

COLD RIVER CURRENTS

January 2022

The Newsletter of the Cold River Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club

Chapter Co-Chairs' Report Steve Mullins and Susan Atwell

Best wishes for a happy, healthy New Year.
Many thanks to Noelle McCrum for organizing the 2021 Holiday Party. We are grateful for her hard work and perseverance in planning this popular event while following evolving CDC, State, and ADK guidelines.

We appreciate the great variety of winter activities the CRC Outings Committee has planned. Enjoy the outdoors with a hike, x-country ski or snowshoe in the company of friendly, enthusiastic, adventuresome people.

Kate McCormick and Anne Hornbeck are hosting a bring-your-own food/beverage potluck on January 20th at the Minerva Community Center. All Covid guidelines will be followed as we plan to provide a safe social gathering environment in a spacious venue. If Covid transmission rates are determined to be too high for indoor gatherings at the time of the January potluck, a notice will be sent via email 48-72 hours in advance of the event. We all hope this is not required, but we have to operate in a pandemic environment where plans are always in a perpetual state of uncertainty.

The Fall Outing Committee continues to fine tune plans for the ADK Centennial Celebration and Fall Outing at Silver Bay YMCA Conference and Family Retreat Center on September 23-25, 2022. Silver Bay YMCA area location near Hague on beautiful Lake George offers the perfect venue for activities of all levels. This will be an exciting, not to be missed, celebration. Stay tuned for information on events and registration.

2022 CRC Executive Committee

Steve Mullins (Chapter Chair)
Susan Atwell (Co-Chair)
Rich Salz (ADK Advisory Council Trustee)
Rose Cooper (ADK Advisor Council Alternate Trustee)
Anne Bernat (Secretary)
John Rendinaro (Treasurer)
Tom Riley, Lynn Butterworth (Outings Co-Chairs)
Ellen Collins (Membership Chair)
Linda Hales (Newsletter Chair)
Maria Rinella, Rich Salz (Members-at-large)

Directors Report

Ken Shea
12/31/2021



1. An amendment to the new ADK by-laws was approved and the Advisory Council has been advised of the approved changes.
2. A new slate of ADK Board of Directors has been approved by the current ADK BOD and a public announcement will be made in January.
3. A new ADK website was launched in mid-December. Please take a look.
4. National Trails Day is June 4th 2022 with focus on the Northville Lake Placid Trail (NPT).
5. The Cascade Ski Center purchase is progressing with anticipated closing in January 2022.
6. New ADK Centennial Peaks and Ponds Trail Guide will be available 1st Quarter of 2022. Guidebook features 37 classic and lesser known trails throughout the ADK Park.
7. ADK Education Team produced 5 videos for the Spring Outreach Program reaching 383 4th graders.
8. Trails Coordinator, Andrew Hamlin, has stepped down after 15 years. Charlotte Staats is now the Trails Coordinator(She is the first women appointed to this position). Trail work done this year includes: Mt. Joe, Phelps Trail, Buck Mt, Iroquois Peak, Avalanche Pass, Jones Hill and Poke-O-Moonshine.
9. DO NOT FORGET ..SAVE THE DATE .. 2022 ADK Fall Outing / Centennial Celebration, September 23-25, 2022 hosted by our ADK CRC Chapter.

Director's Report and Chapter News



Director Role Ends 31 December 2021

Thank You – Ken Shea and
Harold Stackhouse



In 2020 the ADK Mountain Club restructured its organization to streamline a relatively cumbersome Board of Directors governing body. As part of the restructuring process, each Chapter's Director's position was eliminated. Chapters are now represented by a significantly smaller set of elected Directors.

Because of the restructuring, the Cold River Chapter will see its long-time Director, Ken Shea, and the Alternate Director, Harold Stackhouse, "retire" from their respective roles. Harold deserves our thanks and gratitude for his willingness to assume the Director's duty in the event that Ken was not able to participate. Harold has been an active member of and volunteer within the CRC for many years.

