

### **September 3: Into the Burrough's Caves along the Boreas River**

**Leader:** Tom Zelker

**ADK Rating:** Leader Level 1, C (Easy)

**Limit:** 10

**Description:** We can easily check out 4 caves in that system...a beginner's exploration, not going deep into the caves but giving the folks a dark and beautiful sense of caving. The caves are formed by Hot Water Creek.

**Meeting Time/Place:** Rendezvous at the Boreas River parking areas on Northwoods Club Road at 10am. The hike in is less than 2 miles, on the old railroad tracks. Helmets, gloves, flashlights, and a change of clothes would be needed. I can provide several helmets.

**Contact:** Call me at 518-827-3301

### **September 4: Record Hill Hike, Town of Putnam**

**Leader:** Brendan Hanley

**ADK Rating:** Leader Level 1, C (Easy)

**Duration:** 2 Hours; **Limit:** 10

**Description:** Record Hill is located on the northeast side of Lake George near Glenburnie. The trail to the summit is short (appx 0.75 miles each way) but steep (appx 740 feet of elevation gain). The top of the hill, together with two adjacent overlooks, feature views to the south (down Lake George) as well as to the west and northwest (across the lake and towards Rogers Rock). If we're lucky, groups of peregrine falcons will be visible in the skies above the hill.

**Meeting Place/Time:** Meet at a location to be determined at 10:00AM. Specific directions to be provided.

**Contact:** Brendan Hanley [thehanleys@frontiernet.net](mailto:thehanleys@frontiernet.net) or call (518) 251-2142. Should cancellation be necessary, an email will be sent out to participants by 7AM.

### **September 4: Fishing and/or Paddling Outing to Lake Lila**

**Leader:** Jeffrey Schanzer

**ADK Rating:** Leader Level 2, (Intermediate)

**Description:** Lake Lila is totally surrounded by state land and is not accessible by road making it an excellent location for fishing. It is at the end of dirt road just north of Long Lake. There is a one third mile carry from the parking lot. Bring a lightweight kayak or canoe as there is very little fishing availability from shore. This carry would be extremely difficult with wheels because of many roots and rocks, so leave your cart at home. Lake Lila is known for excellent smallmouth bass fishing. Bring a PFD and a whistle as required by ADK. In addition to the carry, we will be on the water for at least three hours. Bring a snack and fluids. [Paddlers are welcome to join.](#)

**Meeting Time/Place:** Parking areas on the street across from the Adirondack Hotel by the Long Lake public beach at noon.

**Contact:** Please email Jeffrey Schanzer at [JeffSchan@aol.com](mailto:JeffSchan@aol.com) to participate. An email will be sent to participants the night before should any changes or cancellation be necessary. Rain date September 11.

**September 8: Balfour Lake Paddle****Leader: Walt Nelson****ADK Rating: Leader Level C (easy)****Duration: 2.5hr.                      Limit: 10**

**Description:** A short carry to the launch for a ~5-mile circumnavigation of the Lake. There are two youth camps on the lake. After Labor Day the lake becomes quiet. The north-south orientation generally provides some shelter from our prevailing westerly breezes.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 10 AM, 14 miles SE of Newcomb and 5 miles NW of Minerva, on Rt. 28N is a recently completed upgrade to the parking lot for Balfour Lake. Dress for the weather, bring PFD, whistle, a snack or lunch and drinking water.

**Contact:** Walt Nelson via TEXT 716.799.4016 with your interest. An update will precede the paddle date and any last-minute changes will be conveyed by 7:30 the day of the paddle.

**September 11: Rock Pond & Lake Durant Paddle****Leader: Shannon Andersen****ADK Rating: Leader Level 1, C (Easy)****Duration: 4 hours 6 Miles                      Limit: 12**

**Description:** We will start our paddle at the launch located at the Cascade Pond trailhead parking lot located off of Durant Road in the Blue Ridge Wilderness Area. We will head out towards Rock Pond. After we paddle under the footbridge we will explore Rock Pond. Afterwards will head back and paddle the shores of Lake Durant. We will stop at the campgrounds sandy beach and have lunch at the picnic tables before we paddle back to where we began.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 10 AM at the launch located at the Cascade Pond trailhead off of Durant Road in Blue Mountain Lake.

