MOUNTAIN HIGH HIKERS CALENDAR Winter 2022

❖❖ Trails maintained by MHH

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

Mar 1	Fall Branch Falls parking lot on BMT to junction with Stanley Gap trail at Weaver Creek
9AM	section and return. 6.4 miles. Please text Bob Murrah at 678-790-3620 if you plan to
C3	do this hike.
Mar 1	Gahuti Backcountry Trail in Fort Mountain State Park. An 8.2 mile moderate to strenuous
9AM	hike with good fall views. State Park Pass or current parking fee. Please call hike leader
D4	Steve Dennison at 706-299-6825 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 3	Leisure Hike - Watson Gap to Dyer Gap - This 4.5 mi. trek is all on the Benton MacKaye
9AM	Trail northwest of Blue Ridge, GA. For less uphill we start at Watson Gap. Part of the trip
B2	is aong the upper Jack's River, including a section of the South Fork Trail with a few
22	tenths of a mile side trip to a waterfall. Please call hike leader Laurie Columbo 530-
	295-7639 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 3	Trail Maintenance Day
Easy	Contact Bill Johnson 954-931-1947 if you plan to do this Trip.
Lasy	Coleman River (1 mile) & Lake Chatuge Rec Area Trail (1 mile)
	Moderate to flat trail
Mar 8	Indian Grave Gap to Tray Mountain and back. 5 mile moderate hike on the AT to Tray
9AM	Mt., the second highest point on the Appalachian Trail in GA. The trail passes Indian
B3	Grave Gap (3113 ft.), a fabulous hillside of galax, the "cheese factory" turnoff, a
	viewpoint just before Tray Mtn.(4430). Please text Kim Blankenship at 770-880-8358
	if you wish to do this hike. If you have not hiked with her before please send email
	tokhblan6@gmail.com.
Mar 8	This 12 mile hike starts on the AT at Hogpen Gap to Jack's Gap via Chattahoochee
9AM	Gap. Moderate Hike with a few short strenuous sections. Great winter views along the
E3	trail.Shuttle required. Please contact Michael O'Brien at 706 994 1569 or email him at
	obrienmap@gmail.com.
Mar 10	Leisure Hike - Thunder Rock Campground, cross U.S. 64, take Benton MacKaye Trail
9AM	north on Little Frog Wilderness boundary to Rock Creek Trailhead and return - steep
B3	uphill for 0.2 mi. just after start, taken slowly, rest very moderate or downhill. Total in-
	out is 4.1 mi., winter views. Please call hike leader Ken Cissna at 706-636-1741 if you
	plan to do this hike.
Mar 10	Trail Maintenance Day
Difficult	Contact Bill Cox 850-417-0696 if you plan to do this Trip.
	Arkaqua Trail (Wilderness) from Track Rock to Buzzard Roost. 3 mile round trip with
	difficult 1.5 climb up to Buzzard Roast.
Mar 15	Coopers Creek Rec Area: Yellow Mtn Trail to Shope Gap Trail to Mills Shoals Trail. 5
10AM	miles, bring poles for small stream crossing. Please email hike leader Pam Sullivan
B3	pams11@tds.net if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 15	Woody Gap to Lake Winfield Scott via the AT. Woody Gap to Slaughter Gap, down the
9AM	Slaughter Creek Trail to Lake Winfield Scott for 10 miles. Please email Ted Shemella at
D3	tshemella@yahoo.com if you plan on doing this hike.
Mar 17	Leisure Hike – Flaming Azalea Hike at Piney Knob. 4 miles. Please email Evelyn
9AM	Yarns at <u>eyarns@spynet.com</u> if you plan on doing this hike.
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Mar 17	Trail Maintenance Day
Easy	Contact Michael O'Brien (706) 994 -1569 if you plan to do this Trip.

	Jack Rabbit Mtn Trail – Moderate 2.5 mile loop
Mar 22 9AM B3	Benton MacKaye Trail from Wilscot Gap to Brawley Fire tower, and then take the forest service road back to Wilscot Gap. Breath taking views of long range mountains along this road. 6.1 miles with a strenuous uphill to Tipton Mtn. (Views of Lake Blueridge), but moderate after. Please call hike leader Linda Hiles 954-445-4358 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 22 9AM C3	Jack Rabbit hike/bike trail 7.6 miles. Hike four loops of the Jack Rabbit Hike/ bike trail-3.1 miles on the white blazed loop, 2 miles on the blue blazed loop, 1 mile on the orange blazed trail, 1.5 miles on yellow blazed loop. Great views of Lake Chatuge and variety of hard woods. Please text Kelly Motter 979-480-6413 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 24 9AM B3	Leisure Hike - Springer Mtn. upper loop using AT & BMT - two great vistas and the new BMT parking lot. Please call hike leader Ken Cissna at 706-636-1741 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 24	Trail Maintenance Day OPEN
Mar 29 9AM B2	Various loops of the Talking Rock Nature Preserve. These are new trails in very good condition and with the possibility of hikers spotting many wild flowers. 4-7 miles depending how many of the loops are completed. Please text (843-864-3139) or email hike leader Michele Powell (AEMPowell@aol.com) if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 29 9AM E4	Unicoi Gap to Tray Mountain on the AT with return on the Rocky Mountain Trail. A 10.4 mile strenuous hike, 2400 ft. elevation gain. Great view from Tray Mountain. Please call hike leader Candy Retter 706-897-9538 if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 31 9AM B2-3	Leisure Hike - "Trail of Tears" (Unicoi Gap Trail) and Benton MacKaye Trail from Unicoi Gap to Hwy 64. Yes, at around 6 miles this trail is little long for a traditional leisure hike, but worth it with history and late winter views included. Please call leader George Owen if you plan to do this hike.
Mar 31 Difficult	Trail Maintenance Day Contact Steve Dennison (706) 299-6825 if you plan to do this trip Wagon Train Trail (Wilderness) Last third of Wagon Train approximately 3.8 miles to Young Harris College mostly downhill. Water diversion maintenance with some lopping.

Please contact the Hike Leader or visit www.mountainhighhikers.org for schedule changes In order to accommodate different hiking levels, we might do "timed-in-and-out" hikes.

Terrain / Footing: 1 = easy

Hike Rating: Distance: A = up to 3 miles

B = 3 - 6 miles

C = 6 - 8 miles

D = 8 - 10 miles 2 = average 3 = moderate 4 = strenuous E = over 10 miles 5 = very strenuous