

CHALLENGING Hike Schedule between 5/1/2026 and 8/31/2026

Hike #	Hike Name	Hike Leader	Meeting Point
Length/Elev Gain	Petzoldt Hike Rating	Comments	DriveDistance

Monday, May 4, 2026

C	#240	Newfound Gap to Clingman's Dome	Schaeffer, Brent
8.4 miles	2467	13.3 Strenuous	wmbrent@gmail.com

Monday, May 11, 2026

C	#251	MST Bear Gap In and Out	Walter, Gail
9.5 miles	1100	11.7 Strenuous	gswalter@gmail.com

Monday, May 18, 2026

C	#112	Buckeye Gap-Haywood Gap(Middle Prong) MST	Price, Jim	PRS
8.5 miles	1650	11.8 Strenuous	jamesbprice@mac.com	28.0

Monday, May 25, 2026

C			no hike

Monday, June 1, 2026

C	#215	Little Hump-Big Hump	Campbell, Jim	MRCVS
9 miles	2220	13.4 Strenuous	jim_campbell23@hotmail.com	84.0

Monday, June 8, 2026

C	#263	Bent Creek to Sleepy Gap Overlook	Walter, Gail	BBC
10.5 miles	1900	14.3 Strenuous	gswalter@gmail.com	

Monday, June 15, 2026

C	#213	Carvers Gap to Over Mountain Shelter	Campbell, Jim	MRCVS
11.7 miles	2260	16.2 Strenuous too few hikers	jim_campbell23@hotmail.com	83.0

Monday, June 22, 2026

C	#189	Cat Gap - Art Loeb	Brendel, Tommy	PRS
9 miles	1855	12.7 Strenuous	tommybrendel59@gmail.com	5.3

Monday, June 29, 2026

C	#246	Tanyard Gap to Spring Mountain	Vanden Heuvel, Mike	MRCVS
10.8 miles	2500	15.8 Strenuous	mvan1hendo@gmail.com	45.5

Monday, July 6, 2026

C	#199	Colbert Ridge	Shea, Dominic	MRCVS
7.7 miles	2920	13.5 Strenuous	dominicshea@gmail.com	64.0

Monday, July 13, 2026

C	#234	Green Knob-Mount Hardy WILDERNESS	Vanden Heuvel, Mike	PRS
11 miles	1700	14.4 Strenuous	mvan1hendo@gmail.com	

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Monday, July 20, 2026			
C #111	Art Loeb - Pilot Mountain South	Brendel, Tommy	PRS
6.3 miles 2020	10.3 Strenuous	tommybrendel59@gmail.com	23.2
Monday, July 27, 2026			
C #221	Pilot Cove Slate Rock Loop	Shea, Dominic	PRS
8.9 miles 2340	13.6 Strenuous	dominicshea@gmail.com	
Monday, August 3, 2026			
C #230	FHT-Ellicott Rock-East Fork	Larkin, John	ING-B
9 miles 915	10.8 Moderate/Strenuous	JRL11637@gmail.com	35.0
Monday, August 10, 2026			
C #239	Spivey Gap to Big Bald	Vanden Heuvel, Mike	
15 miles 3500	22.0 Strenuous	mvan1hendo@gmail.com	
Monday, August 17, 2026			
C #236	Skinny Dip Falls-Graveyard Ridge Loop	Price, Jim	PRS
9.6 miles 1940	13.5 Strenuous	jamesbprice@mac.com	
Monday, August 24, 2026			
C #225	Bethel via Shelton Trail	Franzoni, David	ING-B
9.8 miles 1880	13.6 Strenuous	dfrnzn@aol.com	23.0
Monday, August 31, 2026			
C #223	Pinnacle Peak-Blackrock	Brendel, Tommy	
10.7 miles 3000	16.7 Strenuous	tommybrendel59@gmail.com	