 805</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$NOT FOUND</p>
Thursday, February 8, 2024	21	Future	394	Black Canyon National Recreational Trail	B Hike - Black Canyon NRT - Government Springs to Antelope Hill (PCHC # 394)	B	10.8	1200	Good	0	130	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	9	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 10.8 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. This hike goes up to the top of the ridgeline near Crown King. The first couple of miles wander through the desert with little elevation change. It then follows the contours of several interesting canyons as it rises up to the top of the plateau. Lots of expansive views of a valley surprisingly devoid of development even though its only a couple of miles from I17.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Government Spring Trailhead TRAILS: Government Springs to Antelope Hill</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. No rest rooms. Sunset Point Rest Area is 4 miles further up I17 with easy return.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Black Canyon Trail Government Spring Trailhead: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west (left), then take Loop 303 North and follow until it ends at I17. Turn left onto I17 North toward Flagstaff. Take exit 248 (Bumble Bee). Turn west (left), crossing I17. Drive about 10 miles (the last 8 are on a well maintained dirt road) Turn right into an unpaved parking area near an old water tank. DRIVING DISTANCE: 130 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/BlackCanyonNationalRecreationT/Government-Springs</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Black-Canyon-Trail/</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 394</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$9</p>
Thursday, February 15, 2024	22	Future	644	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - Estrella MRP - Quail, Rainbow, Toothaker, Gadsden, ColdWater, Dysart, Toothaker, Rainbow, Quail (PCHC # 644)	B	11.5	1300	Excellent	0	20	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.5 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1300 feet. The trail goes from the Nature Center and follows Quail and Rainbow to the junction with Toothaker. Turn right on Toothaker to the junction with Gadsden. Turn left on Gadsden then left on Coldwater. Continue on Coldwater to the junction with Dysart. Turn left on Dysart and then right onto Toothaker and then left on Rainbow. At the junction with the Quail Trail, turn right and head back to the Visitor Center.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Nature Center for Quail Trailhead TRAILS: Quail, Rainbow, Toothaker, Gadsden, ColdWater, Dysart, Toothaker, Rainbow, Quail</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Portajohn at the Quail trailhead. Parking fee of \$7.00 per vehicle.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Estrella Mountain Regional Park Quail Trailhead. Drive south on PebbleCreek which becomes Estrella Parkway south of I10. Turn left onto Vineyard Avenue just across the Gila River. Turn right just past the golf course entrance into Estrella Mountain Regional Park. Pay the park fee. Continue straight then right into the Visitor Center parking lot. DRIVING DISTANCE: 20 miles</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 644</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, February 22, 2024	23	Future	657	Skyline Regional Park	B Hike - Skyline RP - Skyline Summit and Valley Vista Circuit (PCHC # 657)	B	9.8	1800	Excellent	0	30	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.8 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. Start at the Skyline parking lot and follow Quartz Mine until the junction with Skyline Crest Trail. Turn left and climb steeply to the saddle junction with Skyline Summit Trail. Turn left again and climb the 13 switchbacks to Skyline Summit. Retrace steps to the saddle and go straight on the Skyline Crest Trail over the ridge to the junction with Lost Creek. Go straight and follow the trail downhill to its junction with Mountain Wash. Turn right uphill on Mountain Wash. This will merge into the Turnbuckle trail continuing uphill until the junction with Valley Vista. Climb Valley Vista and return to Turnbuckle. Turn left on Turnbuckle steeply downhill and continue back to the parking lot.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: A slight variation on the usual loops to two peaks with great views of the valley.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Quartz Mine Trailhead TRAILS: Quartz Mine, Skyline Crest, Skyline Summit, Skyline Crest, Lost Creek, Mountain Wash, Turnbuckle, Valley Vista, Turnbuckle</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot, No park fee</p> <p>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</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Skyline-Park/B-HikeSkyline-Peakless-Perimeterlynnw2021-2022</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Skyline-Regional-Park/I-HMXTthg</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 657</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, February 29, 2024	24	Future	549	Superstition Mountains	B Hike - Superstition Mountains - Coffee Flats, Dutchman (PCHC # 549)	B	11.8	1620	Good	0	140	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	10	7:00 AM		<p>UNUSUAL START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.8 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1620 feet. Starting from the Peralta Trailhead, this hike provides great views of Miners Needle.