**Contact:** Shannon Andersen at [theandersenson3385@yahoo.com](mailto:theandersenson3385@yahoo.com) or 914-490-9534.

**September 11: Hike to Buttermilk Pond, Brant Lake/Horicon****Leader: Meredith Todd****ADK Rating: Leader Level 1, C+ (Fairly easy)****Duration: 5-6 hours                      Limit: 15**

**Description:** The trail to Buttermilk Pond passes the shore of Lily Pond before continuing on further east. The terrain is flat or in places rolling with minor elevation change and no steep sections. We will hike out and back a total of about 8 miles. The trail is wooded now, but many years ago there were farms along parts of some old roads as well as an area affected by fire.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 9:10 at the large dirt lot next to the Hub on Market St. to carpool or ready to hike at the trailhead at 9:30.

**Directions:** If coming from the west on State Route 8, drive 3 miles past the Horicon Fire house. Turn right onto Grassville Rd. then go another 3 miles to the dead end. Park along the side of the road just before the clearing/turnaround.

**Contact:** Meredith at [meredith36ny@yahoo.com](mailto:meredith36ny@yahoo.com) or 518-494-8088 (land line, do not text) If cancellation is necessary, an email will be sent by 7 am the day of the hike.

### **September 15: Paddle Hitchings Pond**

**Leader: Walt Nelson**

**ADK Rating: Leader Level 1, C (easy)**

**Duration: 4hr.                      Limit: 10**

**Description:** We were denied water access during reconstruction of the lower dam on the Bog River for several years. After completion in the fall of 2024 access was again permitted. We will paddle up stream into Hitchings Pond, ending at the carry to Lowes Lake and then return. Plan on a four-hour paddle.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 10AM, gather in the parking lot/launch at the lower dam, ready to paddle at 10 AM. Location is ~30 minutes south of Tupper Lake (15 miles) and ~30 minutes north of Long Lake (20 miles). Rt 421 leaves Rt 30 to the west, (6 miles, the last 3 are ROUGH) passing Horseshoe Lake. Turn left down the road to the parking lot (both refurbished & in excellent condition) and launch. Dress for the weather, bring PFD, whistle, a snack or lunch and drinking water.

**Contact:** Walt Nelson via TEXT 716.799.4016 with your interest. An update will precede the paddle date and any last-minute changes will be conveyed by 7:30 the day Of the paddle.

### **Sept. 18: Henderson Lake Paddle, Newcomb**

**Leader: Ger Cox**

**Adk Rating: Leader Level 1, easy (carry)**

**Duration: 3-4 hours                      Limit: 10**

**Description:** Henderson Lake has terrific views and colors will be changing at this time. There is a portage of about third of a mile from the parking lot to the launch site. Wheels or a light boat are recommended. Bring PFD and whistle, lunch and water.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 9:30am at the parking lot in Tahawus. Take 28N to Blue Ridge Road, and turn on to Tahawus Road about half mile north of 28N.

**Contact:** Ger Cox at [ger526@msn.com](mailto:ger526@msn.com) or 646-476-1842 If cancellation is necessary, an email will be sent by 7:30am the day of the outing.

### **September 18: Hour Pond, North River**

**Leader: Marti Townley**

**Adk Rating: Leader Level: C+**

**Duration: 4-5 hours                      7miles                      Limit: 15**

**Description:** This is an interesting woods hike over rolling terrain to a beautiful remote Pond. We will reach a lead-to for lunch.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 9:30 at Tops in North Creek or 9:50 at the 13<sup>th</sup> Lake Trail Head at the end of Beach rd. which is off 13<sup>th</sup> Lake Rd. in North River.

**Contact:** Marti Townley [mdksshea@aol.com](mailto:mdksshea@aol.com) or 518-301-3712

**September 22: North Lake/South Lake****Leader: Walt Nelson****ADK Rating: Leader Level C (easy)****Duration: 3-4hr.                      Limit: 10**

**Description:** North Lake and/or South Lake (launch site dependent) Herkimer County are sources of the Black River draining into Lake Ontario in the western portion of the ADK park. Each of these lakes offers a ~5-mile circumnavigation of their shorelines. (If we are adventurous, we might be able to paddle both!)

