

MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR

Summer 2020

❖❖ Trails maintained by MHH

Designated Wilderness Area (limit 10 hikers/group in NC, 12 hikers/group in GA)

Aug 4 9AM C3	Fall Branch Falls parking lot on BMT to junction with Stanley Gap trail at Weaver Creek section and return. No shuttle. 6.4 miles. Please call hike leader Steve Dennison at 706-299-6825 if you plan to do this hike
Aug 4 9AM D4	Wayah Crest to Wayah Bald on the AT. Trail climbs from 4,188 ft. at Crest to 5,342 ft. at observation tower with some ups and downs in between. 8.4 miles round trip. Please call hike leader Marjorie Hornsby 828-415-1530 (no text) if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 6 9AM B2	Leisure Hike - Winding Stair Gap on AT South to Old Log Steps and Return - Begin with a 550-ft. gradually to 4,400 ft. in first miles, turn around at serious downhill is about to begin at the old log steps at abandoned logging roadbed and return. Total: exactly 5.0 mi., with two ridge top side trails to limited vistas. Please call hike leader Marjorie Hornsby 828-415-1530 (no text) if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 6 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 11 9AM B2	Turtletown Creek Falls, near Farner, TN. A moderate 4 mile round trip hike to two of the prettiest waterfalls in the area. Hiking sticks recommended. (≈ 3 hrs). Please call hike leader Evelin Yarns 919-530-9640 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 11 9AM D3	Winding Stair Gap to Siler Bald and return. Approx 9 miles. This is a MHH favorite at any season of the year. Lunch on the summit makes the walk up worth it! Please call hike leader Steve Dennison at 706-299-6825 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 13 9AM B1	Leisure Hike - Jackrabbit on Lake Chatuge, NC Double Loop - Combining the 3.1 mi. main loop and the 1.5 upper loop, this is an easy 4.6 mi. hike. Please call hike leader Harriet Hoke 727-804-3603 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 13 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 18 9AM B3	Deep Gap (4,341 ft) to the top of Standing Indian Mountain (5,498 ft.) on the AT. This is a 5 mile round trip hike (3.5 hours) in the Southern Nantahala Wilderness Area. Year-round spectacular views. Please call hike leader Marjorie Hornsby 828-415-1530 (no text) if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 18 9AM D4	Dicks Creek Gap to Kelly Knob. Start at Dicks Creek Gap and hike south over Powell Mountain, McClure Gap, Deep Gap and climb the north side of Kelly Knob. Great view from Kelly Summit. Return the same way. 9 miles total. NO SHUTTLE. Please call hike leader Steve Dennison at 706-299-6825 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 20 9AM B1	Leisure Hike - Brush Creek Inner Loop - Leave from Hwy. 64 unmarked parking on left 1/3 mi. above Brush Ck. bridge for a pleasant, easy walk of over 4 miles. Please call hike leader George Owen 706-374-4716 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 20 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 25 9AM B3	Gahutti Trail loop at Fort Mtn. State Park. Start at park entrance Gahutti to Goldmine Trail to Lake Trail to Rock Trail and back on Gahutti Trail, 5.3 mile. Variety of terrain, minor stream crossings, great views. Please call hike leader Ken Cissna 813-310-6084 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 25 9AM E4	Long Branch Trail to Albert Mt. 10.5 miles. Up the Long Branch Trail to the AT and on to Albert Mt. and return. Start at Back Country Information center at Standing Indian. NO SHUTTLE! Please call hike leader Mike O'Brien 706-994-1569 if you plan to do this hike.

Aug 27 9AM B3/4	Leisure Hike - Woody Gap South and Return (part way only to Gooch Gap) - Trek on the Appalachian Trail southward from Woody Gap to Ramrock Mtn. and then the next peak after that - both little summits have great rock-bluff vistas. On the second little peak begin your hike back to Woody Gap - great little 4-plus-mi. hike with some climbing mid-trek. Please call hike leader Cathie Stallings (706) 897-6924 if you plan to do this hike.
Aug 27 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Sep 1 9AM B2	Cooper Creek Sampler. Begin at the Cooper Creek Parking Area and hike the 1.7 mile Eye on Wildlife trail back to Parking Lot. From there we will continue hiking over to the Yellow Mountain Trail to Shope Gap Trail and back to Parking Lot for another 3.2 mile hike. If we have time, we'll go over to Sea Creek Falls. This is a very scenic area around Coopers Creek and features easy to moderate hiking. Please call hike leader Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 1 9AM D4	Dicks Creek Gap north to Plum Orchard Gap Shelter, in and out on the AT. 9 miles . Moderate with some steep climbs. Trail passes Dick's Creek Gap 2675 ft, Cowart Gap 2920 ft, Buzzard Knob 3760 ft, and Plum Orchard Gap 3090 ft. Please call hike leader Steve Dennison at 706-299-6825 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 3 9AM B2	Leisure Hike - NEW: Hanging Dog north of Murphy, NC - We hike about five miles on the upper bluff loops with lunch back down at the lakeside pavilion. Please call hike leader Evelin Yarns 919-530-9640 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 3 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Sep 8 9AM B3	Bear Hair Trail in Vogel State Park. Loop hike of about 4 miles (≈ 3:00 hrs) with some moderate to steep climbs. Bring hiking sticks and State Park pass or \$5. Please call hike leader Candy Retter 706-897-9538 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 8 9AM C3	The Miller Trek (Trail #46) at Brasstown Valley Resort. 6.5 mile loop is moderately difficult with an elevation change of 1,400 feet and some rough, rocky footing. Pace will be slow so we can look for wildflowers. Please call hike leader Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 10 9AM B2	Leisure Hike - Upper Ocoee trails off FS Rd. 221 - Quartz Loop, 1330 Bypass Tr., Chestnut Mountain Trail back to start - ca. 5 mi. Please call hike leader Evelin Yarns 919-530-9640 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 10 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Sep 15 9AM C3	Big Frog Wilderness loop. 7.2 miles. Hike starts at Thunder Rock Campground on the Benton McKaye trail to West fork trail to 1330 bypass to Bear Paw trail to Rhododendron Trail. Lunch at the Whitewater Center and then walk the beautiful boardwalk along the river back to cars. Please call hike leader Anne Anderson 423-284-7032 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 15 9AM D3	Rabun Bald. Hike on the Bartram Trail from Hale Ridge road to summit of Rabun Bald and return the same way. Approx. 10 miles. Moderate hike. Plan on dinner in Clayton afterwards? NO SHUTTLE! Please call hike leader Marjorie Hornsby 828-415-1530 (no text) if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 17 9AM B1	Leisure Hike - Some trails of Fannin County - First is the 2.6 mi. Lake Nottely Trail. Then we drive to the city park downtown Blue Ridge for an easy quarter-mile woods walk. Finally we drive to the Forest Service two loops on the northwest side of Lake Blue Ridge for about another 2 miles total on two looping trails. Please call hike leader George Owen 706-374-4716 if you plan to do this hike.
Sep 17 9 AM	Trail Maintenance Day. Contact: Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Sep 22 9AM	Grassy Mountain Firetower and Lake Conasauga Loop. In the Cohutta's, 6.2 miles, great view from tower