Ken has been intimately engaged in the governance duties of the Club since 2015 when he served as the Alternate Director for Noel Davis. He was elected by the CRC in 2016 for a 6-year term as Director, which ends at the end of December 2021. He served on the Board of Directors (BOD) nominating, membership and development committees while serving as CRC Director. Ken took a proactive approach in his duties as Director, and stayed in regular contact with the ADK headquarters (HQ) administrative staff to keep informed and to stay knowledgeable about all aspects of Club governance and decision making processes, of which he served as a strong voice and advocate for the health and wellbeing of the Club as it prepares for a re-imagined 21st Century organization. He has approached his Directorship with dedication and common sense that has benefited the Club as a whole, and has increased visibility of the Cold River Chapter with the ADK administrative staff. His close relationships with ADK HQ provided the Chapter Executive Committee with ongoing insight into the changing elements of the Club, for both current restructuring and the long-term vision of the Club, as a viable organization remaining true to its outdoor sustainability mission for recreational and conservation oriented activities for future generations.

Ken has also been active in virtually all aspects of the CRC activities for many years. He volunteered to serve on the Iditaride fund raiser and event organizing team. He has been a regular contributor to several ADK Loj and JBL work weekends, and remains active in these programs.

As the ADK Mountain Club prepares to celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2022, Ken has been active as a committee member in overall planning and outing activities for the Fall 2022 Outing/Centennial celebration, that will take place at the Silver Bay YMCA on Lake George in September of next year. His overall knowledge of the workings of the Club and his participation in multiple previous Fall Outing venues is proving to be invaluable in guiding the Chapter towards rational planning decisions, that are essential in our role as the Fall 2022 Outing/Centennial event host.

From the CRC members and Executive Committee, we send our many thanks and sincere gratitude to Ken for his years of professional-quality volunteer positions with the Club and the Chapter, and for being such a positive influence in the organization. He has been a wonderful advocate and cheerleader for the Club, and his representation of the Chapter on the ADK BOD has been positive without exception.

~Steve Mullins

Advisory Council Report—Rich Salz

The Advisory Council (AC) will meet on January 18, 2022 to elect a director who will be its representative on the board. There are three candidates, two of whom are currently on the AC and the third now serves on the board as the Loj chapter representative. The sale of the Cascade Cross-Country Ski Center to ADK was expected to close on December 29. ADK was recently awarded a \$500,000 grant by New York State towards the approximately \$2.5 million purchase price. The ski center will be open to the public this season under the temporary management and staff of the previous owner. The Cascade purchase should significantly expand the Club's educational offerings, which have been limited by the lack of suitable classrooms on the Loj property. Its location on Route 73 near Lake Placid should be a magnet for visitors seeking information on outdoor pursuits in the region.

Where in the World?

Sugarcreek, Ohio and Cuyahoga National Park

by Kate McCormick

Traveling to Sugarcreek, Ohio during 2020, Covid lockdown year, turned out to be a very interesting and scenic adventure. My sisters planned our usual fall weekend, this time in a very large B-n-B on a grand hill outside of Sugarcreek. After a night spent in an abandoned hotel in the Theatre District of Buffalo, I drove through the vast Welch grape area of New York State then dropped down into the Cuyahoga Valley past rolling hills and dairy farms toward Akron. Sugarcreek boasts the world's largest cuckoo clock as well as many fine shops and historical museums that reflect the early German and Swiss settlers and Amish economy of the valley. Wide valley walks, golf courses, wineries and many outdoor eateries greeted us during our stay.

On the return trip I discovered that the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation area had become a National Park in 2000, making it the most recently added national park and a unique recreational venue. It provides about 90 miles of biking/walking and boating too. Conservationists and local residents with Eastern European roots, and public officials championed the cause to save their heritage along the Cuyahoga (crooked) River which runs 90 miles from Cleveland to Akron. I walked and rode on the Towpath of the Erie and Ohio Canal and visited the Cuyahoga Valley History Museum. More hiking and rocky trails would reveal the many waterfalls. I also enjoyed a 3.5-hour ride on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. There is plenty of family fun in this inviting park. Although the park has only two lodges, its proximity to Interstate 80 and 77 and villages provide plenty of lodging options. One last tip, the Cleveland Orchestra makes its summer home in the Cuyahoga Valley and plays at the Blossom Festival.



The clock plays oompah on the hour

Where in the World?