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Peralta Trailhead TRAILS: Dutchman Trail #104, Coffee Flat Trail #108</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restroom at Trailhead. No Park Fee.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Superstitions Peralta Trailhead: Head south on PebbleCreek Parkway to I10, take I10 East, turn east (left) to Highway 60 East (HOV all the way). Go 8.5 miles past Apache Junction to the Peralta Road turnoff (approximately 32 miles from I10). Turn left and the trailhead is about 9 miles north on this road. The last 8 miles are on a well maintained dirt road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 140 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SuperstitionWilderness/Coffee-Flats</p> <p>URL GPX: https://3drv.ms/u/sIAywfPqB4aI2D0-_y8Q4R6kWRH?e=U2Jk11</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 549</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$10</p>

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Thursday, March 7, 2024	25	Future	662	Verrado Area	B Hike - Verrado Area - Central Wash (PCHC # 662)	B	9.4	1300	Good	10	18	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.4 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 1300 feet. This hike starts from the parking lot and follows caterpillar hill for .3 mile. Turn left after the concrete pathway and follow the trail system north into the valley that contains the central wash. Follow this trail up the valley towards Deadhead Pass. In approximately 1.5 miles, after a series of switchbacks you will come to a fork. Turn right at the fork and continue upslope on this new trail. At the end of the trail bushwhack down into the valley to the dry river bed. Turn left and follow the river bed to the trail crossing the bed. Turn right and follow the highline trail around to the petroglyphs. After this follow the SOB trail all the way back to the parking area.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This contains a stretch of trails that are still being built. It is possible that in the future that these trails will be continued to remove the need for the short crossvalley bushwhack.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Lost Creek Trailhead TRAILS: Central Wash, HighLine, South of the Border (SOB)</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No park fees. No restrooms at the trailhead.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Verrado Lost Creek Trailhead. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway, turn west (left) on Indian School Road. Turn left on Acacia Way (just past the high school). Turn right on Lost Creek Drive Parking for the trailhead is at the end of Lost Creek Drive. You walk between the green and a tee on the Verrado Founders Golf Course to get to the trailhead. DRIVING DISTANCE: 18 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountains-Verrado/Deadman-Pass-Loop/B-HikeVerrado-Deadhead-Bushwhack-SOB/LynnW2022-2023</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/White-Tank-Mountains-Verrado/i-54Vt4rc</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4atH2JL5fIn9HUq7e9gnp5Yd</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 662</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2</p>
Thursday, March 14, 2024	26	Future	236	Bartlett Reservoir Regional Park	B Hike - Bartlett Reservoir RP - Bartlett Reservoir (PCHC # 236)	B	8.5	1500	Good	2	142	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	10			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 8.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1500 feet. Trail has very little elevation change, but an accumulated elevation gain of about 1500 feet due to the undulating up and down. The trail is loose, decomposed granite, and can be difficult to follow at times, and rugged in spots with a few steep climbs & descents. Consequently, please wear proper hiking footwear. This is a lovely hike with continuous water views. The Bartlett Reservoir is part of the Verde River between New River and Mazatzal Mountains. It is visible the entire hike. Trail condition: mostly granular granite and sandy/rocky beach.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes a little over 4 hours with breaks.</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: Rattlesnake Cove Trailhead TRAILS: Palo Verde Trail # 513</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the parking lot. Park requires a Tonto Pass (\$8 per car), or a National Parks Pass (no need to stop at the ranger station, just put the pass in the window).