

## B-HIKES (3 TO 6 MILES)

✱✱ = Trails maintained by MHHC

## = Designated Wilderness Area

### B3

**Appletree Trail Loop.** This is a new 5 mile hike for the Club. Moderate climbing, Start out of the campground on the Appletree Trail for 1.6 miles, then turn onto Diamond Valley Trail for 1.1 miles, the turn onto Junaluska Trail for 2 miles back to Appletree Trail and .2 miles back to trailhead. Several moderate climbs, uneven trail. Pretty cove.  
Meet at Andrews Rest Area, Hwy 74/19/129

### B2✱✱##

**Arkaquah Trail** from Brasstown Bald parking lot. An easy in and out hike of about 3 miles. Spectacular views. Some rough footing.  
Meet at Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy. 180.

### B3✱✱##

**Arkequah Trail from Brasstown Bald parking lot down.** This is a moderate hike of about 5.5 miles, mostly downhill. Spectacular views. See the petro glyphs at the end. Some rough footing.  
Shuttle  
Meet at Blairsville Park and Ride

### B2

**Bartram Trail** from Warwoman Dell (3 miles east of Clayton) to the viewing platform at Martin Creek Falls. This scenic (4 mile) round trip also passes by Becky Creek Falls.  
Meet at Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee.

### B3##

**Bear Hair Trail in Vogel State Park.** Loop hike of about 4 miles with some moderate to steep climbs. Bring hiking sticks and State Park pass or \$5.  
Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### B1

**Benton Falls, Red Leaf, Arbutus, Azalea, Clear Creek Trails** in the Chilhowee Recreation Area in east Tennessee. 4.8 mile easy trail. Fee area or bring pass.  
Meet at SE corner of Hwys. 64 and 19/129 in NC

### B3

**Benton MacKaye Trail, Section 15 (also Unicoi Turnpike Trail)** near Coker Creek, TN. Moderate 4 miles in and out, from Sandy Gap NC to Waucheesi Mountain. Steep gradient up to the summit. Ridge along the TN/NC line, beautiful views in the winter.  
Meet at SE corner of Hwys. 64 and 19/129 in NC

### B3

**Benton MacKaye Trail from Hwy. 60** at Wilscot Gap to Skeenah Gap. This 5.3 mile section is constantly going up and down. Many of these short grades are steep. Shuttle required.  
Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville

### **B3**

**BMT Across Sisson Property, from Hwy 515 to Boardtown Rd.** - A tumbling cascade, the only BMT shelter in Ga, a couple of small lakes, a chapel - it's all a trek of about 4 miles with a mixture of woods, cabins, trail, and short road walks. Some up and down, including a couple of steep ups for a few tenths of a mile, but the last mile is downhill. Shuttle  
Meet at Home Depot in Blue Ridge

### **B1**

**Big Lost Creek Trail** Located in TN. on the BMT. Less than six miles in and out. This easy, mostly level hike follows Big Lost Creek. Beautiful gorge, high rock walls on each side. Cascading rapids, falls, and beautiful rock formations on one side. Giant icicles in winter make this a gorgeous winter hike.

Meet at Piggly Wiggly Parking lot in Ducktown, TN

### **B3##**

**Blood Mountain** via the Byron Herbert Reece Trail and AT. A 5 mile round trip hike with 1,400 ft. of elevation change. Splendid views from the top.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180

### **B3\*\***

**Chunky Gal Trail** from Perry Gap over the top of Shooting Creek Bald (Boteler Peak) to Glade Gap on Hwy 64 in NC. 6.5 miles Outstanding view from top. Shuttle required.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3\*\***

**Chunky Gal Trail** from Perry Gap to Tusquitee Gap. 4 miles, moderate. Long shuttle required, or key exchange. Winter views.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3\*\***

**Chunky Gal Trail.** Hike from Bob Allison Campground along scenic Tuni Creek to the big buckeye tree and return. About 4 miles with 5 stream crossings (slippery footing) each way. Hiking sticks required.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3\*\***

**Chunky Gal Trail from Tusquitee Gap to Bob Allison Campground.** 4 miles moderate. Shuttle required, or key exchange.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville

### **B2**

**Clear Creek Trail and Benton Falls** near the Ocoee River Gorge in TN. This 5 mile hike may be a key-exchange hike.

Meet at SE corner of Hwys. 64 and 19/129 in NC.

### **B3**

**Coosa Backcountry Trail** from Wolf Creek Road to Burnett Gap. This is a moderate 4.6 mile round trip has some steep sections. Shuttle

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B3**

**Coosa Backcountry Trail from Wolfpen Gap to Barnett Gap.** At Calf Stomp Gap we will take FS road 108 down to Barnett Gap. 900 foot elevation climb at start of hike. 5.1 mi. Short shuttle.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B2\*\***

**Cooper Creek Sampler.** Begin at the Cooper Creek Parking Area and the Yellow Mountain Trail to Shope Gap Trail to Duncan Ridge Rd, then down to the Mills Shoals Trail and back to Parking Lot for a 5 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.