Straight from the farm to the bank! (above)
Sugarcreek Historical Society (right)



Left, Blue Hen Falls; above, Everett Covered Bridge, in
Cuyahoga National Park courtesy of John Hales

Do you have an adventure to share?
We would love to hear about your trip
(even in past years). Sharing enables
us to learn about other places,
vicariously enjoy your experiences,
and plan our own trips. Please contact
Linda Hales at l_hales@hotmail.com
and keep this section of the newsletter
thriving.

Thanks!

Outings

Should you have a favorite outing in your area that you would like to share with others and are interested in being a leader or co-leader, please let the outings chairpersons know. We are always looking for new ideas and new leaders!

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF CRC AND ARE NOT RECEIVING THE OUTINGS EMAILS AND WANT TO, OR IF YOU WANT TO STOP THEM, PLEASE SEND YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND REQUEST TO OUR CHAPTER
AT ColdRiverADKChapter@adk.org.

The Outings Committee would like to announce that **Greg Clark** and **Maria Rinella** have decided to step down from serving on the Outings Committee. These two, long-serving members regularly assisted with leading outings and often filled-in by leading additional outings when open dates needed leaders.

Maria has served on the committee since its inception, which started with the help of Greg. In 2013, Greg became co-chair, and he helped create an outings committee to share the work of organizing outings each week. In 2016, he helped incorporate MailChimp to assist with outings mailings distribution to serve CRC's growing distribution lists. The number of outings and participants have grown exponentially over Greg's and Maria's tenure.

We thank Maria and Greg so much for their service, and even though they will no longer be active committee members, we hope to see them continue to lead outings whenever they can.

~Lynn Butterworth, co-chair Outings Committee

~Tom Riley, co-chair Outings Committee

October 7: Ledge Mountain

Leader: Tom Riley

Seven hikers met on a warm, sunny morning at the Sawyer Mountain parking area for a hike to Ledge Mountain. We crossed Rt. 28 and headed generally eastward. Early on, we crossed a snowmobile trail but were otherwise off-trail. This was one of the drier hikes of 2021! When we reached the open ledge on the south side of the mountain, we were rewarded with a glorious peak-foliage view. ~Meredith Todd



Ledge Mountain

October 7: Chimney Mountain, Indian Lake

Leader: Tom Zelker

On the summit of Chimney Mountain, after being wowed by the ancient rock formations, eight CRC members enjoyed lunch, the array of autumn colors, witty conversation, and cliff top vistas.
~ Greg Schaefer

Outings



Chimney Mountain

October 8: Pole Hill Pond / Walnut Ridge Hike

Leader: Moira Goldfarb

An enthusiastic group of ten hikers met on a warm autumn morning to hike from the Isabel Godwin Preserve trailhead in the Lake George Wild Forest to Pole Hill Pond, Walnut Ridge and the High Nopit overlook.

We arrived at Pole Hill Pond after an easy 1-mile hike through a lovely forest setting. Leaving the pond, a moderate uphill climb of one more mile brought us to Walnut Ridge. We were rewarded with an outstanding view of Lake George as we enjoyed a snack and conversed on the expansive open ledge. Before returning to the parking area, we hiked a short distance to an overlook featuring the summit of High Nopit and a forest bursting with vibrant autumn hues. ~Moira Goldfarb



Walnut Ridge



October 14th: Palmer Pond Climb Leaders: Tracey Donaldson and Steven Sokal

Nine of us met at the parking lot for Palmer Pond. It was gray and overcast but quite mild, and even as we gathered, the day began to brighten. We headed in on the log road towards the pond, on a carpet of leaves. We were to follow the trail to the left around the lake clockwise, but made a quick detour down to the pond to look at the lovely view looking south and southwest towards No Name mountain, our destination. Following the marked trail through mostly pine forest along the eastern edge of the lake, we reached a rocky ledge where we could look across at McGann Mountain covered by some nice colors. Continuing along the trail, we reached an intersection with different paths. The one to the right led back to the carpark, making a circuit of the lake. Instead, we turned left and continued on, up towards our destination. The climb was gradual and the trail narrowed, until near the top, where it got steeper. The trail is marked but not well used. The terrain was more grassy and rocky with few trees at this point, giving a sense that the area might have been used for grazing at some stage not too long ago. Near the top, the vista opened up and we had gorgeous views of Gore and Crane in the distance. Hues of orange dominated the hillsides, as the sun came out. We climbed a very short distance further to reach the summit, but the view was impeded by trees. On the way back, some of the group decided to complete the circuit of the pond while the rest of the group retraced our steps around the pond and stopped to explore the cave on the southeast corner. We covered approximately 5.45 miles, including a couple of side tours. A great day was had by all. ~Ger Cox