**Meeting Time/Place:** 10AM, from Forestport rt 28 intersection that is 18 miles south of Old Forge on Rt. 28 , travel SE on Woodhull Rd. and then N on Lake Rd. ~16 miles to Atwell and a launch for North Lake. South Lake is ~2.5 miles further NE on S Lake rd. and onto S Lake Club Rd. (The lake we paddle determines the final directions.) Dress for the weather, bring PFD, whistle, a snack or lunch and drinking water.

**Contact:** Walt Nelson via TEXT 716.799.4016 with your interest. An update will precede the paddle date and any last-minute changes will be conveyed by 7:30 the day Of the paddle.

**September 25: Cat Mountain Hike, Bolton Landing****Leader: Rich Salz****ADK Rating: Leader Level 2 (Moderate)    Duration: 3.0 hours    Limit: 12**

**Description:** 3.8 mile RT loop on red and blue trails with 1,040 ft. elevation gain to summit with stunning views of southern Lake George and the southwestern Adirondacks. The red trail has some steep sections.

**Meeting Time/Place:** 11:45 am at the parking lot at Northway Exit 24 and Schroon River Rd.

**Contact: Rich Salz** [richsalz10@gmail.com](mailto:richsalz10@gmail.com) or call 914-230-2967 before 8:30 pm. If cancellation is necessary, an email will be sent by 7:30 am the day of the outing.

**September 25: Thomas Mountain Hike in Bolton Landing, NY****Leaders: Anne and Jim Waring****ADK Rating: Leader Level C (Easy)****Duration: 3 hours, 3 miles RT****Limit: 10**

**Description:** Thomas Mountain is part of the Cat and Thomas Preserve near Lake George in Bolton Landing. The trail follows the remains of an old logging road to the summit of Thomas with distant views of Lake George and the surrounding mountains. We'll take a break at the summit to enjoy the views and have a snack/lunch. There is a steady incline of 770 feet of elevation from the trailhead to the summit.

**MeetingTime/Place:** 1 PM at the trailhead parking lot at 759 Valley Woods Road, Bolton Landing, NY. Take Exit 24 off the Northway to Bolton Landing-Riverbank Road. Head east for 2 miles and turn right onto Valley Woods Road. The parking lot is 300 feet on the right.

**Contact:** Anne or Jim Waring at [annewaring1011@gmail.com](mailto:annewaring1011@gmail.com) or (631) 965-0610. If cancellation is necessary, an email will be sent by 7:30 am the day of the hike.

**Thursday, September 25: CRC Potluck    Limit: 60    RSVP by September 20**

**Location: Bolton Landing Community Center, 56 Edgecomb Pond Rd., Bolton Landing 12814**

**Hosts: Lynn Butterworth and John Rendinaro**

**Traditional Potluck:** Please bring an entree, appetizer, or dessert to share. The community center offers a full kitchen, tables and chairs. Weather permitting, if you prefer to sit outside, bring your own lawn chairs. Also, bring your own utensils, plates and beverages.

**Time:** 4:00 – 5:00 PM social hour, 5:00 -- 5:30 PM CRC meeting, 5:30 PM dinner

**Contact:** If rsvp-ing between September 2 – September 15, please contact Judy Thomson at [judythomson1230@gmail.com](mailto:judythomson1230@gmail.com) or 518. 229. 7473 and please specify whether you will bring an entrée, side, or dessert. Any other day, contact Lynn or John at [rendiandbutter@gmail.com](mailto:rendiandbutter@gmail.com) or 518. 240. 6162. **Please RSVP by September 20.**

**Directions:** From NYS Northway exit 24, head east toward Bolton Landing onto CR 11 / Bolton Landing – Riverbank Rd. Go 2.1 miles then turn right onto Valley Woods Rd. Go .6 mile and turn right onto Edgecomb Pond Rd. In about 3/4 of a mile, at Edgecomb Pond (on the right) turn right to stay on Edgecomb Pond Rd. The community center is about 3/4 of mile further on the left.