</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Bartlett Reservoir, Rattlesnake Cove. Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west, then take Loop 303 North to I17. Go north on I17. Turn right on Highway 74 (Carefree Highway). Turn left on Scottsdale Road/Tom Darlington Drive (at Boulders Resort). Turn right on Cave Creek Road. Turn right on Bartlett Dam Road. Stop at the Visitor Center/Ranger Station (1/4 mile down road on left) and pay the parking fee. Follow signs to lake (about 13 miles). Turn right on Rattlesnake Cove turnoff and drive .8 miles to trailhead. Follow the paved path at the north end of the facility to the fishing dock. Trailhead starts to the left where the paved path meets the dock. DRIVING DISTANCE: 142 miles</p> <p>URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/BartlettReservoir</p> <p>URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Bartlett-Reservoir/</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4aInC8N69ctqMEb42</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 236</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$10</p>
Thursday, March 21, 2024	27	Future	690	Lake Pleasant Area	B Hike - Lake Pleasant Area - Old China Dam (PCHC # 690)	B	7	400	Rough	50	80	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7			<p>REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM</p> <p>HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 7 mile counter clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 400 feet. You can hike to 2 dams on Humbug Creek, built by Chinese laborers in the late 1800s. They also constructed a 3 mile long ditch (with 3 tunnels) to carry water to mining operations in a canyon which is now under the waters of Lake Pleasant. This hike will be an extension further out towards Lake Pleasant, and will include bushwhacking. From the parking area stay to the right on a 4wd road and go up around the hill to upper parking area (.5) miles. At the intersection take the left road heading northerly as you curve around the drainage on you right. Stay to the right until you get to a Y, then go left on the upper road (.8) miles to the dams/tunnel on Humbug creek. Explore the dam area and then go down Humbug creek for .8 miles. Leave creek to the right onto the road which goes 1.2 miles back to the Y using the lower road.</p> <p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Bring Headlamps to explore Tunnels. The route follows dirt roads for 2 miles to the Dam</p> <p>TRAILHEAD NAME: No Named Trailhead. Refer to Driving Directions. TRAILS: No Named Trails</p> <p>FEES AND FACILITIES: No restrooms. No park fee.</p> <p>DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive north on 303. Get off at exit 131. Go north on Lake Pleasant Parkway for 2.4 miles. Turn left onto Highway 74 for 5.5 miles. Turn right onto Castle Hot Springs Road. Pass the main entrance to Lake Pleasant. Continue for another 3.2 miles to the stop sign. Turn Left (the road becomes dirt). After 2.7 miles turn right onto Cow Creek Road. After 2.6 miles park on the side road to the right. You must walk from here unless you have 4x4. Four Wheel Vehicles ONLY turn right and go up the hill one half mile to the parking area. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles</p> <p>URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFplq8F4aonMISDEyZWTJ0h7e=PF57Ra</p> <p>PCHC TRAIL ID: 690</p> <p>SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7</p>

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Thursday, March 28, 2024	28	Future	446	Seven Springs Area	B Hike - Seven Springs Area - Skunk Tank, Cottonwood, #4 Loop (PCHC # 446)	B	11.1	1800	Good	0	140	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	10			REGULAR START TIME: 7:00 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11.1 mile loop hike with an elevation gain of 1800 feet. At about .8 miles the trail splits: Cave Creek (#4) to the right, Skunk Creek (#246) to the left across a small creek. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: You have to drive 10 miles on a dirt road with 2 possible creek crossings to reach the trailhead, but a 4WD is not needed. TRAILHEAD NAME: Skunk Tank Trailhead TRAILS: Skunk Creek #246, Cottonwood FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms are at the trailhead. There is no park fee for hiking. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Directions to Cave Creek Seven Springs, Skunk Tank 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. Go north on I17. Turn right on Highway 74 (Carefree Highway). Turn left on Tom Darlington/Scottsdale Road. Turn right on Cave Creek Road. Continue on Cave Creek Road as it changes to Forest Road 24 as you enter the Tonto National Forest. At the 4.5 mile point (on FS 24) the pavement ends in a well graded dirt road. Continue winding along the road, at the 12 mile point you'll hit a short stretch of pavement as you enter the Seven Springs Recreation area and Cave Creek Campground. A creek crosses the road twice (cement road at this point), but it is shallow. Drive past the camp sites & look for a green Trail sign which points to a parking area on the left side of the road. Directions to Cave Creek Skunk Tank Trailhead: Alternate 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. Turn right (east) on AZ 74 (Carefree Highway). Turn left on Tom Darlington/Scottsdale Road. Turn right on Bloody Basin Road. Turn right on Cave Creek Road. Continue on Cave Creek Road as it changes to Forest Road 24 as you enter the Tonto National Forest. At the 4.5 mile point (on FS 24) the pavement ends in a well graded dirt road. Continue winding along the road, at the 12 mile point you'll hit a short stretch of pavement as you enter the Seven Springs Recreation area and Cave Creek Campground. A creek crosses the road twice (cement road at this point), but it is shallow. Drive past the camp sites & look for a green Trail sign which points to a parking area on the left side of the road. DRIVING DISTANCE: 140 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/SevenSpringsRecreationArea/Cave-Creek-Trail URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBf4alDR_ckN-axF6XPea7e=eiWFFPQ PCHC TRAIL ID: 446 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$10
Thursday, April 4, 2024	29	Future	663	White Tank Mountains Regional Park	B Hike - White Tank MRP - Mesquite Canyon, Ford Canyon, Waddell (PCHC # 663)	B	11	2000	Good	0	30	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is an 11 mile clockwise loop hike with an elevation gain of 2000 feet. Hike starts on the Mesquite Canyon Trail from Parking lot #7. Climb steeply to a saddle in approximately 1 mile and then moderately climb for another 3 miles to the junction with the Ford Canyon Trail. Turn right on the Ford Canyon Trail. This trail will drop to the Willow Spring, cross the dry river bed and continue up and over a rocky ridge. Eventually the trail drops steeply into a sandy wash. Follow this wash following the signs past Ford Canyon Dam and then into the boulders and Ford Canyon itself. The trail leaves the canyon (watch for signage) just before the canyon drops over a series of high waterfalls. Continue on Ford Canyon trail until the junction with Waddell. Turn right here and follow Waddell back to the parking lot #7. TRAILHEAD NAME: Mesquite Canyon Trailhead TRAILS: Mesquite, Ford Canyon, Waddell 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: http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Ford-Canyon-Mesquite URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBf4alDR_ckN-axF6XPea7e=eiWFFPQ PCHC TRAIL ID: 663 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Thursday, April 11, 2024	30	Future	692	Estrella Mountains Regional Park	B Challenge Hike - Estrella MRP - Competitive Track Long Loop plus Technical Loop (PCHC # 692)	B Challenge	12.4	1056	Excellent	0	26	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	2			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Mileage. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12.4 mile double loop hike with an elevation gain of 1056 feet. This hike goes through typical desert terrain with lots of Saguaro cactus. The hike begins on the Long Loop: at 0.84 miles turn right onto the Technical Loop, proceeding clockwise for 2.9 miles to where the trail ends at the Long Loop. Turn left and follow the Long Loop counter clockwise for 3.26 miles, turning left onto the Long Loop Mountain Pass, following it for 1.97 miles. It will again intersect with the Long Loop; turn left and follow the trail for 3.16 miles to the parking lot. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Be aware that this hike is on a biking competitive track. While on the technical loop, bikes will be coming from behind. Try to avoid scheduling this hike on Saturday. TRAILHEAD NAME: Estrella Competitive Track Trailhead TRAILS: Competitive Track Long Loop, Technical Loop FEES AND FACILITIES: There is a Portajohn at the trailhead. Park Fee \$7 DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Drive south on PebbleCreek Parkway/Estrella Parkway). 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 Phoenix International Raceway turn right. Follow the signs to the trails. Pay the park fee at the self pay station. Continue to the parking on the right. DRIVING DISTANCE: 26 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/EstrellaMountainRegionalPark/Competitive-Loop-Long/B-HikeEMRP-Comp-LoopLynnW2021-2022/-79XP25Q PCHC TRAIL ID: 692 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$2