Outings



Palmer Pond

October 14: Hike Crane Mountain Leaders: Judy and Steve Thomson

What we will remember from the day are wonderful fall colors. There were some challenging climbs up rock fields and ladders, but friends were there to help us find the right footing along the way. Pleasant conversations kept our minds off the steep sections. Views of the surrounding mountains, the ridge walk, and lunch at the pristine Crane Mountain Pond were highlights of the day. This 4-mile loop hit the spot for our very cohesive hiking group.

~Marti Townley



Crane Mountain

October 15: Forked Lake Paddling Leader: Sam Vona

Paddling Fork Lake was quite an adventure with a rainy, albeit, warm start for seven of us. The lake was pristine with only campsites and Whitney land around the perimeter. On the paddle we saw more birds than humans along the shoreline, with the highlights being a juvenile bald eagle, a pair of loons, some mallards, and a common merganser. We did, however, see one group of humans drinking beer and throwing horseshoes. This outing was Sam's last paddle to finish the CRC Paddle Pursuit! Afterwards, he surprised us with lovely appetizers and Prosecco to celebrate. Yvette and Michael regaled us with stories of Siberia and how our climate and latitude equals Siberia's. Let's hope this winter we get that kind of snow! Thank you, Sam, for a great paddle, and CONGRATULATIONS on completing the CRC Paddle Pursuit!

~Anne Bernat



Forked Lake

October 21: Jones Hill Leader: Marti Townley and Ken Shea

It was a great day to hike in the rain! Because it was only off and on, our rain coats were off and on too. We hiked up and down through the dampness to the beautiful views from Jones Hill and the ridges nearby. We enjoyed the company and a chance to see a part of the North Country National Scenic Trail.

~Marti Townley

Outings



Jones Hill

October 28: Moose Mt. Pond Hike Leader: Gail Gabriels

We had a group of 18 meet in the North Hudson parking lot of the recently opened A-Frame for the old Frontier Town. This is a good meeting place, as the A-frame is beautiful; you can use rest rooms, buy snacks and tour the newly renovated building. We all carpooled from here the short distance to the trailhead for Moose Mountain Pond. The trailhead's parking accommodates about 6 cars, and we took up most of the lot. The trail begins next to a stream, and heavy rains this week left the water moving quickly. Early in the hike there are nice waterfalls along the way. There are a beaver dam and an old beaver lodge visible from the trail. A portion of the woods look like a microburst came through, as the large trees were all down in one concentrated area. This trail is lovely and well-marked, about 7 miles out and back to a nice lean-to--a good place to enjoy the view of the pond and have a snack. There, we rested in the sun and enjoyed the solitude. Some hikers continued a bit further on a rock ledge for a total of about 8 miles. They had a spectacular view of the pond and the surrounding mountain. On the return trip, we had a view of the high peaks since most of the leaves are now off of the trees. It was a wonderful hike, and we all enjoyed the day out despite 3 falls on the trail (2 in the mud), but thankfully, no injuries. Thank you, Gail Gabriels, for organizing the hike.
~Tracey Donaldson



Moose Mountain Pond

November 4: Pack Forest / Ben Wood Mountain Hike Leader: Greg Clark

This was a beautiful day for a hike--cool in the morning and sunny along the way. We followed the old road along the reflective lake, past the marsh and up to the top of Ben Wood for the still-colorful view and a lunch break. We returned around the other lakeshore past the DEC youth camp and stopped to watch the loons for a bit. Some careful logging had taken place along that side and up the hill a ways. The Pack Forest is closed to hunting so it is a safe place to ramble in the fall. ~Dorean Page



Ben Wood Mountain



Outings

November 4: Peaked Mountain Hike **Leaders: Lynn Butterworth and John Rendinaro**

The ground was snow-covered, the trail was wet from all the rain we have had, but that did not stop the seven hikers from having a fun and amusing hike up Peaked Mt. It was a chilly start, but we soon warmed up as we wound our way along Thirteenth Lake and eventually turned to follow Peaked Mountain Pond Brook and its waterfalls. There were 19 stream crossings which kept us on our toes. We had a relaxing lunch along Peaked Mt. Pond, and then made our way up the steeper and rocky ascent to the top. The views were spectacular. We could see snow squalls moving through the area and then the sun would pop out. After taking in the views, we made our way back down and noticed the snow at the bottom had melted.