Meet at Blairsville Park & Ride

### **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 in the Southern Nantahala Wilderness Area. Year-round spectacular views.

Note: FSR road #71 is often closed in winter.

Meet at Ingles Parking Lot in Hayesville.

### **B2**

**Dicks Creek Gap north to Cowart Gap** on the AT. This is a 3.6 mile round trip hike with some moderate ascending and descending in both directions along the slopes of Little Bald Mountain..

Meet at Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee.

### **B2**

**Dukes Creek Falls and Smithgall Woods.** Hike 2.2 miles round trip to the 250 ft. falls, and then hike the 1.5 mile Laurel Ridge Interpretive Trail and/or the .5 mile Wetland Loop Trail. Note:

Dukes Cr and Smithgall have parking fees (neither honors the other), no lunch facilities at Smithgall

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B4**

**Duncan Ridge Trail from Mulky Gap east to Buckeye Gap** and return. Moderate 5.2 miles. Duncan Ridge Trail has several steep sections.

Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

### **B3**

**Duncan Ridge Trail from Fish Gap to Rhodes Gap** and return. Moderate 6 miles. Newly rerouted off of the peaks, nice walk with great winter views.

Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

### **B3**

**Emery Creek Falls.** 5 miles in and out. A delightful walk in the Cohuttas which ends in a pair of waterfalls: The first is 40-50 ft high, the second is about 25 ft high. The walk is along Emery Creek and involves about 12 stream crossings, so bring poles - should be nice and cool down by the creek.

Meet at Home Depot in Blue Ridge

### **B3\*\***

**Fires Creek** from Bristol Horse Camp on trail # 76 to Carver Gap. Rim trail to Leatherwood Falls. 3.7 miles, 800 ft. of elevation gain. Moderate to strenuous. Short shuttle required.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville

### **B3\*\***

**Fires Creek.** From recreation area pass by Leatherwood Falls, then take Rim Access Trail for another 2 miles of steady ascent. Return down access trail and complete Leatherwood Falls loop for 5 miles. Steep uphill section.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3**

**Flat Creek Loop** in Fannin County. This 5.8 mile loop hike begins at Deep Gap on Aska Road and is rated average difficulty.

Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

### **B4##**

**GA AT series 8. Unicoi Gap to Indian Grave Gap on the AT** and return on the Rocky Mountain Trail. A 5.5 mile hike with 1,000 ft. elevation gain both directions.

Meet at Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee

### **B2**

**Gobbler Trail at Piney Knob.** 6 mile loop with good winter views, recently opened with good trailbed

Meet at Ingles in Murphy

### **B2**

**Green Mountain Trail** in Fannin County, Aska area. A moderate hike of about 5 miles with good winter views of Lake Blue Ridge.

Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

### **B2**

**Helen to Unicoi State Park Lodge** and return. An easy and scenic 5.6 mile round trip hike. Lunch at Lodge (bring your own or eat in dining room). Optional 2 mile hike around the lake also. A club favorite.

Meet at Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee.

### **B3**

**Indian Grave Gap to Tray Mountain and back.** 5.0 mile moderate hike on the AT to Tray Mt., the second highest point on the AT in GA. The trail passes Indian Grave Gap (3113 ft), a fabulous hillside of galax, the “cheese factory” turnoff, a viewpoint just before Tray Mt. (4430 ft).

Meet at Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee

### **B4##**

**Jacks Gap to Chattahoochee Gap** on the Jacks Knob Trail. This 4.6 mile round trip hike has several moderate to strenuous grades both directions. Pretty wildflowers in the spring

Meet at Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy 180.

### **B3**

**John Muir National Recreation Trail/Benton MacKaye Trail** from confluence of Coker Creek with Hiwassee River to the swinging bridge at Appalachia powerhouse. Near Coker Creek TN, or Reliance TN. Moderate 4 mile one-way hike along one of the most beautiful trails in the area. Retraces the path of John Muir on his 1000-mile walk to the Gulf. High bluffs give spectacular views of the Hiwassee River. Some gradient and several stream crossings. BMTA has recently rerouted part of the trail to higher ground. Long shuttle or key exchange required.

