

# MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR

SUMMER 2016

July 5 9 AM C3	<p><b>Long Creek Falls</b> in the Three Forks Area of the A.T. From the falls, we will continue up the AT to an old cemetery (Hickory Flats) and hike until we hit approx. 3 miles, making a round trip of 6 miles. This is a gorgeous drive and hike deep in the forest of Fannin County.</p> <p><b>Food Lion in Blue Ridge</b> Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281</p>
July 5 8 AM E3	<p><b>Kimsey Creek Trail from Back Country Information Center in Standing Indian area to Deep Gap and return on the Lower Ridge Trail.</b> A hike of appr. 11 miles Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Irene Reiner 706-970-9822</p>
July 7 9 AM B2	<p><b>Leisure Hike - River Walk in Murphy.</b> 4.5 flat miles out and back along the Valley and Hiwassee rivers.</p> <p><b>L&amp;N Depot on Hiwassee Street in Murphy</b> Paul McCord 828-8353991</p>
July 7 8:00	<p><b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</p>
July 12 9 AM B3	<p><b>Bartram Trail from Warwoman Dell (3 miles east of Clayton) to the viewing platform at Martin Creek Falls.</b> This scenic (4+ mile) round trip also passes by Becky Creek, Optional meal out at Rumor Hazit Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281</p>
July 12 8 AM C3	<p><b>Bartram Trail Northward from Warwoman Dell (3 miles east of Clayton) to Pinnacle Peak and Return</b> Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee Irene Reiner 706-970-9822</p>
July 14 8:00	<p><b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</p>
July 19 9 AM B4	<p><b>Yonah Mountain near Cleveland, GA.</b> A 5 mile round trip with 1,700 feet elevation gain, you literally "climb a mountain" A combination of moderate and some steep and rocky sections. Excellent views Meet at Trailhead Steve Dennison 706-253-3938</p>
July 19 8 AM C3	<p><b>Mooney Gap to Timber Ridge Trail</b> in Standing Indian area. 5 miles on the AT plus 2.5 on the Timber Ridge for a total of 7.5 miles. Optional 1.2 miles to Big Laurel Falls. Shuttle required. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Irene Reiner 706-970-9822</p>
July 21 9 AM (A2) ❖❖	<p><b>Leisure Hike - High Shoals Falls.</b> A 2.5 mile round trip hike to view two beautiful waterfalls. This hike is short but has some climbing and descending.</p> <p>Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiwassee</p>

	Ginny Smith 706-258-8716	
July 21 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville 315-591-3167	Bronco Burnsworth
July 26 9 AM C3	<b>Mooney Gap to Timber Ridge Trail</b> in Standing Indian area. 5 miles on the AT plus 2.5 on the Timber Ridge for a total of 7.5 miles. Shuttle required. This area usually stays cooler in the summer  Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Tom Sewell 706-669-6405
July 26 9 AM C3	<b>GA AT series 3. Woody Gap to Gooch Gap (in and out).</b> 7.2 miles. Nice Views south. Trail passes Woody Gap (3150), Ramrock Mt. (3200) high point, Gooch Gap (2784) low point. MHH "favorite". Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy. 180.	Candy Retter 706-897-9538
July 28 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b>  Blairsville Park and Ride 315-591-3167	Bronco Burnsworth
Aug 2 9 AM B2	<b>Dally Gap to Jack's River.</b> 5-6 mi. hike up Hemp Top Trail to intersection with the BMT at Spanish Oak Gap to Jacks River Trail to the river. Bring poles, river shoes if you want to cross the river.  Home Depot in Blue Ridge	Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281
Aug 2 9 AM C3	<b>Rock Gap to Winding Stair Gap and back.</b> A 7.4 mile moderate hike on the AT with optional additional 1.4 mile round trip to Big Tree (Wasilik Poplar). Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Darlene Rothenay 706-770-2029
Aug 4 9 AM B1	<b>Leisure Hike - Benton Falls, Red Leaf, Arbutus, Azalea, Clear Creek Trails</b> in the Chilhowee Recreation Area in east Tennessee. 4.8 mile easy trail (2:45 hours). Fee area  Piggly Wiggly in Ducktown	Tom Sewell 706-669-6405
Aug 4 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 9 9 AM C3 ##	<b>Tesnatee Gap to Levelland Mountain</b> on the AT and return. This 7.6 mile hike has spectacular views from Cowrock, Wolf Laurel Top and Levelland Mountains  Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot	Candy Retter 706-897-9538
Aug 9 8 AM D4	<b>Standing Indian Area. Beech Gap to AT to Timber Ridge Trail.</b> 8.3 mile modest to strenuous hike. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville.	Irene Reiner 706-970-9822
Aug 11 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 16 9 AM B2	<b>Turtletown Creek Falls</b> 4+ mi. moderate loop hike with two beautiful waterfalls  Piggly Wiggly on Hwy 64 Ducktown, TN	Evelin and Doug Yarns 828-837-7237