Thank you Lynn and John for a delightful day.
~Gail Gabriels



Peaked Mountain



November 11: Five Mile Mountain Hike **(part of the Tongue Mt. Range)** **Leader: Marti Townley**

Marti and Ken led a group of 13 from the Deer Leap trailhead along the Tongue Range to the Clay Meadows trailhead, for a distance of 7.2 miles and 1400 feet of elevation. We climbed several summits along the range. As we got to the lovely overlook, Marti surprised us with a historical talk on the French and Indian War...she even had notes! And when she got her directions reversed she became the scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz! So, now Marti has single-handedly upped the standards for leaders. Take note leaders! (Just kidding!) We also learned a new way for ladies to take a nature break in the woods from Marti...see picture below. She's been quite inventive lately. But honestly, we weren't buying it 🙄, but we had several good laughs! Thank you Marti and Ken for a great day!
~Anne Bernat



Five Mile Mountain

November 18: Hudson River Walk **Leader: Barbara Kearns**

From the Newcomb Golf Course we walk along the river path as a deer runs--in the opposite direction through an adjacent marsh....perhaps hunter skittish. There are signs of beavers sliding from the river--up to do some logging and further down the path workers repair a snowmobile bridge. At the Campsite Road we look upon the river waters we've paddled in the summer months; then retreat down the path and continue along some backroads around the golf course before crossing the greens back to our cars. It's 11:59. We've walked 3.87 miles in the 2 hours. It's beginning to rain.
~Barbara Kearns

Outings



Newcomb Golf Course

December 2: Federal Flats and Loch Muller Cemeteries Snowshoe or Hike Leader: Kate McCormick

It was a lousy day, at least weather wise. Cold, dreary, drizzly, with dark clouds and thick fog rolling through the mountains--bit eerie really, and kind of spooky. A perfect day for Kate McCormick to lead us on a tour of three cemeteries in Minerva and Loch Muller.

We began at the Baptist Cemetery in Minerva where Kate's years as a member of the local historical society gave us deep insight into the history of the area. The natural resources, mostly timber, brought families from several European countries in the early 1700's. Ann Hornbeck added a few stories, as she taught some of the descendants of these families with familiar surnames and that still live in the area.

We moved onto the Federal Flats Cemetery and found the burial sites of several Civil War veterans. One person lived in three centuries, born in 1799 and died in 1901. Ann told us of her time volunteering to help clean the headstones and the process used. Sharon Kendall shared her knowledge of some local haunted houses and along with Ann's stories, they embellished the interesting, educational, and enjoyable day that Kate had organized.

Lastly, we walked about .5 mile into the woods and found the Loch Muller Cemetery--smaller than the other two but also with a very rich history. We had some believers with us who were pretty sure that 'orbs' or 'spirits' might be present. I wasn't worried if they started talking

about apparitions or poltergeists because I knew who to call-- Drs. Venkman, Stantz, and Spengler. ~Maria Rinella



Federal Flats

December 2: Dippikill Wilderness Retreat Center Hike Leaders: Judy Thomson

The seven of us, who were able to hike a day earlier than scheduled to avoid rain, lucked out with a clear sunny one. For most of us non-SUNY Albany grads, this was an opportunity to revisit a beautiful area. We traversed the rambling terrain up and down Dippikill Mt. and around the pond, ending with an unplanned look at the large and impressive staff-built lodge. Early on, we had donned spikes of one sort or another after detecting ice underfoot; but as it warmed, we found ourselves walking unsteadily on two or three inches of packed snow and leaves as pictured here, titled: "Rockettes B-Team Low Kickers" (compliments of Peggy Knowles)! ~Jan McCann