Thursday, April 18, 2024	31	Future	133	Anthem Area	B Hike - Anthem Area - Fathers Day Loop (PCHC # 133)	B	9.3	1400	Scramble	5	92	Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiwicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 9.3 mile loop hike with an elevation gain of 1400 feet. The hike starts out from the Spear S Ranch Trailhead on the Maricopa Trail, then takes the Fathers Day Trail up towards Apache Peak. The Bs can go up to the top if they desire. The main trail goes up to a saddle. The Bs would continue over the back on another trail which eventually, returns to the Maricopa Trail, which hikers would then use to return to the trailhead. There are great views from the saddle and the top of Apache Peak IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Smooth trails to about 1/2 way up Apache Peak from the saddle. From there, scramble to peak with a bit of overhang and exposure TRAILHEAD NAME: Spear S Ranch Trailhead TRAILS: Fathers Day, Maricopa Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: There is no park fee. There are no restrooms at trail head. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Head north on PebbleCreek Parkway to Indian School Road, turn west and take Loop 303 North to I17. Go north on I17. Turn right on AZ 74 (Carefree Highway). Turn left onto N 7th Street. N 7th Street becomes New River Road. The trailhead is located near the intersection of New River Road and Linda Lane. DRIVING DISTANCE: 92 miles URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Anthem-Area/Apache-Peak-Loop/B-HikeApache-Peak-LoopLynnW2020-2021/-1Lb2BK/A URL GPX: https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgywFpJqBf4alDR_ckN-axF6XPea7e=eiWFFPQ PCHC TRAIL ID: 133 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7

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Thursday, April 25, 2024	32	Future	634	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	B Challenge Hike - Lake Pleasant RP - Lake Pleasant Shore Hike (Long) (PCHC # 634)	B Challenge	12.5	1200	Excellent	0	80	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	7			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse REASON FOR CHALLENGE: B hike rating exceeded: Mileage. DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12.5 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. This is a hike along the shore of Lake Pleasant that starts out near the Discovery Center, beginning on the Roadrunner Trail. At 0.8 miles, RR connects with Frog Tank Trail, and goes downhill for 0.3 miles to the Beardsley trail, turn right and at 2 miles BE ends near campground 7. Pick up Wild Burro Trail here and proceed for 2 miles where WB ends. Continue further on Pipeline Canyon Trail to the Floating Bridge; this will be the turn around point. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This hike typically takes 5 hours with breaks. TRAILHEAD NAME: Discovery Center Trailhead TRAILS: Roadrunner, Frog Tank, Beardsley, Wild Burro, Pipeline Canyon Trail FEES AND FACILITIES: Restrooms with water are at various points along the trail. Park fee is \$7.00 or covered by Maricopa County Park Pass. DRIVING DIRECTIONS: Loop 303 N. to Lake Pleasant Road. Turn left (N) on Lake Pleasant Road to Arizona 74. Turn left (W) and continue to Castle Hot Springs Rd. (Lake Pleasant Regional Park turnoff) and turn right (N). Go 2.1 miles to the park, turn right on Lake Pleasant Access Rd. Turn Right on South Park Road follow to Overlook Road which ends at the Discovery Center. DRIVING DISTANCE: 80 miles URL PHOTOS: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Other-12/Roadrunner-Frog-Tank-Pipeline URL MAP: https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Lake-Pleasant-Regional-Park/ PCHC TRAIL ID: 634 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$7
Thursday, May 2, 2024	33	Future	654	Tonto National Forest	B Hike - Tonto NF - Roosevelt Lake, Vineyard Trail #131 (PCHC # 654)	B	12	1510	Good	0	200	Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse	15			REGULAR START TIME: 6:30 AM HIKE LEADER: Kris Raczkiewicz or Eileen Lords Mosse DESCRIPTION: This hike is a 12 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 1510 feet. This trail is a segment of the AZT that connects Roosevelt Lake with mountains in the Four Peaks Wilderness. It has expansive views overlooking two major reservoirs, the Superstitions, and the Four Peaks. In the first 1.5 miles, you ascend 1100 ft. The remainder of the hike is over rolling hills as it winds towards the Four Peaks and overhead views of the dam. As you hike, you pass Camp O'Rourke, where dam workers lived in the 1900s. To your left the Salt River flows through Alchey Canyon, named after an Apache Chief who allegedly convinced Geronimo to surrender. IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Due to long driving distance, consider an overnight hike. TRAILHEAD NAME: Vineyard Trailhead TRAILS: Vineyard Trail #131 FEES AND FACILITIES: The closest restrooms are located at Roosevelt Lake Marina. There are no park fees DRIVING DIRECTIONS: to Roosevelt Lake Vineyard Trail, Mills Ridge Trailhead (AZ88) ** This hike can be accessed via AZ88 or AZ87** Take 110 East from N. Pebble Creek Parkway. Follow 110 East towards Phoenix for about 19 miles Take exit 147 for AZ 202 Loop E and continue for about 23 miles Take exit 26 for E. Brown Road At the traffic circles, stay on E Brown Rd for 4miles E Brown Rd will become Lost Dutchman Blvd; follow for 3.4 miles Turn left onto AZ88/Apache Trail; follow for 44 miles until it ends at Roosevelt Lake Bridge Turn left onto AZ188 to cross the bridge Look for a parking pullout on the side of the road DRIVING DISTANCE: 200 miles PCHC TRAIL ID: 654 SUGGESTED DRIVER DONATION: \$15