Meet at SE corner of Hwys. 64 and 19/129 in NC

### **B3**

**Kimsey Creek Trail** in Standing Indian area. Hike beside a beautiful stream for about 5 miles in and out.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B4##**

**Logan Turnpike Trail from Tesnatee Gap.** Hike down about 1-3/4 miles. First 1/2 mile is steep and rocky. Lower trail parallels Town Creek among big hemlocks. Return elevation gain is about 1,500 feet.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180

### **B3##**

**Neels Gap to Levelland Mountain** on the AT. Start at Byron Reece parking area. A 4.5 mile moderate round trip hike with a nice view from the top of Levelland Mountain.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B2##**

**Neels Gap to Tesnatee Gap.** Key exchange hike. One half of the group starts at Neels Gap, the other half starts at Tesnatee Gap. Meet for lunch and trade keys! Great view from the top of Levelland Mountain. 5.5 miles.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B2**

**Old Copper Road Trail** along Ocoee River in TN. An easy 4.8 mile round trip beginning at the Ocoee Whitewater Center on the historic Old Copper Road, originally constructed in 1851. Follows the Ocoee River for 2.4 miles to TVA Dam No. 3. Four foot bridges and beautiful views of the river, old apple trees, stone foundations and hand-laid walls. Picnic tables and pit toilets at the 2.4 mile mark. \$3 parking fee.

Meet at SE corner of Hwy. 64 and 19/129 in NC.

### **B2**

**Park Creek Trail with crossover to Park Ridge Trail** in Standing Indian area. 5 miles with some stream crossings. A favorite spring hike because of beautiful wildflower display.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B2##**

**Raven Cliffs Trail.** A scenic 5 mile round trip hike along a cascading mountain stream to towering cliffs with two waterfalls. Some difficult footing due to erosion.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy. 180.

### **B2**

**Rock Gap in the Standing Indian area to the Back Country Information Center** via the AT and Long Branch Trail. 4.6 miles. Short shuttle required.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B5 \*\***

**Rockhouse Creek Trail #387 in and out in the Fires Creek Area.** 2.3 miles with 2000 ft climb from FS 340A up to Big Stamp (once the site of a lookout tower), then back. 4.6 miles round trip.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville

### **B3\*\***

**Smith Creek Trail** from Anna Ruby Falls to Unicoi State Park with shuttle. 5 miles. Stream crossing and some rough, rocky footing (best done in summer due to bad footing covered by leaves). Parking fee for Forest Service and State Park.

Meet at Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee

### **B3**

**Stanley Gap Trail** - 5.3 Miles, Start at Aska Adventure area, up over Rocky Mountain on the BMT, then on to Fall Branch Falls, 1400' elevation gain. Shuttle Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

### **B3##**

**Tesnatee Gap on the Richard Russell Highway to Whitley Gap Shelter** and return. This is a 4 mile round trip hike with magnificent views from the ridgetop. Note: Good hike for late May due to flowers

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B3##**

**Tesnatee Gap on the Richard Russell Highway to Wolf Laurel Top** and return. This is a 4.5 mile round trip hike with magnificent views from the Rock outcrops.

Meet at Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180.

### **B2**

**Turtletown Creek Falls, near Farner, TN.** A moderate 4.5 mile round trip hike to two of the prettiest waterfalls in the area. Hiking sticks recommended. Note: Good summer hike

Meet at Old Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown, TN.

### **B3##**

**Unicoi Gap to Andrews Cove on the AT and Andrews cove trail.** A 5mile hike with 1,000 ft. elevation gain going in. Short Shuttle.

Meet at Unicoi Gap on Hwy 75 south of Hiawassee.

### **B2\*\*\*##**

**Wagon Train Trail** from Brasstown Bald parking lot down to the Tower Overlook and back for about 4 miles round trip. Outstanding views. Can add a trip to the top of the Bald for another mile

Meet at Jacks Gap at base of Brasstown Bald on Hwy 180.

### **B2**

**Wayah Bald (5,342 ft.) to Wayah Gap (4,180 ft.) on the AT.** This is 4.2 miles mostly downhill. Spectacular view from observation tower atop Wayah Bald. Shuttle required.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3**

**Wayah Gap to Siler Bald** on the AT. The trail climbs 1,000 feet in, but the 360 degree view from top is well worth the effort. A 4.2 mile round trip hike. Club favorite

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3**

**Winding Stair Gap to Rock Gap.** A 3.7 mile moderate hike on the AT.

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

### **B3**

**Winding Stair Gap north to Panther Gap and back.** A 4 mile moderate hike on the AT

Meet at Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.

**B3**

**Yellow Mountain Trail in the Coosa Wildlife Management Area.** 4.7 miles and 800 foot elevation change. The Yellow Mountain Trail to the top, then the Shope Gap Trail to the Duncan Ridge Road, follow the road to the Mill Shoal Creek Trail which will take us back to the Campground. Meet at Park & Ride in Blairsville.

**B4**

**Yonah Mountain near Cleveland, GA.** A 5 mile round trip with 1,700 feet elevation gain, you literally "climb a mountain". This shark-fin shaped mountain has a trail that is a combination of moderate and some steep and rocky sections. Excellent views. Icy in winter. Used for military maneuvers: ranger office number to coordinate access is 706-864-3367. Meet at Unicoi Gap on Hwy. 75 south of Hiawassee.