Outings



Dippikill

December 9th: Mill Creek Flow Hike Leader: Tracey Donaldson

We had a small group meet in North Hudson for this tranquil hike through the Hammond Pond Wilderness Area. This trail starts at the Sharp Bridge Campground in North Hudson, adjacent to the Schroon River. The recent snowfall left all of the tree branches and the trail covered in a light snow. We saw fresh tracks we believe were from a coyote and enjoyed the dappled sunlight shining through the trees and the running river next to us. There were some recent blowdowns across the trail that required us to navigate beneath to continue our journey. It was a lovely day in the woods and we hiked about 3.5 miles total, on pretty flat terrain. It was very peaceful and pretty, and we all hope to return again to hike there another time. ~Tracey Donaldson



Mill Creek Flow



December 9: Buck Mountain Hike Leaders: Lynn Butterworth and John Rendinaro

On December 7th, Lynn and John led three more intrepid hikers up Buck Mt. It was a 6.33-mile hike with 1,957 feet of elevation in an inch or two of snow. From the top, the views up and down Lake George were amazing! Micro-spikes were definitely our friends that day, and no one blinked at scooting down a steeper section on their caboose 😊. A great hike on a clear sunny day! ~Lynn Butterworth



Buck Mountain

December 9: Santanoni Cross Country Ski Leader: Marti Townley and Gail Gabriels

With very little snow around we found perfect conditions on the ski into Great Camp Santanoni. Luckily, we have good sources in Newcomb to give us the heads-up. We glided in and had lunch in the sun at the boathouse. Then had a pleasant glide out. A perfect start to the season! ~ Marti Townley

Outings



Santanoni

December 16: Balm of Gilead + Hooper Mine Snowshoe or Hike

Leaders: Lynn Butterworth and John Rendinaro

It is always a treat to climb this short little mountain with views of Thirteenth Lake. But Ken Shea wanted to add a little adventure to our day, so we took a shortcut/ long- cut to Hooper mine. It required some bushwhacking, some team work, some GPS, and a challenging beaver dam crossing at the end of William Blake Pond. It was a fun morning before our wonderful Christmas gathering at Garnet Hill Lodge. ~Marti Townley



Balm of Gilead



December 16: OK Slip Falls Snowshoe or Hike

Leader: Tom Riley

A group of 4 hiked the gently rolling trail to one of the tallest waterfalls in the Adirondacks. The trail was generally icy and micro-spikes were a necessity. It was cloudy when we started and foggy when we arrived at the ice covered falls. Moments later, the fog lifted and it turned out to be a seasonally warm, sunny day. ~Tom Riley



OK Slip Falls

Outings

CRC 2021 Outings Summary (submitted by Maria Rinella)

127 outings scheduled
49 weeks of outings (minus Thanksgiving,
Christmas, New Year's)
2.6 outings/week average
43 cancelled due to:
22 weather
10 leader availability
5 low interest
4 trail conditions
2 other
737 total participants
15 participants/week average
41 different leaders



Top Leaders:

10 Gail Gabriels
9 Lynn Butterworth and John Rendinaro
8 Tracey Donaldson
8 Tom Riley
8 Judy and Steve Thomson
8 Marti Townley
7 Barbara Kearns
6 Sam Vona



You Never Know Who's Watching You!

In early October Ellen Schaefer was watching Channel 10 News, and suddenly she saw a picture of her husband Greg and other CRC members climbing Gore Mountain! The story was about leaf peeping in the Adirondacks, and taking the Gore Gondola Ride. One of the mountain marketing staff was on the trail the same day Greg was leading a group up the Schaefer Trail to the summit of Gore.

Two group photos were put in the story. You never know when you might end up on TV! To see the story, click on this link. Enjoy! <https://www.news10.com/news/warren-county/leaf-peeping-fall-foliage-skyrides/>

Announcements

Potluck is Back!
(although it's not a true potluck)



January 20th at the Minerva Community Center, at 4:00 (meeting) and 5:00 (dinner), Kate McCormick and Ann Hornbeck will host our first potluck for 2022. In keeping with ADK and CRC guidelines for Club-sponsored indoor events:

- 1) Attendees must show proof of vaccination.
- 2) Attendees must wear face masks when not eating or drinking.
- 3) Attendees are encouraged to maintain as much social distance as possible during the event.
- 4) Everyone will bring their own food. We want to avoid sharing of containers, utensils, and food items served from a common container.

We hope you will be able to join us!