Aug 16 9 AM D3	<b>Winding Stair Gap to Siler Bald on the AT.</b> Return by Siler Bald Shelter. A 9.4 mile hike with 1,400 ft elevation change. Outstanding view from the top of the bald. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville. Steve Dennison 706-253-3938 sjd50@etcm.com
Aug 18 9 AM A2	<b>Leisure Hike:</b> Chatuge Dam. Easy hike across dam and on the new asphalt extension. Beautiful view. Round trip distance about 4 miles. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Bob and Sue Astley 404-702-0273
Aug 18 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 23 9 AM B2	<b>Helen to Unicoi State Park Lodge</b> via Frog Pond and Bottom Loop Trails and return. Not difficult 5.8 mile round trip. Lunch at Lodge (or BYO). A club favorite. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee <b>Bob and Sue Astley 404-702-0273</b>
Aug 23 9 AM C3	<b>Summer Waterfalls Hike.</b> We'll hike first to 250 ft. Dukes Creek Falls for an easy 2.2 miles. Then on to Raven Cliff Falls where we'll have lunch at the base of the cliffs. A total of 7.2 delightful miles. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. <b>Jason Brannan 706-994-2370</b>
Aug 25 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167
Aug 30 9 AM B2 ❖❖	<b>Cooper Creek Sampler -</b> 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.  Blairsville Park and ride Tom Shope 706-745-4072
Aug 30 9 AM C3	<b>Lake Winfield Scott –Jarrard Gap- Slaughter Creek Trail</b> loop for a 7 mile moderate hike. Option to climb Blood Mountain. Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. Tom Sewell 706-669-6405
Sept 1 10 AM B2	<b>Leisure hike</b> - Trails at Smithgall Woods. Hike the 3 mile Visitor Center Trail, then hike the 1.5 mile Laurel Ridge Interpretive Trail and the .5 mile Wetland Loop Trail. Note: Smithgall has parking fees Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180 Wes Clonts 706-769-3234
Sept 1 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville <b>Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</b>
Sept 6 9 AM B4	<b>New hike: Tobacco Pouch to Wildcat Campground</b> in Jasper. This is a 5.1 adventure hike with a steep climb at the beginning (3.5 hrs), High water stream crossings with ropes and a shuttle. The payoff? A beautiful waterfall and pretty terrain along Wildcat Creek. Good hiking/ water shoes and poles recommended.  Home Depot in Blue Ridge (meet hike leaders at Wildcat Campground) Nancy and Steve Dennison 706-253-3938 sjd50@etcm.com
Sept 6	<b>Dockery Lake to AT and return.</b> A 6.8 mile hike. Elevation gain 1,000 ft. going, 600 ft. returning. Trail noted for wild azaleas. Optional wildflower walk in Sosebee Cove.

8 AM C3	Choestoe Baptist Church parking lot on Hwy 180. 9822	Irene Reiner 706-970-9822
Sept 8 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride	<b>Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</b>
Sept 12 12 noon	<b>Covered Dish Picnic / Business Meeting at Shope Palivion</b> Bring a covered dish for 8. <b>For info call : Candy Retter 706-835-1344 or <a href="mailto:candy.retter@gmail.com">candy.retter@gmail.com</a></b>	
Sept 13 9 AM C3	Byron Reece trailhead to Levelland and return. 5 miles on the AT past Mountain Crossings. Interesting rock formations Choestoe Church parking lot on hwy 180	Pam Sullivan 706-374-5281
Sept 13 9 AM C3	<b>Green Mountain Trail</b> in Fannin County. A moderate round trip hike of 7 miles. Views of Lake Blue Ridge Food Lion in Blue Ridge	Ginny Smith 706-258-8716
Sept 15 9 AM A2	<b>Leisure Hike: Three Forks along scenic Long Creek</b> for 3 mi and then return. Hiking on the AT and Benton MacKaye Trail. Lunch at Long Creek Falls. Trail is easy to moderate. Food Lion in Blue Ridge	Hank Baudet 706-946-4318
Sept 15 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	<b>Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</b>
Sept 20 9 AM C3	<b>Deep Gap south on old and new AT.</b> See aircraft crash site and Ravenrock Cliffs. This is a moderate round trip hike of 6.5 miles. Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	George Owen 706-897-3366
Sept 20 8:30 AM C3##	<b>Wagon Train Trail</b> from Brasstown Bald parking. Timed hike. We will carpool to parking area at the Brasstown Bald Parking Lot. ( Fee area, Bring your Senior Pass). Then walk up sidewalk a short distance to the beginning of the Wagon Trail. We will hike down toward Young Harris College. After hiking 1 1/2 hours, we will find a lunch/ snack area and eat. After break, we will head back towards the Bald. Based on AVERAGE hiking time of 2 mph, it should be about 6 miles, round trip., give or take. Some easy climbing, although it is rocky in many spots. Poles and sturdy shoes highly suggested. Hwy 180 at the parking area at the bottom of the Bald	Darlene Rothenay 706-770-2029
Sept 22 8:00	<b>NC Trail Maintenance Day</b> Ingles parking lot in Hayesville	<b>Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</b>
Sept 27 9 AM B3## ❖❖	<b>Arkequah Trail</b> from Brasstown Bald parking lot down. This is a moderate hike of about 5.5 miles, mostly downhill. Spectacular views. See the petroglyphs at the end. Some rough footing. Shuttle Blairsville Park and Ride	George Owen 706-897-3366
Sept 27 8 AM C4	<b>Andrews Cove to Tray Mountain.</b> 9 mile in and out hike (≈ 4:30 hrs), 2,500 ft. elevation gain. Hike the Andrews Cove trail to Indian Grave Gap I and then the AT to Tray Mtn. Return the same way.. Macedonia Baptist Church parking lot east of Hiawassee	Irene Reiner 706-970-9822
Set 29 8:00	<b>Georgia Trail Maintenance Day.</b> Blairsville Park and Ride	<b>Bronco Burnsworth 315-591-3167</b>