SAVE THE DATE: ADK's Centennial Celebration & Fall Outing

Cold River Chapter is hosting ADK's Centennial Celebration & Fall Outing on September 23 - 25, 2022 at the Silver Bay YMCA Conference & Family Retreat Center in Silver Bay, NY (near Hague). If you haven't been to any other Fall Outing, this is the one you shouldn't miss. The YMCA is on Lake George, with spectacular views of the lake and mountains, and has boats, tennis courts, hiking trails and a gym. If you don't want to stay at the hotel, you can come on Saturday just for the day and join us for a barbecue dinner, or you can camp nearby at NYS Rogers Rock Campground. There will be 60 outings, including a pontoon boat tour of Lake George, musical entertainment on Friday night by Dan Berggren and Jamcrackers, and a special guest speaker on Saturday night – noted environmentalist and author Bill McKibben. Registration is scheduled to open in early March.



Bill McKibben



Dan Berggren and Jamcrackers

Announcements

ADK Centennial Guidebook, Peaks and Ponds, coming soon!

ADK is thrilled to announce the upcoming publication of our centennial guidebook, Peaks and Ponds, Adirondack Day Hikes, due out in early spring!

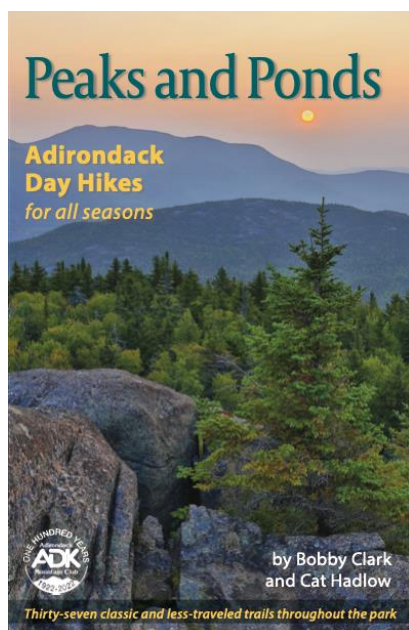
This brand-new collection of 37 classic and lesser-known day hikes honors ADK's 100-year anniversary. It will take you to beautiful remote spots throughout the park — places such as Moss Lake, Catamount Mountain, Tirrell Pond, and Kipp Mountain. Many of the hikes might even become your new favorites! It's a collaborative work by two of ADK's own staffers, who are seasoned outdoor adventurers: Bobby Clark, manager of our High Peaks Information Center and Cat Hadlow, who works the front desk at Adirondack Loj.

The book also features snippets of ADK history. Learn about topics such as how ADK builds trails to curtail erosion, and how we helped fight the building of dams along the Hudson River. Sections about wilderness safety and ethics will help you have a safe, low-impact outing.

Also new for ADK, this 160-page, full-color volume includes GPS coordinates and QR codes for trailheads and parking areas. You will also find page map sketches by illustrator Terry Brosseau; scores of beautiful photographs; round-trip distances; and difficulty ratings.

Peaks and Ponds follows the 5.5" x 8.5" format of our popular samplers, Views from on High and Kids on the Trail. It will be available for just \$18.95 at ADK.org, or by calling 800-395-8080 (member discounts apply), and at select retailers.

Keep an eye on ADK.org and our newsletter for publication date information. If you have questions, please call Laura Rappaport, publications director, 518-668-4447.



Peaks and Ponds authors: Bobby Clark and Cat Hadlow

CRC Membership and Connections

Membership

Membership Chair, Ellen C. Collins

IF YOUR MAILING ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS HAVE CHANGED, PLEASE CONTACT ADK HEADQUARTERS MEMBERSHIP AT 1-800-395--8080. WE WANT TO KEEP YOU INFORMED.

As of November 2021:

Total Households: 312

Total Members: 542

Total Affiliates: 28



Ann Ferentz Brant Lake, NY
Jeanine & Henry Gozdz Adirondack, NY
Katherine Havard & Todd Feitelson
Millbrook, NY
Kathleen Herold Chestertown, NY
Carrick Palmer Newcomb, NY
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Paul & Amy Treistman Brewster, NY
Keith & Michelle Usiskin Mendham, NJ

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Karen & Mike Mahaney Annandale, NJ
Dan & Barbara Rogers Slingerlands, NY
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